



# Backstage Pass to Nashville

October 28 - November 3, 2026 (7 days)

## NASHVILLE!

That dynamic, magical place, famously known as Music City USA.  
Behind-The-Scenes. Inside Scoop. Backstage.  
Whatever you want to call it, we'll experience it the way you've always wanted to.  
Three full days of Musical Memories!



RCA Studio B - Jim Reeves' final recording sessions

## MAP AT A GLANCE



Nashville

FALL  
79

## HIGHLIGHTS

- \* 4 Nights at the Spectacular Gaylord Opryland Resort in Atrium Rooms!
- \* The Jason Coleman Show (private)
- \* Kevin Williams Exclusive Inside Tour of Nashville (Awaiting confirmation)
- \* Ryman Auditorium Backstage Tour
- \* Historic RCA Studio B
- \* Broadway Honky-Tonks (on own)
- \* Country Music Hall of Fame
- \* Nashville Night Life Dinner Theatre
- \* Backstage Tour Grand Ole Opry
- \* Grand Ole Opry Show
- \* Johnny Cash Museum
- \* General Jackson Showboat Dinner Cruise
- \* Gaylord Opryland Shopping



Cowboy boots anyone?!





## Day 1 - Home to Bloomington, IL

Welcome aboard! Our journey begins with a travel day into Illinois.

**Included Meals: Dinner**

**Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton**

## Day 2 - Normal to Nashville, TN

We travel through southern Illinois and western Kentucky into the beautiful hill country of middle Tennessee to Nashville, known as "Music City, USA." We'll settle into our wonderful atrium view rooms at the spectacular Gaylord Opryland Resort for 4 Nights! After an included dinner, our Nashville Backstage gets off to a fabulous start with The Jason Coleman Show right at the hotel in a private room!

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

**Hotel: Gaylord Opryland Resort (4 Nights) (Atrium View Rooms!)**

## Day 3 - Nashville Itinerary

- Hot breakfast at Gaylord Opryland
- Kevin Williams Inside Stories & Welcome to Nashville (pending)
- Kevin Williams Inside Tour of Nashville featuring many celebrities' homes, Music Row, city highlights, The Parthenon, & Universities (awaiting confirmation)
- Lunch on own at Assembly Hall on Broadway
- Historic RCA Studio B Tour
- General Jackson Showboat Dinner Cruise

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

## Day 4 - Nashville Itinerary

- Hot breakfast at Gaylord Opryland
- Country Music Hall of Fame
- Lunch on own at one of Broadway Honky-Tonks
- Grand Ole Opry Backstage Tour
- Dinner at Paula Deen's Restaurant
- Grand Ole Opry Show

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

## Day 5 - Nashville Itinerary

- Hot breakfast at Gaylord Opryland
- Free morning: Shopping at Gaylord Opryland Venues & lunch on own

- Ryman Auditorium Backstage Tour
- Johnny Cash Museum
- Nashville Night Life Dinner Theatre

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

## Day 6 - Nashville to Bloomington, IL

- Hot Breakfast at Gaylord Opryland
- Travel day to Bloomington
- Dinner at Barrel House Restaurant

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

**Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton**

## Day 7 - Bloomington to Home

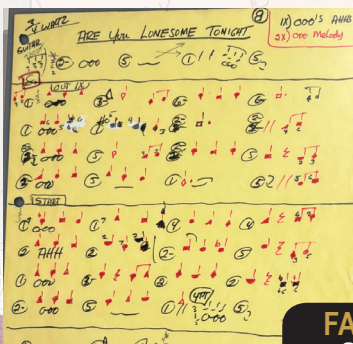
- Breakfast at hotel
- Travel through Wisconsin to Minnesota with musical memories of our Backstage Pass to Nashville!

**Included Meals: Breakfast**

*"The Nashville tour is very well planned. Best resort ever, delicious meals, highlights to look forward to every day. If anyone likes country music, this is the tour to be on."*

Lorraine - Slayton, MN

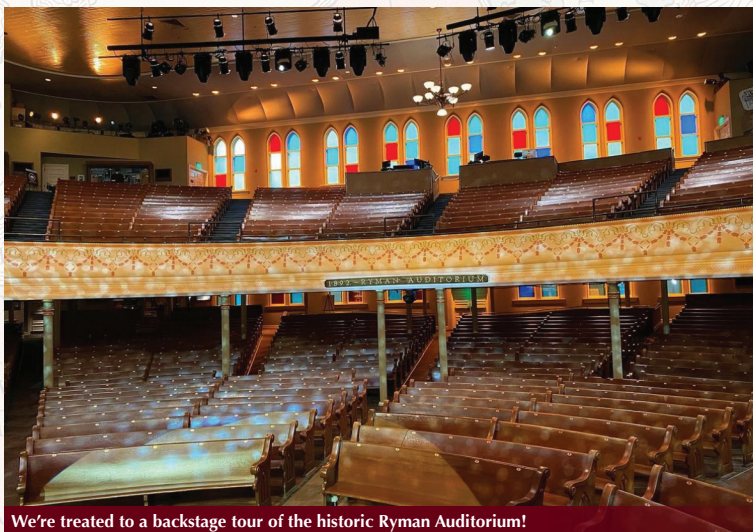
Elvis' "Are You Lonesome Tonight" Notation



4 nights at Gaylord Opryland with Atrium View rooms!



Country Music HOF



We're treated to a backstage tour of the historic Ryman Auditorium!



Backstage tour at the Grand Ole Opry - we're exploring right where the stars perform!

Always great entertainment aboard the General Jackson Showboat!





## **GAYLORD OPRYLAND RESORT HOTEL**

Featuring nine acres of airy indoor garden atriums with walking trails, indoor rivers & waterfalls, tropical foliage, numerous restaurants, bars, bakery & coffee shops, unique shops, and boutiques. This incredible resort will be our home for four grand nights, made even more magical with our atrium-view rooms!

## **JASON COLEMAN**

Jason is the grandson of legendary country recording artist Floyd Cramer. Floyd is generally considered by most as the "Father of The Nashville Sound." From a young age, it was evident that Jason had inherited his grandfather's "slip note" touch at the piano. Jason's keen ability to play music by ear, led to a childhood spent arranging his own renditions of the songs he loved, just as his grandad did throughout his storied career. Jason grew up performing with Floyd at his concerts around the country and on National TV. He made his Grand Ole Opry debut at age 17 and two years later was given the honor of playing for the Medallion Ceremony recognizing Floyd's induction into the Country Music Hall of Fame. He has spent his career in the studio and on stage, producing a collection of his own piano albums and touring around the world in concerts that pay tribute to his grandfather's enduring legacy and signature piano style. He hosts The Jason Coleman Show on You Tube as well as a weekly show on WSM, the most famous country music station in the world. We are privileged to have Jason share a private concert for our group right at our hotel!

## **KEVIN WILLIAMS (awaiting confirmation)**

Kevin is a master guitarist, studio recording artist, comedian, and speaker, whose 35-year career in music is full of milestones. He is probably most well known and recognized as the guitarist, band leader, and funny guy with Bill & Gloria Gaither, The Gaither Vocal Band and the hugely popular "Gaither Homecoming Concerts and TV Series." In Nashville's music scene, he is noted as a "First Call Session Musician." As a session guitarist, Kevin's touch has been heard on countless songs by major Christian and Country artists. He has played on over 2,600 recording projects, including over 120 gold and platinum albums. He has performed and recorded countless times at The Ryman Auditorium and The Grand Ole Opry. Kevin will be our host and guide for a day, giving us an exclusive inside tour of the Nashville scene! (awaiting confirmation)

## **RCA STUDIO B**

RCA Studio B is a music recording studio built in 1956 in Nashville. The studio became known in the 1960's for being an essential factor to the development of the musical production style and sound

engineering technique known as the "Nashville Sound." In the two decades the studio was in operation, Studio B produced 60% of the country music's chart hits. The studio was created by RCA Victor executive Steve Sholes and the iconic guitarist Chet Atkins. In 1956, in this studio, Chet Atkins produced a session with Elvis Presley, during which he recorded the song "Heartbreak Hotel," that would become his first gold record and launched his legendary career. Elvis recorded more than 200 songs here. The list of famous artists that have recorded here is mind-boggling! In 1960, Floyd Cramer recorded his own original piano hit "Last Date" in Studio B. The piano he recorded on is still in the Studio and we get to see it!

## **GENERAL JACKSON SHOWBOAT**

The General Jackson is a riverboat designed to recreate the showboats that cruised the rivers of America in the 19th century. It is one of the largest and most elegant showboats ever launched. The dinner cruise features some of the finest southern-style cuisine you've experienced paired with talented and lively entertainment. Nashville musicians are incredible - You'll love it!

## **COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME**

Located in downtown Nashville, the HOF is one of the world's largest museums dedicated to the celebration, preservation and interpretation of American music. For an artist in the country music field, induction into the CMHOF is the highest honor that can be attained. The very first inductees in 1962 were Hank Williams, Jimmie Rodgers, Fred Rose, and Roy Acuff.

## **BROADWAY**

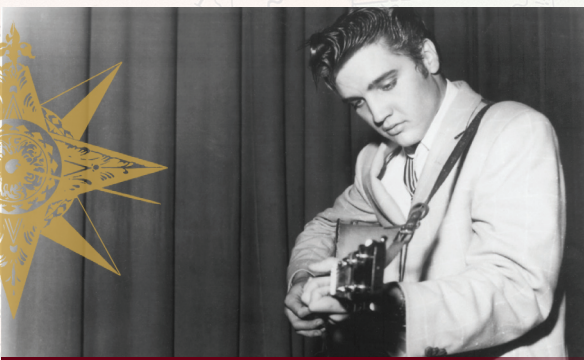
Broadway is a main avenue in downtown Nashville's entertainment district, renowned for Honky Tonks, live country music, restaurants, dessert spots, shopping, and tourist attractions.

## **JOHNNY CASH MUSEUM**

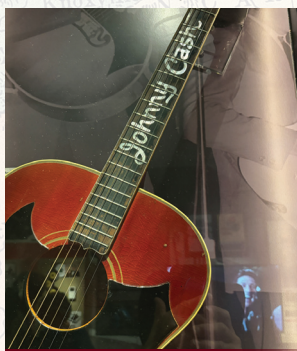
Located in downtown Nashville, the museum is named the #1 Music Museum in America by USA Today and the #1 Music Museum in the World by National Geographic Traveler! The Museum graphically relates the life and musical journey of June and Johnny Cash. Opening in 2013, it honors the life and music of the country music superstar often referred to as the "Man In Black."

## **NASHVILLE NIGHT LIFE DINNER THEATRE**

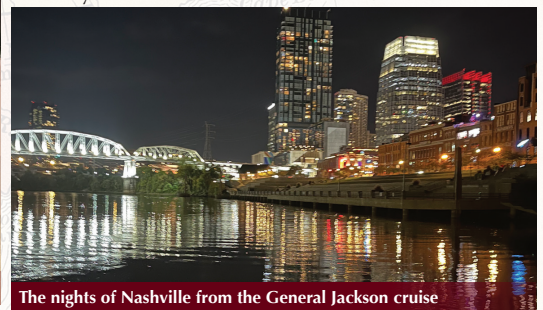
Come and experience a celebration of country music from both past and present. Hear songs from many of the great artists in country music history along with today's hottest superstars. Enjoy the music of everyone from Hank Williams Sr. and Patsy Cline to the superstars of today like Sara Evans and Toby Keith! Come with an appetite as we'll be partaking in their tasty, homestyle dinner buffet.



Elvis Presley recording at RCA Studio B



Johnny Cash Museum



The nights of Nashville from the General Jackson cruise



Kevin takes us on a driving tour to see celebrity homes (awaiting confirmation)



Touring with Kevin Williams! (awaiting confirmation)



Backstage we'll see dressing rooms at the Grand Ole Opry



## RYMAN AUDITORIUM

The Ryman is a historic 2,362-seat live-performance venue in the downtown core of Nashville. A National Historic Landmark, and the former home of the Grand Ole Opry from 1943 to 1974, it is one of the most influential and revered concert halls in the world. The Ryman was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1971 and was later designated as a National Historic Landmark in 2001, for its pivotal role in the popularization of country music. A storied stage for Rock & Roll artists for decades, the Ryman was named a Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Landmark in 2022. Originally built to be a church, it is affectionately called "The Mother Church of Country Music."

## GRAND OLE OPRY BACKSTAGE TOUR

Take it all in...the sights, the sounds, and the stories that only happen backstage, before the magic happens on stage. Hang out behind-the-scenes with stories about the Opry and country music greats, complete with exclusive photos from the Opry's biggest moments. See the Artist Entrance where stars walk into the world famous Opry House every night. Backstage!!!

## GRAND OLE OPRY SHOW

The "Opry", as it's known, is a weekly live country music radio and television show broadcasted from the Opry House located on the banks of the Cumberland River in east Nashville. It started in 1925 and is the longest running radio show in US history. It was broadcast by WSM Radio Station. It moved to its former famous home, the Ryman Auditorium in 1943 and then to its present venue, The Opry House in 1974. It is the ultimate honor for any music star to have performed at The Opry. We are privileged to attend their fantastic show.



Be in awe at Country Music Hall of Fame!



Nashville Nightlife Dinner Theatre



Attend the Grand Ole Opry



Backstage at the Grand Ole Opry



Jason Coleman - we're treated to a private concert!



Downtown Nashville



Opryland readying for Christmas



We'll thoroughly enjoy our stay at the incredible Gaylord Opryland Resort!



Ryman Auditorium - this famous landmark was originally built as a church in 1892



2025 R&J Group at the Parthenon in Nashville

## Backstage Pass to Nashville

### 2026 DATES & PRICES

DATES:	October 28 - November 3, 2026 (7 Days)	
PRICE PER PERSON:	\$3,299 Double \$3,079 Triple	\$4,089 Single \$2,959 Quad
PRICE INCLUDES:	12 Meals, Activities & Hotels as stated, Luxury Motorcoach	
DEPOSIT DUE PER PERSON:	\$100 deposit per person at time of reservation. Full payment due 30 days prior to departure.	
OPTIONAL TRAVEL PROTECTION P/P:	\$260 Double per person	\$324 Single
TRAVEL BUCKS:	\$45 per person on future travel with R&J	
TOUR PACE:	Moderate Walking (See page 9 for description)	

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