Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

LAKE ERIE WINE COUNTRY

THURS AUG 1, 2019

Departures, as applicable, from North Olmsted, Middleburg Heights, Independence, Beachwood, Willoughby, Ashtabula.

Experience Lake Erie Wine Country, formerly known as the Chautauqua-Lake Erie Wine Trail, on the south shore of Lake Erie in New York State. Here we’ll step back in time, with our local guide, to explore the wineries that are nestled among green rolling hills in the midst of 30,000 acres of fragrant grape vineyards. While we can’t guarantee that this one-day tour will make you a “wine expert”, it should make you a “little more knowledgeable” of a practice that dates back to the 14th century . . . and our tour is still most-competitively priced.

Besides learning about the history of grape-growing in this region, we will be seeing the vineyards, visiting the tank rooms, visiting a bottling line, learning the proper way to hold our glass for tasting as we check for color, clarity and “legs” and, of course, tasting a number of these great wines.

Our guide will be taking us to three of the more popular wineries where, at lunch time, we will be dining at Merritt Estate Winery, located in the largest Concord grape-growing region in the world. It has been claimed that the grapes and wines produced in this area rival the quality of premium vintages found throughout the world.

This winery was one of the first farm wineries organized in Chautauqua County in 1976; but the history of the Merritt Estate dates all the way back to the late 1800’s . . . and it has been in the same family since the late 19th century. But, of course, we have included a glass of wine with our lunch here along with a number of wines we will be tasting in their winetasting room.

Recently one of the wineries that was originally located in Mayville has expanded, this time in Westfield, New York. It boasts a new location of Mazza Chautauqua Cellars, with an expanded distillery and a brewery, named “Five & 20 Spirits & Brewing.” They are known for their 40-year tradition of crafting fine wines.

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Our third winery today is 21 Brix, a winery surrounded by vineyards and cherry orchards that offers the opportunity to try several of their sweet and dry wines, along with a couple in-between. Please keep your eyes open so, hopefully, the Driver won’t pass by the large pink elephant leading the way into 21 Brix. Look for Ella!

$136 per person

Must be 21 years of age

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