

# RILEY'S TRAVEL EASY TOURS

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## Amish Christmas Treasures

Featuring Shipshewana, Indiana during Christmas time!

December 5-9, 2018

### Day 1 Elkhart Lake, WI

We'll begin our journey on our tour to enjoy all of the treasures of Christmas in Shipshewana, Indiana. We'll enjoy music, traditions and messages of Christmas that will help us celebrate the most wonderful time of the year. Today we'll travel to Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin to our resort, **The Osthoff**. Upon arrival we'll attend a European-style **Christmas Market**, with 80 vendors from all over the world. Next, we'll hop aboard a traditional hay wagon for a **hayride** along the rustic paths and winding roads of charming surroundings of the resort. Tonight, an **included German-themed welcome dinner** will top off our evening. (D)

### Day 2 Shipshewana, IN

Today we'll travel through Illinois into Indiana. **Lunch will be included** along the way. We'll take a step back in time in **Shipshewana**, located in the heart of the third largest Amish community in the United States, there are many things to do and see here. Shipshewana is home to the "plain people," Mennonite and Amish. Their influence contributes to Shipshewana's unique small town atmosphere. We'll visit **Rise N Roll Bakery** on our way into town. We'll let you **explore Shipshewana** and do some shopping once we arrive before we check into our accommodations. Tonight, we'll have an **included dinner** at the **Blue Gate Restaurant** before attending **Dailey & Vincent at the Shipshewana Event Center**. Jamie Dailey and Darrin Vincent took home seven awards at the

2008 International Bluegrass Music Awards Show, including Entertainer of the Year and Album of the Year. (B, L, D)

### Day 3 Shipshewana, IN

This morning a local guide will join us for a **Scents and Senses of the Holiday Season Tour**. We'll begin at a **local perfumery**. We'll be guided through the only self-contained perfumery in the US. Then we'll enjoy a ride through the countryside to an **Amish Woodworking & Retail Shoppe** to learn about the beautiful woods incorporated into the locally made products. There will be time to shop this 2 level showroom. Next, Lunch is included before attending **"Christmas in Paradise" at the Blue Gate Theater**. Christmas Day approaches and uncertainty reigns in the beautiful town of Paradise. As the newest owners of a thrift store, Matthew and Mary are facing seemingly insurmountable challenges, including a parent with dementia, a sister with control issues, and some very nosy and noisy neighbors - all of which makes for a few "bumps in the road" during the most wonderful time of the year! Christmas in Paradise is an inspirational and uplifting journey that reveals unexpected treasures...in the most unlikely of places. Afterwards, we'll visit the **Popcorn Shoppe**, to taste and smell freshly made popcorn "the way you remember it." Your holiday senses will be heightened as you hear the story of how this **Amish Beekeeper** and his family manage their hives and produce many products from these fascinating social insects. Flavored

honey, beeswax candles, beeswax soap, lotions and more! Our tour isn't over yet, we'll visit an **Amish Quilt shop** that is family owned. Be sure to ask about the delicious homemade jams and jellies here! Further down the road, we'll experience a tranquil **Amish Chime Shop** where we'll learn how this family makes their chimes. Then, delight in the smells and taste of authentic **Amish cooking at an Amish home** for an **included dinner** this evening. Our hostess will share her cinnamon roll expertise and serve us a traditional **Thresher's Meal**. (B, L, D)

### Day 4 Fort Atkinson, WI

Today we'll travel to Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin for our overnight. Tonight, we'll enjoy **"Elf the Musical" at The Fireside Dinner Theater**. Based on the beloved holiday film, Buddy, a young orphan, mistakenly crawls into Santa's bag of gifts and is transported to the North Pole. The would-be elf is raised, unaware that he is actually a human, until his enormous size and poor toy-making abilities cause him to face the truth. With Santa's permission, Buddy embarks on a journey to New York City to find his birth father and discover his true identity. Faced with the harsh realities that his father is on the naughty list and his half-brother doesn't even believe in Santa, Buddy is determined to win over his new family and help New York remember the true spirit of Christmas. (B, D)

### Day 5 Home

We'll head home today, singing songs of the season from our wonderful tour. (B)

PRICE PER PERSON		MEALS	IMPORTANT DATES & INFO.	
Reservation Deposit:	\$200	Breakfast (B): 4	Final Payment Due:	10/21/18
Double (2 people/room):	\$1075	Lunch (L): 2	Cancel for a full refund:	11/4/18
Triple (3 people/room):	\$1055	Dinner (D): 4	Passport Required?	No
Quad (4 people/room):	\$1035			
Single (1 person/room):	\$1350			

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