

Pella Tulip Festival

April 30-May 3, 2019

Pella plants over 100,000 tulip bulbs for the Tulip Festival to celebrate it's dutch heritage!

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Amana Colonies Tour
Included Lunch at the Ox Yoke Inn
Pella Historical Village Tour
Vermeer Windmill
Pella City Tour
Volks Parade
John Waynes's Birthplace
Bridges of Madison County Tour
& More!

TOUR PACE

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MEALS INCLUDED

Breakfast (B): 3 Lunch (L): 2 Dinner (D): 2

PRICE PER PERSON

Reservation Deposit:	\$200
Double (2 people/room):	\$699
Triple (3 people/room):	\$679
Quad (4 people/room):	\$659
Single (1 person/room):	\$925

IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION

Final Payment Due:	3/16/19
Cancel for a Full Refund:	3/30/19
Passport Required?	No

Day 1 Coralville, IA

We depart this morning for a fun filled spring tour to the Pella Tulip Festival where we'll see thousands of tulips and experience a town celebrating it's dutch heritage. Tonight, we'll get to know one another while enjoying a pizza party at our hotel in Coralville, Iowa. (D)

Day 2 Des Moines, IA

We begin our morning with a tour of the Amana Colonies. The seven villages of the Amana Colonies offer the opportunity to step back from today's busy pace, to relish in the comfort of locally crafted foods, furniture, art and more. The Colonies offer a unique history and culture found nowhere else in the world. For eighty years the Colonies maintained an almost completely self-sufficient local economy, importing very little from the wider, industrializing U.S. economy. The Amanians were able to achieve this independence and life style by adhering to the specialized handicrafts and farming occupations which they had brought with them from Germany. Our tour includes stops at the basket maker, the bakery, the winery, cheese house and more. We will allow some time to shop and browse the area after an included lunch at the Ox Yoke Inn, a four generation family restaurant, featuring traditional meals made from timeless Old World German and American recipes passed down from mother to daughter. Afterwards, we head to Des Moines, where we will overnight. (B, L)

Day 3 Des Moines, IA

Today we travel to Pella and join in the celebration of their annual Tulip Festival. Each year, thousands of residents wear Dutch attire to celebrate their Dutch

heritage during this festival. Pella becomes Holland and we'll travel back in time to a European village full of windmills, tulips and excitement. Upon arrival, we'll tour the Vermeer Windmill, the largest working windmill in the United States standing at 126 feet tall. Afterwards, there will be time to explore the Historical Village including the Wyatt Earp House, the Werkplaats, Van Spanckeren's General Store, the Dutch Bakery & More! There will be craft demonstrations all day long such as blacksmithing, quilting and wooden shoe making. Next, we will be joined by a local guide for a tour of Pella and see miles and miles of tulip lane along with many of Pella's highlights and historical landmarks. After an included lunch, we will attend the grandstand show stage performance then the Volksparade. This will be the highlight for many! The show features Dutch dancing and singing, Parade of Provinces (Dutch Costume style show), presentation of the Queen and her Court, the famous street scrubbing and much more! This evening we'll feast on an included dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 4 Home

This morning we travel to Winterset, Iowa. First, we will visit John Waynes birthplace and tour their modest four-room home that has been restored to reflect its appearance in 1907, the year of the actor's birth. Next, we'll pick up our local guide and see the sights of the place made famous by novelist Robert James Waller, the Bridges of Madison County. Our tour begins at the Welcome Center where we'll be greeted with freshly baked apple fritters. Then we'll adventure out on a 2 hour tour to see six different covered bridges. After lunch on your own, we head towards home. (B)