

# Spirit of Christmas in Hermann #2



## Sample Itinerary for Group Tours

Throughout the year, as well as during the Christmas Holiday season, we entertain many groups that travel by motorcoach. Christmas is a magical time in Hermann with many special presentations for the Christmas, including the Spirit of Christmas Concert at Starkenburg. We will help you build a full day around the concert. This itinerary is only available on select dates, with limited tours. Call to customize your itinerary and make reservations for 2019 or 2020. 2019 Dates: Thursday, December 5, Friday December 6, and Saturday, December 7. Dates for 2020 coming soon.

Time	Location	Description
10:00 AM OPT 1	<b>Christmas Traditions at Hermann Farm</b> <a href="http://www.hermannfarm.com">www.hermannfarm.com</a>	Honoring the early life and works of George Husmann, the tour begins with the beautifully decorated buildings in the First Settlement Village area which includes the Schuetzenhalle, the 1790's trading post, the Tradesmen Barn, the Riverboat Captains House and the Mercantile. Costumed guides, Shire draft horses, a bonfire, and refreshments add to the fun!
10:00 AM OPT 2	<b>Our Lady of Sorrows Shrine Tour</b>	Tucked in the surrounding countryside on 40 acres, this shrine is a spiritual refuge for many visitors. The Shrine Chapel, St. Martin's Church and unique grottos. Guided tours available only for groups with advance arrangements.
11:30 PM	<b>Group Lunch</b> - Group Menus provided upon request.	Choose from one of the many restaurants that offer group lunches. Food options range from German-Style Deli to Home-style Buffet to Pizza & Pasta to Fine Dining.
Consider adding:	<b>Christmas Crafts with Susan</b>	Create a Christmas Ornament to take home at a lunchtime workshop with local crafter Susan.
1:00 PM OPT 1	<b>Pea Ridge Forest Christmas Tree Farm</b>	See demonstrations of wreath making and bow tying while you drowse and shop in the spacious gift shop. Hot Chocolate and Cider are offered to all guests at no charge. Ornaments, gifts, and fresh arrangements are available for purchase.
1:00 PM OPT 2	<b>Christmas Tablesapes</b>	Come share the magic of Christmas in Hermann's Historic Rotunda. Each table will be elaborately set and decorated to illustrate a unique Christmas theme. Join us for warm cider, soft carols and sparkling lights. Sponsored by the Gasconade County Historical Society.
2:00 PM	<b>Depart for Starkenburg</b>	
2:30 PM	<b>Spirit of Christmas Concert at St. Martin's Church in Starkenburg</b>	Mezzo-soprano Carrie Kirchofer-Tilly sings holiday favorites and Joni Loehnig plays holiday selections on the 1860 Pfeffer pipe organ. What a great way to find the true spirit of Christmas!!
3:45 PM	<b>Depart for Hermann</b>	
4:00 PM OPT 1	<b>Kristkindl Markt at Stone Hill Winery</b>	Held in the Sherry House, guest can shop and enjoy the Traditional German Market featuring craft booths, Christmas goodies, and entertainment. The perfect place to shop for unique gifts.
4:00 PM OPT 2	<b>Experience Historic Downtown Shop, Walk, &amp; Taste</b>	The Historic District of Hermann is filled with many unique shops. You will find antique stores, coffee shops, boutiques, cigar lounge, candy store, chocolate shop, bakery, and much more all within a walkable area.
5:00 PM	<b>Group Dinner</b> - Group Menus provided upon request.	Choose from one of the many restaurants that offer group dinners. Food options range from German-Style Deli to Home-style Buffet to Pizza & Pasta to Fine Dining.
Consider adding:	<b>Step-on Narrated Tour of City of Hermann with Local Guide</b>	Experience beautiful Hermann from the comfort of your own motorcoach with a scheduled Narrated Tour. Our local guides are educated in Hermann history, from the earliest settlers to modern events, and expertly incorporate real-life accounts from moments in the town's rich past. Ambassadors dress in costumes to create a festive and memorable experience for groups!

For more information and to make arrangements for your customized itinerary contact:  
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