

Hi Everyone,

I hope all of you are having a great summer. It certainly is going by way too quickly. It seems like just a few weeks ago many of us gathered in Cincinnati for the America's River Roots Festival. What a fantastic time we all had! Hopefully you are ready for some more fun! This year we are cruising on the Ohio and Kentucky rivers from Cincinnati to Frankfort Kentucky.

The fun starts on Thursday October 8th. We will once again launch at Manhattan Harbour in Dayton Kentucky. From there we will cruise downstream to the Ludlow Bromley Yacht Club for lunch. After lunch we will once again head down river with our destination being Warsaw Kentucky. This is an approximate 3 hour trip. The group will dock at Pier 99 in Craigs Creek for the night. We have a block of rooms at the Belterra Hotel and Casino for Thursday evening and will gather at one of their restaurants or the Sunset Grill overlooking the Ohio River for dinner (details to be confirmed once we know how many people we will have in the group). For those that would like to start the cruise in Warsaw, there is a nice ramp in Craigs Creek just around the corner from the Pier 99 marina.

Friday morning we will depart Craigs Creek at 9:30. Almost immediately we will pass through the Markland Lock and then travel another 15 miles to the Kentucky River at Carrollton Kentucky. From there it is 65 miles on a very scenic river to Frankfort. We will pass through 4 pre-Civil War era locks along the journey. In Frankfort we have a block of rooms at the Capitol Plaza Hotel for Friday and Saturday evenings. We don't have a planned dinner for Friday night but there are a multitude of fun local restaurants to choose from in close proximity to the hotel.

Saturday we get to enjoy our destination city. Frankfort is the capitol of Kentucky and offers things to do for everyone. It features beautiful views, an amazing capitol building, 5 bourbon distilleries, historic architecture, museums, and a vibrant arts scene. The historic downtown area offers a wide variety of fun shops, restaurants and bars to enjoy. To add to the fun we are working on getting tour spots at the world famous Buffalo Trace Distillery on Saturday for those that are interested. For those that can't get enough boating, the cruise from downtown Frankfort upstream to lock #5 is a fun trip. Saturday evening we have a reservation for the group at Doc Crow's Social on the River. Formerly Goodwoods, this fun restaurant is an enjoyable walk from the hotel. We have a large deck overlooking the river reserved for our group. Following dinner we are sure to enjoy some of the Frankfort nightlife before returning to the hotel.

Sunday we will be back out on the river for more boating fun on the return trip to Warsaw and Cincinnati. Depending on the group's responses we can set up reservations to another block of rooms to stay overnight in Warsaw on Sunday evening and then return to Cincinnati on Monday morning.

This trip is going to be a lot of fun! Please fill out the attached registration and send it back as quickly as possible. Do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Best Regards,

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