



ST. AUGUSTINE SPECTACULAR

NIGHTS OF LIGHTS TOUR & 68TH ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS PARADE

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Includes: 2 nights at the Courtyard by Marriott, St. Augustine, included hot breakfast at the hotel each morning, a familiarization motor-coach tour our first afternoon, 1st night's dinner included prior to the night-time trolley tour - "Night of Lights"- special Holiday lights displays with special effects, full day of trolley touring with on/off tickets—plus the 68th Annual St. Augustine Christmas Parade.

Day One - Our first day together is a day of travel through our beautiful state and into **St. Augustine**. Our hotel for two nights is the **Courtyard by Marriott** where a delicious expanded hot/cold breakfast is included each morning. Our motor coach will make multiple runs to the St Augustine Visitor's Center to give you the most time to explore old St Augustine! We will check in to our hotel right after a short familiarization drive on our luxury motor-coach - Use this as your opportunity to become familiar with the town and its many fascinating attractions. Some attractions are free, and some have a small fee. This tour of "old town" is meant to give an overview of its history and landmarks. Saint Augustine, Florida is the oldest European city in the United States. The area was first visited by Ponce de Leon in 1513. Don't miss **St. George Street**, a trolley-stop, and a quaint shopping area with everything from local crafts, antiques, fine jewelry and much more. This evening's dinner is included at a local favorite of many. After our relaxing, delicious dinner we are off to see the **"Night of Lights"**. National Geographic lists St. Augustine as one of the **top ten holiday lights displays in the World!** Our tour of the ancient city at night features special glasses for all - which give the lights "extra dazzle and sparkle" appearing as stars and snowflakes. St. Augustine goes all out with holiday decorating as many of the holiday customs date back to colonial times and earlier, when the colonists would place a white candle in each window to brighten the nights during the Christmas holidays. (This trolley tour is in the evening, and it may be chilly, be sure to bring a



sweater or coat). Then, after our Night of Lights Tour we will return to our hotel for a good night of rest. Tomorrow is another busy day!

Day Two – Enjoy breakfast at our hotel then spend the remainder of your day aboard the **Trolley Tour** at your own pace with on/off privileges. There are many different things to see and do in St. Augustine and you will receive a detailed map of the trolley route and the attractions found at each stop. A do-not-miss attraction is the **Mission of Nombre de Dios & Shrine of Our Lady of Leche**. St. Augustine has many beautiful, old churches you'll want to visit. The mission has a great cross at 208 feet high. Built to commemorate the 400th Anniversary of the first parish mass. This cross has stood for over 45 years welcoming visitors. One trolley stop features the **Fountain of Youth** which is across from "The Old Senator", a rather old and majestic tree at **600 years old**. You may also wish to visit **Ripley's Believe It or Not Museum** or **The Castillo de San Marcos** – the oldest remaining European Fort in the United States. Another interesting attraction is the **Spanish Military Hospital**, take-a-peek at how patients were treated in the 1700's. Yet another place to see is the **Government House & museum** built by Spain – it's earliest records date back to the late 16th century. Don't miss **Flagler College!** This trolley also stops near **The San Sebastian Winery**, stop in for an informative tour and tasting. This whole day is your day to explore St. Augustine at your own pace, with you choosing what you want to see, and where you want to eat (on own). Enjoy some rest and relaxation at the **Courtyard by Marriott** tonight after your day of touring.



Day Three – After breakfast we check out of the **Courtyard by Marriott** and we're off to enjoy the annual **Christmas Parade!** The whole town really turns out for the festivities. This parade includes floats, marching bands, entertainment, horses, cars and of course, Santa Claus! We will go to the historic area for parade viewing where you will have several viewing options available. We depart St. Augustine after the parade. A lunch-stop (on your own) will be made on our way back to St. Petersburg with our vivid holiday memories. Thank you for choosing **TRAVEL IS FUN TOURS** as your travel provider.



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