



Chicago Escape by Train

The Opportunity to sample Chicago's famous Cuisine, see its magnificent architecture, cruise the River & the Lake and relax on a rail journey.

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Day 1: We depart Boston for your overnight trip on Amtrak to Chicago. The train departs Boston at noon and goes to Albany. In Albany you will switch from coach seating to a car with a roomette for sleeping. You will arrive in Chicago at 9:45 am.

Day 2: If you are flying you will arrive in Chicago at 11:00 am. Our motor coach will pick up those passengers arriving by train and those passengers arriving by air and then your adventure begins. Our first stop will be the waterfront where we will take a narrated Skyline cruise where you can enjoy the skyline of Chicago by River and Lake. After our cruise we will visit the Sears Tower the highest building in the Western Hemisphere for a breathtaking view of the Chicago area. We will have time to freshen up at our hotel before going out for dinner. Tonight we will feature a treat found only in Chicago the pizza Pot Pie. (If you are arriving by train breakfast will be served before you leave the train) **Dinner**

Day 3: Breakfast is included at the hotel. Before departing for the Chicago Botanical Gardens. On arrival at the Garden you will be taken on a 45-minute tram tour to show you the highlights of the Garden The next two hours are yours to explore the gardens on your own, take photos and visit the gift shop. After three hours in this spectacular garden, you will wonder where the time went and most travelers will always want more time to enjoy the Gardens. After a stop for lunch (On Own) we will continue with our sightseeing tour as you travel through Chicago's main business section, one of the financial centers of the world and always bustling with activity. We will visit the "Loop" and State Street - the great street where Chicago's fame began. Travel by the striking **Richard J. Daley plaza with its acknowledged masterpiece, the Pablo Picasso sculpture, created specifically for Chicago.** You'll take a ride on **Wacker Drive, the double-decked thoroughfare that winds its way under the city.** Then travel over the Chicago River, made to flow backwards by one of the world's greatest engineering feats. You'll see the famous, white **Wrigley Building** announcing the beginning of the **Magnificent Mile** and Michigan Avenue where Chicago's most exclusive stores exhibit their wares. You'll see Chicago's elegant seven-level shopping complex the renowned Water Tower Place. For the shoppers you will have time to shop the magnificent mile before retuning to the hotel to freshen up. Tonight we will feature an evening of dinner theater at **Tommy Guns Garage**, Not long after the turn of the century, in a decade known as the Roaring Twenties, the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages was outlawed and strictly prohibited. Nevertheless, men like Alphonse Capone and his mafia family, refused to adhere to the law, opening illegal speakeasies across the city of Chicago, offering alcohol, gambling and hotbox entertainment. Tommy Gun's Garage is an Audience Interactive "Speakeasy" that offers a musical comedy review wit da gangsters, da flappers and **YOU!!!!**(uh, dat's audience participation). After a delicious sit-down dinner, join "Vito", "Gloves", and da "gangsters" and da "flappers" for non-stop comedy and dangerous fun. You will be transported back to da 1920's complete wit da boss's 1928 Model "A" Ford, Roaring Twenties music and memorabilia from da Twenties. Da mugs and da molls dance and sing da Charleston and udder musical selections from Cole Porter to George Gershwin, Fats Waller, Duke Ellington and more.... All played by Chicago's Sinfully Orchestra. Be ready to hide your hooch (alcohol) cause we could get raided by da coppers at anytime. Be careful, you could get pulled up on stage at any time to perform a sobriety test given by Officer Murphy. **Breakfast and Dinner**

Day 4: This morning after breakfast we will tour the Famous Eli Cheese Cake Factory where you will see how the cheesecakes are produced. This tour is interesting for people of all ages (no cameras allowed) and after the tour we will sit down for sandwiches and Cheesecake. In the afternoon you have a choice of either visiting the World Famous **Shed Aquarium** or the World **Famous Field Museum**. This will be a hard choice for some because the Museums are so good, interesting and diverse. **B L D**

Day 5: After breakfast we will enjoy the famous **Taste of Chicano Food tour**. Our guided, narrated Near North Food Tour visits 7 food tasting locations in the historic, delicious Gold Coast, Old Town, and Lincoln Park neighborhoods. All food tasting, enough for lunch, are included in the ticket price.

Delicious food specialties are served on the Near North Food Tour from
(subject to change):

- [The Spice House](#): America's top spice & herb specialty shop (est. 1957)
- Ashkenaz Deli: An authentic Ashkenazic Jewish deli (est. 1975)
- [Old Town Oil](#): A balsamic vinegar & olive oil specialty store (est. 2007)
- [Tea Gschwendner](#): A specialty loose tea & tisanes merchant (est. 1978)
- The Fudge Pot: A chocolate confectioner and fudge shop (est. 1963)

When we have a full coach we will divide into groups where we will have a maximum of 18 travelers per guide.

In the afternoon you will have time to enjoy the Navy Pier or back to the magnificent mile for a last bit of shopping. before being transferred to the airport and train Station for your return trip home.

Day 6. Those traveling by train will have roomettes from Chicago to Albany and from Albany to Boston Coach Seating. **Tour Features:**

Round trip flight or Overnight train to Chicago (including roomette and meals on train)

3 Nights Seneca Hotel Chicago

Skyline River & Lake Tour

Botanical Garden tram and Garden Admission

Admission to the Sky Deck at the Sears tower

Chicago Foody tour

Admission to the Shed Aquarium or Field Museum

3 hot breakfasts

Eli Cheesecake Factory Tour with light lunch and cheese cake tasting

Tommy Gun Garage Dinner Theater

Chicago Pizza Pot Pie Dinner

Motor Coach transportation Throughout

Local Chicago tour Director

Baggage handling of one bag per person.

All taxes and Gratuities on included meals

All hotel taxes

For reservations and information contact:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Email: _____

Credit card: _____ **Ex date** _____ **SEC code** _____

I wish to prepay tour director and driver gratuities \$36

I wish to purchase cancellation insurance \$75

I decline to purchase cancellation insurance

A DEPOSIT OF \$250 is due at time of reservation and final payment is due on March 20

Make checks payable to: Tye's Top Tour & Travel

Cancellation insurance is available and recommended. Cancellation within 30 days of departure loss of deposit, cancellation within 14 day of deposit 50% penalty, cancellation within 7 days of departure 75% penalty. No refunds will be given on cancellations made within 48 hours of departure. All cancellations must be in writing and may be faxed or emailed.

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