



**Sunday, September 14th –
Friday, September 19th, 2025**

Join us in Montana!

Discover the untouched beauty of Montana's Flathead Valley this September, where nature's splendor meets small-town charm. Nestled between the majestic Rocky Mountains and the serene waters of Flathead Lake, this picturesque region invites you to explore its rugged landscapes, vibrant wildlife, and rich history.

Join us for a journey into the heart of Montana's great outdoors, with a great lineup of attractions and fun, while also delving into the fascinating world of the local lumber industry through exclusive tours!

Trip Highlights

- Weyerhaeuser Logging Operation or MDF Plant – Columbia Falls
- Weyerhaeuser Sawmill & Plywood Plant – Kalispell
- F.H. Stoltze Sawmill – Columbia Falls
- Clydesdale Outpost – Barn Tour & Horse Encounters
- Free Time in Downtown Whitefish
- Far West Lunch Cruise on Flathead Lake
- Glacier Raft Company – Scenic Float on the Flathead River
- Glacier National Park – Western Alpine Tour aboard Red Bus
- Shopping Stop at the Huckleberry Patch
- Farewell Dinner & Ranch Experience at Lonesome Dove Ranch

Cost

- \$2400 per person (double occupancy/sharing hotel room) / \$4800 per couple
- \$3150 per person (single occupancy/own hotel room)

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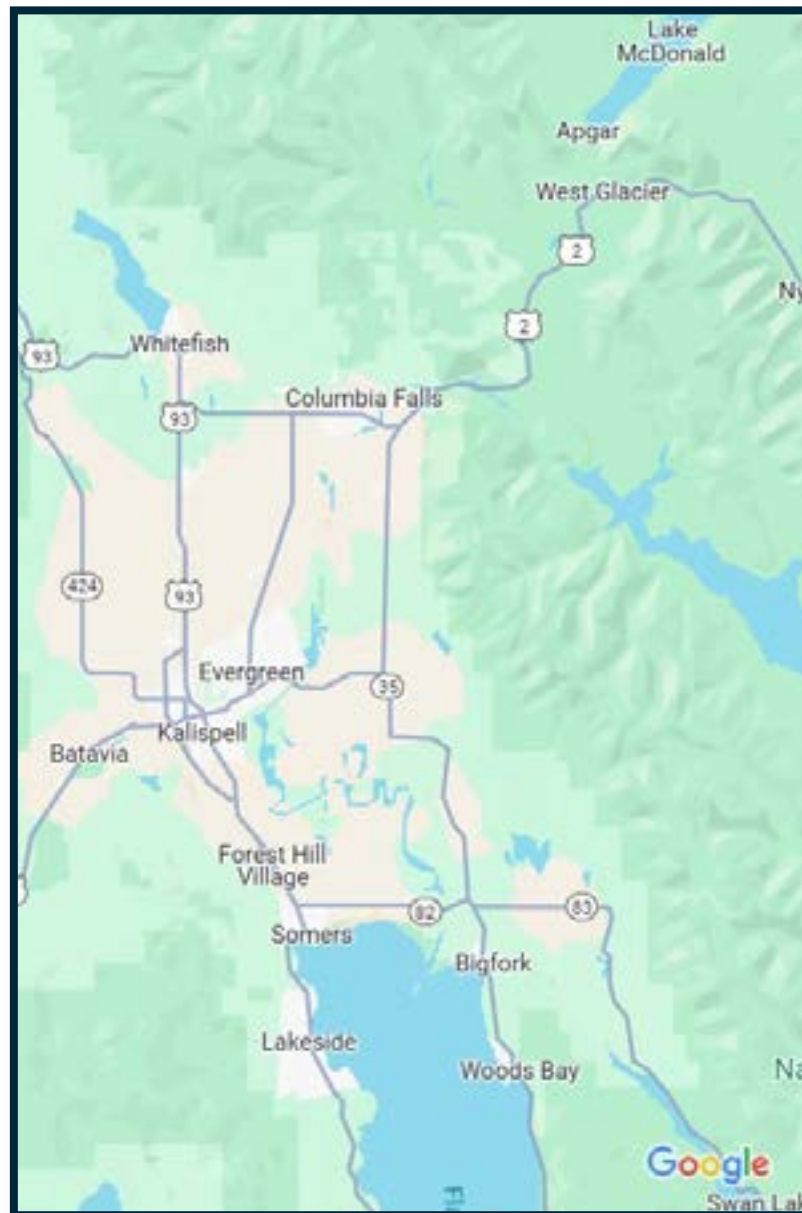
Fine Print

Details of tour are subject to change at any time throughout the planning process or even onsite if necessary.



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MAP OF DESTINATION



Cities and Points of Interest

- Kalispell, MT (start & end)
- Weyerhaeuser
- Whitefish, MT
- Clydesdale Outpost
- Columbia Falls, MT
- Flathead Lake
- Far West Lunch Cruise
- F.H. Stoltze Sawmill
- West Glacier Village
- Glacier Raft Company
- Glacier National Park
- Huckleberry Patch
- Lonesome Dove Ranch

ITINERARY DETAILS



Sunday, September 14, 2025

ORIENTATION & WELCOME DINNER

Homewood Suites Hotel | Open Breakfast Area
5:30 pm – 8:30 pm

The tour begins with the Orientation & Welcome Dinner on Sunday evening. The Orientation will be held at the Homewood Suites Hotel open breakfast area from 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm. During this time, we'll review the tour highlights, distribute badges and souvenir apparel, and introduce everyone.

At 6:00 pm, we'll board a bus to downtown Kalispell for our Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant brimming with Montana flair, featuring delicious BBQ and authentic regional flavors.

We encourage all participants to arrive in Kalispell in time for the orientation and dinner. However, if your flight is delayed or you're unable to arrive until later, please inform the tour director as soon as possible. (Check in time for the hotel is 4:00 pm.)



SUNDAY INCLUSIONS:

- BADGES & SOUVENIR APPAREL
- DINNER & DRINKS
- EVENING BUS TRANSPORTATION TO DINNER
- HOTEL ROOM



ITINERARY DETAILS



Monday, September 15, 2025

TOUR: WEYERHAEUSER LOGGING OPERATION

LOCATION TBD

-OR-

TOUR: WEYERHAEUSER MEDIUM DENSITY FIBER BOARD PLANT

COLUMBIA FALLS, MT

On Monday morning, we'll kick off our industry tours with a visit to **Weyerhaeuser**. Depending on conditions, we'll head to one of their active **logging operations** near Kalispell (location TBD, but within 30-60 minutes of Kalispell). Plan to spend a couple hours outside at the logging operation. If the fire hazard is too high to visit the forest safely, we'll switch gears and tour the Weyerhaeuser Medium Density Fiberboard plant in Columbia Falls instead.



Afterward, we'll spend the afternoon exploring the charming town of **Whitefish, MT**. Participants will have free time to choose their own lunch spot (with funds provided) and browse the local shops in downtown.



Before heading back to Kalispell, we'll visit the **Clydesdale Outpost**, located just outside of Whitefish. This local attraction offers a unique experience with its majestic Clydesdale horses, and we'll spend about 45 minutes visiting the Welcome Center, receiving a barn tour, and meeting the horses.

MONDAY INCLUSIONS:

- BREAKFAST & LUNCH (DINNER ON OWN)
- DAYTIME BUS TRANSPORTATION (EVENING TRANSPORTATION ON OWN, IF NEEDED)
- WEYERHAEUSER TOUR ACCESS
- CLYDESDALE OUTPOST BARN TOUR ENTRANCE FEE
- HOTEL ROOM



ITINERARY DETAILS

Tuesday, September 16, 2025

TOUR: WEYERHAEUSER SAWMILL & PLYWOOD PLANT KALISPELL, MT

On Tuesday morning, we'll dive into the heart of **Weyerhaeuser's** operations with a tour of both their **Plywood and sawmill plants** (located at same address). One group will tour the plywood plant while the other tours the sawmill – we'll then switch.

The plant primarily uses Douglas fir and Western larch for their fine grain and smooth finishes, creating plywood products in a variety of grades, dimensions, and performance standards to meet diverse customer needs. Meanwhile, the sawmill produces solid sawn studs, available in various lengths and distributed across the U.S.

In the afternoon, we'll venture south of Kalispell to the stunning, crystal clear waters of **Flathead Lake**. Flathead Lake, the largest natural freshwater lake in the western U.S. by surface area, is also one of the cleanest lakes in the world, offering a serene and picturesque backdrop for the day!

We'll go directly to Lakeside, which has the best view of the mountains, and will enjoy a 90-minute lake cruise with Far West Charters on Flathead Lake – complete with a soup, salad and sandwich deli lunch and drinks! Afterwards, we'll head back to the hotel in Kalispell.

TUESDAY INCLUSIONS:

- BREAKFAST & LUNCH (DINNER ON OWN)
- DAYTIME BUS TRANSPORTATION (EVENING TRANSPORTATION ON OWN, IF NEEDED)
- WEYERHAEUSER TOUR ACCESS
- FAR WEST CRUISE
- HOTEL ROOM



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Wednesday, September 17, 2025

TOUR: F.H. STOLTZE SAWMILL COLUMBIA FALLS, MT

On Wednesday morning, we'll head to the historic **F.H. Stoltze Sawmill**, the oldest family-owned sawmill in Montana, founded in 1912. During this fascinating tour, we'll explore their rans length sawmill, which processes lumber ranging from 6 to 20 feet in length and up to 12 inches in width. We'll also visit their Planer Mill, where we'll see their newly installed auto grader powered by AI. A standout feature of Stoltze is its co-generation plant, the only one of its kind in Montana. Using renewable wood energy, they dry lumber, heat their sawmill, and even generate enough power to supply 2,500 homes a day!



Afterward, we'll head toward West Glacier Village, taking in the views along the way.



Once we reach **West Glacier Village**, participants will receive funds to enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant/mercantile shop and explore the area on their own while we wait for our raft launch time. After lunch, we'll gather at the **Glacier Raft Company** (same area) for an unforgettable afternoon rafting adventure down the pristine Flathead River. This scenic, 3-hour float trip offers a perfect opportunity to relax and soak in the beauty of one of the world's cleanest watersheds. Led by an experienced guide, you'll hear stories of the area's history, wildlife, and natural wonders. Keep your eyes peeled for eagles, osprey, and even the occasional bear or moose along the banks.

This float is a leisurely, rejuvenating experience—no rough rapids, just a peaceful journey through nature. Some paddling is required, but it's a comfortable, low-effort ride that's perfect for those seeking a relaxing time on the water. After our rafting adventure, we'll return to Kalispell for the evening.

Wednesday, September 17, 2025 (continued)

WEDNESDAY INCLUSIONS:

- BREAKFAST & LUNCH (DINNER ON OWN)
- DAYTIME BUS TRANSPORTATION (EVENING TRANSPORTATION ON OWN, IF NEEDED)
- F.H. STOLTZE TOUR ACCESS
- ENTRANCE FEE FOR GLACIER RAFT SCENIC FLOAT ON FLATHEAD RIVER
- GRATUITY FOR RAFT GUIDES
- HOTEL ROOM

RAFTING ADVENTURE - Important Information

Attire & Belongings: While participants typically do not get very wet on these scenic floats, they will need to step into the water to get into the rafts. Complimentary splash tops are available for those who want them but aren't usually needed. DO NOT wear flip-flops, Crocs, or shoes that can easily come off—only shoes with backstraps that can get wet are recommended. (Water shoes are available at the rafting office for a \$7 rental fee – pay on own.)

Don't bring anything that can't get wet (purses, bags, etc. – leave these on the bus). Wear clothes made of quick-dry fabrics such as neoprene and avoid cotton and denim. Shorts and t-shirts are fine, but since September can be chilly, make sure to dress in layers. Consider bringing a towel or change of clothing just in case. If bringing a phone, waterproof cases are recommended (provide on own).

A signed waiver is required from all participants (available with Participant Info Form sent to registrants).

Length of Float: With the low water levels at this time of year, the float will take about 3 hours from start to finish. There are no bathroom stops along the way, but restrooms are available at the start and finish point.



Opt-Out Options: If you prefer not to participate in the rafting adventure, you can opt out on the Participant Info Form (you will not be able to change your mind after that). Opting out options include staying in Kalispell (you'll miss the F.H. Stoltze tour and additional day's activities as well) or coming along to West Glacier Village but spending the 3 hours with the bus while the group rafts – go for a walk, read a book, catch a nap or just relax.

ITINERARY DETAILS



Thursday, September 18, 2025

On our last full day together, we'll experience the highlight of the trip – the breathtaking **Western Alpine Tour of Glacier National Park**. We'll visit the stunning cedar and hemlock forests of Lake McDonald Valley, before venturing along the legendary Going-to-the-Sun Road, winding through the high alpine region to stand atop the Continental Divide. As we journey through this awe-inspiring landscape, you'll discover towering mountain ranges, ancient glaciers, cascading waterfalls, and vibrant wildflowers.



The tour will be made even more memorable aboard a vintage 1930s Red Bus, with its iconic roll-top convertible roof, offering an unparalleled view of the glacially carved Garden Wall. We'll begin and end at the historic Lake McDonald Lodge, where we'll enjoy a box lunch on the grounds and time to explore the lodge, browse the shops, or stroll along the scenic shores of Lake McDonald.



In the mid-afternoon on our way back to Kalispell, we'll stop at the **Huckleberry Patch**, a charming shop where you can browse a delightful selection of local homemade goods and treats, many made with huckleberries, Montana's beloved, native fruit. Indulge in a variety of products, including preserves, sauces, syrups, pie fillings, freshly baked goods, bath and body items, candy, gift packs, and much more to enjoy on the spot or take home as a souvenir.

Important Information

Please note that cell service is generally unavailable within Glacier National Park. There may be occasional spots with weak or spotty service, so plan to disconnect and fully immerse yourself in the beauty of the park. This also applies to GPS navigation devices. And don't worry - bathroom stops will be included midway through the Glacier Park tour to keep everyone comfortable! Bring a water bottle!

Then, we'll head back to the hotel, giving you some time to relax and unwind before our final adventure.



The Farewell Dinner awaits at the picturesque **Lonesome Dove Ranch** located just outside of Kalispell! Here, we'll gather together for happy hour and a hearty, home-cooked, BBQ dinner (inside or outside option, depending on weather). Immerse yourself in the ranch experience by visiting the animals, including horses, buffalo, cats, dogs, chickens, ducks, and rabbits. Share stories, laughter, and your favorite moments from the trip with your newfound friends as we celebrate the memories we've created together.

ITINERARY DETAILS

Thursday, September 18, 2025 (continued)

There are also limited spots for short horseback rides (\$30 plus tip, per person, pay on own) for those wishing to saddle up, to be offered on a first-come, first-served basis onsite. After dinner, we'll return to the hotel for our final night.

THURSDAY INCLUSIONS:

- BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER
- DAYTIME & EVENING BUS TRANSPORTATION
- ENTRANCE FEE FOR WESTERN ALPINE TOUR IN GLACIER NATIONAL PARK VIA RED BUS TOURS
- GRATUITY FOR RED BUS DRIVERS
- FAREWELL DINNER, DRINKS, & RANCH EXPERIENCE AT LONESOME DOVE RANCH
- HOTEL ROOM



Friday, September 19, 2025

On Friday, participants have the option to fly home or stay (at their own expense) to continue exploring the stunning beauty of western Montana. All guests must check out of the hotel by 11:00 am unless you have extended your reservation. Any hotel reservations after this point are the responsibility of each guest if extending into the weekend.

There is no bus service on this day so participants can use the hotel shuttle to get to the airport (they have one small shuttle and recommend a 48-hour advance reservation) or choose to use a taxi/Uber service to get to the airport/ car rental/next destination. **AN ATTENDEE DEPARTURE SCHEDULE WILL BE PROVIDED TO GUESTS TO FIND PEOPLE WITH SIMILAR FLIGHT TIMES WHO MAY WANT TO SHARE A TAXI.**



FRIDAY INCLUSIONS:

- BREAKFAST

PRE & POST TOUR IDEAS



There are many things to do in the Flathead Valley region that we will not have time to do during this tour. If arriving prior to the start of the tour or staying the weekend after the tour, here are some additional ideas to consider:

- Explore more of Glacier National Park by driving it yourself or by taking a different [Red Bus Tour](#) option:

- We will be doing the “Western Alpine Tour” as a group, which departs from the west side of Glacier and goes up to Logan’s Pass and back. We will not be seeing anything on the east side of the park on this trip, but Red Bus offers additional tours.
- Red Bus Tours run until Sunday, September 28th for the 2025 season but keep in mind they could close earlier based upon weather conditions and road closures.
- Visitors entering the park in a vehicle need two things: (1) A timed entry vehicle reservation OR service reservation* (must be arranged in advance!) and (2) Park Entrance Fee OR valid Park Pass (Annual, Senior, Military, etc.).

* A Red Bus Tour reservation serves as your timed entry vehicle reservation. You do not need to make another separate vehicle reservation that day if doing a tour, but you will still need to purchase a park pass for your vehicle. If venturing into Glacier to explore on your own, please know that the timed vehicle reservation must be done in advance and timeslots can fill up quickly. There are exceptions to this based on entry times and time of year. Please do your research.

- Visit the Conrad Mansion in Kalispell, MT
- Visit Whitefish Mountain Resort (the scenic chairlifts may still be running but no guarantee)
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Fly fishing
- Drive around the entire Flathead Lake
- Visit the many state parks in the area
- Bring your passport and cross over the border to visit Banff, Alberta Canada! This drive ranges from 5 ½ -7 hours and is ranked one of the most beautiful drives in the world!
- Head to Yellowstone National Park (or Grand Tetons) – only 6 hours away!
- And many more options



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



Airport Info

Glacier Park International Airport (Code FCA)
4170 US-2, Kalispell, MT 59901

- 16 minutes (8.5 miles) from our base hotel
- Shuttles, taxi service, Uber and Lyft service the airport to Kalispell and the surrounding area.
- Four major car rental agencies are located within the terminal. Three additional car rental agencies are located offsite accessible by shuttle (for pre or post trip extensions).

Base Hotel Info

Homewood Suites by Hilton
195 Hutton Ranch Rd, Kalispell, MT 59901
406-755-8080

- Base hotel for five nights of the tour – no packing up and moving hotels this year – we return to the *same hotel* every night so you can really settle in!
- Check in time is 4:00 pm / Check out time is 11:00 am
- All rooms are suites that include a bedroom, bathroom and full kitchen (stove, microwave, full size fridge, cookware, plateware and utensils).
- NO ONSITE RESTAURANT OR BAR, however, there are several restaurants/bars within walking distance or that deliver. There is also a Walmart, Target and Costco located right next to the hotel for easy shopping if choosing to dine and cook within your hotel room instead. In addition, there is a movie theater next door to the hotel if looking to get out of your hotel one of the evenings.
- Free parking for anyone that may choose to drive to Kalispell rather than fly
- Hotel does have a complimentary shuttle that will take guests to/from the airport or downtown Kalispell. They prefer that you reserve the shuttle **48 hours in advance**. The hotel shuttle only fits 4 passengers with luggage or 5 passengers without luggage so make sure to have a back-up plan (taxi/Uber/etc.) if you do not want to wait long for shuttle service.



Transportation Info

We will be utilizing a 55-passenger motorcoach bus for our travels around Flathead Valley. (On Sunday for dinner, we'll just be utilizing a school bus for that quick trip.)

- The bus has overhead storage bins & a restroom available for use.
- Beverages and snacks available on the bus at all times.
- Bus transportation is available only during the day to transport us to industry tours and attractions and not available in the evenings except for the Welcome Dinner and Farewell Dinner. Transportation in the evenings on Monday, Tuesday and

Wednesday is on your own if you choose to venture further away from the hotel. Airport transportation is also on your own if choosing not to wait for the small hotel shuttle. (See next page for transportation options)

- The bus company is local so will NOT be staying onsite at the hotel overnight. All belongings should be removed each day in case we do not have the same bus the following day.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



Taxi / Uber / Lyft Info (Top options on Trip Advisor in Green)

- **406 Rides of Northwest Montana**, 406-309-1542
www.406rides.com
- **Big Mountain Transportation**, 406-212-7922
- **Cowboy Cab & Shuttle**, 406-334-9551
- **Dark Horse Black Car**, 406-609-4448
www.darkhorseblackcar.com
- **Glacier Luxury Transportation Service**, 406-955-1730
- **Glacier Transport**, 406-314-5337
nps.gov/glac/planyourvisit/shuttles.htm
- **Good Vibe Rides**, LLC, 406-212-9298
goodviberidesmt.com
- **Grab A Cab**, 406-609-7272
grabacabmt.com/booking
- **K&K Ventures LLC**, 406-250-5968
- **Kalispell Airport Taxi**, 406-253 8081
www.kalispellairporttaxi.com
- **Lakeside Deliveries LLC**, 406-212-6897
lakesidedeliveriesllc.com
- **Mountain Shuttle**, 406-212-2149
www.mountainshuttlemt.com
- **MyRide**, 406-407-4123
MyRide | Kalispell MT | Facebook
- **North Star Transport**, 406-291-5952
- **NW Montana Shuttle**, 406-897-3856
- **Rock N Rides**, 406 406-253-3066
rocknrides406.business.site
- **Venture Shuttles**, 406-201-2200
www.ventureshuttles.com
- **Wild Horse Limousine**, 406-756-2290
www.wildhorselimo.com

UBER AND LYFT ALSO AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA. USE THE APPS ON YOUR PHONE TO ARRANGE.

Weather and Access to Activities

Please note that the weather in the Flathead Valley region, including Glacier National Park, can be unpredictable in September (and ANY time of the year) which could impact our planned activities. Conditions such as rain, snow, or fire hazards could alter our itinerary, and certain activities may be adjusted or unavailable based on safety and weather conditions. While we will do our best to stick to the schedule, please understand that many decisions will be made on a day-by-day basis, depending on the conditions at the time. Your flexibility and understanding are greatly appreciated as we aim to provide the best experience possible, regardless of the weather.

Please note, because this tour includes several outdoor activities - which may expose participants to a range of weather conditions - we recommend planning accordingly when packing to ensure your comfort.

Additionally, as mentioned in the daily details, if frequent restroom access is a concern, you may want to reconsider the scenic rafting float on Wednesday afternoon, as it lasts approximately three hours without restroom facilities.

Activity Level

We welcome participants of all fitness and mobility levels to join our tours. BLD Mill Tours are classified at Activity Level 1-3 (see below), with varying levels of activity throughout the trip. Some days may involve more walking than others. While these tours are designed to be accessible to everyone, attendees are welcome to opt out of any portion of the tour that may involve more movement or participation than desired. No tour or activity is considered strenuous or mandatory

- **ACTIVITY LEVEL #1:** You're a leisurely traveler. You like to discover the energy of a new place but typically take it easy. You can handle at least one flight of stairs, board a coach, and walk for 15-30 minutes at a time with little difficulty.
- **ACTIVITY LEVEL #2:** You like a balanced approach to travel. You feel confident walking at least 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains, including walks in the forest, flights of stairs, catwalks, uneven footing, etc. You're comfortable with some activity in your day but also need time to unwind and relax.
- **ACTIVITY LEVEL #3:** You're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss anything so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



What's Included in the Tour Fee

- **Hotel Accommodations:** Sunday night through Thursday night
- **Motorcoach Transportation:** Monday to Thursday for daytime planned itinerary (plus Sunday and Thursday night transportation to our dinners)
- **Airport Transfer upon Arrival** if using the hotel shuttle (must be reserved and may take extra time)
- **Some Meals**
 - Breakfast is included every day from Monday - Friday at hotel
 - Lunch (or funds for lunch) is included every day from Monday - Thursday
 - Dinner is included on Sunday (Welcome Dinner) and Thursday (Farewell Dinner)
- **Admission Fees** to all scheduled attractions and tours
- **Gratuities** for motorcoach bus driver, Red Bus Glacier Park drivers, rafting guides, and any other tour guides used during the trip
- **Beverages and snacks** aboard bus. Selection TBD based upon available stocking options.

What's Not Included in the Tour Fee

- **Airfare & Travel Insurance**
 - Please check with BLD Connection before purchasing your airline tickets to ensure the trip is confirmed with the minimum number of participants required to operate. (We hope to give the trip a thumbs up or thumbs down by **Thursday, July 3** or prior and will alert all registrants immediately.)
 - Travel insurance - To protect your travel investment, we highly recommend the purchase of *travel insurance*, especially if purchasing tickets prior to the official trip "thumbs up".
- **Pre tour or post tour hotel accommodations/meals** if arriving early or staying later than the scheduled tour dates
- **Evening transportation** if venturing out
- **Airport transportation** if deciding not to wait for the small hotel shuttle
- **Spending Money**
- **Some meals** (dinner is on your own Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday)

Travel Day Details

The official first day of this tour begins at our evening Orientation & Welcome Dinner on Sunday, September 14th @ 5:30 pm. You should plan to arrive in time to attend this event if possible.

There may be more flight options on Saturday, so if you choose to arrive a day early, the hotel room, transportation, meals, etc. are your responsibility to pay for. The Homewood Suites Kalispell (our base hotel) is offering a rate of **\$239 plus tax and fees** for Saturday night to early arrivals. If you're arriving on Saturday and wish to stay at the same hotel, BLD Connection will make the reservation for you so that the hotel keeps you in the same hotel room for your entire stay. You will need to present your credit card onsite to pay for Saturday's room once you arrive. Also, please make sure to doublecheck that you don't get charged for Sunday through Thursday nights, which should be billed to the master account, not your card. (*The hotels sometimes neglect to split the charges accurately.*) A Saturday reservation is NOT guaranteed at this point, as no rooms are officially on hold for that night. A confirmation will be sent to you by BLD if the Saturday night reservation was successful when submitting the rooming list this summer.

FEES, CANCELLATION & REGISTRATION

Tour Fee:

- **\$2400 per person (double occupancy/sharing hotel room) / \$4800 per couple**
- **\$3150 per person (single occupancy/own hotel room)**

Deposit: A deposit of **\$500 per person** is required at the time of registration to secure your spot. Full payment can be made right away or delayed, but all final balances are due by **Thursday, July 3rd, 2025**.

Cancellation: If BLD needs to cancel the trip at any point, you will be refunded your entire tour fee payment. (Not including airfare or additional trip fees you may have already incurred on your own.) To protect your investment, we recommend that you purchase travel insurance.

If you decide to cancel, the following fees apply when we receive notice of your cancellation:

- Cancellation through July 31 = 100% of **deposit** is forfeited. Any additional fees previously paid will be refunded or remaining balances waived.
- Cancellation after July 31 = 100% of the entire trip fee is forfeited. If you have not yet paid the balance, you will be invoiced for it.

REGISTRATION DETAILS TIMELINE:

IMPORTANT: TO HONOR THE REQUESTS OF OUR INDUSTRY TOUR HOSTS, COMPANIES THAT ARE CONSIDERED COMPETITORS TO ANY OF THE FACILITIES WE WILL BE VISITING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN BLD MILL TOURS.

Once registration opens, please email completed forms and deposit payments to Jodie Fleck at jodie@bldconnection.org. Space is limited, and reservations will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis as they are received. You will receive a confirmation email back within 48 business hours regarding whether or not you have secured a spot. This email will also include a Participant Information Form & Raft Waiver that will need to be returned. *Please note: Many of our tours sell out quickly, and given the current demand, this tour is likely to sell out on the first or second day. We appreciate your understanding if you do not secure a spot this year – there will be additional tours to come!*

- **Monday, June 2** – Registration opens exclusively to those on the Mill Tour Interest List. Watch for an email announcement! (Enjoy a two-day head start—don't wait!)
- **Wednesday, June 4** – Registration opens to the general membership if spots are still available.
- **Thursday, July 3** – **LAST DAY TO REGISTER. ALL FINAL BALANCES DUE IF NOT ALREADY PAID IN FULL.**
- **Thursday, July 3** – Official trip status will be announced based on minimum attendance. You'll receive an email with the status. If the trip is confirmed, you can proceed with booking your flights. Feel free to purchase tickets earlier if you're already planning to visit the area or if you buy flight insurance. If the minimum is met before July 3, you'll be notified sooner!
- **Friday, July 11** – Participant Info Form & Rafting Waiver Due
- **Thursday, July 31** – Last day to cancel without forfeiting all fees. (Deposit is still non-refundable, but the remaining balance will be refunded or waived.) Cancellations after this date will result in the full amount forfeited.
- **August & September** – Ongoing communication with participants, including collection of additional tour details. Keep an eye out for emails!