



SOUTHEAST REGION

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*Serving Sheboygan, Washington, and
Waukesha Counties*

Return to the Driftless Region

September 18 & 19, 2018

September 18

7:00 AM-----Depart UW Waukesha for Wabasha, MN

As we drive to Wabasha, we'll learn about the Driftless Region and the Eagle Center

11:00 AM-----Arrive at National Eagle Center

Lunch and explore museum

The National Eagle Center is a nonprofit organization which focuses on conservation, research and educational efforts relating to eagles. Established in 1989 as EagleWatch Inc., the organization initially focused on environmental stewardship through conservation, research, and education in the Upper Mississippi River region. EagleWatch Inc. worked to advance the bald eagle as a symbol of cultural heritage and celebrate eagles as a symbol of the success of federal and state endangered species recovery efforts.

12:30 PM-----Tour and Demonstration

We'll see bald and golden eagles like never before – face to face with their unique viewing experience which is within a few feet of these majestic raptors without any barrier in between. We'll learn about eagles while standing right next to them. It's an unforgettable experience unlike any other!

3:30 PM -----Elmaro, Trempealeau

We'll visit Elmaro to experience one of Wisconsin's newest agribusiness. Our visit to the Mississippi Valley beauty of Elmaro will include snacks and tastings.

5:30 PM -----Check into the Charmant in La Crosse

The Charmant was, perhaps, the star of last year's Driftless trip. Tastefully restored, they have maintained the charm of the old candy factory which has sat on the shores of the Mississippi since 1898. Architectural details of the original building have been preserved and reimagined, including maple wood flooring, wood beams, and exposed brick.

7:00 PM -----Dinner at the Charmant

September 19

Breakfast on own

9:00 AM-----Depart for La Crescent Apple Orchards

We'll cross the river to visit any one of four apple orchards in La Crescent, MN. We'll discover why these orchards have been producing premium produce for generations.

10:00 AM-----Great River Road

We will wind our way down the Great River Road, passing and stopping in river towns like Stoddard, Genoa, DeSoto and Ferryville to Prairie de Chien.

Lunch en route on own

2:00 PM-----Villa Louis

The Villa Louis, also known as Dousman Mansion, is a National Historic Landmark located on St. Feriole Island. The villa and estate are a historical museum operated by the Wisconsin Historical Society.

5:00 PM ----Dinner at Driftless Café

Another FEATURE from last year's Driftless tour is undoubtedly the Driftless Café. Owner and chef, Luke Zahm was nominated last year for the prestigious James Beard Award. The café has been featured on PBS's Wisconsin Foodie and chosen to cater major food events in the driftless region. We will again see why Luke and his wife Ruthie have decided to remain in their hometown and feature dishes prepared with fresh, organic, and local ingredients. This is going to be another treat.

8:30 PM-----Return to Waukesha