

Come Home to the Farm

Day One:

Afternoon Activities: Learn about the history of grape growing in Iowa at the Grape Escape Winery

Travel to Pleasantville

Dinner: Enjoy the great country atmosphere at Checkerboard Restaurant or Smokey Row in Pleasantville...and don't forget to ask about their specialties! The both restaurants are decked out in antique décor and there are antiques in the lower level of Checkerboard.

Overnight

In Knoxville or Pella

Day Two:

Breakfast: Continental Breakfast at your hotel

Travel to Lake Red Rock

Morning Activities: Visit the Marion County Historical Village to experience country life nearly a century ago. The village includes a stage coach house, log cabin, depot, school, church and store. Schedule some free time for shopping in downtown Knoxville.

Lunch: Travel to Attica to the original Kin Folks and enjoy the homemade BBQ cooking for an early lunch or stay in Knoxville and enjoy one of the many downtown or Lincoln Street restaurants.

Travel to Pella

Afternoon Activities: Tour the Vermeer Windmill to see how grain is ground using wind in an 1850's style production. Travel east of Pella to visit Tassel Ridge Winery to tour the winery and sample -some of their wines. Schedule some free time for shopping in Pella during the afternoon.

Dinner: Dinner in Pella

Evening Activities: Schedule a special program on the role of Lake Red Rock in the Des Moines River watershed or "How to build a backyard habitat" If you visit in the summer months on Thursday evening, your customers can enjoy all the fun activities of Thursday Night in Pella. If you plan this tour in fall check out the Dan-D Farms Corn Maze just outside Knoxville.

Overnight:

In Pella or Knoxville

Day Three:

Breakfast: Continental Breakfast at your hotel

Morning Activities: Tour Vermeer Manufacturing Company Museum and/or schedule a factory tour. Learn about the history of their innovative agricultural products.

Depending on what day you plan your tour, check out the Farmers' Market in Pleasantville, Pella or Knoxville.

