Boats & Battles

Maritime charm and historic sites abound in Ohio's Northwest region



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DAY 1

Toledo is the perfect starting point for a group tour of the Northwest region. Tour the National Museum of the Great Lakes to learn about the lakes' impact on the social. economic, and political history of North America. Guests can even tour the Col. James M. Schoonmaker Museum Ship, the largest bulk carrier on the Great Lakes when launched in 1911, and the Museum Tug Ohio while visiting. After a morning exploring the museum, gather for lunch at Tony Packo's, where your guests should be sure to try the signature Hungarian hot dog. In the afternoon, head to Fort Meigs in Perrysburg to immerse your group in Ohio's military history pertaining to the War of 1812, and then enjoy an evening of refreshing drinks, delicious bites, and exciting arcade games at **Reset** before spending a relaxing night in Rossford.

DAY 2

In the morning, depart for Port Clinton and hop aboard the ferry to Put-in-Bay. Once there, enjoy a narrated tour aboard Island Transportation's Tour Train, which takes your group around the entire island to see its many noteworthy attractions. Take some time to relax with lunch on the waterfront before visiting Perry's Victory & International Peace Memorial. established to honor those who fought in the Battle of Lake Erie during the War of 1812. Its iconic feature is the 352-foot-tall Memorial, a Doric column standing guard over Lake Erie. Next, it's time to journey back to the mainland, where dinner and beer tasting await at Twin Oast **Brewing** in Port Clinton. Wrap up the day in Marblehead by watching a picturesque sunset from the historic Marblehead Lighthouse, the oldest continuously operated lighthouse serving the Great Lakes.

DAY 3

Kick off the final day of your group's Northwest tour by departing for Fremont. Dive into the life and presidency of Rutherford B. Hayes at the **Rutherford B. Hayes** Presidential Library and Museums. In addition to a library collection that contains 90,000 books and documents, visitors can tour the Hayes estate and view the final resting place of Hayes and his wife Lucy. After a morning of exploration, grab lunch at **The Garrison**, serving up craft beer and a bistro menu inside a historic building standing in downtown Fremont for more than 120 years. Next, bring your group to the **Armstrong Air & Space** Museum in Wapakoneta to celebrate the legacy of famed astronaut Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon. The museum, located in Armstrong's hometown, can accommodate a range of group sizes between 15 and 100.