

Pittsburgh: Highlights of the Region

Post-ABA FAM Itinerary

Wednesday February 5, 2025 – Friday, February 7, 2025

DAY ONE: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025

- 8:00AM Depart Philadelphia
- **12:00PM** Flight 93 National Memorial: Located 90 minutes outside of Pittsburgh, this national memorial honors the 40 passengers and crew who were aboard United Flight 93 on September 11, 2001.

Lunch will be provided in the Welcome Center upon arrival.

- **5:00PM** Hotel with a view: You're welcomed by the incredible Pittsburgh skyline before you check into the Sheraton Station Square Hotel, where you will spend two evenings in a newly renovated hotel in the city's premier entertainment destination.
- **6:00PM Dinner at Greer Cabaret Theater:** Home to fantastic musical productions, latenight entertainment, live music, and outstanding food, the Greer Cabaret Theater is the Cultural District's newest performance venue providing unique live music and theatrical performances year-round.
- **7:30PM** Liberty Magic Show: Enjoy a show in Pittsburgh's Cultural District, a 14-block area of downtown Pittsburgh that is home to 8 world class theaters, 7 performing arts organizations, visual art galleries, public art works, restaurants and more.

DAY TWO: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2025

- 8:30AM Breakfast at Grand Concourse: Housed in the beautifully preserved Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad Station, the Grand Concourse Restaurant at Station Square is a true testament of grandeur and elegant dining. With cathedral stained-glass vaulted ceilings, marble columns, and a dramatic staircase, guests are quickly transported to the glamorous side of the Progressive Era, with the luxury of a modern-day menu.
- **10:00AM** Andy Warhol Museum: Pittsburgh, the place of contemporary artist Andy Warhol's birth, is also home to his namesake museum. The Andy Warhol Museum holds the largest collection of Warhol's artworks and archival materials including his Time Capsules. It is the largest single-artist museum in North America and one of the most comprehensive in the world. Start at the top and work your way to the first floor as you enjoy pieces such as Warhol's Crushed Campbell's Soup Can and stand in the middle of his Silver Clouds exhibit.

- 12:00PM Phipps Conservatory & Botanical Gardens: A green oasis in the middle of Pittsburgh's vibrant Oakland neighborhood, Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens has provided a world-class garden experience to its visitors since 1893. Explore the beauty and wonders of nature at Phipps, encompassing 15 acres including a 14-room glasshouse and 23 distinct gardens. Experience industryleading sustainable architecture and green practices, stunning seasonal flower shows, exclusive commissioned exhibits, renowned orchid and bonsai collections and more. This historic landmark is just a few miles from downtown Pittsburgh in Schenley Park.
- **1:00PM Embark on a tasty adventure:** Skip lunch and hop on a 'Burgh Bits and Bites Food Tour. These walking tours feature a behind-the-counter look at a variety of eateries in Pittsburgh's historic market district. This tour links local history with the eating establishments peppered along Penn Avenue with taste samples from around the world including Italian pastries, Mediterranean and Latin American specialties, European meats, and cinnamon bread.
- 2:30PM Free time! Return to the hotel to recharge or join us at Shorty's Pins x Pints: Shorty's is the ultimate destination for fun! Combining the nostalgic charm of vintage bowling with a vibrant bar scene, Shorty's offers an eclectic mix of entertainment and relaxation. Enjoy a game of duckpin bowling, challenge friends to arcade classics, or unwind with a craft beer or signature cocktail from the extensive drink menu. With its lively atmosphere, delicious eats, and a perfect blend of modern and retro vibes, Shorty's Pins and Pints is the go-to spot for unforgettable gatherings and good times in North Shore.
- **5:15PM** National Aviary: Enjoy a guided tour of The National Aviary, America's only indoor zoo dedicated exclusively to birds more than 500 of them represent more than 150 species from around the world. The signature walk-through habitats take visitors through colorful re-creations of natural environments to interact with free-flying birds rarely found in zoos anywhere else in the world. Many of the Aviary's residents are endangered, and preserving these species and their environments through education and research is central to the Aviary's programming.
- 6:00PM Destination Greater Pittsburgh Marketplace and Dinner: It's time to meet the entire neighborhood of group travel gurus at the Destination: Greater Pittsburgh Marketplace and Dinner, hosted in the Garden Room of the National Aviary! After a delicious meal, experience the DGP version of the "Pittsburgh Cookie Table" while you get to know the exciting array of attractions, hotels, restaurants, transportation providers and regional visitors bureaus at DGP's membership showcase. You'll find everything you need to design memorable and meaningful experiences in the Greater Pittsburgh region for your group travelers.

DAY THREE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2025

- 8:30AM Breakfast at the Sheraton Station Square Hotel: Check out and bring luggage!
- 9:45AM Duquesne Incline: There's no better way to get acquainted with Pittsburgh than experiencing the famous journey up the historic Duquesne Incline, equally beautiful day and night. The Duquesne Incline runs from early morning through midnight. The cable car dates back to 1877 and once carried steel workers from their homes on Mt. Washington to the steel mills along the river. Walk through the complimentary museum to see the original 1877 hoisting mechanism for yourself. Out on the observation deck atop Mt. Washington, the incredible panorama of three rivers, skyscrapers, and the water fountain at Point State Park are before you.
- **11:00AM** Metal Arts Workshop in the Powerhouse at Carrie Furnace: The Metal Arts Workshop in the Powerhouse at Carrie Furnace is a dynamic creative space where artists and enthusiasts converge to explore the art of metalworking. Located within the historic Carrie Blast Furnaces, the workshop offers a unique environment steeped in industrial heritage. Participants can engage in a variety of metal arts practices, including blacksmithing, welding, and sculpture, utilizing both traditional and modern techniques. The workshop fosters a collaborative atmosphere, providing tools, equipment, and expert guidance to inspire creativity and craftsmanship in metal art. *Please note: this event will be held outside!*
- **1:30PM** Airport Departures / End of FAM Tour: Attendees should book departure flights after 4:00PM EST.

Itinerary as of 11/11/24 and subject to change.