

## HISTORIC FAIRMOUNT PARK HOLIDAY HOMES TOUR

December 11, 2010

Enjoy an intimate look at historic homes decorated for Christmas in Philly's famous Fairmount Park. With our guide from the Philadelphia Museum of Art, visit Lemon Hill, Mount Pleasant, and Cedar Grove, with a break for lunch in the Museum cafeteria. It's a delightful holiday tour on the banks of the Schuylkill!

Travel to Philadelphia's famous Fairmount Park along the Schuylkill River to enjoy guided tours of three of the park's historic homes, all decorated for the Christmas season. The park's preserved homes, two of which are administered by the Philadelphia Museum of Art, present a unique view of the domestic life of some of Philadelphia's most prominent families in the 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19<sup>th</sup> century.



Lemon Hill

After picking up our guide at the Museum of Art, head first to Lemon Hill, a neoclassical treasure built by Philadelphia merchant Henry Pratt in 1800 and named for the lemon trees that financier Robert Morris grew in a greenhouse on the property. As we follow a docent's guided tour, delight in the mansion's graceful oval rooms with curved doors and windows and numerous fireplaces. Next visit Mount Pleasant, built in the 1760s by Captain John Macpherson high on a cliff above the Schuylkill. Described by John Adams as "the most elegant seat in Pennsylvania," this country estate features classical architecture, stunning interiors, beautiful vistas, and some of the best craftsmanship of colonial Philadelphia. Learn the colorful history of Scottish sea captain and American patriot Macpherson as you follow the docent's guided tour. For lunch, return to the Museum of Art, where you can utilize the



Mount Pleasant



Cedar Grove

\$10 food voucher provided in the cafeteria. This afternoon, cross to the west bank of the Schuylkill to enjoy a docent's guided tour of Cedar Grove. Built by wealthy widow Elizabeth Coates Paschall in 1748-50 in Philly's Frankford Section and relocated stone by stone to Fairmount Park in the 1920s, this home was the summer residence of five generations of the family. As you follow our docent's guided tour, notice the unusual two-sided wall of closets and the authentic family furnishings. Return home delighted by our intimate look at historic villas in their Christmas finery. Expected arrival in Lancaster is 4:45 PM, York 5:30 PM, Red Lion 6:00 PM.

**DEPARTURES:** CAPE HORN (Red Lion): 7:00 AM    QUEENSGATE (York): 7:30 AM  
GRANDVIEW PLAZA (Lancaster): 8:15 AM

**PACKAGE INCLUDES:** Deluxe Motorcoach transportation, \$10 voucher for lunch in the cafeteria of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, tour by docents of three historic homes in Philadelphia's Fairmount Park, including Lemon Hill, Mount Pleasant, and Cedar Grove, guide, and escort.



**PRICE PER PERSON: \$96**

**FULL PAYMENT/CANCELLATIONS:** Payment is due within **10 days** of booking. Seat assignments are made based upon when we receive payment for your booked tour. Cancellation date is **November 11, 2010**. Full refund will be given if cancelled by this date except for some tours such as Broadway Shows and Nascar, etc. These may involve non-refundable payments. There is a fee of **\$40** per person for cancellations received after this date. Plus any money for tour features or services paid to suppliers for your reservation, that is not refunded to Red Lion, can not be refunded to you. This includes any expenses we incur as a result of the cancellation. **NO REFUND** for cancellations received within **48 hours** of tour departure. All cancellation calls must be received during regular office hours, no voice mail messages. **NO REFUNDS** for failure to show up on day of tour. **SORRY – NO EXCEPTIONS!** Any refunds will be paid after tour has completed and refunds have been received from suppliers by Red Lion.

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