



A touch of Holland



Visiting the Past of Pella & Newton

DAY 1

- 9:00 a.m. Arrive in Pella:
In keeping with Dutch tradition, your group will enjoy “coffee time” complete with Dutch treats and coffee, then tour the Historical Village Museum – a 23-building complex including Wyatt Earp’s boyhood home, wooden shoe shop, log cabin, miniature Dutch Village Display and a tour of the 135-foot authentic 1850’s Windmill
- 10:30 a.m. Motor Coach Tour of the Community with Step-on Guide.
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch:
Dine at one of Pella’s unique restaurants, cafes, tea room or coffee houses
- 12:30 p.m. Tour of the Opera House:
One of Pella’s most elegant treasures! Enjoy a tour of the restored 1900’s Opera House and possibly a short organ concert
- 1:00 p.m. Klokkenspel Performance:
Carillion clock with eight four-foot animated mechanical figures that move to music.
- 1:15 p.m. Tour Scholte House and Gardens:
Elegant home of Pella’s founder features outstanding collection of valuable European antiques and the gardens, which feature two life-sized bronze statues and thousands of flowers!
- 2:15 p.m. Hotel Check-in
Stay at any of the local Pella Hotels or Inns (reservations required)
- 3:15 p.m. Shopping!
Browse through Pella’s historic downtown
- 4:15 p.m. Van Veen Chocolate Store:
Owner Chuck Van Veen invites you to his store and demonstrate his candy making with imported chocolate from the Netherlands. Of course there will be samples for the choca-holics!

- 5:00 p.m. Dinner at one of Pella's many restaurants. (*Pre-arranged group dining and group menu is available at various locations*)
- 7:00 p.m. Return to Pella Hotel:
Get a good nights rest to start all over again tomorrow!

Day 2

Breakfast at Pella Hotel

- 8:30 a.m. Travel to Newton
- 9:00 a.m. Arrive in Newton and visit the Jasper County Museum:
Built in 1979, the Jasper County Museum houses many artifacts of the county displayed in individual room settings, including a country store, a new agricultural building, a reproduction of a Victorian home, 1930's home and tools used by early settlers. The largest exhibit in the museum recognizes the growth of the Maytag Company through examples of many products it has manufactured since the first washing machine produced under the Maytag label in 1907
- 10:45 a.m. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Tour:
This church is placed on the National Register of Historic Places as an example of the "Carpenter Gothic" style of architecture. Completed in 1874, the interior design and furnishing remain largely in their original form
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch at LaCorsette Maison Inn:
This opulent, mission-style mansion built in 1909, by early Iowa State Senator August Bergman, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Amid the charm of the original mission oak woodwork, art nouveau stained glass windows, brass light fixtures and some of the original furnishings, enjoy gourmet dining and a tour
- 1:45 p.m. Hotel Check-in:
Stay at any of the local Newton Hotels or Inns (reservations required)
- 3:00 p.m. Depart Hotel for the Kellogg Museum Tour:
The community of Kellogg takes pride in a seven-building museum complex including the main two-story building, an agricultural building, a factory/bank museum, a country church, machine shed and blacksmith shop
- 5:45 p.m. Dinner Theatre at Sugar Grove Vineyards & Gathering Place:
This location occupies the historic 1870 Sugar Grove Grange Hall. You will enjoy a wonderful dinner and performance (pricing and shows vary, please check with Sugar Grove)
- 8:30 p.m. Return to Newton Hotel:
Rest up for tomorrow...you're not done yet!

Day 3

Breakfast at Newton Hotel

- 9:00 a.m. Jasper County Courthouse Tour:
The focal point of the Newton Downtown Square. The Jasper County Courthouse, listed on the National Register of Historical Places, is a Neo-classic building with stained glass dome, hand-painted murals, fresco design and ceramic tiles laid in Mosaic patterns. Through the Christmas season, visitors enjoy the Courthouse decorated for the holidays
- 10:30 a.m. Maytag Dairy Farm – tour and sampling:
Manufacturers of the world-famous Maytag Blue Cheese welcome visitors to their cheese shop overlooking the cheese plant and farm. Visitors have an opportunity to view a 10-minute video and visit the packaging area
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch and Shopping:
Choose your own relaxing lunch and shopping around the Newton Downtown Square. Visit Pappy's Antique Mall for three floors of quality antiques and collectibles
- 2:30 p.m. Smiling Thru Hanger and Museum:
The first corporate aircraft to fly in the USA came from the Newton-based Automatic Washing Machine Company. The name of the plane was Smiling Thru and currently the Smiling Thru hanger has been restored and will soon be home to a small aviation museum
- 3:30 p.m. Depart the Newton and Pella area for your safe trip home

Thank you for visiting...come again!