



Johnny Cash Prison Concert

5 Days August 23-27, 2021

“Folsom Prison Blues” was recorded in 1955 and was an instant hit. It was very popular among inmates who wrote to Johnny and perhaps that is why he became a very vocal advocate for Prison Reform. His first Prison Concert was at Huntsville State Prison in 1957, a full 10 years before his famous live albums at Folsom Prison (1968) and San Quentin (1969). Most people don’t know those were just two of many, many prison concerts Johnny Cash played. Show us your conviction, and come party in the Big House. Includes two great shows: The Johnny Cash Prison Concert and BackTraxx Rock n’ Roll Party.

Tour Highlights:

- Two Great Shows:
 - BackTraxx Rock n’ Roll Party
 - “Johnny Cash Prison Concert”
- Three Dinners including
 - One Oglebay Dinner
 - One “The Jailbird Feast”
- Costumed Convict & Cop Competition
- Independence & Incarceration Tour
- Visit the National Museum of the US Airforce
- Rock N’ Roll Hall of Fame
- Three Nights Lodging including
 - Two Nights Deluxe Lodging at Oglebay Resort
- Three Hotel Breakfasts
- All Taxes and Tips on these services; Luggage Handling
- Motorcoach Transportation & Driver's Gratuities
- Professional Tour Manager
- Travel Protection Plan

Per Person Prices:

\$1,249 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$1,499 SINGLE OCCUPANCY

\$150 per person deposit and completed application is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis.

Reservations made after the deposit date of May 24 are based upon availability. Final payment is due by July 13, 2021. Deposits are refundable up until July 13, 2021.

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Day 1 – Richmond, IN – Board your deluxe motorcoach and meet your Professional Tour Manager this morning and after a day of travel arrive in Richmond, IN for the night. This evening's dinner is included at a local restaurant conveniently located near the hotel. **(D)**

Day 2 - National Museum of U.S. Air Force – Oglebay Resort, Wheeling, WV – Dinner & Dancing w/BackTraxx Band – This morning enroute to Wheeling, WV, you will visit the National Museum of the United States Air Force -- the oldest and largest military aviation museum in the world -- located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, near Dayton, Ohio. This site is provided as a public service by the National Museum of the United States Air Force.

Arriving in Wheeling, WV check into the beautiful Oglebay Resort for a two night stay. Once you have had time to freshen up and explore the resort, you enjoy an incredible plated dinner, followed by a show by one of our favorite's BackTraxx. This group frequently performs at the Cleveland's Rock n' Roll Hall of Fame and actually hosted a moon rise party for us on the Rock Hall Plaza for our 2019 Celebration of Woodstock's 50th Anniversary. Playing music you know – the greatest hits of the 60s and 70s – they are both a great stage show and a wonderful dance band. **(B,D)**

Day 3 - Independence & Incarceration Tour - Costumed Convict & Cop Competition - The Jailbird Feast - Johnny Cash Outlaw Prison Concert - Today includes the 3-hour Independence & Incarceration Tour. It is titled with a bit of humor and irony, it features Wheeling's Independence Hall where the vote to secede from Virginia was won in 1863; followed by a visit to WV's gothic-looking prison, that was once on a list of the top 10 most violent correctional facilities.

This evening's activities are held at the Old West Virginia Penitentiary, a Gothic style structure built in 1876 that once held over 2000 inmates. Unlike many of them, you may rest assured you're getting out after the show. Today's dinner, show and Costume Contest are produced in the renovated Machine Shop. Your bus will drive through a high arched entrance under the North Guard Tower and into The Yard. This building, in the shadow of the Guard Towers, has been renovated in recent years, has good acoustics and serves the local community as a meeting facility.

Starting with a Jailbird Feast, a menu of comfort food, in a prison cafeteria atmosphere, served by the usual suspects and a Costumed Convict & Cop Competition. We encourage your travelers to get in the spirit of the day and dress as though they are guards or guests. There will be several prizes awarded such as a file in a cake, handcuff keys, plus a few commutations and paroles. Prize categories will be created spontaneously by our eccentric Warden who maintains a strict, but happy discipline here at the Pen.

Excitement continues as we present a re-creation of Johnny's "Outlaw Prison Concert" featuring Gray Sartin and the Tennessee Three. With a live band behind him this show will feature Johnny's "Folsom Prison Blues," "I Walk the Line," "A Boy Named Sue," "San Quentin," and "Ring of Fire," plus many other favorites!

Historical Note: The song "Folsom Prison Blues" was recorded in 1955, became an instant hit and was very popular among inmates who actually wrote to Johnny. While his famous live albums at Folsom Prison (1968) and San Quentin (1969) are now classics; what is interesting, and much less well-known, is that those were two of many, many prison concerts Cash played over the course of almost 30 years. His first Prison Concert was at Huntsville State Prison in 1957. At the conclusion of your "sentence" return to the Oglebay Lodge for an evening of relaxation, enjoy the amenities. **(B,D)**

Day 4 - Rock & Roll Hall of Fame – Toledo, OH - Did you know Johnny Cash is a member of the Rock n' Roll Hall of Fame (as well as the Country Music Hall of Fame)? Today leaving Wheeling you motor to Cleveland and visit the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, located on the shore of Lake Erie in downtown Cleveland. See the archives and learn the history of the best-known and most influential artists, producers, engineers, other notable figures who have had some major influence on the development of rock and roll. At the end of the day we are in or near Toledo, OH for overnight stay at a local hotel. Dinner is on your own this evening. **(B)**

Day 5 – Depart for Home – After breakfast, depart for home. **(B)**