

# ASHEVILLE

## Beer Lovers Tour

2 nights

*Times listed are suggestions only*

### Day 1

- 3pm** Arrive and check into your hotel. The **Asheville CVB** can offer **free and helpful assistance** with blocking your group accommodations. Use our lead service to find and compare the best group room rates! As part of our service, we can also provide a free **welcome gift** for each member of your group upon check-in.
- 4pm** Head behind the scenes with a Brewhouse Tour at one of the country's favorite craft beer powerhouses – **Sierra Nevada Brewery!** Their east coast facility boasts of copper-clad brew kettles, an eco-friendly building design, and a hands-on tour that will get you up close and personal with the entire beer-making process.
- 6pm** Afterward, stick around for dinner at the **Sierra Nevada Taproom** and relax with an evening of chef-driven, farm-to-table dishes, outdoor games, and a stroll through their estate garden.

### Day 2

- 9am** Start your morning with a malt house or hops farm visit:
- The **Riverbend Malt House** provides the area's craft breweries with locally farmed, artisan malts. Check out their malting process with a one hour tour.
- Hop'n Blueberry Farm**, a unique family farm, is home to acres of hops, blueberries, medicinal herbs, and a butterfly flight house. Tour the farm or take a hops educational workshop.
- 11am** Then, take your pick between these truly unique Asheville experiences:
- Biltmore:** Tour this impressive 250-room chateau, a wonder of architecture and hospitality, and stroll acres of formal and informal gardens. Enjoy lunch at **Stable Café** before visiting **Antler Hill Village** and the award-winning **Biltmore Winery**.
- Hike the Blue Ridge:** Pack a picnic lunch and head out to nature's playground – the Blue Ridge Mountains! Pick a trail off the **Blue Ridge Parkway**, **Pisgah National Forest**, or in **DuPont State Forest**. For hiking trail suggestions and specifics, visit [www.exploreasheville.com/outdoor-adventures/hiking/](http://www.exploreasheville.com/outdoor-adventures/hiking/)
- Adventure Center of Asheville:** See Asheville from a whole new perspective – by treetop! Zip-lining, teambuilding, mountain biking, and whitewater rafting are just some of the many options available at **Adventure Center of Asheville** and their sister company, **Wildwater**. Boxed lunches available onsite.
- 3pm** Refresh and relax with a guided microbrewery tour with **Asheville Brewery Tours**. Choose between a comfy driving excursion or a leisurely downtown walking tour, both of which

providing multiple stops at some of Asheville's most popular local breweries and plenty of tastings.

6pm

For dinner, try the local grub at **Buxton Hall BBQ**, a whole-hog barbeque joint that dishes up the creative flavors of two James Beard nominated chefs.

Upgrade the experience with a BBQ and beer pairing dinner at the neighboring **Catawba Brewery**. Special reservations required.

8:15pm

Bring your own alcoholic beverage aboard the **LaZoom** tour, a comedic vaudeville show on wheels that introduces you to Asheville's famous sites. The outlandish skits and special appearances are outrageously entertaining.

### Day 3

9am

Before departing for home, indulge in a home-cooked breakfast at **Moose Café**, offering casual southern comfort foods, beautiful mountain views, and access to the **WNC Farmers Market** to stock up on last-minute local goods and souvenirs.

**Thank you for visiting!**

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