

Houses of Harrisburg, One-Day Tour

Houses, houses, everywhere! Get an inside peek of the PA Governor's home, tour the State Capitol Building (home to PA's House of Representatives), visit a commercial greenhouse, see a wheelhouse during a river cruise and dine in a firehouse restaurant!

Highlights of the PA State Capitol Building include a staircase of Italian marble and grand dome modeled after that of St. Peter's in Rome. Built in the early 1900s in a Beaux-Arts style with Renaissance themes throughout, the building is known as a "palace of art" due to the many sculptures, murals and stained-glass windows most of which were made by Pennsylvanians or have Pennsylvania themes.

Also enjoy a narrated cruise aboard the Pride of the Susquehanna. The climate-controlled boat is one of only seven remaining "authentic" paddlewheel riverboats in the U.S. Learn about the river's many small islands and numerous bridges while enjoying panoramic views of the city's skyline.

Additionally tour a commercial greenhouse producing blooms year round and gift shop, plus dine in a renovated firehouse now a restaurant with a décor highlighting the building's heritage.



Available May through mid-to-late October.

Tour includes:

- PA State Capitol Building
- PA Governor's Residence
- Pride of the Susquehanna River Cruise
- Ashcombe Gardens Greenhouse Tour
- FireHouse Restaurant

Capitol Christmas, One-Day Tour

Bask in the magic of the holidays in Harrisburg, PA with a visit to the PA Governor's Residence, the State Capitol and Ashcombe Gardens all decorated for the season!

Visit the Governor's Residence, for its annual holiday open house when local decorators show their holiday flare decorating the home's public reception rooms. Enjoy their designs which can range from a cozy homespun Christmas to over the top displays, and perhaps take home some ideas for your own holiday décor.

Also enjoy a guided tour of the PA State Capitol (see site details above) decorated for the season usually including a holiday tree more than 20 feet tall in the building's rotunda. The tree is generally lit during the second week of December. Plus visit Ashcombe Gardens where you'll be surrounded by poinsettias and decorations, and receive a poinsettia to take home as a special gift. Optional greenhouse tour may be included and of course time for holiday shopping in the gift shop! Lunch is usually included at a local restaurant or may be on own at the historic Broad Street Market.

Available limited dates, usually the second and third week in December.

Tour includes:

- PA Governor's Residence Holiday Open House
- PA State Capitol Building
- Ashcombe Gardens



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