

Rise and shine on Tuesday morning with the first stop on our tour being the bright and exotic Franklin Park Conservatory. Originally built in 1895 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places, today's conservatory is a horticultural and educational institution showcasing special exhibitions, Dale Chihuly artworks and exotic plant collections, including more than 400 plant species. Biomes representing global climate zones include Himalayan Mountains, Tropical Rainforest, Desert, and Pacific Island Water Garden. Additional plant collections include a Bonsai Courtyard, Showhouse with seasonal displays, orchids and tropical bonsai collections and Palm House with more than 40 species of palms. The conservatory is set within Franklin Park and surrounded by 90 acres of outdoor botanical gardens and green space. www.fpconservatory.org



Traditional German Buffet Lunch

Please advise of any special dietary needs at registration.

- Fresh garden salad, rolls and butter
- Schmidt's own fresh pork bratwurst
- Famous smoked "Bahama Mama"
The Bahama Mama is a fully cooked, natural casing, hickory smoked sausage made from specially selected lean cuts of beef and pork, blended with our secret spice pack formulation; spice level is moderate so as not to hide the flavor of the quality cuts of beef and pork
- Baked chicken
- German potato salad
- Hot sauerkraut with pork
- California mixed vegetables
- Chunky applesauce
- Mini cream puffs
- Coffee, hot tea and iced tea

Next up is the perfect location for a lunch stop on our way to German Village: Schmidt's. Featured on the first episode of popular TV series *Man vs. Food*, this German fare has been perfected over decades. www.schmidthaus.com

After lunch, step outside the restaurant and begin your guided tour of Columbus' German Village. Known as the city's most historic neighborhood and one of the world's premier historic restorations, German Village was settled in the early to mid-19th century by a large number of German immigrants who at one time comprised as much as one-third of the city's entire population. Added to the National Register of Historic Places on December 30, 1974, it became the list's largest privately funded preservation district and, in 2007, was made a Preserve America Community by the White House.

Itinerary (times are approximate)

~ Bottled water and snacks provided on bus AM and PM ~

- 9:15 am: Depart on coach bus from Hyatt Regency (bus pickup at hotel's North Drop-Off Area near Starbucks on the 2nd floor)
- 9:30 am: Begin guided tour of Franklin Park Conservatory
- 10:30 am: Explore Conservatory on own
- 11:30 am: Depart on coach bus for Schmidt's
- 12:00 pm: Lunch
- 1:00 pm: Begin guided historic German Village tour
- 4:00 pm: Depart German Village on bus
- 4:30 pm: Arrive back at hotel

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Attendance is limited to one bus... REGISTER EARLY!