Experience

The Kentucky Derby

APRIL 29 - MAY 3, 2020

Tour Host: Dr. Brian Nielsen
Professor of Equine Exercise Physiology

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On the first Saturday of May, an average of 150,000 visitors, including residents, out-of-towners, celebrities, presidents and even members of royal families, gather at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky for one of the most anticipated sporting events of the year, the Kentucky Derby. The Derby is a Grade I stakes race for three-year old Thoroughbreds and easily the premier event of the racing season. It is the first leg of the American Triple Crown, followed by the Preakness Stakes and the Belmont Stakes. Michigan State guests will be hosted by Dr. Brian Nielsen is a professor of Equine Exercise Physiology in the Department of Animal Science at Michigan State University. Throughout his academic career, he maintained involvement in the racing industry by breaking and galloping racing Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds including such notable horses as: Two Altazano, Dakota Slew, and Cash From Texas.

THE TOUR INCLUDES:

- Four (4) nights deluxe hotel accommodations at the Lexington Marriott City Center
- Check-in: Wednesday, April 29th
- Check-out: Sunday, May 3rd
- Welcome reception with expert horse racing industry speaker
- Full Breakfast daily on tour days (Thursday breakfast at Dawn of the Downs, Millionaires Row | Friday grab and go breakfast at the hotel | Saturday breakfast buffet at the hotel)
- Dawn at the Downs with admission to the Kentucky Derby Museum
- Distillery Tour
- Motorcoach transfers, lunch and beverages during Thursday tours
- Select horse farm tours
- Motorcoach transfers, lunch and beverages during Friday tours
- Roundtrip motorcoach transfers to Churchill Downs for the Kentucky Derby
- Admission to the Kentucky Derby which includes Second Floor reserved seating located on the front stretch at Churchill Downs (Optional ticket upgrades are available)
- Official Kentucky Derby souvenirs
- Experienced Sports & Entertainment Travel staff throughout the tour

Prices Starting at $3,119 per person, based on double occupancy

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