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Ohio/Kentucky Trip Itinerary – 5 Days

DAY 1:

- Travel Day to Ohio – if by air:
  - Flight to Cincinnati, Ohio.
    - Pick-up car rental
- Drive to Hotel in Beavercreek, Ohio
  - approximately 72 miles north of airport

Hotel in Beavercreek, OH:

- **Hilton Garden Inn Dayton Beavercreek (5 miles from Air Force Museum)**

  - 3520 Pentagon Park Boulevard, Dayton, OH
  - 2 nights

Dinner:

- **Black Rock Bar & Grill Beavercreek**

  - 2745 Fairfield Commons, Beavercreek
  - Make Priority Seating Reservation
  - Steak and Seafood Restaurant

DAY 2:

Breakfast:

- At hotel

Entire Day Activity:

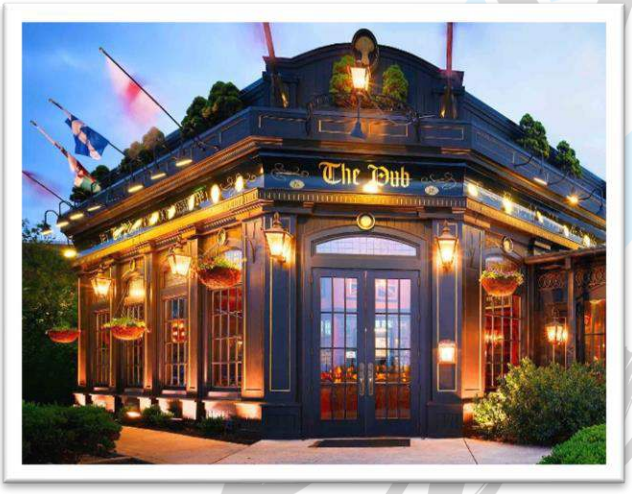
- **National Museum of the US Air Force**

  - Located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
  - 1100 Spaatz Street, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433
    - Enter on Springfield Street at historic Wright Field, Gate 28B
  - Open – 9 to 5pm daily
  - Entrance and Parking are Free.
    - Separate parking area closer to entrance for Handicap vehicles
    - Wheelchairs are free and are available on a first come, first served basis.

- Free tours start at the information desk in each gallery:
  - 10am – Early Years WWI and WWII Galleries
  - 11:30am – Korea & SE Asia Galleries
  - 12pm & 3pm – Space, R&D, Global Reach & Presidential Galleries
  - 1:30pm – Cold War Gallery
- Movie Theater - $10.00 per person - $30 for 4 people
  - D-Day Normandy 1944
    - Showing 12pm, 2pm, 4pm – 45 minutes long
  - Fighter Pilot Operation Red Flag 3D
    - Showing 11am, 1pm, 3pm – 50 minutes long
- To see the entire museum, plan for 2 days

Dinner:

- **The Pub Beavercreek**



- The Greene Town Center, 39 Greene Blvd, Beavercreek
- Do not accept reservations.
- British pub food and drink

DAY 3:

Breakfast:

- At hotel
- Check out by 9:30am

Morning Activity:

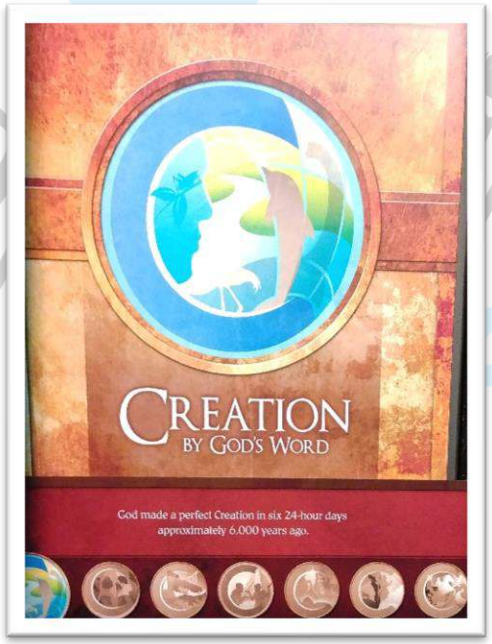
- **National Museum of the US Air Force**

- Continue tour of the galleries through late morning

Afternoon Activity:

- **Drive to Creation Museum in Petersburg Kentucky**
  - Approximately 1 hour 15 minutes southwest
  - 2800 Bullittsburg Church Road, Petersburg, KY

- **Creation Museum**



  - Open Monday through Saturday 9am to 7pm.
    - Plan for at least 3 hours to visit the Museum.
    - Recommend visiting the Museum prior to the Ark Encounter.

  - Enter the Welcome Center to purchase tickets. Wheelchairs are available.

- Purchase combo ticket for Creation Museum and Ark Encounter – good for admission at each attraction within a 7-day period.

- Walk from Welcome Center to the Museum – 5 minutes.

- Enter Creation Museum
  - Start at the Special Effects Theater before entering the exhibits.

- Enter exhibits – follow the path through museum.
  - Biblical historical writings, interpretations lined the walls along with artifacts and videos.
  - Museum focus is on the Garden of Eden through the Flood
    - Creation science according to the Bible – Genesi

- Stargazer Planetarium
  - Scientists and astronomers explain the night sky.
    - Show run time – 23 minutes.
    - Additional cost – purchase timed tickets from Guest Services

- Botanical Gardens – purpose is to explore God's creation all around us.
  - 1 mile of paved walkways and trails
    - 3-acre lake
    - Waterfalls
    - Themed garden
    - Bridges

- Screaming Raptor Zipline
  - Zip across the lake and over the trees
    - Open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 9am to 6pm
      - Need to book in advance.

- Special Effects Theater – state of the art 4-D theater – provides 3-D glasses.
  - Check presentation schedule – several shows daily including:
    - Presentation – In Six Days – runs 22 minutes.
    - Presentation – Encounter the Wonder – runs 11 minutes.

- **Drive to Neeley Family Distillery in Sparta, Kentucky**
  - Approximately 45 minutes from the Creation Museum
  - 4360 KY-1130, Sparta, KY

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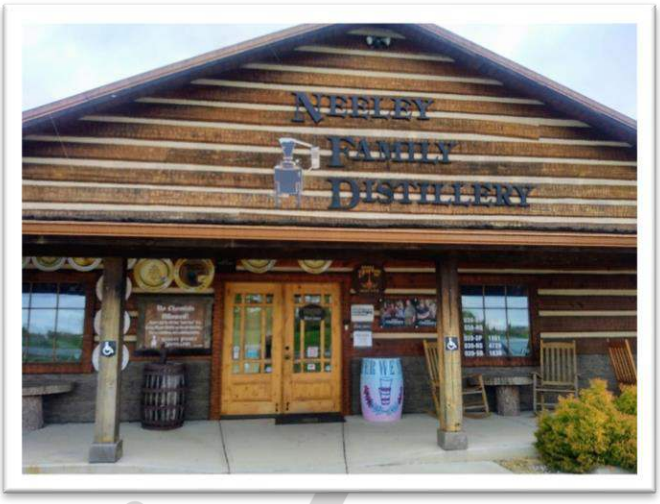
- **Neeley Family Distillery**



  - Family owned and operated for 11 generations distilling and bootlegging illegally until 2015. Originally from Ireland, the current generation has made the business legal, earning numerous Awards for their Bourbon Whiskey spirits made from old family mashed recipes.

  - Open Monday through Saturday 11am to 6pm; Sunday 1pm to 6pm

  - Tours available Monday through Saturday at 11:30am, 1:30pm and 3:30pm; Sunday 1:30pm and 3:30pm
    - Guided tour of the distillery - 1 hour
    - Spirits tasting – 8 products – ½ hour.
      - Reservations not required unless the group is 10 or more. Walk-ins are welcomed.
        - Cost: $20.00 for tour and tasting
      - Tasting only is available every ½ hour.
        - Cost: $15.00
        - Learn to properly prepare the pallet for the tasting experience.
        - Sample Authentic Kentucky Moonshine, Bourbon, Rye Whiskey, PawPaw's Flavored Whiskies, Flavored Moonshine Cream's, and Absinthe

- **Drive to Hotel in Dry Ridge, Kentucky**
  - Approximately 25 minutes from the Distillery

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Hotel in Dry Ridge, Kentucky:

- **Hampton Inn Dry Ridge**

  - 1200 Cull Road, Dry Ridge Kentucky
  - 1 night, breakfast included.
  - 10-minute drive to the Ark Encounter

Dinner:

- **LaRosa's Pizza Dry Ridge**

  - 96C Blackburn Lane, Dry Ridge
  - Reservations are not required.
  - Pizza restaurant serving beer, wine, and cocktails.

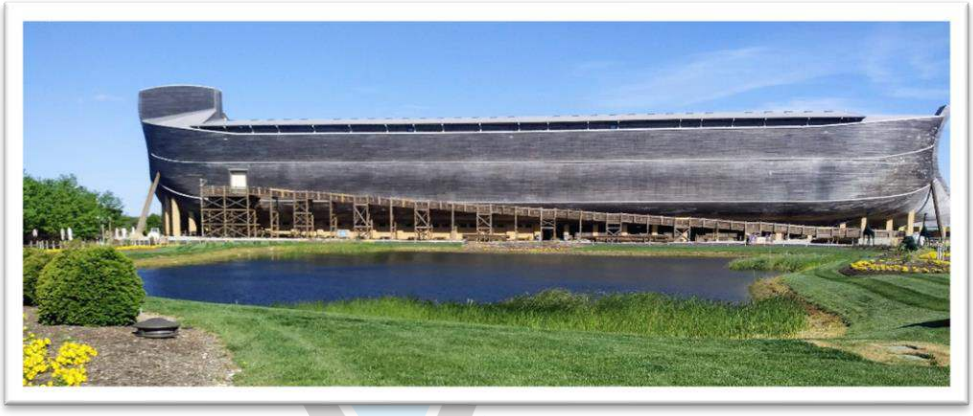
DAY 4:

Breakfast:

- At hotel
- Check out by 8:45am

Entire Day Activity (approximately 6 hours):

- **Ark Encounter**



  - 1 Ark Encounter Drive, Williamstown, Kentucky

  - Full size Noah's Ark built as instructed to Noah in the Bible.
    - 510 feet long, 85 feet wide, 51 feet high
    - Largest timber frame structure in the world
    - Three Decks with exhibits, videos, and films about Noah and his family, preparation for the Flood and life on the Ark.

  - Open Monday to Saturday 9am to 7pm
    - Parking costs $15.00

  - Purchase tickets at the Admissions Building, or in advance on-line or at the Creation Museum
    - Board shuttles – 5-minute drive to Answers Center and the main Ark grounds.
      - Disembark at the Answers Center
        - Wheelchair and scooter rentals available

  - Answers Center – starting point for the attraction.
    - Films, speaker presentations and concerts are found in the Answers Center Auditorium – view daily schedule for timing.
    - View *The Building of the Ark Encounter* film to learn more about the building of the Ark Encounter from conception to completion.
      - 30-minute presentation

  - Walk from the Center to the Ark – 10 minutes.

  - Enter the Ark on the Ground Floor.

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        - Elevators are available.

    - Follow the path along the three decks to view the exhibits, videos, and films.

    - Ararat Ridge Zoo
        - Outdoor zoo (weather permitting)

    - Food is available on the grounds surrounding the Ark (Emzara's, The Village Smokehouse, Zofar's, Southwest Grill, Noah's Village)

    - Truth Traveler Virtual Reality (VR) Experience
        - Purchase ticket at VR and schedule visit time

    - Screaming Eagle Zip Lines and Aerial Adventure
        - Purchase package and make reservation in advance to reserve tour time.

- **If Flying Home, drive to Doubletree Hilton Hotel in Hebron, Kentucky**
    - Approximately 1 hour from the Ark Encounter
    - 2826 Terminal Drive, Hebron, Kentucky

Hotel in Hebron, Kentucky at Cincinnati Airport:

- **Doubletree Hilton at CVG**

    - 1 night
    - Free shuttle to airport terminal
    - Restaurant (Bistro Danielle) and Bar on premises

Return Rental Car to Airport:

- Call hotel shuttle for pick-up at the airport

Dinner:

- At hotel restaurant - Bistro Danielle

DAY 5:

- Travel Day Home
    - Check out of the hotel.
- Take the shuttle to the airport for a flight home.

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