



What's New at Stone Fences!
Monthly Newsletter

August

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Check out What's New!

Our monthly newsletter to keep you informed of new tours and what we have planned for 2019!

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We want to welcome you to our monthly newsletter that is designed to keep you informed of the new and exciting tours we have coming up in 2019. We have some great stuff lined up for this year and would love for you to be a part of it!

Have an event already planned but need transportation? Leave the driving to us. Our Ford Transit van comfortably seats up to 11 people. We would love to assist you in your trip to the Ark Encounter, concert venues, or wedding parties.

As always, if anything looks interesting to you or you need more information, please reach out to us at (606) 548-2181 or email us at stonefencestours@yahoo.com

NEW TOURS
COMING IN 2019!

Summertime is here!

Bourbon Sessions at the Ripy Mansion (Enjoy an evening with Fred Minnick)



Bourbon Sessions at the Ripy Mansion welcomes Wall Street Journal best-selling author [Fred Minnick](#) to Lawrenceburg for a special event on Aug. 15.

With appearances on Top Chef and the Amazon Prime host of Bourbon Up, author Fred Minnick loves his American whiskey, rum, and other spirits. He is the editor-in-chief of Bourbon + Magazine, actively reviews whiskey for Forbes, and is the former lead American Whiskey critic for Whisky Advocate.

Minnick is the author of several books including *Whiskey Women*, *Rum Curious*, *Bourbon Curious*, *MEAD*, and *Bourbon: The Rise, Fall and Rebirth of an American Whiskey*, which won the Spirited Award for Best Spirits Book. He has written about spirits for the *New York Times*, *Scientific American*, *Parade Magazine* and had multiple appearances on *CBS This Morning*, *NPR* and *CNBC*. Minnick is a co-founder to *Bourbon and Beyond* and curates both *B and B* and the *Hometown Rising Festivals*. But most importantly, he wears ascots.

The focus of the Aug. 15 Bourbon Session will be the Saffell family of Lawrenceburg. W.B. Saffell, whose legacy had been all but lost to bourbon history, has been rediscovered. Wild Turkey is paying homage to this legendary distiller, who at one time was widely considered one of the best distillers in the country, by naming a brand after him. Minnick will teach us about him and the interlocking bourbon families of Lawrenceburg, the Ripys, the Bonds and the Lillards by guiding us through tastings of the Whiskey Barons collection proudly produced by Wild Turkey.

This is a truly unique opportunity to taste premium bourbons led by the preeminent bourbon expert. This event also includes a catered dinner in a historic bourbon mansion. As always, a tour of this incredible home is included and cocktails are available.

<https://www.tbripyhome.com/events>

Bourbon Barons (Bourbon + History)



Bourbon. It's a just small part of what makes Kentucky special- from each brand's unique flavor profile to the distillation process and family histories can be a point of interest for the millions of visitors to KY's Bourbon Trail. Some of the greatest bourbons which are found all over the world, call Kentucky home; from Jim Beam Distilleries to Maker's Mark and Heaven Hill Distilleries.

At Stone Fences, we can give you that opportunity to see just how it's made and how from many ingredients come this great social drink. Not only will you see how it's made, you'll get to meet the people behind it, master distillers who have come from a great line of other master distillers and founders who have given their lives work to make this a reality. We will give the history behind this craft and show you how these founders made the drink you love today a reality for everyone to enjoy.

So take a time-out. Come with us on a journey to see how it's done and get a glimpse into the lives of the people behind this awesome craft. So whether you are just a beginner or connoisseur of bourbon, you will find just about anything to peak your interests here on our Bourbon Barons Tours.

<http://www.stonefencestours.com/index.php/tours/bourbon-tours>

Summer

Vineyard Tours

Uncork & Unwined (For those who enjoy wine and the beauty of central Kentucky)



Everyone knows that Kentucky's name is synonymous with bourbon and horses. However, Kentucky has a long history with the wine industry. The first commercial vineyard in the United States is located in Kentucky. By the late 1800s, Kentucky was the third largest wine producing state in the nation. All of that ended with the introduction of Prohibition. Kentucky's farmers then turned to tobacco production which remained the dominant industry throughout the twentieth century. Now with the downturn of the tobacco industry, farmers are turning back to the production of wine. Currently, Kentucky has seventy+ commercial vineyards and the industry is still growing. So join us as we take in the beauty and history of central Kentucky's vineyards while we visit two locations for a little R&R and wine tastings.

Tour will be approximately 4 hrs long. We will pickup/ dropoff at the Lexington Visitor's Center. Water and snacks will be provided.

Pricing \$45 (Includes tours and tastings at both locations).

<http://www.stonefencetours.com/index.php/tours/vineyard-tours/uncorked-and-unwined>

Beer Tours

Craft Brew Hop/ TagaBrew (Check out central Kentucky's best breweries)



The Lexington craft beer scene has grown exponentially over the last few years. Even though each of these breweries has their own ambience, style and specialties they share a passion for beer making and a desire to contribute to the local community. We are showcasing the best of the breweries on our Craft Brew Hop/Tagabrew Tour. We will take you and your friends out for an afternoon of beer in the Brewgrass. Each Craft Brew Hop/Tagabrew Tour will include a tour of a brewery, flight of your choice and a chance to purchase a great memento, a Tagabrew tag to remember your visit. This is your chance to find out about the craft brewery business. Here is a link to Tagabrew:

www.tagabrew.com

This tour will take you to 3 local breweries; 1) West 6th Brewing, 2) Rock House Brewing, and 3) Pivot Brewing. At each 45-minute stop we will provide 1 flight of beer for your choosing.

Pickup will be at the Lexington Visitor Center.

Price: \$50 (includes 1 flight of beer of your choice at each location) tour of brewery and chance to purchase your Tagabrew tag. Hop is approximately 3 hours. Food is not included but will be able to be purchased at each site.

<http://www.stonefencestours.com/index.php/tours/beer-tours/craft-brew-hop-tagabrew-tour>

Horse Tours

Behind the Fences (Great for families)



On this tour we will learn about the history of horse racing and the horse industry in Lexington. Saddle up as we start our historic journey at Keeneland for a tour during the early morning workouts. We will then visit one of the beautiful historic horse farms around Lexington. We will also make stops at the Red Mile and the Isaac Murphy Memorial Art Garden. We will learn the history of these historic racing venues along with the first superstars of horse racing, African American jockeys.

The tour will last approximately 4 hours and we will pick you up at the Lexington Visitor Center or Keeneland.

Price \$45 (Includes tours at Keeneland and a historic horse farm).

Water and snacks will be provided.

<http://www.stonefencestours.com/index.php/tours/horse-tours/behind-the-fences>

New Specialty Tour

Bluegrass Bucket List (Kentucky's Best)



The Bluegrass State is known for its two historic industries, horses and bourbon. We have been racing horses in Kentucky since the late 1700s and even today the top horses in the industry are bred and raised here. One of Kentucky's historic and beautiful horse farms will be a bucket list stop. The growth of the bourbon industry in the state is hitting heights rarely seen in the 240

years of distilling in Kentucky. We will visit one of these historic distilleries and enjoy a tour and tasting. Our next industry that few people know about outside the state is wine. Kentucky was the home of the first commercial vineyard in U.S. history and in the late 1800s, it was the third largest wine producing state in the country. Today, there is a renewed interest in wine production in the state. We currently have over 70 commercial vineyards across the commonwealth. We will enjoy a tasting as we take in the beautiful scenery of the Bluegrass region. Our newest industry that is booming is our craft brewery scene. Lexington and central Kentucky currently have their own Brewgrass Trail. We will enjoy a flight at one of these locally owned breweries. So come and fill your bucket with the best that Kentucky has to offer.

<http://www.stonefencetours.com/index.php/tours/specialty-tours/bluegrass-bucket-list>

Lane Report Article (June/July Edition)

If you were raised in the Bluegrass State and not in a teetotaler family, chances are good that you sipped your first bourbon at an early age, maybe on New Year's Eve, at a wedding reception or at Aunt Ethel's birthday party. If not, maybe you jumped on board the bourbon train recently, when you noticed that Kentucky's native spirit is being talked about and tasted simply everywhere. But how much do you know about the drink's roots? Who started the commonwealth's distilleries? Was it a lone individual with a monumental thirst or a family looking to make a living?

A great way to find out the answers to these questions and more is on a Bourbon Barons Tour with Stone Fences Tours, based in Lexington. On any of nine different options, you'll learn all about the different distilleries, and, of course, have the opportunity to sample the goods.

"We're more than a shuttle to take you from point A to point B," says Jerry Daniels, who owns and operates the company with his wife, Hope Brown. "We have tours and tastings, but we want you to learn how a distillery got there, who put it there – the family or the person. We're history geeks. We want you to take part of Kentucky home with you. We want you to be able to tell your friends – over a glass of bourbon – about the seven-generational Beam family."

A "history geek" is definitely the person you want leading a tour about the roots of bourbon. Hope is a history teacher, while Jerry is an arm-chair historian, retail manager, aspiring stand-up comic, and certified bourbon steward. They are members of the Kentucky Civil War Roundtable, the Battlefield of Richmond Association, the Bluegrass Trust for Historic Preservation, and the Filson Historical Society. These geeks are the real deal – as are their Bourbon Baron Tours. Last year, the couple began with six tours and added three more for 2019. The following are brief descriptions of the options. Full details are on the Stone Fences website.

The Ripy Tour: Built by Wild Turkey tycoon Thomas B. Ripy in 1888, the T.B. Ripy House in Lawrenceburg is a grand mansion known for its architecture, intriguing history and ghost(s). When Prohibition came along, the Ripy family had secret compartments, trap doors and hidden staircases to secret rooms

added to hide a few hundred barrels of bourbon, some of which may still be in the creepy basement. A house tour and bourbon tasting are included.

Peppers Tour: Three generations of Peppers come alive, from the small distillery of Captain Elijah Pepper, to Oscar and James Pepper, who grew the business. You'll visit the site of Elijah's first foray, and enjoy tour and tastings at Woodford Reserve, the Barrel House Distilling Co., and the newly restored Pepper Distillery.

Colonel Taylor Tour: Colonel E. H. Taylor modernized the bourbon industry by traveling to Europe and returning with new techniques for his Old Crow, Old Fire Copper and Old Taylor Distilleries. Visit Glenss Creek Distilling, Buffalo Trace, and the spectacularly renovated Castle & Key Distillery.

The Beams Tour: Follow the Royal Family of Bourbon, members of which have been involved in bourbon production at most of Kentucky's distilleries since the late 1700s, Jacob Beam's early days. Tour and taste at Heaven Hill and Limestone Branch distilleries and the Jim Beam American Stillhouse.

Early Pioneers: Travel back to the late 1700s to settlers on the Wilderness Trail – Jacob Myers, Elijah Craig and Jacob Spears – who carried hopes in their hearts and stills on their backs. Visit the Wilderness Trail Distillery, Hartfield & Co., and Bourbon 30 in Georgetown, where Master Distiller Jeff Manley walks you through a tasting. (There are tastings at the others as well, of course.)

Whiskey Row: Explore the bourbon industry on Louisville's Whiskey Row, starting with a new bourbon exhibit at the Frazier History Museum. Then move on to Evan Williams Bourbon Experience, the new Old Forester Distillery, and the Bulleit Bourbon Experience at Stitzel-Weller Distillery, which was Julian P. "Pappy" Van Winkle's legacy.

Distiller's Row: You'll learn about four bourbon-producing families who lived on Distiller's Row in Bardstown, the Bourbon Capital of the World: the Willett family (Willett Distillery), the Mattingly and Moore families (Barton 1792), and eight generations of the Samuels family (Maker's Mark). Sip at all three.

Matriarchs of Bourbon: Castle & Key, Jephtha Creed and Michter's all boast women master distillers. You'll taste at all three and learn about the early "bold bourbon broads" who paved the way.

Prohibition Tour: Delve into the history of bootleggers and speakeasy owners who kept bourbon flowing during Prohibition. Stops include the Oscar Getz Whiskey Museum in Bardstown, the new Prohibition Craft Spirits Distillery, the Evan Williams Distillery for a special speakeasy tasting, and a cocktail at Louisville's cool speakeasy bar, Hell or High Water. Lunch at Gatsby's on Fourth in the Seelbach Hotel, where such characters as Al Capone and F. Scott Fitzgerald hung out.

The Ripy tour is the only half-day Bourbon Barons offering and costs \$50, all inclusive. All the rest are day tours, which run \$100 and include the tour, lunch and tastings.

Every tour is all-inclusive, Jerry says. "That means all you have to take your wallet out for is a souvenir or a bottle of bourbon."

Family-owned Stone Fences turned a year old in April after three years of prep and research. Its impressive menu includes historically accurate, entertaining tours with a focus on horses, vineyards, history and bourbon. Offerings include Behind the Fences (Keeneland, a horse farm, The Red Mile and Isaac Murphy Memorial Art Garden), a paranormal investigation experience at haunted Roh's Opera House in Cynthiana; spring and summer Historic Saturdays; Daniel Boone; Abe Lincoln in Lexington; Bluegrass Divided; Window to War; craft breweries and battle axe throwing; and more.

By request, specialty group tours for at least four to six (with two-month advance reservations) include Distilling at the Ranch (hands-on, daylong bourbon-making); Conquering the Trail (bourbon, all distilleries plus Buffalo Trace, Barton 1792, Castle & Key, and the James E. Pepper distilleries); the Bourbon Artisan Quest; Culinary Trail of the Commonwealth; Dinner on the Vine; Kentucky Crafted: Louisville West; and Kentucky Crafted: Western Kentucky.

Stone Fences Tours Event Listings

Bourbon Barons Tours (Historic Bourbon Tours)

The Ripy's	Col. Taylor	Distillers' Row
The Pepper's	Early Pioneers	Prohibition
The Beams	Whiskey Row	Matriarchs of Bourbon

Kentucky Crafted Tours (Artisan Bourbon Tours)

Bluegrass	Bardstown	Northern KY
Southern	Louisville East	*Louisville West
*Western KY		

Horse Tours

Stills and Stallions	Behind the Fences	*Track Across the Bluegrass
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History Saturday Tours

*Notorious L.E.X.	*Bluegrass Divided	*Window to War
*Lincoln in Lexington	*Kentucky Trailblazer	*Long Century to Freedom

Brewery Tours

Craft Brew Hop/TagaBrew	Hooch and Hatchets
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Vineyard Tours

Uncork and Unwind

Vintage Bluegrass

*Dinner on the Vine

Specialty Tours

Spirits of the Bluegrass

Bluegrass Bucket List

Experience Tours

*Distilling at the Ranch

*Conquering the Trail

*Bourbon Artisan Quest

*Culinary Trail of the Commonwealth
Rohs Opera House

*Paranormal Investigation Experience:

***Indicated tours are by request only or require a minimum number in group.**

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If you have any questions or need more information about the new tours listed on this newsletter, please feel free to reach out to us at the number below or email us anytime!

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