



Christmas in Vermont with Hopes & Dreams Travel

featuring Two Nights at the Trapp Family Lodge

December 2-7, 2025



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Credit: Mark Vandenberg Visit Vermont's famous mountain town of Stowe



Shopping doesn't get much better than at The Vermont Country Store



DAY 1 Arrive in Vermont: Arrive in Burlington, Vermont today and transfer to your hotel. Meet your Tour Manager at 6:00 p.m. for a welcome dinner. **Meal: D**

DAY 2 Country Christmas Loft, Vermont Teddy Bear Factory and Danforth Pewter: After your included breakfast, depart for Shelburne and the Country Christmas Loft. This 14-room Christmas store has themes ranging from Nutcrackers and lighting to toys and villages. Then, stop at the famed Vermont Teddy Bear Factory for a guided tour and to see how our furry friends are made. Stop in Middlebury for an on own lunch before coming to Danforth Pewter where local expert artisans who cast, spin, polish and assemble raw metal to form exquisite objects. Later, check-in to your hotel in Manchester and prepare for an included dinner hosted by your Tour Manager. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 3 Vermont Country Store, the Hildene Estate and Chocolatorium: Following breakfast, depart for a visit to the famed Vermont Country Store. Opened in 1946 inside a remodeled general store, the store is still family-owned. Lunch today is on your own in quaint Manchester. In the afternoon, you will visit Hildene, the summer home of Robert Todd Lincoln, eldest son of Abraham Lincoln. Enjoy a guided tour of this beautiful estate. Then make a stop at the Village Peddler and Chocolatorium for a chocolate tasting. Tonight, dinner is included at a local restaurant. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 4 Green Mountain Sugar, Cold Hollow Cider and the Trapp Family Lodge: The first stop today is at Green Mountain Sugarhouse to learn about and taste maple sugar. Travel to Quechee to see the gorge and to enjoy an included lunch. Enjoy a drive through Vermont's state capital of Montpelier before coming to Cold Hollow Cider Mill, known for their wonderful cider, sample some of their fine apple products including their gourmet cider donuts. Later, check in to the Trapp Family Lodge, your home for the next two nights. Owned by the eldest son of Maria and Baron Georg Johannes von Trapp it has remained in the family since 1942. Your delicious Christmas dinner tonight is served at the beautiful lodge with a possible visit from a very special guest. Afterward, relax and enjoy the amenities of the lodge or maybe take in a feature film in the theater. **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 5 Tour the Lodge, Sleigh Ride and Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream: Begin the day with breakfast at the Lodge followed by the Trapp Family History Tour. See the film *The Real Maria* and maybe even meet and greet with a Trapp Family member.

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Experience Austrian-inspired Vermont lodging at the Trapp Family Lodge

Then, depart to meet Vermont's Gentle Giants for an exciting sleigh ride (weather permitting). Enjoy lunch and shopping on your own in the charming village of Stowe before coming to the famous Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream for a tasting of their delicious ice cream. Return to the lodge to freshen up before dinner. Tonight, dinner is served in the Trapp Family Bierhall, featuring freshly brewed lagers and a delicious selection of foods with an Austrian flare. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 6 Church Street Marketplace and Home: Enjoy one more breakfast in the Main Dining Room before saying goodbye to your mountain retreat. Stop at historic Church Street Marketplace, a National Register Historic District. Then, continue to the Burlington Airport for flights out after 1:00 p.m. **Meal: B**



Visit the Vermont Teddy Bear Factory

Tour Highlights

- 11 Meals: 5 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 5 dinners
- Round trip airport transfers
- Visit historic Church Street Marketplace
- Tour the Vermont Teddy Bear Factory
- Visit the famed Vermont Country Store, and tour *Hildene*, the summer estate Robert Todd Lincoln
- Visit Village Peddler and Chocolatorium for a chocolate demonstration and tasting
- Special Christmas Dinner with a visit from a very special guest
- Spend two nights in the lovely Trapp Family Lodge, owned and operated by the von Trapp family since 1942
- Enjoy delicious meals at the Lodge including the Main Dining Room and the Bierhall
- Take a guided tour of the Trapp Family Lodge, see the film *The Real Maria* and meet a family member
- Visit Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory and enjoy time in the charming village of Stowe
- Visit Vermont Gentle Giants for an exciting sleigh ride (weather permitting)
- Tour Cold Hollow Cider Mill and see the production of their cider and other apple products

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Enjoy a sleigh ride through picturesque Vermont woodlands along winding trails

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Day 1 – Hilton Garden Inn, Burlington, Vermont

Days 2 and 3 – Hampton Inn, Manchester, Vermont

Days 4 and 5 – Trapp Family Lodge, Stowe, Vermont

Travel Dates	Per Person Twin	Single Room add
December 2 – 7, 2025	\$4,139	\$1,119

Pricing includes roundtrip airfare and transfers from Lacey

There will be an additional overnight in Seattle on December 1 at Seattle Airport Hilton since we will have an early morning flight on December 2.

The cost for this will be estimated at an additional \$200 per person based on double occupancy, including taxes.

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group and may not be available until airport check-in. Seat changes can only be attempted at the airport and may not be possible. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend booking air on your own rather than booking air with the group.

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- No refund on unused portions of the tour

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