

BRANDYWINE VALLEY JOURNEY

Pennsylvania & Delaware featuring
Sight & Sound Theatre's "Jonah"



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Nestled in the southeastern corner of Pennsylvania and northern Delaware is the magnificent Brandywine Valley, overflowing with treasures waiting to be discovered. Experience it! Stroll through some of the most beautiful gardens in the country: **Longwood Gardens** encompasses over 1,000 outdoor acres and 20 indoor gardens filled with exquisite flowers, majestic trees and opulent architecture. Longwood Gardens was purchased by industrialist Pierre S. DuPont in 1906. We will visit the **Hagley Museum** where E. I. du Pont founded the site of the gunpowder works in 1802 where it all started. The example of early American industry includes restored mills, a workers' community, and the ancestral home and gardens of the du Pont family. A visit to **Nemours Mansion**, the home of Alfred & Alicia du Pont, Alfred's second wife in 1907. He loved showering her with gifts. By far the grandest of these was the spectacular new house that he built for her on a 3,000 acre plot of land in Wilmington, DE. He hired Carrere and Hastings, a prestigious New York architectural firm, to design the mansion in the late-18th-century French style that Alicia adored. Alfred named the estate Nemours, after the French town that his great-great-grandfather represented in the French Estates General. Alfred also ensured that his new home was thoroughly modern by incorporating the latest technology and many of his own inventions. A visit to **Winterthur Museum & Gardens** where Henry Francis du Pont and his father Henry Algernon du Pont designed Winterthur in the spirit of 18th and 19th century European country estates. Henry Francis du Pont was an avid collector of decorative and fine arts made or used in America which he lived among his collections, in the 175 room house until it opened as a museum in 1951. Enjoy a narrated **Garden tram tour** through the 60 acre naturalistic Garden.





Since opening in the fall of 1997, QVC Studio Park in West Chester, PA has become a popular destination for people to see live television at its best. There are views into the studio through the tour, including a spectacular view from the Observation Deck, standing 50 feet above the 20,000 square-foot broadcast area. We will be to watch QVC programs in progress. We will tour Herr's Snack Factory where we learn little known facts, like how a pretzel gets its brown color, or what makes a great chipping potato, and how tortilla chips get their seasoning.



Unlike any show you've ever seen, this energetic adventure will have you on the edge of your seat from the time you step into the Sight & Sound Theatre for Jonah. A new, completely immersive experience, Jonah promises to move you to laughter and tears. From the enormous whale swimming over your head to thunderous effects of the powerful storm, and a mighty 30-foot-tall ship that breaks apart right before your eyes, the story of Jonah will astound and captivate the young and young-at-heart alike. A visit to the Flight 93 Memorial - Also a place where 9-11 is entrusted in our minds.

\$791 per person **Double**, **\$732 Triple**, **\$698 Quad**, **\$981 Single**

Deposit of \$50 per person with reservation.
Balance Due by August 19, 2012

Tour Includes: All Attractions, 6 Meals= 4 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners, 4 Nights Quality Lodging, Luggage Handling 1pc, Travel via Motorcoach.

