



THE STETSON MANSION HOLIDAY TOUR and Lunch at Cook's Buffet

Tuesday, DEC. 17, 2019

Listed in the National Register of Historic Places, The Stetson Mansion was built in 1886 for John B. Stetson, of the Stetson Hat Company, in the high style of Victorian architecture with a blend of cottage, Gothic, Tudor, Moorish and Polynesian details. This 9000 square foot home is reportedly half the size Mr. Stetson wanted to build on his 300 acre orange grove. His beautiful and much younger wife, Elizabeth was not a huge fan of the Florida venture, so when she came to DeLand during the construction phase she convinced John B. to scale down construction of the mansion to a mere shadow of the original plans. The home sits on over 2 acres adorned with beautiful gardens, gazebos, fountains, patios and a pool. It is reported that between the years of 1887 and 1906 the Stetson hosted such notables as the Astor's, the Mellon's, the Vanderbilt's, the Carnegies, Henry Flagler, Baron Frederick DeBary, President Grover Cleveland and King Edward VII (then Prince of Wales). Another of Stetson's noteworthy friends was none other than one of the world's most well-known and prolific inventors Thomas Edison, who actually supervised the electrical install at the mansion. In fact, Stetson Mansion is one of the first homes in the entire world to be designed and built with Edison electricity. Come see this gorgeous piece of American History right in our back door! Treat yourself to all of its Holiday Splendor as Stetson Mansion Decks The Halls, The Walls and The Ceilings for Christmas. Enjoy a delicious buffet lunch at the always popular Cook's Buffet with their scrumptious homemade desserts. Escape with us to a bye gone era and a spectacular Holiday treat!



PRICE: \$88.00 per person Checks, Visa or Master Card Accepted.

INCLUDES: Delicious Lunch at Cooks Buffet & Bakery, Holiday Tour of the Stetson Mansion, Schoolhouse & Gardens, Kermit's of Key West, All Taxes & Meal Gratuities, Group Tour Director and R/T Motorcoach with Restroom.

TOUR PACE: ★★★ Moderate Pace, Walking to Sightsee. **NOTE: Stairs Only to Second Story of Mansion.**



BUS DEPARTURES: Motorcoach departs New Smyrna Wal-Mart, Port Orange Target and Ormond Beach Wal-Mart. Approximated 9am and Returns Approx. 4:30pm.

CANCELLATION POLICY: No Refunds, unless ticket resold. Name changes are permitted.

ATTIRE: Casual, Comfortable and Good Walking Shoes with Soft Soles. No High Heels!



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