

Discover USA!

From outdoor adventures to cultural close-ups...

New home stay experiences throughout America's diverse regions.



Florida's Great Outdoors

Friendship Force of Florida Suncoast and Southwest Florida
February 21 - March 3, 2012

Explore the beauty and adventure of Florida's Great Outdoors! The Friendship Force clubs of Florida Suncoast and Southwest Florida invite you to experience the best their region has to offer. You will visit beautiful cities full of history. Your hosts will help you discover outdoor wonders such as Sanibel Island, the Everglades, Myakka River State Park and Honeymoon Island. And you'll encounter local wildlife on a dolphin sighting cruise or bird walk and at the Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary and Manatee Park. The estimated cost is \$640 USD.

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See the South through a New Lens

Friendship Force of Greater Atlanta · April 14-24, 2012

If you love to take photographs, you're invited to see the South through a new lens with your hosts in the Greater Atlanta club! Learn and practice new photography techniques as you tour the Southern state of Georgia. You'll start with a general photography class, then use your new skills taking photos throughout Atlanta. Outside the city, tour the Antebellum Trail and photograph many beautiful, historic homes from the 19th century. Then practice your nature photography throughout the Golden Isles of Georgia, with gorgeous beaches, a dolphin tour, shrimp trawling, carriage rides and biking options.

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Bluegrass and Bourbon Trail

Friendship Force of Louisville · June 18-25, 2012

Nicknamed the Bluegrass State, Kentucky forms a unique piece of the American cultural landscape. The Friendship Force of Louisville invites you to discover its folk and country music, famous thoroughbred horse farms and race tracks, and its beautiful "blue" countryside. You'll hear traditional Appalachian folk music as well as bluegrass music, which combines elements of folk music with elements of blues and jazz. Have a taste of bourbon, a type of American whiskey that is mostly distilled and aged in Kentucky. Join your hosts in Louisville and share their warm hospitality and cherished traditions. The estimated cost is \$545 USD.

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The Aviation Trail: Past, Present and Future

Friendship Force of Dayton · July 7-14, 2012

Experience the wonders of flight in a new way with your hosts of the Friendship Force of Dayton! Go back to the beginning with a visit to the Wilbur Wright Birthplace and Museum. Then visit the United States Air Force Museum and John Glenn and Neal Armstrong museums to witness the development of aviation and space flight throughout American history. You'll be amazed by the Dayton Air Show, featuring the US Air Force Thunderbirds and other flight performers. Their amazing planes and aerobatic stunts will give you a firsthand look at the present and future of aviation.

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Fun Adventures with Food

Friendship Force of Northern Illinois, Greater Milwaukee and Wisconsin-Madison · July 31 – August 14, 2012

Taste the flavors of the Midwest with your hosts in the Friendship Force clubs of Northern Illinois, Greater Milwaukee and Wisconsin-Madison! You'll enjoy sharing their "family dishes" at small dinner parties, and you'll learn how a meal can tell a family story. Help to create a meal straight from the garden, and enjoy dining out at a fine restaurant. Learn more by visiting an organic farm and eco-friendly cheese factory. Gather round the garden and kitchen to learn about, grow, make and enjoy delicious foods! The estimated cost is \$790 USD.

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American Musical Legacy: Blues and Rock 'n Roll in Memphis

*Friendship Force of Memphis
August 28 - September 3, 2012*

Are you ready? Are you SURE you're ready? If you want to stand in the very spot at Sun Records where Elvis Presley stood and Memphis legends Jerry Lee Lewis, Roy Orbison and Carl Perkins rocked our world, then this exchange is for you! You're invited to join us, the Friendship Force of Memphis, to experience the birthplace of Rock 'n Roll. On this exchange you will learn how Mississippi cotton fields, the restlessness of World War II babies and the tumultuous 1960s culture exploded in Memphis, giving birth to Rock 'n Roll. Get the Memphis vibe!

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Western Colorado Adventure Experiences

Friendship Force of Western Colorado · September 2012

Adventurous, active travelers are invited to join hosts in the Western Colorado club for outdoor adventures throughout their region! Hike through the dramatic rock formations of the beautiful Colorado National Monument and the world famous Arches National Park, and ride mountain bikes on the world class Kokopelli Trail. Go rafting on the mighty Colorado River through Red Rock Canyons, climb the fantastic Independence Monument and take a jeep through the majestic San Juan Mountains for fantastic views that you cannot get any other way. The fun begins 5,000 feet high!

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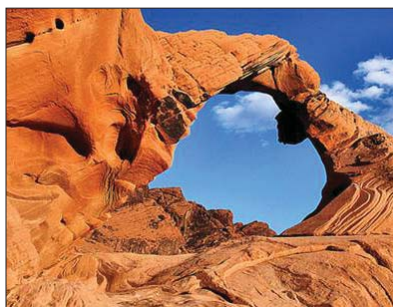
Taste of New England

Friendship Force of Southern Connecticut · October 9-16, 2012

Immerse yourself in the best that New England has to offer! Join us, your hosts in the Friendship Force of Southern Connecticut, and you'll marvel at the lustrous fall foliage colors as you pass through quaint Connecticut historic towns, stroll through the campus of Yale University and tour the coastal mansions of the Gilded Age's rich and powerful in Newport, Rhode Island. Visit the homes of famous authors Mark Twain and Harriet Beecher Stowe and experience early New England life at Old Sturbridge Village, one of the country's largest living history museums. And of course, you'll taste New England's all time favorite foods, including the famous New England clam chowder!

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The Other Side of Las Vegas

Friendship Force of Las Vegas · November 28 - December 5, 2012

Join us as we wander beyond the neon lights to explore Las Vegas and the Mojave Desert, then and now! You can explore the beauty of the Southwest at the Valley of Fire or Red Rock Canyon and the wonders of the modern age at the Hoover Dam and the Atomic Testing Museum. Learn more about the history of the Southwest by visiting Springs Preserve and the Barrick Mesoamerican Museum. Of course, we will include a famous Vegas-style show called *Jubilee* and other unique features of The Strip that make Vegas special. We are eager to welcome you to our homes and the city we love!

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