

2022 IHCC Winter Convention

March 24, 25 & 26, 2022

Pigeon Forge, TN

TOUR INFORMATION

Heritage Center (Cades Cove) – only 64 tickets are available for each day (Thursday and Friday) and will be distributed on a first come basis as the reservations are received. This guided tour will depart the hotel at 10:00 AM each day and return at approximately 4:00 PM. Cost includes transportation and a box lunch.

Life in Cades Cove in the early history of settlement in the Smokies was very different from life today. This mountain surrounded valley is a well-known treasure of the Smoky Mountains. The eleven-mile trip around the cove is a one-way, paved road that runs alongside an old logging railroad track. The first historical site you will see is Oliver Cabin held together by notches in the wood frame and its own weight, requiring no nails or pegs to stay in place. Other points of interest on this drive include three Churches built in the early 1800's. You will also see the Cable Mill which is the only working grist mill in the Smoky Mountains. Historic barns, homes, a smokehouse and a blacksmith shop are scattered around the mill.

During this tour a presentation will be made by the descendants of one of the last families to leave the Cove after it became a National Park. These descendants are active members of the International Harvester Collectors Club.

For more information on this historic tour visit www.cadescove.net

Apple Barn & Cider Mill – hours for this tour on Saturday are from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. A shuttle will pick you up at the hotel and will run in half hour intervals. The last bus will return at 2:00 PM.

The Apple Barn is a barn built in 1910. The orchard now numbers over 4,000 trees. Renovation of the old cattle barn began in 1980 which included putting a clear sealer on the black walnut and wormy chestnut wood; and retaining the stables and feeding rack. Later a Cider Room was added which includes the Apple Pie Kitchen which serves fried apple pies, apple doughnuts, and apple dumplings. The General Store features a wide variety of handmade mountain crafts, food items, home decorations and collectables, souvenirs and gifts, apple butter and jams. For more information on the Apple Barn visit www.applebarncidermill.com