

Spring Tour 2018 Taconic Hotel Manchester, VT May 18 - 20, 2018



The base for our tour will be at the Kimpton Taconic Hotel (www.taconichotel.com) in Manchester, VT. The Taconic is a boutique hotel that brings to mind grand leisure inns of days past, while artfully bringing to life all your modern hospitality whims. Surrounded by mountains in this picturesque village, Kimpton Taconic offers a free-spirited take on a New England escape that's both classic and highly curated to your preferences. Call it quintessential Vermont with a fresh twist.

The hotel was built in 2015 and the architecture was inspired by the area's grand resorts of the late 19th and early 20th century.

OVERVIEW

For loyal touring participants you know what to expect in terms of our format, so you can quickly scan this part. The format for the Spring Tour weekend remains the same as in the past. You'll travel to the Taconic Hotel on May 18th (Friday) on your own schedule. You will receive a packet with the details of the weekend. Dinner will be on your own Friday evening. The Copper Grouse Restaurant is located at the hotel and Manchester has many dining options nearby.

Saturday (May 19th) is "tour day". Following breakfast Saturday morning we'll have our orientation meeting with drivers and navigators, after which we'll start the driving part of our tour weekend. Our tour routes will take us through the Green Mountain region of Vermont with a foray into New York. Our lunch stop will be at the The Publyk House (www.thepublykhouse.com) in historic Bennington, VT where we will have a buffet luncheon.

Besides providing detailed route directions for the tour, we will also be using the RidewithGPS navigation app. Thanks to Car Lifts Plus for providing CVR with a RidewithGPS club account. We started using this app in 2017 and everyone has been impressed on how it works. For details on how to set up the app go to this page on the CVR website: http://www.cvrpca.org/ontheroad.php?id=4.

Now for the Specifics:

Lodging/Breakfasts/Dinner Package

Our package plan includes the following accommodation choices:

Single Occupancy

\$462.00 – a \$231 deposit is required and will be charged on April 19, 2018

Double Occupancy

\$549.00 - a \$274 deposit is required and will be charged on April 19, 2018

All packages include 2 nights lodging, buffet breakfast Saturday and Sunday, social hour with cash bar and sit-down buffet dinner Saturday night (dress is business casual). Price includes all taxes and gratuities.

If you choose to arrive early or stay longer, the hotel has given us the following rates for three days prior and three days after the tour: \$159.00 + tax based upon availability.

Cancellation policy: Cancellations after April 18th at 5pm Eastern time will result in forfeiting the deposit.

Registration process:

This event is open to PCA members only.

The hotel has established a code that is to be used to make reservation for the package.

The first step is to email us at tourmeister@cvrpca.org with your PCA member number and we will send you the code and website link.

The hotel will hold rooms for us up until April 18th, after that there is no guarantee that rooms will be available. Please note check-in time is 3:00 pm and check-out is 12:00 noon.

The second step is to send the Lunch/Registration form and fee (see Lunch and Registration Fee section).

Note(s):

- The hotel will provide complimentary hosted evening wine hour, morning coffee and tea service (in hotel Library and Living Room)
- A parking area will be set aside for the club.
- There will be a car wash area set up that consists of the use of a hose, buckets and old towels/rags

Payment of Individual Accounts

All individual accounts must be paid upon check out. A credit card will be required upon check in. Final payments can be made by credit card, check or cash.

Lunch and Registration Fee

The Tour lunch / registration fee is \$90 per couple (\$45 per person).

Please make your checks out to CVR/PCA and send them along with the CVR registration form (see below) by April 27th to:

Phil Capella 2380 Mountain Rd West Suffield, CT 06093

Luncheon and registration fees will be non-refundable after May 4th.

Participant Information

We will continue the past practice of listing participant information in the handout package, unless you tell us otherwise. However, <u>we will still need</u> either your email address (preferably) or telephone number so that we can contact you in case the need arises. Invariably new friends are made during our touring events and this information helps folks stay in touch with one another.

Check-in

You will receive a package of information from us when you check in at the hotel. Contained in this package will be a complete agenda for the weekend and detailed driving directions for Saturday's tour. It will also tell you the exact time and location of the orientation meeting to be held Saturday morning. As in the recent past (to save time) we will also have CVR's "Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement" forms at the front desk for you to sign when you check in; all participants must sign this form.

Taconic Hotel Address:

3835 Main Street Manchester Village, VT 05254

If you have any questions please email us at tourmeister@cvrpca.org. We are looking forward to seeing you in the White Mountains of New Hampshire,

Maria and Phil Capella (Tourmeisters)
Caroline and Alan Davis (Assistant Tourmeisters)

CVR Tour Registration Form (please print)				
Please provide the information below when you mail your check to us:				
Name(s):				<u>-</u>
Address:				
Town	_State	_ Zip		
Email:				
Phone No.:				
Car: Model		Year	Color	
PCA Membership number (required):				
Please place a check here if this your first Tour with CVR:				