



2/04/2013

Article writing for Richfield Bus Company

497 Words

By Samuel R Choy for MLT Group

Tips to Maximize Your Bus Experience

When you take a tour on a Minnesota chartered bus, you can have a rich travel experience that will give you a lifetime of memories. By following these tips, you can maximize your experience and have the best trip possible.

Tip 1. Prepare for your meals

Unfortunately, buses do not have bus attendants like airliners have flight attendants. You'll either take your meals and snacks with you or purchase them along the way. If you bring food, make sure that it is either non-perishable or stored in a way that it will keep it fresh. If the organization that is sponsoring the trip is providing meals, contact them ahead of time if there are foods you or someone in your party can't eat. Also, if you are purchasing food along the way, don't forget to bring enough cash.

Tip 2. Bring entertainment

Many luxury-chartered buses offer movies that you can watch along the way. Here are some other ways to keep boredom from setting in:

- Bring a book. A bus ride is a perfect opportunity to get caught up on that novel you've been wanting to read.
- Bring portable device with your own movies.
- Check out audiobooks from your library. Many libraries offer audiobooks that you can listen to on a portable device. This is a great option for people who get motion sickness when they read on a moving vehicle.

Tip 3. Bring activities for the kids

Dealing with a bored child on a long bus ride is no fun for anyone—especially the child. Some of the following activities will help make the trip pleasurable for you kids:

- Bring coloring books and crayons (but don't let your child write on the bus walls or seats).
- Bring audiobooks with age-appropriate books.
- Bring a portable device loaded with their favorite movies.
- Make sure you have plenty of healthy snacks. Try to avoid sugary snacks, though.
- Purchase a travel activity kit.
- Bring a hand-held game. Don't forget to bring extra batteries.
- Play traditional road games such as "I spy." Another fun game is to have your kids watch license plates and signs to pick out the alphabet from A to Z.



Tip 4. Use a mobile device to record your experience to your favorite social media site such as Twitter, Facebook, or Instagram

In our connected world, it's easy to update your friends with a travelogue as it happens. Not only is it fun for your friends to see what you're up to, you can use the posts to record your thoughts for future use. However, be careful with this tip. If your security settings are too open, strangers can see you aren't home. You don't want to risk a burglary.

Chartered bus tours offer maximized fun

If these tips aren't for you, take a moment to think about what will maximize your experience. Because when you charter a bus, a little planning can help you make the most of your trip.