



A Fall Mountain Escape with the LifeLong Learning Society Thursday – October 15, 2026

LifeLong Learning Society presents this SignalTours trip as an opportunity for members to travel together

Thomas Jefferson said it best when he wrote: "These mountains are the Eden of the United States." Nestled amongst the mountains with a scenic view in every direction is Jefferson's "Monticello," one of the most significant historic sites in the United States – a fitting place to visit as America celebrates its 250th birthday this year. We've added a popular winery and apple stop to make this a fall tour you won't want to miss!

Spend the morning at beautiful **Monticello**, an architectural masterpiece perfectly representing the personality of its owner, the third president of the United States, Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson described the house as his "essay in architecture," but today it is recognized as an international treasure, showcasing the enduring significance of Jefferson's life and ideas. There will be plenty of time to explore the state-of-the-art visitor center. This three-level, 42,000-square-foot complex serves as the 21st-century gateway to Jefferson's timeless Monticello, with multiple exhibits and an introductory film that will educate and prepare you for your visit to the home. A shuttle ride is included up to the home for a guided tour.

Upon departure from Monticello, a box lunch will be served aboard the coach as we travel to **Pollak Vineyards**, a boutique-sized winery on a 98-acre farm in Greenwood, Virginia, located just west of Charlottesville. The Pollak's specialize in crafting French-style wines from their estate-grown grapes and have built a winery known for exceptional vintages and breathtaking views. Enjoy a tasting of their most popular wines from their spacious veranda, offering views of the mountains, pond and vineyards. No visit to this region of Virginia is complete without a stop at a local orchard for just-picked Virginia apples and other fresh, seasonal products. As we head home, we'll stop at **Chile's Peach Orchard** for a selection of their freshly harvested apples.

Your Tour Cost Includes:

Round-trip Transportation ❖ Admission to Monticello ❖ Box Lunch ❖ Wine Tasting at Pollak Vineyards ❖ SignalTours Tour Director
❖ All Taxes/Gratuities ❖ Refreshments on coach

Motorcoach departs Yoder Barn at 7:00 AM - Returns approx. 7:00 PM

Box Lunch Options:

Chicken Salad Croissant Tomato Caprese Sandwich Ham & Gruyere Sandwich Roast Turkey & Brie Sandwich

Reservation Form for 10/15/26 - Please return below form with payment

Name (s): _____ E-Mail: _____
Address: _____ Cell: _____

Total Cost Per Person: ___\$250.00 for LLS Members or ___\$275.00 for Non-members

Please Note: Registration deadline is due Sept. 18th (payments non-refundable 7 days prior to departure)

Please make check payable to SignalTours and Mail to:

LifeLong Learning Society

660 Hamilton Drive, Newport News, VA 23602 (757) 269-4368

(for LLS Office only: Date check received: _____)