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LIRR One-Day Getaways To Wine Country And Cruisin' On The Sound Make July 12-13 Weekend One To Go On A "Stay-Cation"

Staying close to home but enjoying what Long Island has to offer is the aim of many area residents this season. The MTA Long Island Rail Road has two perfect "stay-cations" for this weekend. On Saturday, July 12, the "Wine Country Getaway" offers a day trip to Long Island's North Fork wine country and three wineries. The Sunday, July 13, "Cruisin' On The Sound" Getaway includes a visit to Port Jefferson and an afternoon cruising Long Island Sound to Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The "Wine Country" Getaway on Saturday, July 12, begins with a stop at Bedell Cellars Wineries in Cutchogue where the wine making process is on display from vine to bottle to sampling the product. Next up is the Corey Creek Vineyards where the beautiful scenery complements a great day away. The seaport village of Greenport is the next stop where a late lunch can be purchased. The final destination for the day is the Duck Walk Vineyard tasting room in Cutchogue where seven different varieties of wine can be sampled. The cost of this great "stay-cation" is \$44 for adults.

Train Schedule

Departs from Depart Time

New York* 7:39 AM

Woodside* 7:51 AM

Brooklyn* 7:23 AM

Jamaica 8:11 AM

Babylon 8:52 AM

*Customers switch to the Montauk train at Jamaica.

The "Cruisin' On The Sound" Getaway on Sunday, July 13, begins with a visit to the quaint Village of Port Jefferson where shops and boutiques provide a relaxing way to spend the morning and lunch can be purchased at nearby restaurants and eateries.

The afternoon will be spent cruising on Long Island Sound, making the round-trip to and from Bridgeport, Connecticut. A great escape "stay-cation." The cost of this Getaway is \$41 for adults, \$21 for children 5-11. "Cruisin On The Sound" is also offered on August 3.

Train Schedule

Departs from Depart Time

New York 9:07 AM

Woodside 9:15 AM

Brooklyn* 9:03 AM

Jamaica 9:32 AM

Mineola 9:51 AM

*Customers switch to the Huntington/Port Jefferson train at Jamaica.

Tickets for the Getaways (escorted and non-escorted) can be purchased in advance at the LIRR's gray and blue full-service ticket machines. Both blue or gray machines accept credit and ATM/debit cards; gray machines also accept cash. Select "Getaways & Packages," then "One Day Getaways" followed by the tour or package of your choice. LIRR ticket offices currently accept cash, credit and debit cards or personal checks.

Tickets go on sale seven days before each trip and can be purchased up to 30 minutes before the train leaves at open ticket offices and at ticket selling machines.

Please consult our website, www.mta.info for updated information. For a copy of the "2008 One-Day Getaways" brochure contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center at 718-217-LIRR in New York City, at 516-822-LIRR in Nassau County or at 631-231-LIRR in Suffolk County.