



2025 Travel Logistics Recommendations

Tour event dates: Sunday, August 10 – Saturday, August 16

Please note when planning your travel, this year's Tour des Trees is a loop route. Beginning in and ending in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Pre & Post Tour Lodging (Grand Rapids)

We will kick off the Tour from the [Amway Grand Plaza by Hilton](#). The address is 187 Monroe Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

- Our group rate is \$209 plus taxes & fees per night.
- You may reserve pre-Tour rooms by contacting Adrian Daniels at 616.776.3312 or adaniels@ahchospitality.com before July 11.

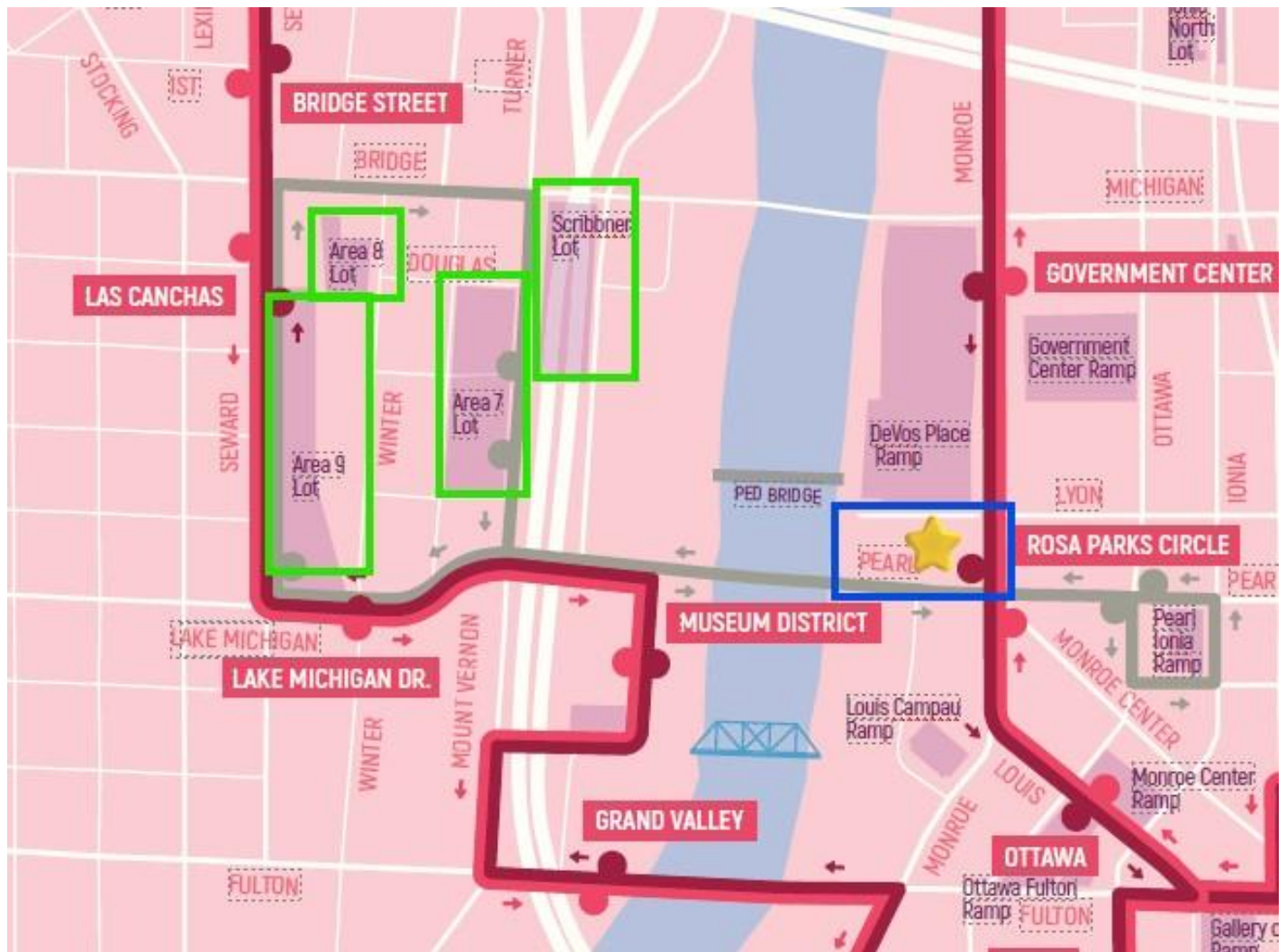
Flying To and From the Tour

The Grand Rapids Airport- the Gerald R. Ford International Airport (GRR)- is roughly a 25-minute drive to the hotel. There is no airport shuttle to or from the hotel. If you fly in, you must take a cab or ride share to the hotel.

Driving To and From the Tour

We will kick off the Tour from the [Amway Grand Plaza by Hilton](#). The address is 187 Monroe Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

- There is parking at the hotel and they have offered us a discount, but it is still roughly \$35 per day.
- It has been recommended that the best option for our group is utilizing one of the DASH parking lots. These lots offer discounted daily rates and include complimentary transportation to the hotel via the DASH bus, which runs every 15 minutes.
- The DASH bus operates on the following schedule:
 - **Monday – Friday:** 7:00 AM – 12:00 AM
 - **Saturday:** 11:00 AM – 1:00 AM
 - **Sunday:** 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Additionally, all DASH buses are equipped with bike racks for added convenience.
- For parking near the Amway Grand Plaza, the closest and most cost-effective options are:
 - **DASH Lot 8:** 325 Winter Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504- **\$5 per day**
 - **DASH Lot 7:** 301 Mt Vernon Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504- **\$4 per day**
 - **DASH Lot 9:** 250 Seward Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504- **\$3 per day**
 - Map of DASH lots and hotel



Amtrak To and From the Tour

- There is an Amtrak Station in Grand Rapids roughly a mile from the hotel. For information on the station, visit the [Amtrak website](#).

Getting Your Bike to and from the Tour

- Flying with your bike:
 - Now that most airlines no longer penalize cyclists for flying with their bike, this is the most cost-effective way to get you bike to the hotel. Of course, you'll be subjected to airline security's notorious mishandling of our precious cargo, so be sure and pack it carefully. Removing the rear derailleur and brake rotors will minimize the opportunities for these critical components to be damaged.
- Shipping your bike:
 - We recommended using [Bike Flights](#) to ship your bike. It is simple and very cost effective. In the past, we've had a few of issues with Bike Flights, but they are the best option for shipping bikes.
 - Here are a few [videos](#) on best practices for packing your bike.
 - Time your shipment to arrive at the Amway Grand Plaza between August 5 and 8.
 - Make sure that your bike box has your name and the Tour des Trees clearly identified, addressed to the name you are registered under.
 - After the Tour, you can ship you bike from the Amway Grand Plaza.
 - Please make sure you have a preprinted paid UPS or FedEx label to affix to your bike box. UPS and FedEx pick up from the hotel Mon-Fri. If you are shipping FedEx EXPRESS, you will need to call FedEx to arrange a pick-up; it is a different pick-up from regular FedEx.