

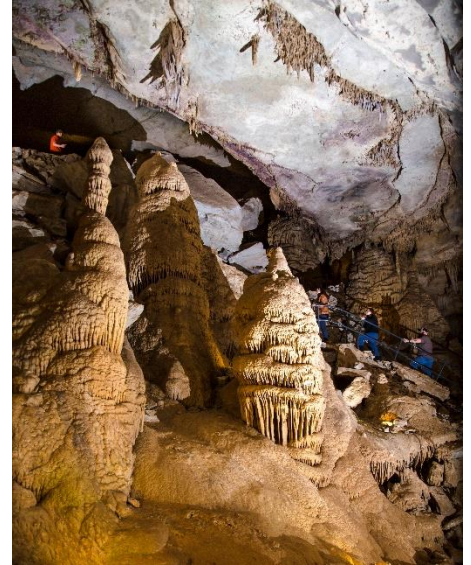
# HIDDEN GEMS PRIVATE WALKING TOUR

Offered at specified available times by reservation only. Reservations must be made at least 10 days in advance, and are for groups of 2 to 50 people.

**YOU MUST ARRIVE A MINIMUM OF 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO TOUR TIME!**

**Minimum Age:** None    **Tour Duration:** 90-120 Minutes    **Difficulty:** Mildly Strenuous

**WHAT will you SEE & LEARN:** The Hidden Gems tour will focus on whatever topics you prefer to learn from the Cardwell or Discovery – It's YOUR tour after all. You can learn about unique cave wildlife, the basics of cave geology, learn some of our history, and hear the gripping tales of our early explorers that made Cumberland Caverns possible in our BRAND NEW Cinematic Showcase. A story told deep within the cave after you've hiked to the other side of a mountain INSIDE a mountain, the entire cave will come to life with video, light and sound that surrounds you in an experience that cannot be replicated anywhere else.



This tour will be walking along the large rooms and passageways of the LONGEST SHOW CAVE in Tennessee. You will be escorted by a trained guide who will share amazing cave facts with you. You will see beautiful formations, sparkling pools of water, the Never-ending waterfall, and you will climb a mountain of rock in the Hall of the Mountain King. You will get to see our World-Famous VOLCANO ROOM with the iconic chandelier hanging above from top to bottom. A SPECIAL section of the tour will travel beyond the ADVENTURE GATES by lantern light only!

## **WHAT to EXPECT (Accessibility Advisory):**



This tour is considered mildly-strenuous, though we understand the definition of strenuous varies from person to person, so please read this description carefully to evaluate if this is the right tour for you. You will be navigating a NATURAL WONDER, which includes uneven, natural cave floor, including steep hills and stairs made of natural limestone slabs. There are 350 stairs and they are steep, uneven, and sometimes a bit slippery. You will be on your feet most of the 90 minutes and there will be no where to sit along the way.

The cave is dimly-lit to enhance the natural beauty of the cave and protect the sensitive cave environment. The cave is naturally humid and always 56 degrees Fahrenheit, most find this a comfortable temperature with the sweat you work up on the hike through the cave, but some prefer to wear a light jacket. ***The tour is guided, and you must stay with your tour guide at all times. Due to safety and security requirements no one is allowed to be left alone in the cave. If one needs to exit the entire group must exit together.*** Please understand while this is a private tour with your own guide, other tours are still moving through the cave, and your guide may have additional tours before or after yours. We still need to stay within the specified time frame. We recommend wearing athletic-style shoes best-suited for walking or hiking (no sandals/flip flops or crocs).

**Please note:** The cave is not handicap accessible due to the uneven pathways, stairs, steep uphill and downhill slopes. Strollers, wheelchairs, etc. will not make it through the cave. We strive to keep the cave as natural as possible but make it safe for our guests to enjoy.

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