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With changing factors in play, Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park is planning for the 2021 summer season with an attitude that adaptations will be necessary. We welcome the opportunity to meet these challenges, offer more services, and provide a quality experience to those who visit the Park. **Our best advice: call a week before your visit!** Tour types and times will likely vary so current information would be more beneficial than the information contained below.

Paradise Tours are especially suited for visitors with small children, those who experience claustrophobia or cannot wear a facemask, and those who have physical mobility challenges. Not only does this route avoid the vertical climb to access the cave and the 600 stairs/bending/tight spaces of the Classic Tour, but it is also the **only option that views the largest, most decorated area of the Cave, the Paradise Room**. These tours will be offered at 9:30 am through 4:30 pm every hour on the half hour May 28<sup>th</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>. Ticket prices are \$ 10 for seniors aged 62 or over; \$15 for anyone 15 years to 61; \$10 for children between the ages of 5- 14; children under five are free.

The Paradise Tour consists of a ½ mile walk, or golf cart ride if necessary, on a flat pea gravel trail. Visitors enter the cave via a 538-foot tunnel on a flat cement walk or can take a wheelchair to access the first large and decorated Grand Finale Room. Depending on visitor mobility, the next room, the Paradise Room is accessible by 10 steps up 5 steps down and a return in the reverse order. You exit the same way you entered.

Tickets may only be purchased on site the day of the tour from the following schedule (and subject to change):

May 1 – June 14	9:00 am – 4:30 pm
June 15 – August 19	9:00 am -6:30 pm
August 20 – September 30	9:00 am – 4:30 pm

**Do not wear any clothing, shoes or accessories (remember your glasses and cameras) that have been to another cave or mine in the past two years.** White Nose Syndrome, a fungus that kills entire bat populations, can easily be transferred and does not come out with normal washing methods. While it does not affect humans, it would be devastating to the cave ecosystem.

Enjoy your visit to Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park!