

Culinary Tours in Denver: Celestial Seasonings



Have you ever wondered how those little tea bags that you plop in your mug every morning come to be? If you're looking for something to do on a rainy day, or you want to find good tourist attraction in Denver, Celestial Seasonings Tea Factory is the place to go.

Step inside Celestial Seasonings headquarters and immediately be greeted by a plethora of pleasant aromas arising from the many pounds of tea around you. You'll start off your free guided tour with a short video explaining the origin of tea and how Celestial Seasonings came about, including a brief overview of their company and most popular teas, if you don't know much about them. Gear up with the provided hair nets and head past the signature Sleepytime bear into the factory.

In room after room of tea stores, you'll find out where the tea ingredients come from, how they are harvested, how tea flavors are created, and how they are tested. You'll also learn all about the many different types of tea and what each is used for. You'll be given the opportunity to see, smell, and feel the fresh herbs that go into Celestial Seasonings tea bags. See crates packed chalk full of tea bags in all your favorite flavors, and try to guess the ingredients in each one.

Move past the store rooms into the infamous Mint Room, where you'll be bombarded with the refreshing scent of mint to cleanse your sinuses. The smell is overpowering at first, but you'll quickly grow to love it.

In the last part of the tour, see how tea is pressed into bags, packaged into boxes, and packed into cases for shipment; the Celestial Seasonings factory in Denver provides tea for all 50 states, and even some international countries. Hear about some mind-blowing statistics involved in tea-making, and get an "up-close" look at all the machinery at the factory. At the conclusion of the tour, you'll receive a free package of tea bags of your very own to keep and brew at home.

After you exit the tour, you'll be able to taste-test as many of the teas that you want, all for free, and buy boxes of fresh Celestial Seasonings teas, along with memorabilia to prove to friends that you got to witness tea-making in action. The Celestial Seasonings tour is definitely a fun time for kids and parents alike, and is something you won't want to miss when you're passing through Denver.