



NATIONAL PARKS OF THE SOUTHWEST

JULY 6TH – JULY 18TH, 2023

TOUR INCLUDES: *Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation, 12 Nights Lodging, 12 total Breakfast (continental & regular breakfast), Arches National Park, a spectacular sound & light show boat cruise in Canyon Country with dinner, Canyonlands National Park, Lunch at Canyonlands, Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon National Park, Lake Powell Canyons Adventure Boat Tour, Grand Canyon Railway, Grand Canyon Grand South Rim Tour with Lunch, Four Corners, Mesa Verde National Park, taxes on all accommodations & attractions.*

PRICE PER PERSON

SINGLE \$4,199

DOUBLE \$3,075

TRIPLE \$2,740

QUAD \$2,600

MAKE A \$250 DEPOSIT PER PERSON BY APRIL 1ST, 2023 AND SAVE \$50 PER PERSON

DAY 1 - THURSDAY JULY 6TH, 2023 - TRAVEL DAY TO OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Get ready for a trip of a lifetime. The awesome beauty of America's National Parks awaits us as we depart today on our adventure of the Southwest Parks. Our travels today will take us through Iowa and into the Kearney, Nebraska area for our first overnight.

DAY 2 - FRIDAY JULY 7TH, 2023 - TRAVEL DAY TO BRIGHTON, COLORADO

We continue westward on our journey passing into the state of Colorado. We will travel through the State of Nebraska into Colorado. You will be able to start viewing the Rocky Mountains in the distance. Our overnight accommodations will be in the Brighton, CO. area this evening.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

DAY 3 - SATURDAY JULY 8TH, 2023 - CANYONLANDS BY NIGHT BOAT CRUISE

Today, we will continue heading west through the Rockies. You will be able to sit back and relax and enjoy the beautiful scenery today. This evening we will enjoy a BBQ dinner cooked in a Dutch oven before boarding our boat to experience the amazing Sound and Light Show of Canyon Country. The high red rock canyon walls come alive under the star-filled Utah sky with lights that add color and beauty to the tales of native legends told by our experienced guide. Our deluxe accommodations for next two evenings will be in the Moab, Utah area. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, DINNER

DAY 4 - SUNDAY JULY 9TH, 2023 - ARCHES NATIONAL PARK, CANYONLANDS NATIONAL PARK

This morning you will enjoy Arches National Park. Our guided tour of the park contains the largest concentration of stone arches in the world. You'll marvel at the towering monoliths that appear to defy gravity. Earlier this afternoon we will be having a tour of Canyonlands National Park. The park preserves a colorful landscape eroded into numerous canyons, mesas, and buttes by the Colorado River and Green River. This evening you will have free time to relax at the hotel.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, LUNCH

DAY 5 - MONDAY JULY 10TH, 2023 - BRYCE CANYON

Later this afternoon we will arrive in the Southwestern part of Utah, where we will visit Bryce Canyon National Park, called Hoodoos, are the creation of wind and water erosion over eons of time. The natural orange and red hues that color these formations are the result of iron oxidizing within the rock. Bryce Canyon National Park is truly one of the most spectacular scenic wonders in the world. Our overnight accommodations for the next two evenings will be in the Kanab, Utah area.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST



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DAY 6 - TUESDAY JULY 11TH, 2023 ZION NATIONAL PARK

Today we will travel into Utah's Canyon lands to Zion National Park. The first settlers in the area referred to Zion as "The Heavenly City of God" and you'll discover why. Sheer cliffs and painted walls of color close in as we tour the canyon cut by the Virgin River. Our accommodations this evening will be in the Kanab, Utah. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, BOXED LUNCH

DAY 7 - WEDNESDAY JULY 12TH, 2023 - LAKE POWELL CANYONS ADVENTURE BOAT CRUISE, WILLIAMS, AZ

This morning we will start the day off with a 2 ½ hour boat tour featuring a journey to Glen Canyon Dam; to Navajo Canyon for views of spectacular examples of "Navajo Tapestry"; and to narrow Antelope Canyon, offering close up views of its colorfully geology. This afternoon we will travel to Williams, AZ. Our deluxe accommodations this evening will be at the Grand Canyon Railway Hotel. Our hotel this evening is nestled amongst the Ponderosa pine forest and located next to the Williams Train Depot and just two blocks from downtown and Route 66. GRAND CANYON RAILWAY HOTEL CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

DAY 8 - THURSDAY JULY 13TH, 2023 - GRAND CANYON RAILWAY, GRAND RIM TOUR WITH LUNCH

This morning after our breakfast at the hotel we will board the Grand Canyon Railway that departs from Williams and before boarding the train you will have time to look around the beautiful old depot next to our hotel. We will board the train for a 2 hour 15 minute ride from Williams to the Grand Canyon and along the way you'll discover the countryside from the comforts of your coach car with information provided by your passenger services attendant and the on-train entertainment. Watch as the terrain changes from high desert to prairie, prairie to pine. It's a view that's ever-changing until you come across a view that changes so dramatically and the "Welcome to the Grand Canyon". We will board a bus for the Grand Rim Tour that is narrated by a knowledgeable guide and includes lunch. On the Grand Rim Tour you will see the Grand Canyon from different perspectives, enjoy scenic overlooks and vantage points along the South Rim that you wouldn't have time to walk to. We will then board the Grand Canyon Railway for our return trip back to Williams, Arizona. You will have free time to relax at the Grand Canyon Railway hotel this evening. HOT BREAKFAST, LUNCH GRAND CANYON RAILWAY HOTEL

DAY 9 - FRIDAY JULY 14TH, 2023 - FOUR CORNERS NATIONAL MONUMENT

This morning after our breakfast at the hotel we will depart the Williams, Arizona area and travel through Arizona and into Colorado. In our travels for today we will be having a stop at The Four Corners National Monument. The Four Corners National Monument is the only place in the United States where you can stand in four different states at the same time Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah. Our overnight accommodations this evening will be in the Cortez, Colorado area. This evening you will have free time to relax at the hotel. HOT BREAKFAST

Day 10 - SATURDAY JULY 15TH, 2023 MESA VERDE NATIONAL PARK

This morning after our continental breakfast at the hotel, we will depart for Mesa Verde National Park. We will meet up with a local tour guide to discover the wonder and grandeur of this one-of-a-kind place, as we will travel through Mesa Verde National Park. We'll gain insights into the heritage of Mesa Verde National Park as you explore its spectacular sites...why did people thrive here for seven centuries, evolving from hunter-gatherers into a culture known for its agriculture, intricate artistry and architecture. Bring a camera, because you'll find some fantastic photo opportunities on our tour of Mesa Verde National Park. This afternoon we will travel to the Alamosa, Colorado area for this evening's stay. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Day 11 - SUNDAY JULY 16TH, 2023 - TRAVEL DAY TO NORTH PLATTE, NE

This morning we will be departing the State of Colorado and traveling into Nebraska and arriving into the North Platte area for this evening. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Day 12 - MONDAY JULY 17TH, 2023 - TRAVEL DAY TO WEST DES MOINES, IA

This morning we will depart the North Platte area and travel to the West Des Moines, IA area for our last overnight stay. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Day 13 - TUESDAY JULY 18TH, 2023 - HOME SWEET HOME

This morning after our breakfast at the hotel, we will depart the West Des Moines, IA area for home with a late afternoon arrival home. You will be able to sit back and take in all the memories of the beautiful Southwest National Parks that you have enjoyed during the tour. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST