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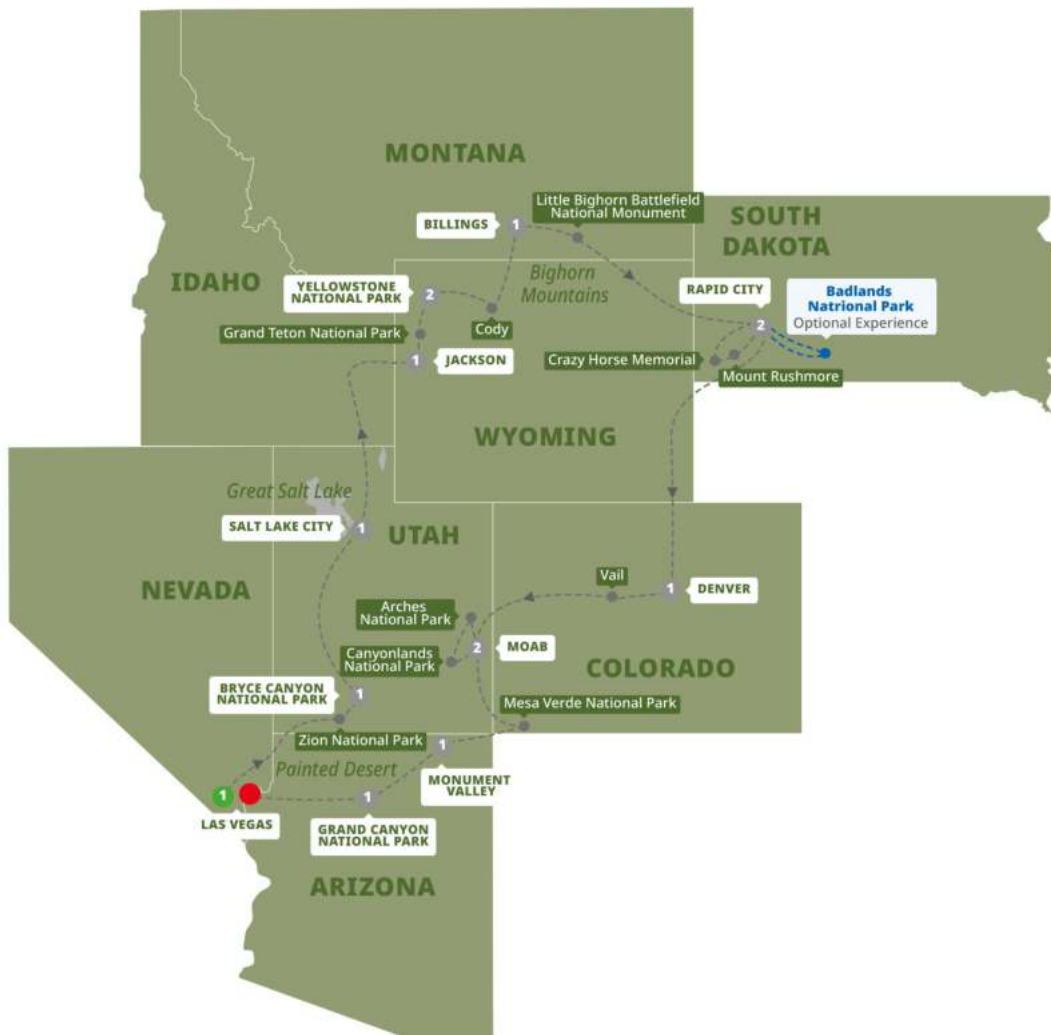
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Day 1 | Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas



From glitz and glitter to lavish dining, the desert playground of Las Vegas extends a warm welcome. More than a high energy city of tempting nightlife, the soul-stirring surrounding landscapes make up America's most beloved national parks. Kick off your US National Park tour meeting your Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant before settling in for your western adventure beginning tomorrow.

Meals: Dinner

Hotel: Horseshoe Las Vegas

Day 2 | Ride Through Colourful Zion National Park



There's no better place to admire the Southwest's multi-colour landscape than the towering cream, pink and red cliffs of Zion National Park. Drive through the park hugged by red cliffs and stop for lunch at Zion Lodge. Be sure to keep your camera at-the-ready for the enchanting landscapes of Bryce Canyon. Feel dwarfed by the otherworldly rusty red limestone hoodoo spires that rise surreally from the desert floor to Utah's skies. This evening, perhaps join Ebenezer's Barn & Grill and The Bryce Canyon Wranglers for an unforgettable evening of live country music and a delicious BBQ dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Best Western Plus Bryce Canyon Grand

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Ebenezer's Dinner and Show - Giddy up and get ready for an unforgettable evening of old-fashioned western fun, music and great cowboy food at Ebenezer's Dinner and Show in Bryce Canyon. This favourite will have you tapping your toes and smacking your lips after a filling, tasty meal of flat iron steak, baked salmon or BBQ chicken.

Adult: 66.00 USD

Day 3 | Uncover The History Of Salt Lake City



Fortunately for you, you have a second day in Bryce Canyon National Park, where you'll unlock the park's iconic hoodoos. Next up in Salt Lake City, discover the local secrets of Utah's capital seeing its Mormon center, Temple Square and discovering the beliefs and history of the Mormon pioneers who settled here. Salt Lake City is a vibrant and progressive city with cafes, boutiques and new restaurants popping up all the time – so you'll have plenty of choice as you explore the city today. Enjoy dinner tonight at a local restaurant with your fellow travellers

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Sheraton Salt Lake City

Day 4 | North to Jackson



Get ready for a change of scenery on your US National Park tour today, taking in views of Powder Mountain and southeast Idaho as you head north from Salt Lake City to Jackson. Standing in the shadows of the Teton Range's icy peaks, this mountain town has an Old West look with a modern twist. Get a feel for the outdoor vibe - home to three ski areas and many rugged trails – on your own. Grab dinner this evening in one of the old-timey saloons and steakhouses destined to fuel your adventures through western frontiers.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Modern Mountain Motel

Day 5 | Travel Through Scenic Grand Teton National Park



Grand Teton National Park's alpine landscapes of eight peaks tower over 12,000 feet above you. Learn how, established in 1929, Grand Teton is home to a 40-mile mountain range straddling Idaho and Wyoming with views of wildlife, glacier-carved lakes and alpine terrain. Inhabited first by Native Americans and later American pioneers, Grand Teton is the perfect place to explore over 200 miles of hiking trails and take in views of the Tetons from the Snake River. Get your bearings choosing to join a gentle Snake River Float Trip in the Park, learning from your guide about the park's resident wildlife. The promise of Yellowstone's geothermal wonderland leads to your next destination. Arriving in Yellowstone, stay right in the heart of it all overnighting at one of the lodges in this iconic national park.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: National Park Lodges Yellowstone

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Snake River Float Trip Through Grand Teton National Park - Ready for relaxation? This gentle 10-mile float trip inside Grand Teton National Park covers the most scenic stretch of the Snake River in the Jackson Hole Valley. As you kick back on the gentle waters, learn how the Snake River is a lifeline to the park's bison, elk, moose, beaver, pronghorn, deer, bear and 300 different species of birds, including osprey and eagles. Your experienced guide offers in-depth information on the geology of the Grand Tetons and the habitats of the local animals.

Adult: 100.00 USD

**Please Note: this optional experience is weather permitting.*

***Please Note: this optional experience operates late May – mid September.*

****Please Note: This optional experience requires a signed liability waiver.*

Day 6 | See the Grandeur of Yellowstone National Park



See how Yellowstone National Park - one of the world's oldest national parks with over 500 geysers – is in a league of its own. At the end of your visit, you'll surely appreciate its vastness, variety of landscapes and terrains, wildlife, vegetation, lakes and geologic wonders like the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River. Alongside your Travel Director, marvel at Old Faithful, the thousand-year-old geyser which has been shooting water into the sky every 90 minutes for centuries. Stop at Lake Yellowstone, containing the largest number of wild cutthroat trout in North America, before viewing Artists Point. Savour a quiet moment at this viewpoint to watch the stunning cascade of the Lower Falls. Finish off an epic day of sightseeing at the impressive Fountain Paint Pot area where bubbling mud pots and geysers invite you to stand back and watch the show.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: National Park Lodges Yellowstone

Day 7 | Experience Big Sky And The Wild West



Welcome to "Buffalo Bill's" hometown of Cody where the "Spirit of the American West" lives on. Visit the Buffalo Bill Center of the West Museum to unlock the town's history before taking your wild west adventure to the next level in Big Sky Country. At the historic Billings Depot, you're treated to a Western dinner Be My Guest experience. Meet a local historian from the nearby Western Heritage Center who'll share Billings' railroad history from how the depot was built in 1903 as a hub for three major railroads. Get your fix of western hospitality and fare enjoying local Chef Stephen Hindman's three-course menu featuring local produce, a choice of entrees, a seasonal dessert and beer and wine.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton Billings

Day 8 | Unlock The History of Little Bighorn



Today on your US National Park tour, explore history and living traditions starting with a visit to Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument, the battlefield where the ill-fated Custer led his men against a battalion of Sioux and Cheyenne warriors now known as Custer's last stand. From battlefields to the Black Hills, make your way to the base of Crazy Horse Memorial, an iconic monument representing the Oglala Lakota warrior 'Crazy Horse'. Admire the colossal carved face and learn about its origins during a walk-through of The Indian Museum of North America before arriving in Rapid City. Light up your night on an Optional Experience joining Mount Rushmore by Night with a Park Ranger. The sculpture lighting ceremony culminates as the faces of the monument are fully illuminated.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: The Rushmore Hotel & Suites

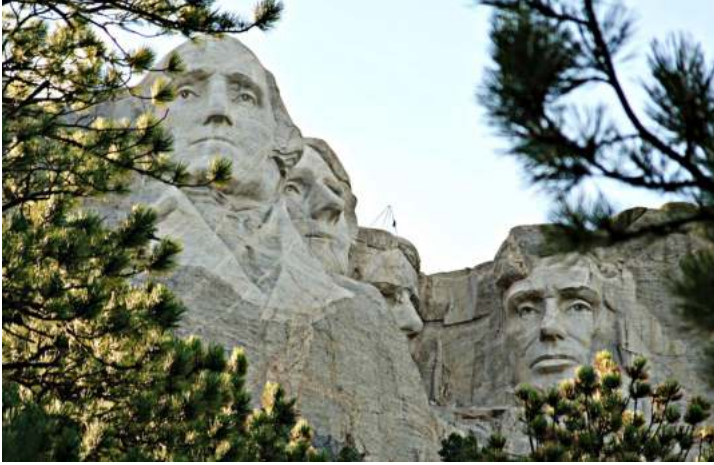
OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Mount Rushmore Evening Lighting Ceremony - Mount Rushmore springs to life as you join a Park Ranger in an outdoor amphitheatre for a moving patriotic program and sculpture lighting ceremony. You'll start with listening to a short inspirational talk, focusing on the presidents, patriotism and the nation's history, followed by a 20-minute film, "Freedom: America's Lasting Legacy." Watch in wonder as the evening culminates in the slow exposure of light, gradually illuminating the four presidents faces against the backdrop of the Black Hills dark sky (seasonal).

Adult: 33.00 USD

** This optional experience operates seasonally from late May to September.*

Day 9 | Delve Into the Black Hills of South Dakota



Whether or not you caught the show last night, the must-see sight of Mount Rushmore National Memorial makes a dramatic start to your day with the opportunity to take the perfect picture. View the faces of former American presidents etched into the granite rock-face. Later, you could join an Optional Experience venturing into Badlands National Park to explore 244,000 acres of sharply eroded buttes, pinnacles and spires blended with the largest protected mixed grass prairie in America feeling like you've entered an ancient world. A special MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience awaits this evening as you meet Lakota Tribe Member Stephen Yellowhawk who shares his passion for his culture over stories of his tribe's history during a festive evening of singing, dance and music.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: The Rushmore Hotel & Suites

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Badlands National Park Excursion - A hidden gem in the national park system, the beauty of the Badlands landscape is like no other. Badlands National Park preserves 244,000 acres of sharply eroded buttes, pinnacles and spires blended with the largest protected mixed grass prairie in America. Sightseers as well as scientists are attracted to the area for its beauty and the opportunity to peek into an ancient world. No trip to the Badlands would be complete without a stop at famous Wall Drug. An establishment which became known for offering free ice water to thirsty travellers in the 1930s is today one of the top roadside attractions in the country.

Adult: 54.00 USD

Day 10 | Journey Through The Prairies To Denver



Travel south on your US National Park tour through the expansive, rolling prairies of Wyoming to Denver, the Mile High City at 5,280 feet known for its thriving coffeehouse and brewery scene. Along the way, trade tales with your travel companions of all the stunning sights you've seen. Cap off the day enjoying dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: The Slate Hotel Denver Downtown, Tapestry by Hilton

Day 11 | Roam The Rockies



Kickoff your day stopping in Vail, an alpine village and one of Colorado's great playgrounds known for its epic powder-filled basins that have attracted skiers since the 1960s. Then discover local organic products and meet local farmers over a one-of-a-kind Be My Guest experience at Field to Fork, a four-season organic farm and boutique fruit stand, growing and celebrating the flavours of every season. You'll love learning the local secrets of organic farming over a tour from the owners followed by a meal of farm-fresh ingredients. This evening in Moab, opt for an exhilarating Optional Experience flying over Canyonlands National Park during sunset.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Best Western Plus Canyonlands Inn

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Sunset Canyonlands National Park Tour – Fixed Wing Sightseeing - Unlock the best of Canyonlands National Park at sunset. Make sure you have your camera ready -- the golden light in the minutes before the sun dips below the horizon is great for picture taking. Afterwards, the twilight sky and landscape lights up with vivid hues of reds and oranges.

Adult: 269.00 USD

Day 12 | Take In The Views of The Canyonlands



Get ready to gasp. Arches National Park is packed with striking natural arches. On your jaw-dropping exploration, learn how these 6,000 natural sandstone arches were formed by rain and wind on this guided reserved visit led by your knowledgeable Travel Director. From one stunning landscape to the next in Canyon Country, see how the power of the Colorado River carves through the rocky red landscape at Canyonlands National Park. Drive onto the Island in the Sky - a mesa resting 1,000 feet (305 meters) above the countryside offering spectacular views over the dramatic sandstone formations. Take your experience to the next level with an Optional Canyonlands by Night light show, complete with a lip-smacking cowboy-style Dutch Oven Dinner and a trip on the Moab Queen II jet boat cruising by the lit-up canyon walls.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Best Western Plus Canyonlands Inn

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Canyonlands by Night Dinner and Cruise - We hope you brought your appetite. Start with a cowboy-style dinner overlooking the Colorado River before boarding the Moab Queen II jet boat and head upriver. Your guide points out all the sights before reaching the turnaround spot, where 40,000 watts of light illuminate the canyon walls. Sit back and be dazzled by the show choreographed with lights, sounds, music and narration as you hear stories about the formation, creation and history of the area.

Adult: 111.00 USD

Day 13 | Mesa Verde National Park to Monument Valley



Within UNESCO-listed Mesa Verde National Park, admire some of the over 600 ancient cliff dwellings - including the largest in the country, the amazing dwelling known as Cliff Palace - carved in the sandstone of the canyon walls. Established by Teddy Roosevelt in 1906, the Park protects some of the best-preserved Ancestral Puebloan archaeological sites in the United States. Deepen your connection with the first nations of this land heading toward Monument Valley - home to the Navajo Nation and the backdrop of many famous Hollywood Western movies.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Goulding's Lodge

Day 14 | Tour the Remarkable Grand Canyon



Your big day of bucket list sites on your US National Park tour begins in Monument Valley. Enjoy a unique exploration with a Local Specialist driving in an open-air vehicle past its towering sandstone buttes and mesas that rise from the barren landscape on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Continue through the ancestral home of the Navajo, winding along Desert View Drive, surrounded by mesmerising Multi-coloured depths. Stop at Desert View Intertribal Cultural Heritage Site to hear stories, family histories and cultural demonstrations by tribal members on another MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. We've saved the best for last: the Grand Canyon. Get a unique perspective from geological expert Canyon Tim who reveals the geological wonders on a private nature talk. Join your fellow travellers for a Farewell Dinner toasting to America's National Parks at your accommodations inside Grand Canyon National Park.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: National Park Lodges Grand Canyon

Day 15 | End Your Journey In Las Vegas



Consider an optional helicopter or fixed-wing aircraft flightseeing trip over the canyon. End your journey in Las Vegas where a transfer is provided to Las Vegas International Airport arriving at approximately 3:30 pm, or to Horseshoe Las Vegas for guests extending their stay.

Meals: Breakfast

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Grand Discovery Air Tour South Rim - 45 Min. Fixed-Wing Aircraft Flight - There's no better way to experience the grandeur of the Grand Canyon South Rim than on a fascinating aerial tour offering unobstructed views. Sit back and feel the thrill of this Natural Wonder as you fly over the Kaibab National Forest, Kaibab Plateau, Confluence of Colorado, Little Colorado River, Imperial Point and Zuni Corridor.
Adult: 199.00 USD

**Please Note: this optional experience is weather permitting.*

Grand Kingdom - 40 Min. EcoStar Helicopter Flight - Soar across the canyon rim on a helicopter flight, watching as the bottom seemingly drops out from under your feet. Gaze deep into the core of the canyon over 5,000 feet down to the confluence of the Little Colorado River. Then drift past Imperial Point - a rugged spire standing alone near the North Rim of the Canyon. Flying at the same altitude as the North Rim, you may feel you can reach out and touch the canyon walls. Then head back to Grand Canyon South Rim via the Dragon Corridor, another of the Grand Canyon's most picturesque sections.
Adult: 429.00 USD

**Please Note: this optional experience is weather permitting.*

North Canyon Tour Helicopter Flight. Bell Aircraft - 25 minutes - The Grand Canyon opens up before you on a memorable helicopter experience over its southern and northern rims. After flying over the Kaibab National Forest, enter the Dragon Corridor - the deepest and widest part of the Grand Canyon. Marvel at the canyon's legendary beauty through the specially designed oversized windows of your helicopter. Have your camera ready to capture the colourful stone walls and sweeping vistas surrounding you. Fly over the mighty Colorado River toward the canyon's rugged North Rim and soar along with rock formations, including the Tower of Ra and Vishnu Schist.
Adult: 289.00 USD

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