

# WONDERS OF THE AMERICAN WEST

TOUR DATES: May 26-June 4, 2019



This comprehensive exploration of the American West, visiting awesome natural wonders and staying at rustic lodges amid dazzling panoramas that no camera could ever quite capture.

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## DAY 1

### ARRIVE IN LAS VEGAS.

Welcome to glittering Las Vegas. On arrival at Las Vegas International Airport, your transfer will take you to your hotel. At 18:00, join your Tour Director for a Welcome Dinner with wine. (DW)  
Hotel: ARIA Resort and Casino, Las Vegas.

## DAY 2

### THE WONDERS OF THE GRAND CANYON.

In the morning, depart for the North Rim of Grand Canyon National Park and the historic Grand Canyon Lodge. At night, watch the colors change by the minute as the sun sets over the canyon. Enjoy a fantastic dinner in the lodge's magnificent dining room with superb views of the canyon. (FB,D)  
Hotel: Grand Canyon Lodge.

## DAY 3 RS

### GRAND CANYON AND LAKE POWELL.

Wake up to the backdrop of the Grand Canyon as you depart for the majesty of Lake Powell. Stop at Glen Canyon Dam to learn about its impact on the Colorado River before arriving at your lakefront resort. Check in to your room, with guaranteed lake views, and enjoy the evening at leisure. (FB)

Hotel: Lake Powell Resorts and Marinas (Lake View Rooms).

## DAY 4 RS

### A LEISURELY DAY AT LAKE POWELL.

Spend the day doing entirely as you please. Enjoy an included leisurely optional cruise through scenic Antelope Canyon with its steep, sandstone walls. (FB)

## DAY 5

### MONUMENT VALLEY AND THE NAVAJO NATION.

In the morning, head to Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park and board all-terrain vehicles with a Navajo guide for a tour of the valley floor, used as a backdrop for many Western films. Visit some of the legendary sites where these movies were made. Enjoy a Navajo cookout Highlight Lunch amid the giant buttes and mesas of this unique landscape before making your way to Mesa Verde National Park. Your lodge inside the park offers sweeping vistas reaching into three states. (FB,L,D)  
Hotel: Far View Lodge, Mesa Verde (Deluxe View Rooms).

## DAY 6

### MESA VERDE AND MOAB.

Enjoy an in-depth visit to fascinating Mesa Verde National Park. View the ancient pueblo dwellings known as Cliff Palace. In Moab, settle in at your ranch-style lodge, superbly located under lofty red rock cliffs on the banks of the Colorado River. Enjoy a cowboy-style barbecue and Highlight Dinner at your hotel. (FB,DW)  
Hotel: Red Cliffs Lodge, Moab.

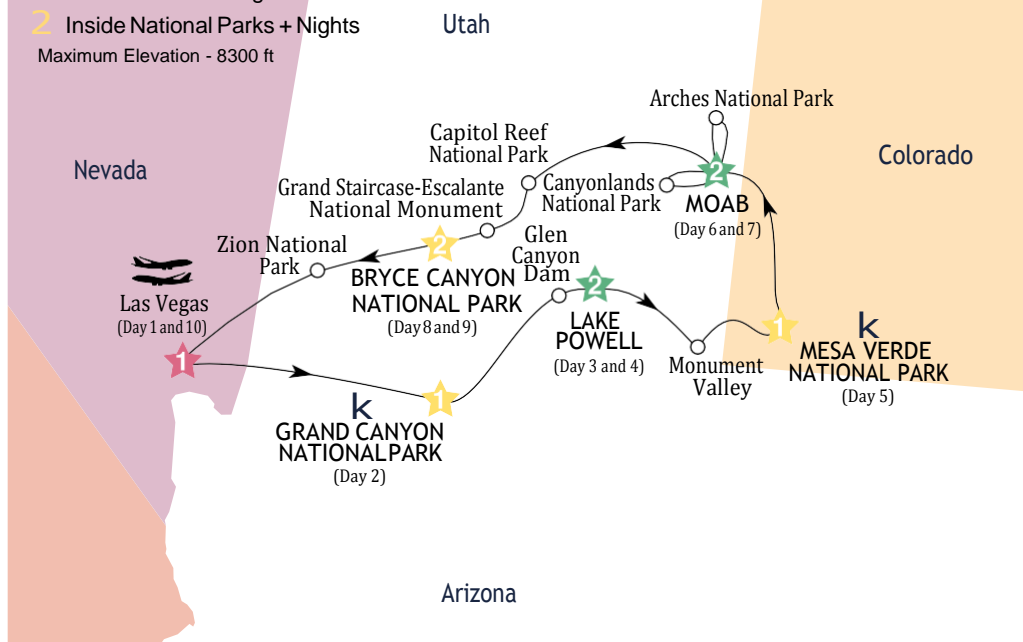
## DAY 7 RS

### DELVE INTO CANYONLANDS AND ARCHES NATIONAL PARKS.

In the morning, visit Canyonlands National Park for a drive onto the 'Island in the Sky' - a mesa resting 1,000 feet (305 meters) above the surrounding countryside, offering spectacular views over the dramatic sandstone formations. Then it's on to Arches National Park, housing the greatest concentration of natural arches in the world. Back at the lodge, your afternoon is at leisure. In the evening, why not choose to join an exciting sunset jet boat ride on the mighty Colorado River? (FB)

## KEY

- A** Join/Leave Options
- K** UNESCO Heritage Site
- 2** Central Hotels + Nights
- 2** Scenic Hotels + Nights
- 2** Inside National Parks + Nights
- Maximum Elevation - 8300 ft



## DAY 8

### CAPITOL REEF AND BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARKS.

Magnificent scenery awaits at Capitol Reef National Park, best known for its Waterpocket Fold, a 100-mile-long (160 km) warp in the earth's crust. Journey along one of the most beautiful roads in the world, Scenic Byway 12, winding through the stunning Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. (FB)  
Hotel: The Lodge at Bryce Canyon.

## DAY 9 RS

### WHIMSICAL BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARK.

Start the day traveling through Bryce Canyon, the great natural amphitheater. The whimsical, eroded rock formations that characterize this National Park are some of Utah's most unusual shapes. Learn how wind, erosion and iron oxidation created the spellbinding hoodoos. In the evening, join your fellow guests rim-side for a memorable Celebration Dinner overlooking the Canyon. (FB,DW)

## DAY 10

### ZION NATIONAL PARK, BACK TO LAS VEGAS.

Enjoy a last look at Bryce Canyon's orange and red rock formations, glowing in early morning light before heading to Zion National Park - one of the most scenic canyons in the United States. Here, join a guided tour by a private Zion Canyon Shuttle, to view the park's best sites. Your tour ends with a departure transfer to Las Vegas International Airport. Airport arrival will be at 16:00. (FB)

## DINING SUMMARY

9 Full Breakfasts (FB), 1 Lunch (L), 5 Dinners (D) with wine (DW).

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## SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

**MONUMENT VALLEY:** With a Navajo guide, board an all-terrain vehicle for a private tour through the mythical formation of the Navajo Tribal Park.

## TOP RATED HIGHLIGHTS

**ARCHES NATIONAL PARK:** See the towering natural arches at this majestic National Park.

**CANYONLANDS NATIONAL PARK:** Visit the 'Island in the Sky', a vast mesa that rises over the sandstone landmarks.

**CAPITOL REEF NATIONAL PARK:** Visit this majestic National Park that surrounds a long wrinkle in the earth known as the Waterpocket Fold with its layers of golden sandstone and striking rock formations.

**BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARK:** See the whimsical sandstone hoodoos and take in the stunning panoramas.

**ZION NATIONAL PARK:** The most relaxing and informative way to see the grandeur and natural features of this canyon is by private shuttle.

## AUTHENTIC REGIONAL FLAVORS

**MONUMENT VALLEY:** Enjoy an authentic cookout and Highlight Lunch amid the majestic buttes and mesas of the surrounding landscape.

**MOAB:** Chow down on a delicious cowboy barbecue dinner.

**BRYCE CANYON:** Get together with your friends in a wonderful setting for a Celebration Dinner.

## STAY AT THE BEST ADDRESSES

**LAS VEGAS:** Where else would you want to stay other than ARIA Las Vegas Resort and Casino? A modern, luxury, upscale resort, located right along the famed Las Vegas Strip.

**LAKE POWELL:** Relax and enjoy the superb views from your guaranteed Lake View Rooms at the Lake Powell Resort and Marinas.

**MESA VERDE:** Enjoy sweeping views of the National Park from the Far View Lodge.

**MOAB:** Get a real taste of the West at the ranch-style Red Cliffs Lodge, situated under fiery red cliffs.

**BRYCE CANYON:** Located right inside the National Park, The Lodge at Bryce Canyon is a landmark property.

**NATIONAL PARKS HOTELS:** Insight stays at the best available properties within National Parks where the hotels are much more rustic and typical of the natural environment.

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