





# Magnificent Canyon Country: Utah's Mighty 5 Parks!

Arches National Park, Bryce Canyon, Zion National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Dead Horse Point, Capitol Reef National Park and Las Vegas!

June 5 - 11, 2022 7 Days and 6 Nights

Nowhere in America is the land so breathtaking, the air so clean and the water so pure as in this spectacular corner of the Southwest!

Experience some of the grandest scenery on earth in this memorably eye-popping tour through Canyon Country and Utah's Mighty 5 Parks! More than eighty percent of Utah's land is set aside for public use - and when you see it, you'll understand why. Millions visit these parks every year to experience these kaleidoscopic vistas of stone grandeur seen no where else on the planet! From Moab to Zion, the National Parks will simply leave you in awe. Experience the towering canyon walls as you float down the Colorado River. Enjoy a special local wine tasting, and see the impact that this beautiful landscape has left not only on the film industry but also in our hearts and imaginations! Your amazing journey in the Southwest ends in Las Vegas - where the there is always something thrilling to do, from world-class dining and entertainment to casinos and shopping!

#### **Itinerary**

#### June 5, 2022 ~ Moab

Board your flight today bound for **Salt Lake City**. On arrival, you'll be met by your TRIPS representative and board your motor coach bound for **Moab** where you'll check in to your hotel. You'll have time to freshen up and then enjoy a **cowboy style BBQ** dinner, so be sure to pack those boots and hat!

Overnight: Moab (D)

#### June 6, 2022 - Rivers, Jeeps, Wine, Movies & Even a Hummer

Today, you'll begin exploring **Canyonlands** in a fascinating way - on the river - as you set out on a **covered boat journey** down the calm-water section of the Colorado River. The 2,200 foot canyon walls tower above as your guide skillfully navigates the river, pointing out features such as a fossilized sea bed, Indian petroglyphs and of course the wonderful views of the arches! You'll also pass by the actual cliff from one of the most

vividly iconic scenes in all of movie history. Remember when Thelma and Louise plunged their classic '66 Thunderbird off the cliff - well, it wasn't really shot in the Grand Canyon, but right here! After your 3 hour adventure and lunch on your own, return to Moab with the

This afternoon, you might choose to join us for the most popular off-road experience in Moab - a Hummer ride! It's an experience that you can brag to your kids and grandkids about! Weave in and out of rock canyons, feel the excitement of climbing the Navajo Sandstone know as slickrock, laid down 200 million years ago! Within minutes of departure you'll be scaling one of Moab's famous red rock fins on your way to an area known as "Hell's Revenge." You'll Experience a spectacular overlook into the Colorado River and Arches National Park where you'll have time to get out and take photos of the incredible surroundings, including awesome views of the La Sal Mountains. It's the most exhilarating way to explore Moab's unique backcountry in style and comfort. This optional Hummer Ride is priced at \$169.00 per person.

remainder of the afternoon at your leisure to shop and explore. This evening, enjoy a wine tasting at **Spanish Valley Winery**, highlighting varieties of white and red grapes grown in the Moab region. Then you'll visit the adjacent **Moab Film and Western Heritage Museum**. In the late 1940s, legendary **film director John Ford** discovered the rugged beauty of Moab's Canyonlands and filmed the first of many movies here. The first major motion pictures filmed in the Moab area were set right here! John Wayne, Maureen O'Hara, Rock Hudson, Henry Fonda, Lee Marvin and James Stewart are just a few of the legends who have worked on location in this area. The Moab Film and Western Heritage Museum houses memorabilia from very early films to the present and is ever changing. After exploring the Museum, enjoy the evening and dinner on your own in Moab.

Overnight: Moab (B)

## June 7, 2022 - Arches, Canyonlands and Dead Horse Point

This morning you'll travel into Arches National Park where Mother Nature's masterpieces are on full display! The park has one of the largest concentrations of natural sandstone arches in the world. You'll also find extraordinary geologic features such as spires, pinnacles, pedestals and balanced rocks, all highlighted by contrasting colors, landforms and textures. Your guide will share the history of the park and the early settlers who made their home here, in what was formally established as a national park in 1971. Lunch this afternoon is included in Moab before traveling into Canyonlands and Island in the Sky Mesa. Every overlook offers a different perspective on the spectacular landscape of this National Park. Imagine wave after wave of deep canyons, towering mesas, pinnacles, cliffs and spires stretching as far as the eye can see! Canyonlands is wild and wonderful and diverse in its landscapes with cliffs that range from red to pink to orange in a spectacular array of color! You'll also visit **Dead Horse Point** with breathtaking panoramic views of Canyonlands sculptured pinnacles and buttes. Don't be surprised if it looks familiar - it's one of the most photographed viewpoints in Utah!

Return to the hotel later this afternoon with the remainder of the day at leisure with dinner on your own.

Overnight: Moab (B/L)

#### June 8, 2022 - Goblin Valley, Capitol Reef & Boulder Mountain

Depart Moab this morning heading into southern Utah, stopping along the way at the John Wesley Powell River History Museum. Powell was the leader of the first Colorado River exploration through the Grand Canyon in the 1860s. Then you'll ride through Goblin Valley, named for the thousands of hoodoos that the locals refer to as 'goblins'! Your next stop is Capitol Reef National Park, named for a line of white Navajo Sandstone cliffs with dome formations that are similar to the white domes often placed on capitol buildings. You'll also stop for lunch on your own along the way as you travel through the beautiful Southwest. This afternoon, enjoy a drive on one of America's most spectacular roads, Scenic Highway 12. As you drive up and over **Boulder Mountain**, you'll have incredible views of Capitol Reef, the Circle Cliffs and the Henry Mountains. Continue on through the Grand Staircase - Escalante National Monument with vast expanses of Navajo sandstone. You'll be in awe of the dramatic cliffs, high mesas, beautiful streams and deep canyons in multi-hued colors. On arriving in Bryce Canyon, check into your hotel located less than 2 miles from the National Park, with tonight's dinner included.

Overnight: Bryce Canyon (B/D)

### June 9, 2022 - Bryce Canyon to Zion

Check out of your hotel this morning, then explore **Bryce Canyon National Park**. The hues and the intricate shapes of the canyon will carry you away into a fairyland fantasy! You'll find some of the most beautiful, unlikely rock formations on earth here, with hoodoos that will grab your attention. These brown, red, orange, yellow and white limestone and sandstone pinnacles seem to shoot toward the sky in

fanciful formations. You'll understand the comment that early settler **Ebenezer Bryce** made when he said it is "a hell of a place to lose a cow!" Return to Ruby's for an included lunch buffet before visiting **Red Canyon**, a jewel that many travelers miss. You'll see unique rock formations of rich red colors along with strands of Ponderosa pines making the canyon exceptionally scenic. Last but far from least this afternoon is Utah's oldest and most famous National Park, **Zion**, with spectacular rock formations, rugged canyons, tumbling rivers and pineblanketed peaks. Following check-in to your hotel, enjoy dinner tonight at the **Switchback Grill**.

Overnight: Springdale (B/L/D)

#### June 10, 2022 ~ Zion to Las Vegas

Your day begins with a return morning visit to the wonderland of **Zion National Park**, hailed as the **crowning glory of Utah** with its deep red canyons, massive monoliths and towering cliffs. This corner of the state will enchant you and leave your speechless, a truly wonderful way to end your time exploring the Canyon Country of Utah! After lunch on your own, you'll travel on to Las Vegas. Check in to your hotel midafternoon and enjoy your farewell dinner tonight, with the rest of your afternoon and evening free in the "**Entertainment Capitol of the World**"! There's plenty to do along the **four mile 'strip,'** from world class shopping and entertainment to people watching, and don't miss the nightly **Fremont Street Experience** light show downtown. There are also of course those legendary casinos to try your hand at Lady Luck, and remember - **What happens in Vegas... Stays in Vegas!** 

Overnight: Las Vegas (B/D)

#### June 11, 2022 ~ Journey Home

After your days exploring the spectacular canyons of Utah - and the glitz and glamour of Las Vegas, it's time to return home. **Memories of the beauty of Utah will be with you for years to come!** (B)

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- Roundtrip transfers from Mountain Home including gratuities
- Roundtrip airfare to Salt Lake City and from Las Vegas (checked baggage fee is not included)
- 5 nights lodging in Utah
- 1 night lodging in Las Vegas
- 6 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 4 dinners
- Admission to all parks and attractions including Canyonlands National Park, Arches National Park, Canyonlands by Day River Cruise, John Wesley Powell Museum, Capitol Reef National Park, Bryce National Park, Zion National Park and more!
- · Services of a full time, licensed Guide throughout your tour
- · Private deluxe motor coach throughout the program
- Porterage of one suitcase per person
- · All government taxes and fees

# Call today to reserve your space!!!

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An initial **\$650.00** deposit is required to hold space on this tour.

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