



Western Highlights - 11 Days (#15415)

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Overview

Unearth the beauty and history that makes the West so special. Large cities, such as San Francisco and Las Vegas, will delight tourists with their cosmopolitan flair, while the striking natural wonders of the land in Yosemite, Zion and Bryce Canyon have a special allure of their own.

Trip Highlights

San Francisco - Yosemite Gateway - Las Vegas - Los Angeles

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01**Day 01: Arrive San Francisco**

Arrive at San Francisco International Airport and transfer independently to your hotel. Your Tour Director will meet you this afternoon.

Day 02
Day 02: San Francisco

This morning, join a half-day city tour which includes Union Square, the Civic Centre and Fisherman's Wharf. From the top of Twin Peaks, enjoy the spectacular view and see for yourself why many consider San Francisco the most beautiful city in America. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure in "the City by the Bay", perhaps a cable car ride to Fisherman's Wharf where one may enjoy a "Taste of San Francisco": local seafood, famous sourdough breads or decadent Ghirardelli's Chocolate. Or take a stroll by Sea Lions' Marina to observe them frolic and play. Be sure to gaze across the bay to Alcatraz Island where "America's Most Wanted" such as Al Capone and "Machine Gun" Kelly were incarcerated. Or visit Union Square for a shopping stop at Macy's Department Store. Your Tour Director will be on hand to assist you in planning your next two days in the city.

Day 03
Day 3: San Francisco (Monterey/Carmel -17-Mile Drive Optional)

Join an optional tour to Monterey and Carmel. Travel along the Pacific Coast to the Monterey Bay Peninsula. Visit Cannery Row, made famous by the John Steinbeck novel. Your optional package includes admission to the famous Monterey Bay Aquarium, showcasing some 200 exhibits on marine life and one of the most respected aquariums in the world. Continue on the 17-Mile Drive, admiring the natural scenery and gorgeous homes. Enjoy time in the charming community of Carmel, known for its art galleries and shops before returning to San Francisco.

Day 04
Day 4: San Francisco - Yosemite

Join the group for an included all day adventure to Yosemite National Park. Known for its magnificent waterfalls (seasonal), granite peaks and remarkable wildlife, Yosemite is one of America's favourite National Parks. We will explore the park by motor coach, but you will also have time on the valley floor to enjoy the spectacular scenery and enjoy an included all American picnic.



Day 05**Day 5: Yosemite - Mojave Desert - Las Vegas**

Today, travel through the Mojave Desert on your way to Las Vegas. A late afternoon arrival in the dazzling “Entertainment Capital of the World” will give you enough time to start enjoying this fantastic city right away. Your Tour Director will assist you in arranging all you want to do whether it is shopping, seeing a show, enjoying the fine dining, or joining an optional evening tour.

Day 06**Day 6: Las Vegas - Grand Canyon West - Las Vegas**

This morning we stop at the iconic Las Vegas Welcome Sign where you may wish to capture a photo memory of Las Vegas before making your way to an included day trip to the Grand Canyon. On the way, admire the beauty of Lake Mead, the largest reservoir in the U.S. formed by the Hoover Dam. At the Grand Canyon, you will have time to explore the views on your own and if you choose, join an optional helicopter trip over the canyon, or walk on the Skywalk platform.

Day 07**Day 07: Las Vegas (Death Valley)**

The day is yours to choose how you spend it. Maybe do a little shopping at one of the fine shopping outlets in Las Vegas, lounge by the pool or join an optional tour to Death Valley National Park. The lowest (below sea level) and hottest region in the western hemisphere.

Day 08**Day 08: Las Vegas - Palm Springs - Los Angeles**

Today your journey takes you from Las Vegas through Palm Springs, the winter playground for Hollywood royalty, with its lively downtown area and immaculately kept golf courses at the base of the rugged San Jacinto Mountains. This city in the desert was once known as the winter retreat of stars like Frank Sinatra, Jane Russell and Elvis Presley. Today it is a flourishing resort town with great shops, restaurants and year round desert climate. A sea of wind turbines mark the entrance to this desert oasis. Along the way you will pass through Indio, home to the International Date Festival due to the abundance of this crop in the Coachella Valley. In the late afternoon, arrive in Los Angeles.



Day 09
Day 09: Los Angeles - Hollywood - Beverly Hills - Los Angeles

This morning, you will enjoy a comprehensive city tour of Los Angeles including the hip Santa Monica, glamorous Hollywood and posh Beverly Hills. You will be able to stop by the “finish line” of Historic Route 66, see an iconic Californian lifeguard tower made famous by “Baywatch”, walk on the boulevard of stars and take a great photo of the famous Hollywood sign. The afternoon is yours to explore more on your own or join an optional excursion to Universal Studios where you will learn all about how movies are made.

Day 10
Day 10: Los Angeles (The O.C./San Diego)

Today enjoy an optional full day excursion to San Diego. Travel south through San Juan Capistrano and San Clemente to San Diego, the second largest city in California. San Diego enjoys year round mild weather and a location on the San Diego Bay. Enjoy a city tour including the historic Old Town, the Gas Lamp district, and the bay front picturesque Seaport Village. For a different view of the city, you can join an optional cruise on the bay before returning to Los Angeles in the late afternoon.

Day 11
Day 11: Los Angeles Departure

“That’s a wrap!” We hope you have enjoyed your tour and that you return soon to visit another area of America the beautiful!

Inclusions

- + 1 complimentary breakfast*
- + Enjoy a welcome reception where you will meet your fellow travelers.
- + Take in the sites and sounds of the City by the Bay, San Francisco, including the Golden Gate Bridge, Union Square, and Fisherman’s Wharf.
- + Feel the mists of the magnificent falls at Yosemite National Park (weather permitting).
- + Traverse the Mojave Desert and see its indigenous Joshua Trees.
- + Enjoy leisure time for shopping, gambling, eating, or all of the above in glitzy Las Vegas.



- + Post an Instagram of yourself at the iconic “Welcome to Las Vegas” sign.
- + Witness the manmade majesty of Hoover Dam, the tallest in the United States.
- + Enjoy a full day excursion to the west Rim of the Grand Canyon, taking in its natural majesty.
- + Discover the famed mid-century architecture relaxed vibes of “Hollywood’s desert retreat” during a visit to Palm Springs.
- + Stroll the Hollywood Walk of Fame and find your favorite celebrity star.
- + Get a glimpse of all the glamour Los Angeles has to offer with stops at some of its most famous spots.

Exclusions

International airfares

Optional activities

Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program

Travel insurance

Gratuities

Voluntary tips for guides or drivers

Travel and medical insurance

Any items not mentioned as included

Note

Hotels Used

San Francisco - San Francisco Marriott Marquis

Yosemite Gateway - Hampton Inn Fresno Airport*

Las Vegas - Sahara Hotel

Los Angeles - Crowne Plaza LA Harbor

*Complimentary breakfast offered by a hotel may be discontinued at any time with or without notice.

ALL DEPARTURE DATES ARE GUARANTEED TO OPERATE.

EXPERIENCE MORE (OPTIONALS) Rates available on request + Hop on board a cable car during an extensive night tour of San Francisco and enjoy dinner tonight in the “City by the Bay”

+ Take a full day excursion to experience the charm of Monterey and Carmel, traversing portions of the famed 17 Mile drive in Pebble Beach.

+ Experience the glitz and glam of Las Vegas during an extensive evening tour.

+ Enjoy more of the excitement that Vegas has to offer with a dinner show.



- + Experience the depth of the Grand Canyon by descending into the canyon by helicopter.
- + Fulfill a thrill seeker's dream by walking above the Grand Canyon over the glass floors of the Skywalk.
- + Enjoy thrilling rides and a bit of Hollywood history during a half-day visit to Universal Studios.

Please note that the prices are starting from and that upon sending a new request with specific date we will send the applicable rate and availability.

Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

Fixed Departure

16 Aug, 2024

3 Star

AUD 3,600 P P twin share

AUD 5,072 P P single

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06 Sep, 2024

3 Star

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27 Sep, 2024

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