

2019 / 2020 ESCORTED TOURS

# THE WESTERN HIGHLIGHTS

11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS

BEGINS SAN FRANCISCO  
ENDS LOS ANGELES

ENGLISH EDITION



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## MAP LEGEND

- Direction Tour Travels
- Overnight City
- Tour City

DAILY ITINERARY

**DAY**  
**01**  
**FRI**

SAN FRANCISCO ARRIVAL

**DAY**  
**05**  
**TUE**

YOSEMITE  
MOJAVE DESERT  
LAS VEGAS

**DAY**  
**09**  
**SAT**

LOS ANGELES  
HOLLYWOOD  
BEVERLY HILLS  
LOS ANGELES

**DAY**  
**02**  
**SAT**

SAN FRANCISCO

**DAY**  
**06**  
**WED**

LAS VEGAS  
GRAND CANYON  
LAS VEGAS

**DAY**  
**10**  
**SUN**

LOS ANGELES  
(SAN DIEGO OPTIONAL)

**DAY**  
**03**  
**SUN**

SAN FRANCISCO  
(MONTEREY/CARMEL - 17- MILE  
DRIVE OPTIONAL)

**DAY**  
**07**  
**THU**

LAS VEGAS  
(ZION OPTIONAL)

**DAY**  
**11**  
**MON**

LOS ANGELES DEPARTURE

**DAY**  
**04**  
**MON**

SAN FRANCISCO  
YOSEMITE

**DAY**  
**08**  
**FRI**

LAS VEGAS  
LOS ANGELES

# DAY 01 FRI

## SAN FRANCISCO ARRIVAL

Welcome to San Francisco! The California Gold Rush of 1849 transformed this small, sleepy village into a bustling port nicknamed “City by the Bay.” Its cosmopolitan flair and breathtaking view of the bay attracts visitors from all over the world. San Francisco ranks as one of America’s most popular destinations for American and foreign visitors alike.

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Special Notes:



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# DAY 02 SAN FRANCISCO

## SAT

Experience for yourself why so many people leave their hearts in San Francisco. A half-day city tour will introduce you to many sights and sounds of the city. Hear the horns of ships leaving from the Bay to faraway places, see shoppers rush by on busy Union Square, and listen to the cable car operators clanging their bells. The afternoon is yours to cruise the bay, shop, ride the cable cars or just stroll and explore the streets. Your ATI Tour Director will be on hand to assist you in planning your next two days in the city.

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## SAN FRANCISCO BAY CRUISE

**\$30**  
ADULT

**\$21**  
CHILD

Get onboard San Francisco's most popular bay cruise. Onboard this 1-hour cruise, sail past the San Francisco skyline and view the lively neighborhood of North Beach, the famous swimming clubs of Aquatic Park, the historic vessels at Hyde Street Pier, the San Francisco Maritime National Park, and numerous other exciting sights. As you head west towards the Golden Gate Bridge, cruise along Fort Mason and the Marina District, which was devastated by the 1989 earthquake. Don't miss incredible photo opportunities when sailing directly under the Golden Gate Bridge. As you steam back into the Bay, travel past Angel Island State Park and slowly cruise around the infamous Island of Alcatraz. On your way back to Fisherman's Wharf, see the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, and Coit Tower.



## SAN FRANCISCO EVENING TOUR WITH DINNER

**\$62**  
ADULT

**\$49**  
CHILD

Tonight, join your fellow passengers for an evening out in San Francisco. Start off your evening with an exciting cable car ride. Next, have dinner at a local restaurant. Continue to Treasure Island, where you will experience a captivating panoramic view of the San Francisco skyline (weather permitting) and slowly drive back to your hotel. Consult your Tour Director for latest updates and the logistics of tonight's event.



**DAY  
03  
SUN**

**SAN FRANCISCO  
(MONTEREY/CARMEL  
17-MILE DRIVE OPTIONAL)**

The day is yours to shop, ride the cable cars or just walk the streets of America's favorite city. Take in its cosmopolitan flair and enjoy breathtaking views of the bay while strolling through San Francisco's neighborhoods. Or join your fellow travelers on a day excursion to Monterey and Carmel, located at California's stunning Pacific Coast. Ask your Tour Director for availability.

**BIKE THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE AND VISIT SAUSALITO**

**\$42**  
**PER PERSON**

Enjoy an active excursion by biking the beautiful bikepath along the waterfront and up the hill onto the Golden Gate Bridge. Across the bridge and absorb the views of the bay. Visit the Historic community of Sausalito before taking the ferry back to San Francisco.

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## MONTEREY & CARMEL DAY TRIP (AQUARIUM ADMISSION OPTIONAL)

**\$56**

**PER PERSON  
DAY TRIP ONLY**

**\$89**


**PER PERSON  
WITH MONTEREY  
AQUARIUM ADMISSION**

Join fellow passengers on an optional tour to Monterey and Carmel. Travel to the Monterey Bay Peninsula. Visit Cannery Row, made famous by the John Steinbeck novel. In addition, a visit to the famous Monterey Bay Aquarium, showcasing more than 200 exhibits on marine life is possible (extra charge). Continue on the 17-Mile Drive through the famed Pebble Beach golf course and admire the natural scenery as well as the spectacular homes. Enjoy time in the charming community of Carmel, known for its art galleries and shops before a late afternoon return to San Francisco. Minimum participation of 10 required.


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and OTTERS

# EXPLORE BELOW

## SAN FRANCISCO BAY



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# DAY 04 MON

## SAN FRANCISCO YOSEMITE

Leave San Francisco and drive on to Yosemite National Park. Drive through California's Central Valley, where extensive irrigation projects turned the region into an agricultural wonder, unequalled on the North American continent. Over 240 different crops are grown here, including almonds, oranges, and grapes. Later, we arrive in Yosemite National Park, which is home to the truly spectacular collection of waterfalls, majestic granite formations such as El Capitan and Half Dome, and remarkable wildlife. We will explore the park by motorcoach, but you will also have time on the valley floor to enjoy the spectacular scenery.

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# DAY 05 TUE

## YOSEMITE MOJAVE DESERT LAS VEGAS

Get an early start this morning for the drive south through the Central Valley and over the mountains into the rugged Mojave Desert. Continue east and you will immediately notice you have entered Nevada. Casinos at the state line greet weary interstate travelers on both sides of the road. A few more miles and there it is, like a mirage in the desert: the entertainment capital of the world, Las Vegas. Once a small settlement founded as a farming center, it fleetingly boomed during the silver rush of the 1860s. Today, Las Vegas is one of the great gambling capitals of the world, with sensational entertainment and famous shows.

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## LAS VEGAS EVENING TOUR WITH OR WITHOUT HIGH ROLLER

**\$32**

**PER PERSON  
EVENING TOUR ONLY**

**\$67**

**ADULT  
HIGH ROLLER INCLUDED**

**\$49**

**CHILD  
HIGH ROLLER INCLUDED**

See the best attractions in Las Vegas! The place where the action continues around the clock and becomes a bedazzling fantasy at night. As casinos try to outdo each other by creating ever more fanciful and outrageous attractions, it almost becomes impossible to see it all in just one night! Almost every few months a new highlight is added to Las Vegas and this tour will show some of those highlights. You can conclude the evening tour with the "LINQ High Roller" which will give you spectacular views of not only Las Vegas Blvd but also the amazing Las Vegas Valley with its millions of lights. Ask your Tour Director for more information.



**DAY**  
**06**  
**WED**

**LAS VEGAS**  
**GRAND CANYON**  
**LAS VEGAS**

Today you will join your tour director to an included day trip to the Grand Canyon West Rim. On the way, admire the beauty of Lake Mead, the largest reservoir in the U.S., formed by the Hoover Dam. Arrive at the West Rim of the Grand Canyon, home to the World Famous Skywalk (optional) and the Hualapai Nation. You can also experience a helicopter ride to explore the immensity of the Grand Canyon. See your Tour Director for more details. Return back to Las Vegas in the early evening.

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### OVER THE EDGE EXPERIENCE: HELICOPTER AND COLORADO RIVER

**\$259**  
PER PERSON

Fly like an eagle through the Canyon as you descend towards the Colorado River. Upon arrival you will board a pontoon boat and explore the canyon from the bottom. The boat ride is about 15 min. When you return the helicopter will take you back to the top to complete the all-round Grand Canyon West experience.

### SKYWALK EXPERIENCE

**\$24**  
PER PERSON

Walk among the clouds at the Grand Canyon Skywalk. See breath taking sights and experience the Grand Canyon like never before. Located at Eagle Point where the natural rock formation of an Eagle is prominently in view for all to see. This glass, horseshoe-shaped bridge enables visitors to walk beyond the canyon walls at Grand Canyon West, suspending them 4,000 feet above the riverbed and providing an unparalleled view of this natural wonder.



### LAS VEGAS STRIP HELICOPTER FLIGHT

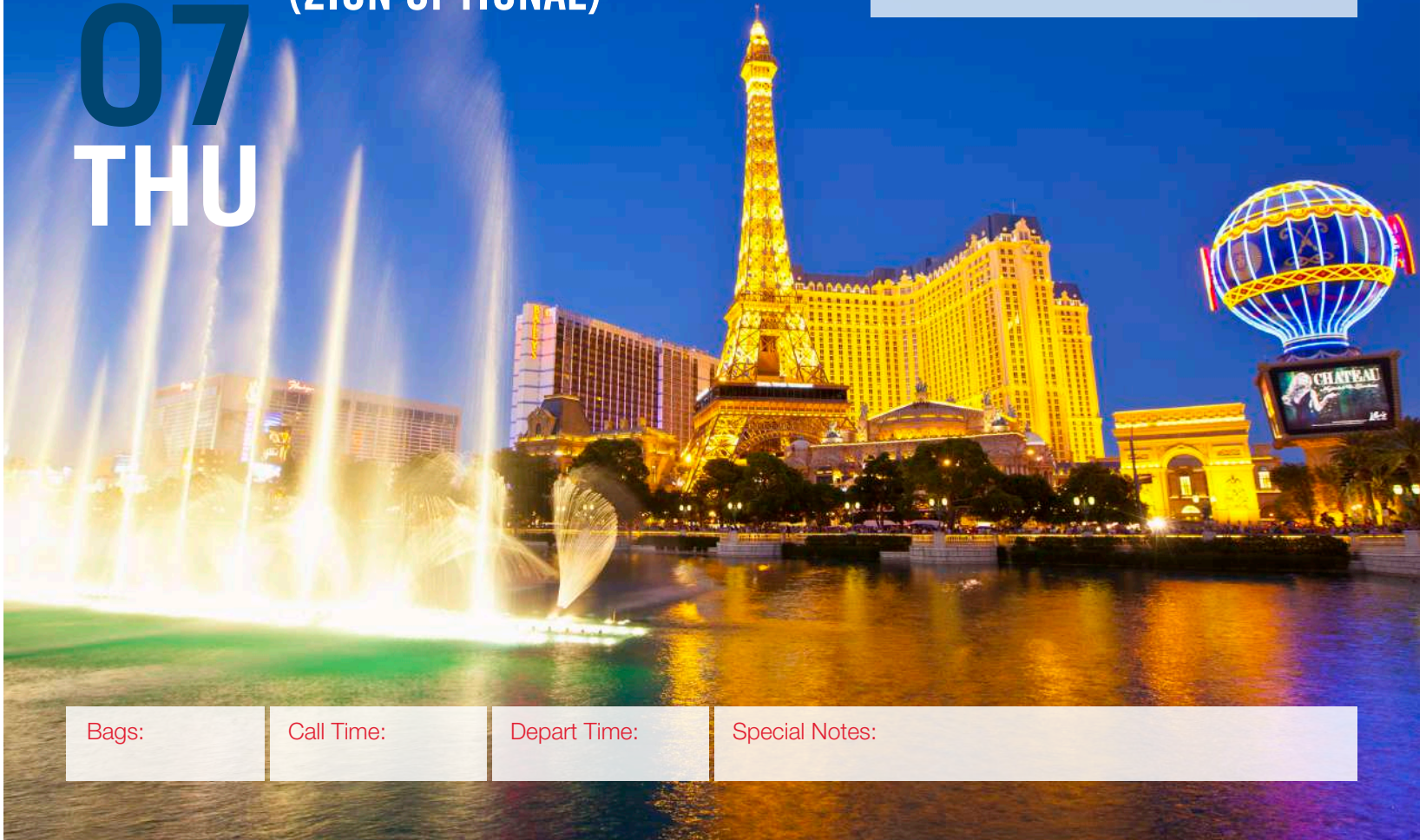
**\$109**  
PER PERSON

Take off and discover the “Entertainment Capital of the World” from the best view possible – the sky. Experience a helicopter flight above the city that never sleeps and enjoy spectacular views of the Las Vegas Megaresorts, e.g. the fascinating skyline of the New York – New York hotel, the luxur pyramid with its never fading light, or unparalleled views of historic Freemont Street, home to the city’s first casinos. Don’t miss out on this unique opportunity!

# DAY 07 THU

## LAS VEGAS (ZION OPTIONAL)

The day is yours to enjoy in Las Vegas. Maybe do a little shopping at one of the fine shopping outlets in Las Vegas, lounge by the pool, or join an optional tour. Ask your Tour Director for more information.



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### MORNING COWBOY TRAIL RIDE

**\$125**  
PER PERSON

Enjoy the beautiful scenery of Red Rock Canyon. You set out on your gentle, well-trained horse up a narrow canyon with limestone cliffs looming a hundred feet above you. You see ancient caves, fascinating geology formations, desert wildlife and the majestic Wilson Cliffs rising to over 7,000 feet before you. This isn't just a trail ride; it's a Cowboy Trail Ride.



### EVENING COWBOY TRAIL RIDE

**\$159**  
PER PERSON

The setting sun causes the red sandstone to glow and the giant cliffs cast their long shadows across the valley floor as you and your horse begin your journey to find the perfect sunset. When you arrive at the overlook you have the best seat in the house. Later as darkness falls, you head back to camp for a hearty cowboy steak BBQ (additional choices available). After dinner, you sit around the campfire roasting marshmallows. This is a Las Vegas adventure you won't forget.



## DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

**\$75**  
PER PERSON

Leave Las Vegas behind and join us for a visit to Death Valley. The driest, hottest climate imaginable can be found here. Death Valley still is the immense, wild land that man has never tamed. Capture the view of the vast valley from Zabriskie Point and visit Badwater at 282 feet/85 meters below sea level. Majestic mountains, colorful canyons and salt flats all make this trip a photographer's dream come true. Departing Las Vegas in the morning you will return to your hotel in the afternoon to enjoy the sights and sounds of Las Vegas at night. Minimum participation of 10 required.



## BLACK CANYON FLOAT TRIP

**\$142**  
ADULT  
**\$122**  
CHILD

Your tour begins at the base of the Hoover Dam. As you leisurely travel downstream, you will receive a terrific narration on the history of the dam and the Colorado River and witness waterfalls, hot springs, and wonderful rock formations. Complimentary transportation to and from the hotel and a light lunch are included.



### DAY TRIP TO ZION NATIONAL PARK

**\$225**

**ADULT**

**\$210**

**CHILD**

Enjoy an all-day adventure to Zion National Park. Leave the desert behind as the coach ascends the Colorado Plateau through the Virgin River Gorge into Utah. Continue along the Colorado Plateau to Zion National Park. View a chasm 3000 ft/900 m in depth, carved by the Virgin River over the last 13 million years. Experience the beauty of orange, red, and white colored layers of sandstone from the base rather than the rim. You will have time to walk and enjoy the natural beauty of the area. Lunch is included.



### LAS VEGAS THE SHOW WITH DINNER

**\$95**

**ADULT**

**\$85**

**CHILD**

Enjoy how the past is brought back to life through song and dance. The cast will entertain you by showing how performers of the past have made Las Vegas what it is today, including the Rat Pack, Diana Ross, Elvis, and many more. Enjoy the well-awarded Brazilian restaurant inside Planet Hollywood before the show.

# DAY 08 FRI

## LAS VEGAS LOS ANGELES

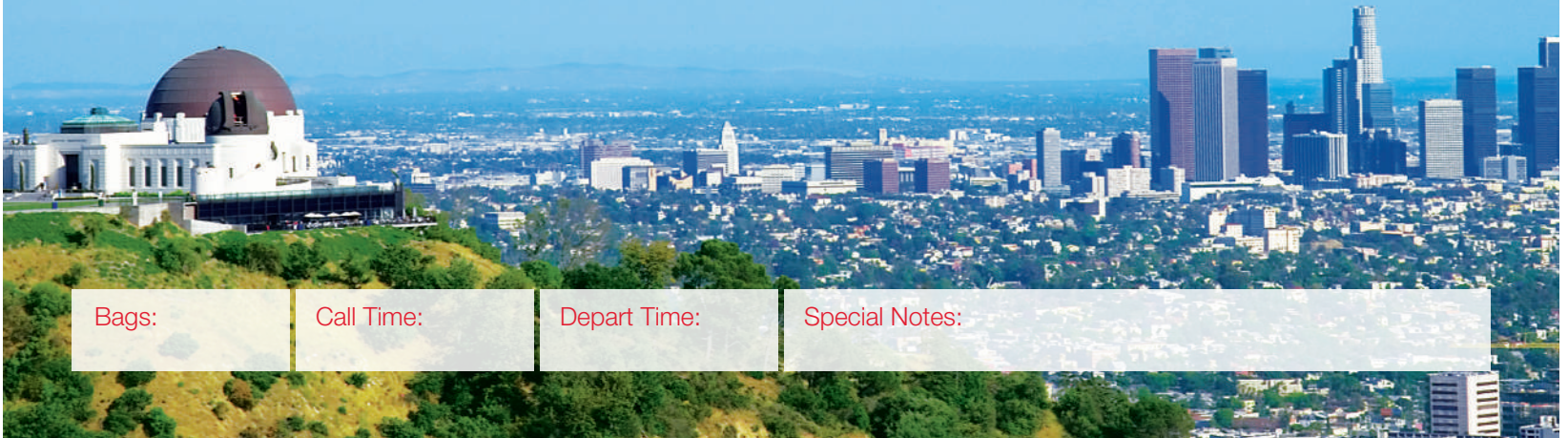
Leave the glitter of the city of Las Vegas behind you and continue onto the next desert oasis Palm Springs, the winter playground for Hollywood royalty. A sea of wind turbines marks the entrance to this desert oasis. This small city of 42 thousand is home to the Agua Caliente Indians and is partially on their Reservation. This city in the desert was once known as the winter retreat of stars like Frank Sinatra, Jane Russell and Elvis Presley. Today, Palm Springs attracts many students for spring break and artists from around the world for the many art galleries this community is famous for. 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. The City of Angels awaits you later this afternoon.

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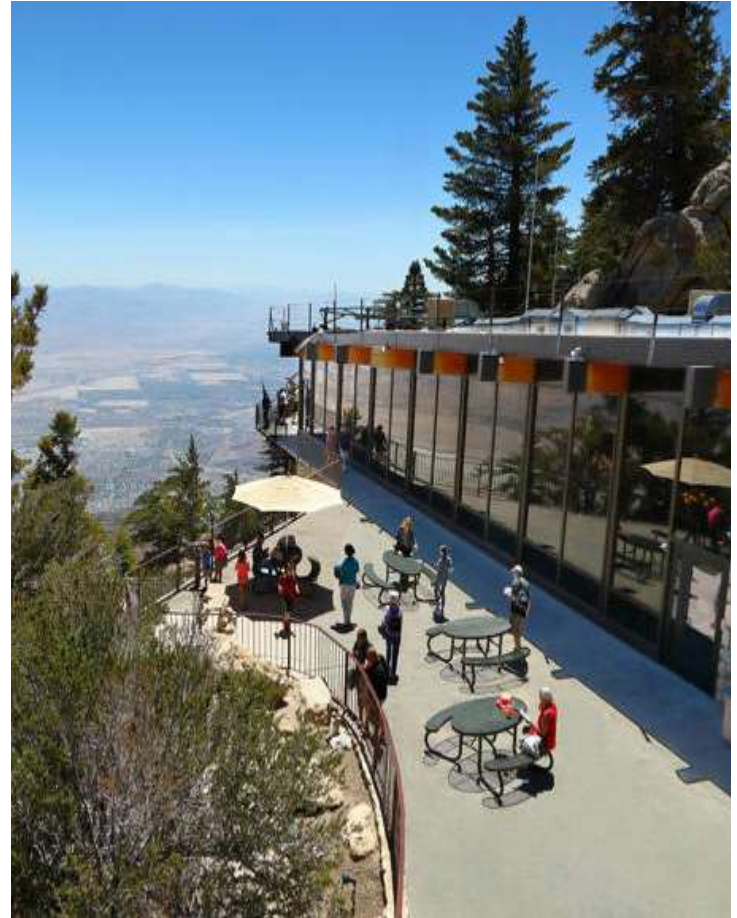


## PALM SPRINGS AERIAL TRAMWAY

**\$25**  
ADULT

**\$15**  
CHILD

The Palm Springs Aerial Tramway—the world’s largest rotating tram car—travels over two-and-one-half miles along the breathtaking cliffs of Chino Canyon, transporting riders to the pristine wilderness of the Mt. San Jacinto State Park. During your approximately ten-minute journey, tram cars rotate slowly, offering picturesque and spectacular vistas of the valley floor below. Once you reach the Mountain Station—elevation 8,516 feet—enjoy two restaurants, observation decks, natural history museum and spectacular views.



# DAY 09 SAT

LOS ANGELES  
HOLLYWOOD  
BEVERLY HILLS  
LOS ANGELES

Today you will enjoy a half day city tour of the second-most populous US city and home to 4 million people. Los Angeles is best known for its sunny climate, beautiful beaches, and entertainment industry. You will be able to stop by the “finish line” of Historic Route 66, see an iconic Californian lifeguard tower made famous by “Baywatch” and walk on the “Walk of Fame” in front of the Chinese theatre. Use the afternoon to join an optional excursion to Universal Studios Hollywood where you can learn about how movies are made.

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## UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOLLYWOOD

**\$119**

ADULT

**\$99**

CHILD

See how movies are made in one of Southern California's biggest attractions: Universal Studios! Experience "The Wizarding World of Harry Potter", "Transformers: The Ride-3D", and don't forget "Despicable Me Minion Mayhem". If you have any time left, visit Universal Studios City Walk and marvel at this shopping street of the future.



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# DAY 10 SUN

## LOS ANGELES (THE O.C./SAN DIEGO)

Today enjoy a full day at leisure in the South Bay area. Maybe lounge by the pool, visit busy Long Beach or stroll to the USS Iowa. You can also choose to take an optional full day excursion to San Diego.

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### SAN DIEGO DAY TRIP (WITH OPTIONAL DINNER)

**\$72**  
PER PERSON  
DAY TRIP ONLY

**\$93**  
PER PERSON  
WITH DINNER

Explore more of the State of California and join the optional visit to the city of San Diego. Travel south through San Juan Capistrano, San Clemente before arriving in San Diego. The city enjoys mild temperatures year round and was the first mission settlement done by the Spanish in 1769. Today it is known for its historic sites, the Navy Base on Coronado Island, its biochemical industries, the Gas Lamp District and Seaport Village. Every visitor feels at home in San Diego. Return in the late afternoon to Los Angeles and enjoy dinner at Bubba Gump Long Beach (extra charge). Minimum participation of 12 required.

### SAN DIEGO BAY CRUISE

**\$24**  
ADULT

**\$14**  
CHILD

San Diego is known for its sunshine, sailing, and warm summer breezes. Get ready to enjoy the sights and sounds of San Diego Bay, featuring San Diego's magnificent skyline as you board one of its best cruises! Relax in comfort on the observation deck during your one-hour trip as our professional crew narrates the rich history, local points of interest, and facts about San Diego's landmarks and military.



### BUBBA GUMP DINNER

**\$45**  
PER PERSON

Enjoy a casual dinner tonight at the world famous Bubba Gump Restaurant in Long Beach. This restaurant is based upon the motion picture Forrest Gump. The interior is filled with movie memorabilia and is a favorite among locals. Join your fellow group travelers for a three course dinner tonight.

# DAY 11 MON

## LOS ANGELES DEPARTURE

Unfortunately, your tour has come to an end! Your ATI Tour Director will be able to assist you in arranging individual transfers. Thank you for giving AmericanTours International the opportunity to host your visit to the United States.

We hope you have had a memorable holiday and wish you a pleasant return home!



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In case a full evacuation is necessary, you will be instructed to evacuate the coach by either the Driver or Tour Director. Please leave all personal belongings behind and evacuate the coach through the main door. Please exit calmly starting from the front of coach. If the main door is inaccessible or inoperable, the secondary emergency exits should be utilized.

This coach is equipped with overhead bins. Please use those bins to store light carry-on items only. Please note that placing heavy luggage items in the overhead bins can endanger you and your fellow passengers. Also note that oversized carry-ons unable to fit in the bins must be stowed below in the main baggage compartment.

### TOUR DIRECTOR

Your Tour Director is ATI's field representative responsible for ensuring your safety and well-being during your tour. Additionally, your Tour Director serves as an important resource for you should you encounter any problems related to the tour during your holiday. With this in mind, all ATI Tour Directors make it a policy to remain in the hotel lobby for 30 minutes following arrival and check-in at each hotel, to address any complaints or assist with any concerns. Please take advantage of this valuable resource! Many problems can be solved and inconveniences averted simply by alerting your Tour Director to potential problems during this post-arrival 30 minute time period.

Should questions or concerns arise after this time period, you have two options. First, when you next see your Tour Director, you can inform them of your particular situation. We must stress, however, that personal information, such as the room number of the Tour Director, is never released, as a matter of security. Rather, you should ring the Front Desk and ask to be connected with your Tour Director's room. If it is impossible to address your concern with the Tour Director - for example, in the middle of the night - we encourage you to telephone ATI's 24 hour toll-free 1(800) 800-8942, and every effort will be made to assist you.

Should you become ill during your vacation, please see or speak with your Tour Director to make arrangements for medical assistance, arrangements to return home, or anything else you may require.

### YOUR HOTELS

**Hotel Check-in:** To expedite the check-in process, hotels will generally have all of the room keys available for your Tour Director to collect upon arrival at the hotel. Room keys will then be distributed by the Tour Director, either on-board the coach, or in the hotel lobby. Checked luggage will automatically be taken to each room -- hence the necessity for clearly marked ATI luggage tags!

Should you anticipate billing any incidental charges to your room -- such as telephone calls, room service, mini-bar drinks and snacks, or in-room videos -- you will be required to provide your personal credit card to the Front Desk personnel upon checking in.

**Porterage:** Porterage for one piece of luggage per person is included in the price of the tour. This service commences from the first morning the coach departs to the time you disembark the coach for the final time. If you add luggage during the trip, there will be a charge of \$7.00 per piece, per day. Please be aware that many tours have pre- or post-nights added, for which porterage is not included.

Instead, these personal porterage fees should be paid locally by the passenger to the hotel porter on an individual basis. Standard practice is to simply hand \$1 per bag directly to the porter each time you check in or out of a hotel.

**Room Assignments:** At each and every destination, room assignments are randomly made, and are at

the sole discretion of the individual hotel. Whenever possible, ATI will try to ensure that special requests (such as adjoining rooms, non-smoking rooms, and rooms on lower floors) are met. However, please be advised that ATI cannot guarantee special requests regarding room assignments, as these assignments are ultimately determined by the hotel. Please note that there is no preferential treatment given with regard to room assignments, irrespective of arrival time. ATI sends rooming lists to each hotel with the passenger names listed in random, non-alphabetical order, expressly to avoid a possible, or presumed, preferential treatment regarding room assignments.

It is important to keep in mind that in U. S. hotels, rooms that have been booked for two people may contain one or two beds, of varying sizes. Normally, hotel rooms contain one Queen / King Size bed, or two Double beds. A room with two Double beds is considered suitable for three or four occupants. Unlike other areas of the world, it is extremely rare to find a “triple” room, or a room containing three beds. Oftentimes, hotels are able to provide an additional “roll-away” bed (for a nominal nightly fee, to be paid on an individual basis by the passenger directly to the hotel.) Please be aware that such extra beds are not available in the National Parks, in some older hotels, and in areas where fire regulations place strict restrictions on the number of guests and/or beds in a room. While requests can certainly be made ahead of time, and while every effort will be made to secure a room that meets your specific bedding needs, ATI cannot guarantee bedding arrangements at any given hotel, as these arrangements lie wholly within

the discretion of each hotel.

**Use of In-Room Telephone & Internet Access:**

Passengers who choose to use the telephone in their hotel room should be aware that the hotel may charge an access or connection fee, even if no connection is ultimately made with the number being called. In addition, telephoning a toll-free number, such as ATI's 24 hour 800 number, may add a connection fee to your incidental room charges. (Policies vary from hotel to hotel, but such connection fees generally range between \$.25 and \$1.50 per call.) This information is important to find out ahead of time, so we suggest asking the Front Desk or your Tour Director for the hotel policy regarding in-room telephone use, in order to avoid unexpected fees. If you need to make a telephone call, you may also use public telephones to bypass additional access charges. Some hotels may provide internet access for a charge or on a complimentary basis. Please refer to the hotel's policy or ask the front desk if you wish to gain access to a wireless network or Ethernet cable.

**Use of In-Room Safety Box / Lost Items:**

It is imperative that passengers ensure the safety of their own personal effects. Therefore, we strongly recommend using the in-room safe, where available, or the safety deposit boxes usually located behind the Front Desk in the Lobby. Please note that there may be a daily charge assigned by the hotel to access an in-room safe, or to use a safety deposit box. Such charges are at the sole discretion of the individual hotel and must be paid directly by the passenger. To determine whether a hotel charges

for use of safety boxes, simply inquire at the Front Desk prior to use. Please remember to carefully check your room each morning before departure. If you have stored your valuables in a hotel safe, do not forget to retrieve them! ATI is not responsible for items left in hotel rooms. All lost or forgotten items are the sole responsibility of the passenger.

**Incidentals:**

Room and tax fees are included in the price of the tour. All individual incidental charges must be settled by the passenger prior to check-out, either with cash or a credit card. We recommend strongly that you keep your hotel bills from each stay, to verify your incidental charges when you receive your credit card statement after returning home. Please note that many hotel guests are surprised to find charges on their credit card statements, for example, for items consumed from the mini-bar that were not included on the original hotel bill. This is due to the fact that, at the time of check-out, the hotel is not always aware of all the incidental charges that a guest may have accrued.

**Fire Safety:**

By law, all hotels in the United States are required to post information about security and fire procedures. This information can be found on the back of the entrance door to your room. To prevent being disturbed by housekeeping or other hotel staff, please follow the directions for locking your door any time you are in your room. Experienced travelers know the importance of becoming familiar with hotel procedures in the event of a fire. Please acquaint yourself with the detailed directions found in the room. The points requiring your attention are

## GENERAL INFORMATION

those concerned with: Locating the fire exits on your floor. Counting the doors between your room and the exits. Remembering not to use the lifts during a fire. Having your room key handy so you can reenter your room if necessary.

Checking your door for heat before venturing into the hall way.

Remember, smoke, not fire, is the major cause of injury during a fire. The overwhelming majority of travelers will never encounter a hotel fire, but a few minutes attention to safety procedures are well worth the effort to ensure you a trouble-free holiday.

**Safety and Security:** Please do not leave valuables unattended, such as money, cameras and related electronic equipment, jewelry, passports, or travelers cheques on the bus or in your hotel room. It is suggested that passengers obtain travel insurance before departure. AmericanTours International cannot be held responsible for lost articles or damaged baggage while on the tour. Should any luggage be damaged, the Tour Director is not authorized to sign insurance claims or statements. ATI will assist you (whenever possible) to present your claim to the responsible parties handling the luggage, such as an airline, hotel or bus company.

In the event of an emergency that cannot be addressed by the Tour Director or hotel staff, please dial: 911

## MORNING SCHEDULE

Motorcoach tour passengers will quickly become familiar with the proposed daily routine of 6-7-8. The schedule could be as follows: at 6:00 a.m., passengers will receive an in-room wake-up call; at 7:00 a.m., passengers must have all checked luggage - NOT hand luggage - ready for pick up (either inside or outside your room, as advised by your Tour Director); at 8:00 a.m., passengers must be ready to depart.

The 6:00 a.m. wake-up call will be automatically arranged for each passenger, unless specific prior arrangements are made with your Tour Director.

Hotel porters will be given passenger room numbers in order to collect your luggage and load it onto the coach. As everyone will be on the same morning schedule of 6-7-8, it is worth remembering that the hotel restaurant(s) will be particularly busy serving breakfast between 7:00 and 8:00 a.m. If you leave breakfast until 7:45 a.m., there may be a problem being served in time to make the 8:00 departure. *Please note that the times above can be adjusted by the Tour Director to fit the appropriate schedule.*

**Please be on Time:** Without exception, the Tour Director must stay on a very tight schedule to ensure you get to enjoy everything advertised on your tour. Please make sure you know what time your bags will be picked up and your departure time in the morning. Should you sleep in or miss your departure time for

any reason your Tour Director will do everything possible to assist you, however if you cannot be located quickly the coach will not wait. You will need to make your own arrangements to meet up with your group at their next stop. No refunds will be provided should you miss an included itinerary item because you were not available at departure.

## MOTORCOACH SEATING AND FACILITIES

To encourage passengers to meet each other over the course of the holiday, and to ensure equal and fair seating for all, ATI Motorcoach tour seats are rotated on a daily basis. It is not possible to pre-book specific seats on the motorcoach.

All coaches used by ATI have air-conditioning and the driver will endeavor to set a temperature that is comfortable for everyone on board. Because it is often the case that some people tend to feel cooler than others, it may be wise to have a light sweater or jacket handy to ensure your personal comfort. There is a non-smoking policy in effect on all coaches; but, frequent stops are made throughout the day. Please note, however, that many restaurants visited en route may also be non-smoking establishments.

All ATI coaches are equipped with a lavatory. As facilities for maintaining and cleaning the lavatory are extremely limited outside major metropolitan areas, the on-board lavatory is principally intended for emergency use. Of course, frequent stops are made throughout the day for your comfort. We apologize



for any inconvenience in advance, and thank you for your understanding. While many coaches are equipped with convenience items such as footrests, luggage nets, movable seats, closed circuit DVD/VCRs, individually adjustable air conditioning, etc., it is not guaranteed that some or all of these items are on board.

It is worth noting that in America, the term “coach” is not commonly used. Rather, all larger passenger vehicles are collectively referred to as “buses.” This terminology in no way reflects the standard of the vehicle. Indeed, even the most luxurious coach would be termed a “bus” in the U. S. ATI does not own any of the coaches used during their tours. However, the companies that are contracted to provide the coaches and drivers must satisfy a stringent set of criteria before being accepted by ATI, and must regularly meet both Federal and State safety regulations. Rest assured, your tour is operated with the maximum care and safety possible.

## GRATUITIES

It is the normal accepted practice in the U. S. to tip approximately 15-20% of the total amount of your bill in restaurants, coffee shops, and bars. The precise amount is left to the discretion of the customer, who may tip more for excellent service, or less for inferior service. Before leaving a tip, you might check to make sure that a service charge has not been added to your bill, as is often the case in other countries.

State and Local Taxes are always itemized separately near the bottom of the bill and should NOT be mistaken for an added service charge. Simply leave your tip on the table in cash, or add it to your credit card receipt in the allotted space before totaling the amount and signing your signature. Generally, in fast-food restaurants where you collect your own food at the counter, no tipping is necessary.

It is customary to thank and recognize excellent service provided by your Tour Director and coach driver at the end of your tour. At your discretion, you may wish to provide directly to your Tour Director and/or driver gratuity that is reflective of your satisfaction with their service. Any gratuities or “tips” are appreciated by the Tour Director and/or driver and is done on a voluntary basis. If you so choose a general guideline to be used for reference would be 4-5 dollars per person per day for the Tour Director and 3-4 dollars per person per day for the coach driver, placed in individual envelopes.

## OPTIONAL TOURS

To offer all passengers the broadest holiday experience possible, ATI conveniently offers various optional tours, designed to enhance your Motorcoach tour experience. All ATI optional tours are competitively priced and are planned exclusively for ATI groups. Opting to take advantage of these additional excursions is at the complete discretion of each individual, who will want to consider all factors - including the additional fee -- prior to agreeing to

participate in an optional tour.

At the beginning of your Motorcoach tour, ATI will provide you with information about available optional tours, which may be booked through your Tour Director during the tour. Should you choose to participate in an additional excursion, payment to the Tour Director can be made with cash, traveler’s cheques, or credit card. We encourage you to request and save your receipt. Please note that optional tours cannot be booked in advance, as many require a minimum number of passengers in order to operate.

Optional tours are contracted through participating vendors and are subject to slight variation at the vendor’s discretion without prior notification. ATI will NEVER offer optional tours that have not been previously listed in your tour documentation. If you should elect to take an optional excursion from an alternate source - one that is NOT printed in your tour documentation - please be advised that you immediately assume responsibility for both the risks and the costs therein.

As your tour experience is of top importance to us, should you be offered sale of any optional excursion outside of those listed in this booklet, we invite you to report this to [excursions@americantours.com](mailto:excursions@americantours.com). Optional tours are subject to availability.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### DIVERSIONS

From time to time it may be necessary to change the routing of your trip or cancel included features. Basically, anything can happen from inclement weather to road closures. You will always be informed as quickly as possible when there has been a change in your itinerary. Your Tour Director will give each of you plenty of notice should there be a change and also suggest the best possible, creative resolution to any situation that may arise.

### ATI QUALITY CONTROL

You will receive a pre-addressed Tour Evaluation Survey from your Tour Director. ATI take travelers' comments very seriously, and this is your opportunity to be heard. These surveys are ATI's most effective means of measuring and maintaining quality control. Suggestions and constructive criticism are welcome, as are accolades and excellent ratings, where deserved.

Upon completion, please return the sealed Tour Evaluation Survey to ATI either by mail or by submitting to your Tour Director

Contacting ATI: If you for any reason feel that the Tour Evaluation Survey is insufficient or may not accurately reflect your experience on tour, we encourage you to reach ATI either by mail at [qualitycontrol@americantours.com](mailto:qualitycontrol@americantours.com) or by phone at 1 (800) 800-8942

**ATI THANKS YOU FOR YOUR VISIT, JOIN US ON ANOTHER OF OUR NORTH AMERICAN TOURS!**

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN FRONTIERS

15 DAYS

**BEGINS DENVER**  
**ENDS DENVER**



### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit to historic Fort Laramie, a military outpost from the days of the Oregon Trail Migration
- Visit Buffalo Bill Historic Center; 5 museums dedicated to the life of the American West & Plains Indians
- Tour Yellowstone National Park and witness the eruptions of geysers
- Plus more...

## WESTERN DISCOVERY

9 DAYS / 12 DAYS OR 15 DAYS

**BEGINS SAN FRANCISCO**  
**ENDS SAN FRANCISCO OR LOS ANGELES**



### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

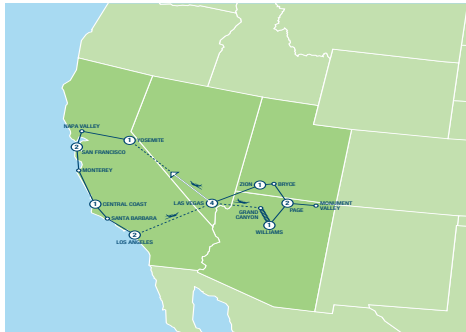
- Full day visit and tour of San Diego
- Visit the glamorous desert retreat of Palm Springs
- Tour the Navajo Indian Reservation and visit Monument Valley
- Walk along the rim of Bryce Canyon National Park
- "Shop 'til you drop" at discount designer outlets in Las Vegas
- Plus more...

## WINGS OVER THE WEST

15 DAYS

*BEGINS LAS VEGAS*

*ENDS LAS VEGAS*



### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Private Aircraft on all flight sectors
- Comprehensive city tour of Los Angeles
- Guided tour of Grand Canyon National Park
- Guided tour of Yosemite National Park
- San Francisco Bay Cruise
- Comprehensive city tour of San Francisco
- Plus more...

## WESTERN BONANZA

12 DAYS / 14 DAYS OR 17 DAYS

*BEGINS SAN FRANCISCO*

*ENDS LOS ANGELES OR SAN FRANCISCO*



### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Guided tour of San Francisco
- Tour the historic Old Town of Sacramento
- Tour Yellowstone National Park, and witness the eruptions of geysers
- Walk through Arches National Park
- Travel along Route 66 and stop in the historic town of Seligman
- Comprehensive city tour of Los Angeles
- Plus more...

## NORTH BY NORTHWEST

18 DAYS

*BEGINS DENVER*

*ENDS SAN FRANCISCO*



### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of Denver featuring Red Rocks Amphitheater
- Tour Yellowstone National Park, and witness the eruptions of geysers
- Visit Glacier National Park and Travel "The Going to the Sun Road"
- Guided walk at Lake Louise
- Napa Wine tasting
- Plus more...

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR ATI TRAVEL AGENT FOR MORE INFORMATION





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