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-  Start Location
-  Plane
-  Cruise
-  Over night

-  Visited Location
-  End Location
-  Train
-  Ferry

## Day 1 | Discover Denver



Channel your inner pioneer as you embark on an epic encounter with the peaks, canyons and deserts of what was once the treacherous Wild West. Kick-start your expedition in Denver, exploring the Mile High City, known for its thriving coffeehouse and brewery scene, at your leisure before meeting your Travel Director and fellow expeditioners at a Welcome Dinner this evening.

**Meals:** Dinner

**Hotel:** The Slate Hotel Denver Downtown, Tapestry by Hilton

## Day 2 | Roam The Rockies



Kick off 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 3 | Explore Utah's Arches and Canyons



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 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 4 | Pioneer Through Monument Valley



Within UNESCO-listed Mesa Verde National Park, admire some of the over 600 ancient cliff dwellings 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 5 | 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 mesmerizing Multi-coloured canyons. 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 6 | A Scenic Journey to Las Vegas



Rise early to catch the first rays of light as they illuminate the canyon. Consider an optional helicopter or fixed-wing aircraft flightseeing tour to view this feat of nature from the sky or enjoy a leisurely morning, before we journey to Sin City. Desolation gives way to a desert oasis as we cruise back in time past motels, diners and gas stations towards the dazzling lights of Las Vegas.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Horseshoe Las Vegas

### OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**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

*\*Please Note: this optional experience is seasonal.*

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**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.*

**Las Vegas Sights & Lights** - Join this exciting night on the town in the 'City That Never Sleeps!' You'll be amazed by the brilliant Fremont Street Experience, see countless wedding chapels, and, of course, be awed by the most spectacular collection of casino hotels in the world. There will be plenty of stops along the way to see some of the most extravagant casinos and attractions, each trying to outdo the next. Be prepared for an evening that's full of surprises!  
Adult: 53.00 USD

## Day 7 | End Your Journey In Las Vegas



Our exhilarating adventure through the canyonlands has come to an end. Grab some breakfast as you prepare to say farewell to your friends or consider extending your stay at Horseshoe, Las Vegas. Depart at your leisure to Harry Reid International Airport in Las Vegas.

**Meals:** Breakfast