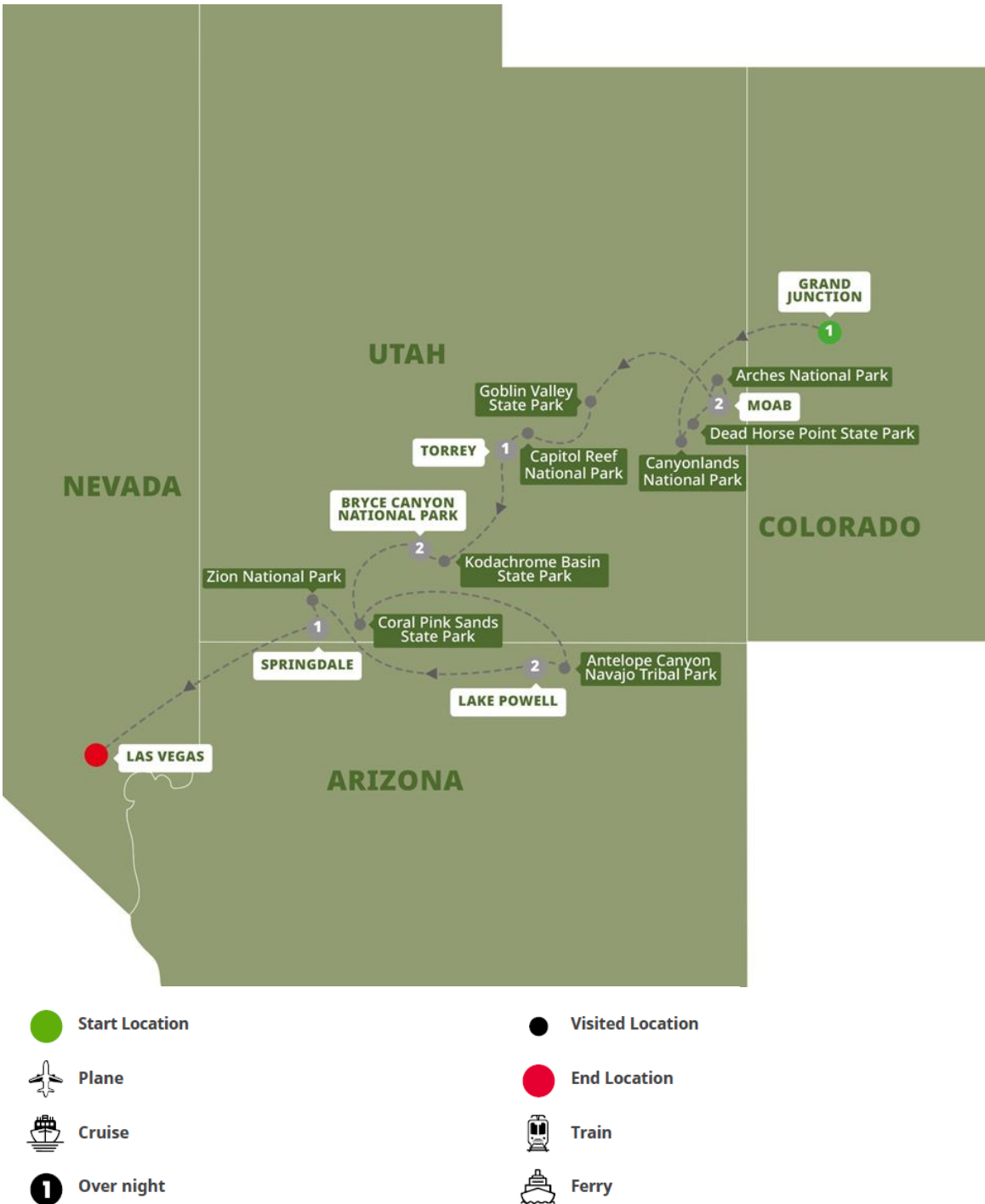


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## Day 1 | Greetings Grand Junction



The 'River City' extends a warm welcome as your launch pad to an in-depth encounter with the Mighty Five National Parks of Utah. Relax after your arrival or explore on your own before joining your Travel Director and fellow travellers this evening for a Welcome Reception.

**Meals:** Welcome Reception

**Hotel:** Wine Country Inn

## Day 2 | Uncover Canyon Country



Head to Dead Horse Point State Park this morning to reach great heights with stellar views. Have your cameras ready at the famed Dead Horse Point to capture your own perspective from one of the most famous scenic vistas in the world. Next up at Canyonlands National Park, see first-hand the power of the Colorado River carving its way through the rocky red landscape with the option of three different hikes. Ascend to the top of the Island in the Sky mesa and admire Canyonlands' spectacular landscape below. A high point may be the two-mile hike to Grandview Point Overlook where, standing at the "edge of the world," you'll be greeted with desert vistas for hundreds of miles. You may opt to tackle shorter hikes at Whale Rock and Green River Overlook.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Hotel:** Hyatt Place Moab

## Day 3 | Astonishing Views At Arches National Park



Admire the exquisite natural sandstone shapes that dot the landscape in Arches National Park. Learn how Mother Nature's magic touch has left her indelible mark with wind and rain when you view Delicate Arch. Continue your exploration with a walk to Double Arch, Landscape Arch or Turret Arch. Take a well-deserved break this afternoon or explore the town of Moab at your leisure.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Hotel:** Hyatt Place Moab

## 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: 105.00 USD

## Day 4 | Unmask Capitol Reef National Park



Get ready for the other-worldly hoodoos of Goblin Valley State Park. These mushroom-shaped rock pinnacles referred to locally as “goblins” make for memorable photo opportunities before you arrive at Capitol Reef National Park. Explore the area down through the canyons or up to the overlooks in sections of the park including Sulphur Creek, Cohab Canyon, Hickman Bridge, Rim Overlook, on your own. In the evening, enjoy the rustic charm of the Capitol Reef Resort, located on the edge of the park, offering truly spectacular landscapes and breath-taking views.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Capitol Reef Resort

## Day 5 | Explore Capitol Reef National Park



Unlock the best of Capitol Reef National Park, where colourful canyons and capitol-shaped domes provide the perfect backdrop for an adventure, with the option to hike on your own. Continue your journey along an "All American Road", Highway 12, one of America's most scenic highways, before arriving in Kodachrome Basin State Park. Here, you will have the opportunity to explore the Visitor Centre, sightsee with your Travel Director or select the trail that best suits your adventurous spirit. This dramatic landscape features striking layered stone spires which are a sight to behold.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Best Western Plus Ruby's Inn

## Day 6 | Stretch Your Legs In Bryce Canyon



You'll have a full free day to relax or explore the eerie landscape of Bryce Canyon National Park today. Everyone will be able to self select hikes and walks that best suit them. Admire the rusty red limestone spires that rise up surreally from the desert floor to meet Utah's skies from scenic viewpoints or follow one of the many trails into the hoodoos and beyond.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Best Western Plus Ruby's Inn

## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

***Ebenezer's Dinner and Show*** - Giddy up and get ready for an unforgettable evening of old-fashioned western fun, music and great cowboy food at Ebenezer's Dinner and Show in Bryce Canyon. This favourite will have you **TRAVELER | 4**



your toes and smacking your lips after a filling, tasty meal of flat iron steak, baked salmon or BBQ chicken.  
Adult: 58.00 USD

**Ruby's Horseback Adventures** - If you're looking for a scenic tour of the Bryce Canyon area, our 1-hour horseback ride takes in the Dixie National Forest and the rim of Water Canyon Amphitheater, the first canyon in Bryce Canyon National Park. Leaving the rim, you climb Bristlecone Pine Ridge with standing 1,500 year old Bristlecone Pines (one of the oldest living things on the North American continent). From this ridge, you will also see Boat Mesa and Sinking Ship Peak, some of the higher points in Fairyland Amphitheater.  
Adult: 88.00 USD

## Day 7 | Delve into Coral Pink Sands and Lake Powell



A pink, red and orange canvas awaits visitors to Coral Pink Sands State Park. Opt to climb up the coral-hued dunes to admire the wind sculpted ripples of the dunes. Embrace today's MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience as we explore Antelope Canyon in Navajo Tribal Park. Our local Navajo guides will explain to us how slot canyons are formed as we are awed by the dramatic beauty surrounding us. Then take a short hike to see Horseshoe Bend and the flowing Colorado River which has carved its way through the red-coloured sandstone. Finish the day connecting to the soul of the land over a hosted meal on the Navajo Nation by Dine' tribe local Baya, her husband Paul and storyteller Eli Secody.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Hotel:** Courtyard by Marriott Page at Lake Powell

## Day 8 | Unwind In Page and Lake Powell



Enjoy a full free day to spend as you wish in the water wonderland that is Lake Powell. Relax and rejuvenate on the lake or consider joining one of the organized optional activities, like our famed Colorado River Float Trip or a helicopter ride up to the top of Tower Butte for 360' views of the world below you. This evening, enjoy an unforgettable Farewell Dinner in the Rainbow Room at Lake Powell Resort overlooking the peaceful waters of Lake Powell.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Hotel:** Courtyard by Marriott Page at Lake Powell

## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Top of the World Tour with Tower Butte Landing** - Combine remarkable views of Horseshoe Bend from the air with an exclusive Tower Butte landing during this incredible tour! Guests lift off on a narrated helicopter experience, viewing Lake Powell, Glen Canyon Dam and Horseshoe Bend before landing atop Tower Butte – a massive natural rock formation that can only be reached by helicopter. Rising 5000 feet above sea level, Tower Butte is one of the American Southwest's most notable landmarks. Guests take in 360-degree views of Glen Canyon, Lake Powell, Padre Bay, the Grand Staircase Escalante, and the LeChee Rock. The scenery in this region of the country is breathtaking and simply unrivalled! Visitors enjoy 15-20 minutes on Tower Butte for photo opportunities before returning to the air terminal.  
Adult: 304.00 USD

*\*Please Note: this optional experience is weather permitting.*

**Horseshoe Bend Rafting** - This float trip lets you enjoy all the sights and stops of Glen Canyon in a convenient half-day format. It starts with a two-mile tunnel drive (and dinosaur tracks!) before you board your river craft. It continues to Petroglyph Beach and its fascinating artifacts. You'll look up in awe at the soaring cliffs above Horseshoe Bend as you learn the stories of the ancestral Puebloan people who lived here. Afterward, you'll enjoy a stunning motor-coach ride back from Lees Ferry to Page, passing Vermillion Cliffs, beautiful orchards, and historic structures along the way. Adult: 142.00 USD

*\*Please Note: This optional experience requires a signed liability waiver.*

## Day 9 | Hike Zion National Park



One spectacular natural sight gives way to another when you drive along the Vermillion Cliffs and witness the striking colours as you wander westward. Arrive at Zion National Park in the late morning, then enjoy a picnic lunch at Zion Lodge before selecting from many fantastic hikes ranging from easy to strenuous including Watchman Trail and Hidden Canyon. Or, opt to take it easy and sightsee around the park with your Travel Director. The rest of the evening is at leisure.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Hotel:** Springhill Suites by Marriott Springdale Zion National Park

## Day 10 | Watch the Sunrise in Zion National Park



You have the whole morning to spend as you wish before departing for Las Vegas mid-afternoon. Wake up early to catch the sun rise over Zion, go for a leisurely stroll appreciating the quiet sounds of morning or hike into the canyon before departing for Las Vegas. Say farewell to your fellow travellers, arriving at Las Vegas International Airport at 5:00 p.m.

**Meals:** Breakfast