

LIFETIME LEARNING INSTITUTE PRESENTS

The Great National Parks: Yellowstone, Grand Teton & Mount Rushmore

UTAH: SALT LAKE CITY • **MONTANA:** WEST YELLOWSTONE •
WYOMING: JACKSON HOLE, CODY, SHERIDAN •
SOUTH DAKOTA: RAPID CITY



ITINERARY

JUNE 14, 2019

PRE-TRIP OPTION:

3 nights in Denver & the Rocky Mountains

Day 1-2 / Depart home •
Salt Lake City, Utah

HOTEL Little America Hotel or similar

INCLUDED TOURS Salt Lake City

Day 3-4 / Jackson Hole, Wyoming

HOTEL Snow King Resort Hotel or similar

INCLUDED TOURS Snake River Float

Day 5-6 / West Yellowstone, Montana

HOTEL Best Western Desert Inn or similar

INCLUDED TOURS Two-day excursion in Yellowstone National Park

Day 7-8 / Cody, Wyoming

HOTEL Holiday Inn at Buffalo Bill Village

INCLUDED TOURS Final tour of Yellowstone, Japanese-American Confinement Site, Buffalo Bill Center of the West

Day 9 / Sheridan

HOTEL Best Western Sheridan Center or similar

Day 10-12 / Rapid City, South Dakota

HOTEL Holiday Inn Rushmore Plaza or similar

INCLUDED TOURS Devil's Tower, Badlands National Park, Rapid City, Crazy Horse Monument & Mount Rushmore

Day 13 / Depart Rapid City

POST-TRIP OPTION:

3 nights in New Mexico: Santa Fe & Taos

13 Days from **\$3695**
tour with airfare from Dulles

13 Days from **\$3195**
tour Only

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

DENVER & THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS
3 NIGHTS PRE-TRIP FROM **\$1395**

NEW MEXICO: SANTA FE & TAOS
3 NIGHTS POST-TRIP FROM **\$1095**

IT'S INCLUDED

- Choose to **purchase Grand Circle's airfare**, and your airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges are included. Or, make your own air arrangements
- **Accommodations** for 12 nights in comfortable rooms with private baths
- **21 meals:** 12 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 5 dinners
- **14 included features:** 11 guided tours and 3 exclusive Discovery Series events: Mormon religion discussion • Japanese-American Confinement Site • Native American cultural experience
- Exclusive services of a local **Grand Circle Program Director** (assigned to no more than 42 travelers)
- **Gratuities** on your main trip for local guides and motorcoach drivers
- **Personal headset** on all included and optional tours
- Private motorcoach land travel
- Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips
- **5% Frequent Traveler Credit** toward your next trip—an average of \$217



GRAND CIRCLE TRAVEL®

PLEASE MENTION THIS
CODE WHEN BOOKING

GG9-2386

WHAT TO EXPECT

Group Size

- A maximum of 42 travelers, led by a local Grand Circle Program Director

Pacing

- 6 locations in 13 days, including 1 single-night stays
- 6 days feature 6-8 hours of travel by motorcoach

Physical Requirements

- Walk 1 mile unassisted and participate

in 3-4 hours of physical activities daily, including uneven walking surfaces such as unpaved paths, steep hills, stairs, and stones

- We reserve the right for Program Directors to restrict participation, or in some circumstances send travelers home, if their limitations impact the group's experience

Terrain & Transportation

- 5 full days at altitudes between 5,000–9,000 feet

- Uneven surfaces, including unpaved trails, steep inclines, steps, and rocky terrain
- Travel by 55-seat motorcoach

Climate

- Daytime temperatures range from 50–92°F during touring season
- June–August are the warmest months
- Nighttime temperatures can fall to 30–50°F

YOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 / Arrive Salt Lake City, Utah

Travel to Salt Lake City today, with your arrival time depending on your departure city.

Little America Hotel or similar

Day 2 / Salt Lake City

After breakfast, tour Salt Lake City, site of the 2002 Winter Olympics. You'll visit Temple Square, world headquarters of the Mormon Church. Marvel at the awesome Tabernacle, dedicated in 1893, and famous for its amazing acoustics and Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

EXCLUSIVE DISCOVERY SERIES EVENT

You'll also enjoy a discussion with a local expert about the history of the Mormon faith, and their tradition of sending missionaries around the world. Enjoy an included Welcome Dinner tonight.

B,D—Little America Hotel or similar

Day 3 / Salt Lake City • Jackson Hole, Wyoming

This morning, depart for Jackson Hole, Wyoming, stopping along the way at scenic Bear Lake on the border of Utah and Idaho, where you'll have time to seek out lunch on your own. Arrive in Jackson Hole later today, where you'll enjoy an included dinner.

B,D—Snow King Resort Hotel or similar

Day 4 / Jackson Hole • Snake River float

Depart this morning for Snake River, where you'll enjoy an included float tour. Wind your way through the gentle waters of the

Snake River corridor, granting you a unique look at the unspoiled wilderness and unique wildlife of Grand Teton National Park, keeping an eye out for elk, moose, falcons, eagles, and more.

After your river experience, the rest of the day is at leisure.

B—Snow King Resort Hotel or similar

Day 5 / Jackson Hole • Yellowstone National Park • West Yellowstone, Montana

Today, you'll depart for Yellowstone, passing through the gorgeous mountain scenery of Grand Teton National Park. Enter Yellowstone through its South Entrance

and enjoy your first of three included tours of America's oldest National Park. Your route takes you by Lewis Lake, the thermal pools of the West Thumb Geyser Basin, Old Faithful, and more. Lunch is included during your tour.

Arrive late this afternoon in West Yellowstone.

B,L—Best Western Desert Inn or similar

Day 6 / West Yellowstone • Yellowstone National Park

Spend the day exploring Yellowstone National Park, America's first national park and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and home to 60 percent of the world's geysers.



Your itinerary continued

See the park's numerous geothermal features such as hot pools, fumaroles (smoke vents), and geysers, including Old Faithful. And keep your eyes open for some of the park's famous wildlife, including grizzly bear, elk, fox, wolf, and bison. Dinner is included tonight.

B,D—Best Western Desert Inn or similar

Day 7 / West Yellowstone • Yellowstone National Park • Cody, Wyoming

This morning, set out upon your third and final tour of Yellowstone National Park as you make your way east toward Cody, Wyoming. Enjoy an included picnic lunch in the park and take in a few more of its notable sights, including the Mud Volcano Area to see its impressive cluster of hot springs and mud pots, and the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone—a magnificent canyon carved out by the thundering falls of the great Yellowstone River.

B,L—Holiday Inn at Buffalo Bill Village or similar

Day 8 / Cody • Buffalo Bill Center of the West

EXCLUSIVE DISCOVERY SERIES EVENT

Begin your discoveries today by reflecting upon a controversial chapter of American

history during an included tour of Heart Mountain Relocation Center, the site of a former Japanese-American internment camp. The complex is currently a museum dedicated to recording the experience of the inmates who lived out the war here—including those who resisted the draft after it was extended to interned Japanese Americans in 1944.

After your visit to the camp, you'll tour the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, widely regarded as one of America's finest Western museums.

B,D—Holiday Inn at Buffalo Bill Village or similar

Day 9 / Cody • Sheridan

Travel to Sheridan today, enjoying an included lunch and basking in the majestic scenery of the Bighorn Mountains as you ride. Stop en route for a moment of quiet reflection at Little Bighorn Monument, then arrive in Sheridan later today.

B,L—Best Western Sheridan Center or similar

Day 10 / Sheridan • Devil's Tower • Rapid City, South Dakota

Travel through the Black Hills of Wyoming and South Dakota today, stopping along the way for an included tour of Devil's Tower.

This 1,267-foot monolith was established as the first national monument in 1906 by President Theodore Roosevelt. Continue on to Rapid City, arriving in the late afternoon.

B,L—Holiday Inn Rushmore Plaza or similar

Day 11 / Rapid City • Badlands National Park

This morning, tour Badlands National Park, a preserve of centuries-old fossil beds, rugged landscapes, and mixed-grass prairies. The park's geological formations range from jagged ridges to ethereal spires, with changeable contours that vary with weather and time. Enjoy lunch on your own during a visit to Wall Drug, a roadside shop launched during the Depression and made famous for offering free ice water. Today, it's a compendium of Old West, Native American, and South Dakota memorabilia. Return to Rapid City, for time at leisure and dinner on your own.

B—Holiday Inn Rushmore Plaza or similar

Day 12 / Rapid City • Crazy Horse Monument & Mount Rushmore

Begin your discoveries of South Dakota's legendary Black Hills with a sightseeing tour of Rapid City. Visit the Crazy Horse Monument, a mountain sculpture-in-progress honoring the Native American leader. Continue on to witness famous Mount Rushmore, where each of the four presidents' heads is as tall as the entire Great Sphinx of Egypt.

EXCLUSIVE DISCOVERY SERIES EVENT

Later this afternoon, observe a traditional Native American dance and learn about their way of life during a visit to a cultural center. This evening, share a Farewell Dinner at your hotel with your fellow travelers.

B,D—Holiday Inn Rushmore Plaza or similar

Day 13 / Depart Rapid City

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home. Or begin your post-trip extension, *New Mexico: Santa Fe & Taos*.

B



WATCH VIDEOS & FILMS OF THIS VACATION ONLINE

Learn more about *The Great National Parks: Yellowstone, Grand Teton & Mount Rushmore*



Get more information about your detailed itinerary, like optional tours, exclusive Discovery Series events, and more.



Watch travelers witness an Old Faithful eruption and encounter bison, bears, and elk in Yellowstone National Park.



Learn what Kerry Anderson loves about the American West and exploring its national parks.

Watch these videos and more at www.gct.com/npt2019

2019 DEPARTURES GRAND CIRCLE TOUR PRICES

| | |
|---------------------|---------------|
| tour only | \$3195 |
| DEPART FROM: | JUNE 14, 2019 |
| Dulles | \$500 |

Deposit: \$350 per person.

Single Supplement: FREE. Single accommodations are limited. If single rooms are full, ask about our Roommate Matching Service.

GOVERNMENT TAXES AND FEES The following government taxes and fees are now included in your airfare price. **Government and other authority taxes and fees: September 11th Security Fee** of up to \$2.50 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (maximum charge per trip—\$5.00 USD one-way, \$10.00 USD round trip). A flight segment is defined as one takeoff and one landing. **Passenger Facility Charge (PFC)** of up to \$18 per passenger. **Federal Domestic Flight Segment Fee** of up to \$3.70 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (defined as a takeoff and a landing). **U.S. or International Departure and Arrival Charges** of up to \$200 USD may apply depending on itinerary. On select itineraries that include the purchase of a pre- and/or post-trip extension, U.S. or international departure and arrival charges of up to \$300 USD may apply. Call for details. Standard Terms & Conditions can be found on the web at www.gct.com/tc.

RESERVATIONS & INFORMATION

Call Toll-Free:

1-800-597-2452 • press 2

Save up to 7.5% with Grand Circle Travel's exclusive Good Buy Plan

Here's how you'll save up to 7.5% based on a trip price of \$5500

| Months that you pay in full prior to your Final Payment Due Date (90 days prior to your departure date) | Guarantee your price and receive: | Good Buy Plan savings: |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 9 months | 7.5% | \$412 |
| 8 months | 6% | \$330 |
| 7 months | 5% | \$275 |
| 6 months | 4% | \$220 |
| 5 months | 3% | \$165 |
| Make your final payment by check within 120 days | \$50 OFF | \$50 |

Good Buy Plan savings is calculated based on total reservation cost

For more information, visit www.gct.com/gbd



PLEASE MENTION THIS CODE WHEN BOOKING

GG9-2386