

Yellowstone & Grand Teton National Parks

Discover why Yellowstone was the world's first national park on this Wyoming travel adventure when you view its geysers and other geothermal features – and stay right in the heart of the park! See Old Faithful shooting hundreds of feet in the air, and Fountain Paint Pot bubbling colourful mud. This 10-day tour also takes in the peaks and glaciers of Grand Teton National Park, Old West history at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center, and the colossal masterpieces of Crazy Horse and the presidents at Mount Rushmore. Tour Salt Lake City, raft the Snake River, and have a classic western ranch experience.



2007 Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1: Welcome to the Black Hills

Tour begins at 6:00 p.m. at your hotel in Rapid City, South Dakota. Enjoy the welcome reception and dinner with travel companions.

Meals: Dinner

Lodging: Radisson Hotel, Rapid City, SD

Day 2: Mount Rushmore & Crazy Horse

Visit Mount Rushmore National Memorial, where the faces of former presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, and Abraham Lincoln are carved into granite bluffs. See the Crazy Horse Memorial, where work is still in progress after more than 50 years. It will be the largest stone carving in the world when completed. Enjoy a classic western ranch experience and an overnight at The Ranch at Ucross tonight.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Lodging: The Ranch at Ucross, WY

Day 3: Bighorn Mountains

Continue your Wyoming travel adventure as you traverse the Bighorn Mountains with breathtaking vistas of rugged canyons, sparkling waterfalls, miles of grassland, and colourful vegetation. Pass by Shell Falls, plunging 120 feet over granite walls to the canyon floor. Descend to the open grazing land of western Wyoming, and arrive at the frontier town of Cody, named for its founder, Buffalo Bill Cody. Attend either the Cody Rodeo (seasonal) or the Dan Miller Cowboy Music Revue, depending on the time of year.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Lodging: Holiday Inn Cody, WY

Day 4: Explore historic Cody

For an authentic picture of the Wild West, visit the Buffalo Bill Historical Center. Review the Whitney Gallery of Western Art, Draper Museum of Natural History, Plains Indian Museum, Buffalo Bill Museum, and the Cody Firearms Museum.

Meals: Breakfast, dinner

Lodging: Lake Yellowstone Hotel, Yellowstone National Park, WY

Day 5: Yellowstone National Park

Explore Yellowstone National Park, established in 1872 as the world's first national park, known for its unique geothermal activity. Witness Old Faithful Geyser shooting up to 184 feet in the air approximately every 90 minutes – sure to be a highlight of your Wyoming travel experience. See Fountain Paint Pot, a collection of colourful, bubbling mud pots, and view dramatic Yellowstone Canyon. Choose to volunteer on a park service project, made possible by our long-standing relationships with the national parks.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Lodging: Old Faithful Inn, Yellowstone National Park, WY

Day 6: Grand Teton National Park

Stop in the historic town of Jackson, and then enter Grand Teton National Park with its jagged peaks, glaciers, lakes, and dense forest. The park hosts moose, antelope, and bison, as well as hundreds of wildflower species. Spend the next two nights in a scenic lodge in the heart of the national park.

Meals: Breakfast

Lodging: Jackson Lake Lodge, Grand Teton National Park, WY

Day 7: Snake River rafting

Take a rafting trip on the Snake River, viewing some of North America's most spectacular mountain scenery. During your free afternoon, enjoy optional activities at your lakeside lodge, such as a Jackson Lake cruise, horseback riding, canoeing, or fishing.

Meals: Breakfast, dinner

Lodging: Jackson Lake Lodge, Grand Teton National Park, WY

Day 8: A Western landscape

Conclude the Wyoming travel portion of your tour as you drive south through Idaho, and proceed along the edge of the Great Salt Lake to arrive in Salt Lake City, Utah's political and cultural center, surrounded by the Wasatch Mountains. Join us for a fascinating lecture on the ecology of the Great Salt Lake Basin.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch

Lodging: Hilton Salt Lake City Center, Salt Lake City, UT

Day 9: Discover Salt Lake City

Take in the State Capitol and downtown architecture. See this is the Place Monument, where Mormon pioneers decided to build the city in 1847. Visit facilities used during the 2002 Winter Olympic Games. In your free afternoon, perhaps visit Temple Square highlighted by the impressive Salt Lake Temple. Or, trace your genealogy at the Family History Library. Share favourite highlights of your Utah and Wyoming travel adventure at our farewell reception and dinner tonight.

Meals: Breakfast, dinner

Lodging: Hilton Salt Lake City Center, Salt Lake City, UT

Day 10: Journey home

Tour ends in Salt Lake City, Utah. Your transfer to the airport is included in the tour; flight departure times vary.

Meals: Breakfast

Buffalo Bill will rope you in on this Wyoming travel adventure, an iconic tour of the American West – book today!

Price on request

Airfare is additional - We can book your air to and from Juneau for travel originating in the U.S., subject to availability; inquire at booking for special airfares that may be available.

Travel North or South – Both itineraries are identical, but operate in reverse. North Tour begins in Salt Lake City and travels to Rapid City. South Tour begins in Rapid City and travel to Salt Lake City.