



# Southwest National Parks Custom Adventure

## **Curated for MT Sobek Custom Clients**

Thank you for checking out our adventures and for requesting this private itinerary. Please note that this itinerary may be subject to change. Be sure to check with us before scheduling any flights.

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# Feel the difference

with Mountain Travel Sobek

### **Unrivaled Expertise**

MT Sobek started it all! Since our first Everest Base Camp trek in 1969, we've been leading award-winning adventures and building authentic connections in far-flung locations around the world. We were named Best Adventure Tour Company in 2022 by USA Today's 10 Best Readers' Choice Awards.

### **Unique Trip Design**

Our adventures are perfectly paced, with incredible attention to detail—the right mix of fun, learning, and challenge that guarantees lifelong memories. Plan nothing, enjoy everything. We take care of all of the logistics so that you can have more time to do what's most important: relax, take in the experience, and enjoy!

### **Private Adventures**

Private MT Sobek adventures are perfect for travelers who enjoy the flexibility of traveling in their own group, but who want the peace of mind that comes with having all of the logistics handled by true experts. We offer an array of perfectly tailored custom adventures and scheduled dates that your group can easily take over.





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On this ultimate 9-day custom Southwest National Park adventure experience the majesty of the Grand Canyon with its awesome walls of red rock and epic sunsets. Marvel at Bryce Canyon, a fairytale amphitheater of spires, columns, and pink pinnacles. Immerse into the desert terrain with an overnight kayaking trip on Lake Powell. Explore Zion National Park's massive red walls, enormous sandstone monoliths, narrow slot canyons and serene riverbanks. Along the way, learn how the region's incredible rock formations appeared, and about its diverse flora and fauna.

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### 9 Days

Start: Phoenix, Arizona or Las Vegas, Nevada
End: Las Vegas, Nevada or St. George, Utah
Activities: Hiking, Canyoneering, Kayaking, Camping
Lodging: Comfortable Hotels & Riverside Camps
ACTIVITY LEVEL: 2

MT Sobek does an outstanding job. I never have to worry I can enjoy the adventure and the guides knowledge is phenomenal and well appreciated. I look forward to every journey I undertake thank you you have broaden my horizons." Mary B. | MT Sobek Guest

# **Your Custom Itinerary**



#### Arrive Phoenix or Las Vegas-Drive to the Grand Canyon

Upon arrival in Phoenix or Las Vegas, you will secure your rental car and drive to your overnight accommodations in Grand Canyon National Park. The drive is approximately four hours from either city

ACCOMMODATION: El Tovar Hotel or Similar TRANSPORTATION: 4 hour drive



#### **Grand Canyon**

Meet your MT Sobek guide this morning for a full day private guided tour and hike in Grand Canyon National Park. Today you will explore some of the most iconic trails and scenic vistas the South Rim has to offer. Along the way, learn about the unique ecosystem, the deep Native American connection to the Canyon and the wonders of this special place. Expect to see sweeping views, ancient rocks, telltale fossils, curious critters, and diverse plants. Stop mid-day for a picnic lunch. Finish your day with a visit to the historic Kolb Brothers' Studio, the unique structure was built just beneath the canyon rim in 1905 by the advent ours, pioneering brothers.

This afternoon you will head to the Grand Canyon Airport for a helicopter flightseeing tour over the Canyon. On this exhilarating 45-minute flight enjoy a bird's eye view of the widest and deepest section of the Grand Canyon. During the flight you will also have spectacular views of the Colorado River, the Painted Desert and the Kaibab National Forest.

ACCOMMODATION: El Tovar Hotel or Similar

MEALS: Lunch

**TRANSPORTATION:** Private vehicle touring, shared 45-minute helicopter flight **ACTIVITY:** Guided hiking

# **Itinerary** continued



### Scenic Drive to Page-Afternoon Slot Canyon Tour

This morning you will have a scenic drive to Page.

This afternoon meet your guide for a shared slot canyon tour. Your adventure begins with an off-road adventure though the sandy washes and rolling hills to a secluded slot canyon. You will have time to meander through the long, narrow slot canyon and take time to photograph the spectacular sight.

Following your slot canyon visit, your guide will escort you to the nearby Horseshoe Bend Overlook. We avoid the congested public area and access the view from a private road allowing you to take in the sights away from the crowds.

**ACCOMMODATION:** Hyatt Place Page Lake Powell or Similar **ACTIVITY:** 3-hour drive and shared touring



#### Kayak Camping on Lake Powell

This morning meet your MT Sobek guide at Antelope Point Marina for an overnight kayak camping excursion on Lake Powell. Begin your day with a scenic boat ride to Padre Bay where you will begin your kayaking adventure. Spend the day exploring the remote slot canyons and coves of Lake Powell. This evening you will camp amid the majestic scenery.

ACCOMMODATION: MT SobekCamp

MEALS: Lunch | Dinner ACTIVITY: Guided kayaking



### Kayaking on Lake Powell-Drive to Bryce Canyon

After a hearty camp breakfast, you will have another adventurous day of exploring Lake Powell by kayak. You will return to the marina in the mid-afternoon. Following your kayak trip, you will drive to your overnight accommodations near Bryce Canyon National Park

ACCOMMODATION: Stone Canyon Inn or Similar MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch TRANSPORTATION: 2.5-hour drive ACTIVITY: Guided kayaking

## **Itinerary** continued



#### **Bryce Canyon National Park**

Meet your private MT Sobek guide at the hotel this morning for a full day tour and hike in Bryce Canyon National Park. Famous for the largest concentration of hoodoos anywhere on the planet, Bryce Canyon is simply magical. The National Park is made up of several natural amphitheaters carved into the high plateau. Your guide will seamlessly incorporate a hike into your day, allowing you to walk among the hoodoos and spires. Linger at the spectacular viewpoints throughout the park and keep an eye out for the Bristlecone Pine trees, which are among the oldest living organisms on earth. Along the way your guide will explain the forces of wind and water that help to create this unique landscape.

This evening you will drive to your overnight accommodations near Zion National Park

ACCOMMODATION: Desert Pearl Inn or Similar MEALS: Lunch TRANSPORTATION: Private vehicle touring, 1.5 hour drive



#### Hike the Narrows of Zion National Park

Meet your private MT Sobek guide this morning for a full day bottom-up hike in the Narrows of Zion National Park. On this spectacular slot canyon hike, you will walk along the banks and in the Virgin River to the narrowest section of Zion Canyon. Your feet will get wet, so your day will begin with proper outfitting for the hike. You will be outfitted with special footwear, neoprene socks, a hiking pole and a dry day pack. During the colder weather months dry suits are also available. Your hike will be customized to fit current conditions, ability level and your goals. A trailside picnic lunch is included today.

ACCOMMODATION: Private guided hike MEALS: Lunch ACTIVITY: Private guided hike

# **Itinerary** continued



#### **Private Canyoneering Excursion**

This morning meet your MT Sobek guide for a half day private canyoneering excursion. The day will be completely customized to fit your group. Begin with a beautiful, short hike followed by active exploration of some of the areas narrow slot canyons. Each slot canyon will be chosen specifically for your needs, ability level and the current conditions. Your day will involve a combination of hiking, rappelling, scrambling and possibly wading through canyon pools.

You will have the afternoon free to relax or explore more of the area on your own.

ACCOMMODATION: Desert Pearl Inn or Similar MEALS: Lunch ACTIVITY: Private canyoneering



### Drive to Las Vegas or St. George for Departure

After checking out of your hotel this morning you will drive to St. George or Las Vegas, return your rental car and board your homebound flight. The drive is one hour to St. George or three hours to Las Vegas.

TRANSPORTATION: 3 or 1 hour drive



# Where You'll Stay

#### El Tovar

The historic El Tovar Hotel is located directly on the rim of the Grand Canyon. The celebrated property was originally owned and operated by the Fred Harvey Company in conjunction with the Santa Fe Railway and is a designated National Historic Landmark. Today, the El Tovar retains its elegant charm and unique character with no two rooms alike. The El Tovar Dining room is the premier dining establishment at the Grand Canyon and offers gourmet dining in a casually elegant atmosphere.

#### Hyatt Place Page Lake Powell

Conveniently located in Page, the hotel features oversized, comfortable guest rooms and a complimentary daily breakfast. The hotel also features an on-site restaurant, a fitness center and an outdoor heated pool.

#### **MT Sobek Camp**

Rest up from your day's adventure in comfortable camps outfitted with tents and sleeping pads. Delicious food isserved each night, and guests can enjoy a selection of fare before retiring to their tents for a good night's rest.

#### Stone Canyon Inn

Stone Canyon Inn isset on 80 acres bordering Bryce Canyon National Park. The hotel offers comfortable accommodations in a tranquil location. In the evening, Stone Hearth Grille serves upscale, fresh cuisine with panoramic views of the surrounding mountains.

#### **Desert Pearl Inn**

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# Pricing

- Rates depend on many factors, like time of travel and number of travelers. Please contact our Custom Trip Consultants for more information. A 25% non-refundable deposit is due upon acceptance of services. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure.
- Pricing is subject to change until receipt of deposit. To view our full Terms and Conditions, please visit www.mtsobek.com/terms.

#### PRICE INCLUDES

- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- Meals as noted in the daily itinerary with taxes and gratuities
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information
- Private guided tours at historic sites, museums, wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and porterage

### PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Additional meals not noted in the daily itinerary
- Alcoholic beverages (MT Sobek provides wine at select events)
- Entry fees to National Parks, museums and other attractions when not accompanied by a guide, unless listed on inclusions
- Airfare, airport taxes or baggage fees for all flights
- Optional activities and spa services
- Personal expenses such as medical immunizations, laundry or souvenirs
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel protection program
- Rental car

# **Payments**

#### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

- A 25% deposit is due upon acceptance of services.
- Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure.

#### **CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS**

At the time we receive written notice that you must cancel your trip, the following fees will apply (all dates are from departure date):

- From time of reservation until 95 days prior to trip departure: 25% of land cost
- 94 to 61 days prior to trip departure: 50% of land cost
- 60 days or less prior to trip departure: 100% of land cost
- No refunds will be given for unused hotel rooms, meals, activities, or trek arrangements for any reason whatsoever. Land Cost is quoted as a package and credits are not given for services not used. Extra hotel nights cancelled within 60 days of departure are subject to up to 100% of the hotel cost. Internal Air, once purchased, is non-refundable.
- Cancellation and refund policy applies to the entire Land Cost of trip, including trip cost, internal airfare, park fees, permits, and taxes. We recommend you purchase the Optional Travel Protection Plan to protect your investment.

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