

Arizona Utah Grand Canyon, Bryce & Zion Private Adventure

7 Days



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On this ultimate private adventure through the Southwest, explore four of the United States' premier national parks! Begin with the majesty of the Grand Canyon and its narrow slot canyons and epic sunsets. Next, marvel at Bryce Canyon, a fairytale amphitheater of spires, columns, and pink pinnacles. Hike the beautiful, rugged terrain of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, and end by immersing in Zion National Park, exploring massive red walls, enormous sandstone monoliths, and serene riverbanks. Along the way, learn how the region's incredible rock formations appeared, and how its diverse flora and fauna manage to thrive. Each night, stay in comfortable lodges offering Southwest hospitality in stunning locations.

Details

Testimonials

| Arrive: | Las Vegas, Nevada or Phoe | "We have traveled throughout the world, but never experienced a level of service and attention to detail |
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| Depart: | Las Vegas, Nevada or St. G | as we did with MT Sobek." |
| Duration: | 7 Days | Dennis G. |
| Group Size: | 2-8 Guests | "MT Sobek took care of everything for our extended family vacation. Not a hiccup in the planning, the |
| Minimum Age: | 6 Years Old | itinerary, the lodging or the guide. Everything in life should be so easy." |
| Activity Level: | | Kathy J. |

Why Take This Trip With Us?

REASON #01

MT Sobek delivers this grandslam in just seven days — ideal if you don't have loads of time but want a real-deal adventure. REASON #02

Along the way, professional naturalist guides offer insights into the region's incredible geology and diverse flora and fauna.

REASON #03

You will visit some of the premiere Southwest National Parks with the luxury of lodges. A fantastic way to visit these treasures and recover for your next epic daily hike.

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ACTIVITIES Hiking along varied terrain, floating and rafting on rivers and lakes.

What to Expect

LODGING

Comfortable hotels with easy access to the parks and local amenities, including a stay at an upscale hotel with pool and spa facilities.



CLIMATE

Expect warm, sunny days and cool evenings. Daytime highs range from 60° to 100°F with evening lows from 30° to 60°F.

Meet Our Guides

Our expert guides and trip leaders are truly the key to our trips' success. Many are locals who live in-country year-round; others have made it their second home—all are passionate, enthusiastic and endlessly knowledgeable. Meet two of the guides that might be on your trip.

After graduating from Texas Tech University, Michael traveled throughout Western Europe, Asia, Australia, and South and Central America. However, his heart always belonged to the open roads and national parks of the United States, and he began tour guiding in California 15 years ago. Michael has operated coast-to-coast camping and lodging tours in the US and Canada, and he now migrates between Alaska and the great North American deserts. Michael believes that the Grand Canyon, Bryce, Zion, Death Valley, and all the lovely arches, salt flats, and ghost towns in between are some of the most special places on Earth. Jen, is a North Carolina native and a Florida State University graduate with a degree in anthropology. Jen has taught school in Japan, cleaned fish in Alaska, and toured the entire perimeter of India. She's a music lover, a reader of anything, a fan of superhero movies, a bicyclist, a chili hound, a serious cook, and a woman of letters. But mostly she's a tour guide. She's conducted tours throughout the Southwest, from coast to coast in America, in Alaska, and in Canada. If you make her laugh, she'll be your friend for life.

Jen Barnes

Michael Lett

Itinerary

DAY 1 DRIVE TO THE GRAND CANYON

Upon arrival in Phoenix or Las Vegas, secure your rental car and drive to your overnight accommodations near the Grand Canyon's South Rim.

Accommodation: Grand Hotel (or equivalent)

DAY 2 HIKE IN GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK

Meet your guide this morning for a full day private hike in Grand Canyon National Park. Choose a more strenuous hike on the famed South Kaibab Trail, or take a more leisurely route offering stops at the South Rim's scenic vistas. Both options offer the chance to learn about the unique ecosystem, the deep Native American connection to the Canyon and the wonders of this special place. Expect sweeping views, ancient rocks, fossils, curious critters, and diverse plant life. Stop mid-day for a picnic lunch.

Accommodation: Grand Hotel (or equivalent) Activity: Customizable hiking and touring Meals: L

DAY 3 TAKE A SCENIC DRIVE AND KAYAK LAKE POWELL

After checking out of your hotel this morning, drive to Page. If time permits, consider stopping for a short hike and photo stop at the specular Horseshoe Bend Overlook just outside Page on Highway 89.

This afternoon, join a kayak excursion on Lake Powell. Meet your kayaking guide for a briefing and before paddling out- the best way to get up close to the unrivaled beauty and grandeur of Lake Powell. Today's route explores some of the lake's more remote canyons and coves.

Return to Page by vehicle, passing the Vermilion Cliffs and beautiful orchards along the way, and check into tonight's hotel.

Accommodation: Hyatt Place Lake Powell (or equivalent)

Activity: 4 hour kayaking

GOT QUESTIONS? SPEAK WITH AN EXPERT.

DAY 4 EXPLORE DESERT CANYONS BY FOOT OR BY UTV

This morning offers the choice of exploring the area by foot or by riding an UTV.

Those who choose to explore on foot will visit either Antelope or Peekaboo Canyon and will meet a group for a shared walking tour. A photographer's dream, the canyons are known for their wave-like structure and the almost supernatural appearance of sunbeams shining through the canyon's openings. Keep that camera handy!

Or meet your guide to strap in for the perfect mix of adventure and incredible scenery on a UTV tour. Along the way see the layered colors along the deep canyons and the beautiful views of Lake Powell contrasted against the red sandstone buttes to the east. Because the driving is just as important as the views, take full advantage of the capabilities of your UTV along amazing desert trails that traverse sandy washes, cut through sand dunes and crawl over red rock sand stone.

This afternoon, drive to tonight's hotel near Bryce Canyon, perhaps stopping along the way for an evening hike on Angel's Palace Trail in Kodachrome State Park.

Accommodation: Cabin or Lodge Room near Bryce Canyon (Best Available) Activity: 3 hours/4-6 miles kayaking or 3 hours UTV ride Meals: B

DAY 5 HIKE IN BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARK

Spend today exploring the rock hoodoos and natural amphitheaters of Bryce Canyon National Park. Today offers a more strenuous hiking option allow the Peekaboo and Queens Garden Trails or a lighter hiking option mixed with sightseeing of the hoodoos and spires accessible by road.

On either route, listen as a knowledgeable guide explains how the forces of wind and water created this unique landscape, and stop midday for a picnic lunch. After the hike, drive to tonight's lodging near Zion National Park.

Accommodation: Desert Pearl Inn (or equivalent)

Activity: Customizable hiking and touring

Meals: B, L

DAY 6 HIKE THE NARROWS

Experiencing the Narrows in Zion National Park is a must-do for many avid hikers, and today offers multiple options to experience this legendary landscape of emerald pools, soaring rocks walls, and hidden oases. Meet your guide this morning for a full day exploring this spectacular slot canyon, following the banks (and stepping into!) the Virgin River through the narrowest section of Zion Canyon. Your guide will select a route to fit current

conditions and meet your desired activity level, stopping at pretty spot midday for a picnic lunch. After a memorable morning of hiking, return to the lodge with time to relax and celebrate.

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Accommodation: Deseart Pearl Inn (or equivalent)

Activity: Customizable hiking and touring

Meals: L

DAY 7 HIKE OR GO CANYONEERING IN ZION

This final morning in Zion offers the choice to explore on a private canyoneering excursion or guided hike- both tailored to fit current conditions and meet your desired activity level. Those who choose canyoneering will meet their guide for an active exploration of some of the area's narrow slot canyons. Expect to hike, rappel, scramble, and wade through canyon pools. Those who choose to hike will meet a private guide for a fantastic hike on one of the park's iconic trails, passing towering walls and canyons so narrow that sunlight rarely penetrates the bottom.

This afternoon, bid goodbye to the Southwest and drive to St. George or Las Vegas to return your rental car and board your homebound flight.

Activity: Customizable hiking and canyoneering Meals: B

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Dates

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Inclusions & Exclusions

PRICE INCLUDES

- Accommodations as noted in the itinerary, including all taxes and resort fees
- Meals as noted in the daily itinerary
- All special equipment required for activities
- Final electronic documentation package
- Trip logistics, operations and monitoring during travel
- All tours and activities as detailed in the itinerary

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Additional meals not noted in the daily itinerary
- Entry fees to National Parks, museums and other attractions when not accompanied by a guide
- Airfare, airport taxes or baggage fees for all flights
- Optional activities and spa services
- Personal expenses such as medical immunizations, laundry or souvenirs
- Discretionary tips for guides, drivers and resort staff
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