



Arizona & Utah Hiking with Premier Lodging

Red Rock Wonders, Hidden Canyon Trails & Upscale Glamping

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Feel the difference

with **Mountain Travel Sobek**

Unrivalled 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 Travel Company by Newsweek 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!

Small Groups

We keep our groups intentionally small — usually fewer than 10 people. This allows you a more intimate experience with the people and wildlife you encounter. With a smaller group size, we can take advantage of many unexpected invitations and opportunities that would be impossible with larger groups.





Leading the Way

World-Class Local Guides

Our knowledgeable and passionate expert guides effortlessly create an immersive local experience for you. They are trained to the highest professional standards and are at the heart of everything we do. They make it possible to meet the challenges of adventure travel, and help create lasting memories and lifelong friendships... we can confidently say our guides are the best in the business.





Why take this trip with us?

REASON 1

MT Sobek has been exploring US National Parks and surrounding public lands for more than 50 years, placing a strong emphasis on responsible travel practices that support local communities and protect the natural environment.

REASON 2

In five spectacular and well-paced days, you'll explore rugged wilderness trails and learn about the natural, geologic, and human history of red rock canyons in Southern Utah and Northern Arizona, away from the crowds.

REASON 3

Hike with our expert guides, who bring the wonder of the Colorado Plateau to life and rest each evening in curated comfort at unique superior-quality accommodations.

At A Glance

ACTIVITIES

Moderate hikes in stunning high desert and deep canyon landscapes, including visits to the Navajo Nation and National Parks, and cultural exploration in the Old West.



LODGING

Glamping in tented suites with ensuite baths and private porches in beautiful locations. Wooden cabins on a buffalo ranch and a modern hotel nestled between sandstone bluffs.



CLIMATE

Generally sunny, this arid mid-elevation trip is fantastic in spring and fall. Come prepared for a wide variety of conditions, from cool nights (typically around 40-60F) to warm days (usually ranging from 60-85F).



KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK

"What a total comfort to know that with MT Sobek, you're in the hands of professionals who have been doing it so long and so well. That was part of why we landed on them as our operators for our dream trip, and everything about the experience they gave us—from tailored expertise to unswerving professionalism—confirmed the company's emphasis on excellence." - Alex M.



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Experience an unforgettable journey from Nevada to Colorado through the rugged landscapes of the American Southwest, discovering less-traveled trails and legendary vistas along the Utah-Arizona border. Each day you will uncover the treasures of little known, off-the-beaten-path hikes. Trace the Virgin River's path through towering canyon walls, wander among otherworldly hoodoos and multi-hued striations in remote Vermilion Cliffs National Monument and find a hidden oasis at Lake Powell. You'll also have time to take in famed sights such as Horseshoe Bend and Monument Valley on Navajo land, Newspaper Rock, and Canyonlands' Needles. Each night indulge yourself in delectable fare, phenomenal views, and creature comforts of luxurious glamping accommodations and private cabins.

5 Days

Start: Las Vegas, NV

End: Grand Junction, CO

Departing: April, May, June, September, October

Activities: Hiking & Trekking

Lodging: Luxury Hotels, Comfortable Hotels

Group Size: 3-11 Guests

ACTIVITY:



Check mtsobek.com for date-specific pricing.

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- Carol & Burt D.

The Itinerary

DAY 01

The Narrows & Explore Zion National Park

Embark on a scenic journey from Las Vegas, driving through the stunning landscapes of Southern Utah on your way to Zion National Park. Today, you'll explore the heart of Zion Canyon, tracing the Virgin River as it carves its path through towering canyon walls that rise up to 2,000 feet. Known for its breathtaking beauty, The Narrows offers a unique outdoor adventure, considered one of the most picturesque slot canyons in the Southwest. The River Walk leads you to the Virgin River, where your hike begins through ankle-to knee-deep water, offering an exhilarating way to experience this geological wonder. The hike is both challenging and rewarding. Afterward, enjoy a leisurely and educational walk along the Pa'rus Trail, which follows the Virgin River from the Human History Museum to the Visitor Center. The name "Pa'rus," derived from the Paiute word for "bubbling water," reflects the trail's serene beauty, with views of the Watchman and the canyon's grandeur. End your day with a gourmet dinner, overlooking a resident herd of bison at your lodge, before retreating to your private cabin for a restful night.

MEALS: Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 3.5- to 4.5-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 3-4 hours/5 miles hiking with minimal 1,000' elevation gain

DAY 02

Marvel at White Pocket & The Toad Stools

Heading south from Zion, embark on a thrilling 4x4 excursion to the remote trailhead and otherworldly landscape of White Pocket, nestled within the Vermilion Cliffs National Monument. Traverse rugged terrain and soft, undulating sands with the help of your guide in this secret spot of swirling colors, hidden arches, prehistoric sandstone formations, whimsical hoodoos, and ancient petroglyphs. Here you'll discover mushroom-like protrusions, bulges that resemble brains, polygonal fracturing, and wave-like features in the rocks. Even expert geologists are stumped by the processes that created these strange formations! Time permitting, continue to The Toadstools for fairy-tale hoodoos and balanced rocks, sculpted by centuries of wind and water erosion for fun exploration and photography. Continue towards Lake Powell where safari-style tents await in a spectacular setting with outstanding stargazing.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 1.5- to 2-hour private van transfer round trip up to 3.5 hours 4x4 adventure

ACTIVITY: 3-4 hours/3-6 miles hiking with 600' elevation gain



DAY 03

Adventure through Hanging Gardens, Horseshoe Bend & Monument Valley

Begin your day in Glen Canyon National Recreation Area with a guided hike along Lake Powell's sandstone cliffs towards the entrance to a hidden oasis known only to a few. The Hanging Gardens Spring is a verdant sanctuary nestled amidst the desert's harsh embrace where lush flora cascades down the canyon wall. The adventurous may reward themselves with a dip in the lake too! Shifting away from off-the-beaten-path gems to bucket-list highlights, head toward a confluence of boundaries, including Grand Canyon National Park and the Navajo Nation, at Horseshoe Bend. Stand in awe at the edge of the precipice, gazing down into the depths of the canyon where the Colorado River is bent back on itself by geological forces. Next venture into the Navajo Nation's iconic Monument Valley, where towering sandstone buttes rise from the desert floor like ancient sentinels towering up to 1,000 feet.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 3- to 4-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 6-8 hours/5 miles hiking with 400' elevation gain



Hike Canyonlands National Park & the Needles District

Begin your day at Bear Ears National Monument with a visit to Newspaper Rock, a sacred site adorned with over 2,000 petroglyphs, each telling the story of ancient peoples who once roamed these lands. Marvel at the intricate designs and mysterious symbols carved into the sandstone, pondering their meaning. Continue your journey into the heart of Canyonlands National Park, where the rugged beauty of the desert landscape unfolds before you. Led by expert naturalist guides who will illuminate the secrets of the desert ecosystem and its inhabitants, hike along winding trails and narrow canyons to Big Spring, a hidden oasis. Explore Chesler Park, with panoramic views of the famed Needles formations, following the trail as it winds its way through narrow canyons and hidden alcoves. Continue to Moab, where luxury safari-style tents are perfectly positioned to take in breathtaking views across Canyonlands and plunge pools soothe and refresh.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 3- to 4-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 6-8 hours/up to 8 miles total hiking with 1500' elevation gain



Relax or Hike to Looking Glass Arch & Depart

Your final day of adventure is yours to design. Start with a serene session of yoga amidst the tranquil beauty of the desert landscape or relax and reflect at the resort. Feel the warmth of the morning sun on your skin and the soft whisper of the breeze as you find peace and balance in body and mind. Another option is one last scenic hike to Looking Glass Arch. Follow winding trails that lead you through ancient rock formations and towering cliffs as you make your way to this stunning geological formation. After your morning adventure, enjoy another sumptuous meal made with locally sourced ingredients and check out the vibrant town of Moab. As your journey ends, choose a transfer to the rental car facility in Moab or transfer to Grand Junction Airport in Colorado for departing flights.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch

TRANSPORTATION: 1- to 3-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 2-3 hours/up to 3 miles optional hiking with up to 500' elevation gain



Where You'll Stay

These accommodations may be subject to change depending on your date of travel.

Zion Mountain Ranch

Located in the mountains just east of Zion National Park, Zion Mountain Ranch is an authentic western resort, home to a unique roaming herd of buffalo. The Ranch features comfortable private cabins and spacious homes with a variety of unique layouts. All accommodations feature cozy, rustic decor and sweeping views. The on-property Cordwood restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner and features an ever changing menu based on the local harvest.

Under Canvas Lake Powell-Grand Staircase

Under Canvas Lake Powell offers a true glamping experience perched on the Canyon Rim Plateau with views extending for miles across expansive lake and across to Grand Staircase - Escalante National Monument. Here you are just a 10-minute drive to Lone Rock Beach on Lake Powell. The camp seamlessly blends into the surrounding desert landscape. The luxury canvas-walled tents feature the comforts of home, including stately beds with luxurious linens. In the evening relax around the campfire with s'mores and take in the twinkling stars.

Bluff Dwellings Resort & Spa

Bluff Dwellings Resort & Spa is nestled among the majesty and solitude of hundred-million-year-old sandstone cliffs located in historic Bluff, Utah. The property features a spa, outdoor swimming pool, as well as a fitness center and a hot tub. The hotel provides both free WiFi and has a restaurant on site.



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ULUM Moab

Surrounded by breathtaking desert landscapes, ULUM Moab offers upscale glamping accommodations tucked into an expansive, secluded desert setting south of Moab, Utah. With views across Canyonlands National Park and just steps away from Looking Glass Arch, immerse yourself in the outdoors with world-class exploration just beyond your tent.

Departure Dates

This trip is available to run in: April, May, June, September, October

Book early for a greater choice of available dates.

Once you book, your price is GUARANTEED!

May 13-17, 2025

September 9-13, 2025

September 23-27, 2025

October 7-11, 2025

What's Included

PRICE INCLUDES

- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, almost all lunches and dinners as noted in the itinerary
- 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 portage

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees
- Alcoholic beverages (MT Sobek provides wine at select events)
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel Protection Program
- Personal expenses



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