

National Parks of the Northwest

10 Days: July 22-31, 2010



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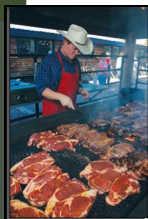
Experience the beauty and splendor of the National Parks of the Northwest United States. Join us as we have guided tours of the Grand Tetons, Yellowstone and the "Going to the Sun Road" in Glacier National Park. You will say "wow!!" after visiting each park along with some other special stops on our agenda.

July 22 get acquainted with your traveling family as we pick up through our guaranteed departure cities and make our way to Kearney, NE. We will enjoy a visit to the **Great Platte River Road Archway Monument**. Imagine as you ascend the escalator, that you're a pioneer leaving home to embark on a covered wagon journey west. "Weather" a thunderstorm and watch out for "stampeding" buffalo-just a sampling of the trails our pioneers faced. This evening we'll enjoy **dinner** at a local restaurant. Our hotel has an indoor pool.



July 23 after **breakfast** we travel across the Great Plains of Nebraska and into Wyoming. We will make stops for breaks and lunch along the way. Our hotel in Riverton, WY, has an indoor pool, hot tub and fitness center.

July 24 following **breakfast** sit back, relax and enjoy the scenery as our morning drive takes us through the Wind River Range of the Rocky Mountains. Enjoy a tranquil **river float**, complete with **lunch** on the mighty Snake River. This evening we take in the **Bar J Chuck Wagon Dinner and Cowboy Show**. Our hotel is located in Jackson, WY, within walking distance of the rustic western character of the Town Square complete with a variety of restaurants, quaint shops, boutiques, art galleries and an exciting nightlife. We may even spot a bear, moose, fox or jackalope as many who stayed at this property have experienced!



July 25 after **breakfast** we depart for **Grand Teton National Park**. We pick up our **park guide** and spend the morning viewing the awesome sights. This afternoon we continue to **Yellowstone National Park**. We will enter at the south entrance and make our way to the west entrance for our overnight stay at West Yellowstone. Our hotel is a newer property located in the heart of shopping, restaurants, IMAX Theatre and the Grizzly Discovery Center.



July 26 enjoy **breakfast** before our **park guide** joins us for a **tour** of **Yellowstone's** most celebrated sights including "paint pots," waterfalls and of course, **Old Faithful**. Following a wonderful day exploring Yellowstone, we continue to Bozeman, MT. Our beautiful hotel includes a heated indoor pool and whirlpool.

July 27 following **breakfast** we make our way north to Helena, MT. We will board a boat for a **Gates of the Mountain cruise** on the Missouri River. When Lewis & Clark first entered the Rocky Mountains, it seemed as though the gigantic limestone cliffs along the Missouri River would block their passage. But then the river turned through a narrow gorge and the mountains appeared to open like a gate, hence the name of the area. Watch for bald eagles, red-tailed hawk, river otters, mountain goats and Bighorn sheep along the cruise. We continue to the beautiful **Lake McDonald Lodge** in **Glacier National Park**. Enjoy a very relaxing evening.



July 28 **breakfast** will be served in the dining room of the Lake McDonald Lodge. We then board the famous historic restored "Red Jammers" for our "**Going to the Sun Road**" driving tour on one of the most scenic roadways in the world with incredible views and picture opportunities. We will cross **Logan Pass** and the **Continental Divide** at the elevation



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of 6,664 feet. Our motor coach will pick us up on the other side and we will continue to Great Falls, MT, for the night.

July 29 after **breakfast** we continue our homeward journey traveling across the majestic Montana Rockies. We arrive in Medora, ND, and relive the life of Roosevelt as "Bully," a one-act play is performed. Savor an unforgettable **steak dinner** this evening at the **Pitchfork Fondue**. You've probably never seen steaks cooked this way, nor had them so tender! Following dinner, ride the unusual "Star Way" escalator into the outdoor amphitheater for "**The Medora Musical.**" This professional production features traditional western and historic themes and of course, offers tributes to our 26th president.



July 30 after **breakfast** we will stop at the **Theodore Roosevelt National Park Visitor Center**. The museum at the Visitor Center focuses on Theodore Roosevelt's ranching days in the Badlands during the 1880s and has some of his personal items. The museum also has other cultural and natural history exhibits, including an exhibit on the Civilian Conservation Corps and their role in the development of the park. Sit back, relax and enjoy the rest of our travel day to St. Cloud, MN. This evening will include **dinner** and a **mystery stop** for conclusion of our trip together.



July 31 enjoy **breakfast** before we returning to our departure cities. We will stop for breaks and lunch along the way.

Your 10-day National Parks of the Northwest package includes: Luxury motor coach transportation, lodging for 9 nights, luggage handling, tickets/admissions to all bolded attractions, National Park fees, gratuities to step-on guides, 9 breakfasts, 4 dinners, 1 lunch (inclusive of tax and gratuity).

\$2,099 per person, double occupancy

\$2,029 per person with 3 or 5 persons sharing a room with 2 beds

\$2,725 single room accommodations

Reservations: anytime as long as space is available

Deposit: \$210 per person due with reservation

Balance due: June 22

Cancel by: June 22 for full-refund cancellation

Early Booking Discount: \$50 discount per person applied toward final payment if deposit is received by Feb. 8

Peace of Mind protection: 5% of the trip cost, due with deposit or **Travel Insurance** is available at a group rate for this travel package. Please contact us for more information.

Guaranteed Departure Cities: Fort Dodge, Webster City, Williams, Ames, Des Moines, Decorah, New Hampton, Waterloo, Marshalltown, Cedar Rapids, Coralville and Newton