

FIRST CLASS
HOLIDAYS

AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN



AMERICA

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THE FIRST CLASS DIFFERENCE

Making your holiday dreams a reality starts with understanding what really matters to you. Whether you're a beach lover or adventurer, a lover of history and culture or the great outdoors, at one with nature or the big city; prefer luxury or authentic, being independent or part of a group. Our travel specialists will get to know what you desire and then create a holiday to match. You will experience superb service all along the way and we will use our wealth of experience to create your holiday as if we were creating our own. And you can be sure that before you go, whilst you are away and even when you come home, we will be with you every step of the way.

AWARD WINNING SERVICE

We were founded in 1996 with a desire to provide outstanding levels of service and customer satisfaction and this is still the case today. With thousands of satisfied customers and a raft of awards for exceptional service, your holiday is in the best possible hands. We are very proud that our personal, friendly service and attention to detail has led to us becoming an industry leader in providing personalised holidays. We have been recognised through the years by winning a number of prestigious awards from within and outside of the travel industry. Some of our awards include Best Long-Haul Operator, Outstanding Service Award and Best Specialist Destination Operator.

EXPERT ADVICE

With a team of over 50 people all sharing a great passion for travelling we have a wealth of knowledge and experience. Many of us have taken the holidays showcased throughout this brochure, and we know that there is nothing more important than firsthand knowledge when planning your dream adventure. We understand that no two people are the same, and that everyone's dream holiday is different, that's why we curate individual holidays to individual requirements with the emphasis on what you want to see and do. We can create itineraries for all budgets, applying the same first-class level of service to all.

TRULY PERSONAL

Our itineraries are meant to inspire you and we have crafted a fantastic range of holidays but if you find that none include everything you want to do, then our personalised travel service is just for you. We have been involved in the planning and preparation of detailed holidays for many years and would be delighted to share our knowledge to help you plan your perfect holiday. Simply visit your local travel agent, call us on **0161 888 5607** or email **enquiries@fcholidays.com** and one of our expert and friendly team will plan your ideal holiday from start to finish.

OUR PRICES

Hotel and transport prices change frequently, and we are in constant contact with our suppliers to ensure that we offer the very best prices that are available. We do not show prices in this brochure as rates do vary and fluctuate quite considerably both due to demand but also due to seasonal special offers that are frequently introduced. When creating your ideal holiday, our team will choose the best rate for the services you have selected and apply any seasonal offers that may be available.

PRICE MATCH PROMISE

We work very hard in sourcing competitive prices and have great relationships with our airlines and suppliers to ensure you get the best value for money. We regularly check prices against our competitors, however if you find a better price elsewhere sold with the same service conditions, we will happily lower our price to match. Please see terms and conditions on our website www.fcholidays.com for more details on our policy.

PEACE OF MIND

We are here whenever you need us, before you go, whilst you're away and when you come home. We are fully bonded with the Civil Aviation Authority ATOL scheme (Licence Number 5421) and with the Association of British Travel Agents (Licence Number W3550). You can book your travel arrangements with the peace of mind that your money is safe.

OUR FRIENDLY TEAM

Our team of America experts are passionate about America and there is nothing more important than speaking to someone who has been there, and we have! We are able to provide first-hand knowledge on everything, from flights and hotels to sightseeing and excursions. We are also happy to share those smaller elements that help create your perfect holiday from finding the best coffee spots to that hidden gem in your favourite city; we want to share our experiences with you.

HOLIDAYS YOU CAN TRUST

We are committed to making your holiday as incredible as possible, but don't take our word for it. We have thousands upon thousands of satisfied customers who would highly recommend our services to make your dream holiday become a reality. Why not have a look at the customer reviews on our website **www.fcholidays.com** and check out our FEEFO rating.



Sustainable Travel

We believe that the pursuit of extraordinary holidays should not compromise the well-being of our planet. Our sustainable program is a testament to our dedication to creating unforgettable experiences while respecting and preserving the environment. We meticulously choose eco-friendly hotels and services that share the same goals, offer carbon offset options, and promote ethical tourism, ensuring every adventure leaves a positive impact.

KEY PILLARS OF FIRST CLASS HOLIDAYS' SUSTAINABLE PROGRAM

Our commitment to sustainability extends beyond a tangible and impactful program that transforms the way we travel. Experience the epitome of sustainable travel with First Class Holidays.

CARBON OFFSET OFFERING

Our clients can neutralise their carbon footprint by contributing to verified carbon reduction projects. We offer the chance to plant new trees across the globe through reforestation and to simultaneously invest into clean renewable energy projects. That means a traveller's climate contribution will remove CO₂e emissions now and invest in the planet for the future. Trees are one of the most powerful absorbers of carbon emissions – by growing trees in developing countries as our clients travel, we can help to restore eco-systems, biodiversity, and support local communities.

PARTNERSHIPS WITH ECO-FRIENDLY SUPPLIERS

We are dedicated to forging relationships with hotels and services that share our unwavering commitment to sustainability. Our selection process involves stringent criteria, assessing factors such as energy efficiency, waste management practices, and sustainable sourcing. By aligning with like-minded partners, we ensure that every aspect of our travellers' experience reflects our shared ethos of environmental responsibility. Through these partnerships, we aim to create a network of destinations that serve as exemplars of eco-conscious hospitality.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

Our commitment to sustainability extends beyond travel experiences—it encompasses a dedication to educating and empowering our staff and travellers. Through our Educational Initiatives, we aim to foster a deeper understanding of sustainable practices and the environmental impact of their choices; to inspire a sense of responsibility amongst them. These initiatives are seamlessly integrated into our travel packages, offering information on local ecosystems, wildlife conservation, and responsible behaviour while travelling.

SUPPORT LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND ECONOMIES

Our dedication to sustainability extends beyond environmental conservation to embrace a holistic approach that actively supports local communities and economies. Recognising that responsible travel involves more than minimising environmental impact, we place a strong emphasis on fostering positive social and economic contributions to America:

- We recognise the intrinsic value of preserving cultural heritage. We actively engage with communities to understand their traditions, ensuring that our activities are respectful and promote cultural exchange without compromising the integrity of local practices, allowing us to create authentic travel experiences.
- We prioritise collaborations with local businesses. By sourcing goods and services locally, we minimise transportation-related emissions and support regional economies. This approach not only strengthens community ties but also promotes the use of sustainable and locally produced materials.



Ways to Explore

The United States of America is a vast, diverse, and exciting country that appeals to travellers of all ages. Whether you want to explore the glittering cities and vibrant fall colours of the Eastern Seaboard, the truly spectacular national parks, board a train for an epic rail journey or cross the country on a bucket-list road trip, we can help. Our passionate team know America inside and out and with this knowledge have created a tried and tested selection of escorted tours, self-drive itineraries, and rail journeys. There's also a fabulous array of lodges and ranches to add a touch of adventure to your travels.



Escorted Tours

These are ideal if you prefer to travel as part of a group and have the reassurance of a Tour Escort with you along the way, allowing you to sit back and relax. Travel by modern coach and have the opportunity to make new friends with fellow travellers who may be from anywhere in the world as you enjoy the sights from your seat. Whether you want a deluxe tour with most meals and sightseeing included, a small group tour, or a value tour offering more time to explore at your own pace we have a selection that cover all parts of America.



Self Drive & Motorcycle Touring

If you're happy to drive whether that be 4 wheels or on 2 and prefer a pre-planned route, then our self-drive tours are for you. They include all hotels and car, or motorbike hire, and some may include attraction tickets or sightseeing. Each route has been planned and distances considered so that the daily mileage is achievable. They also allow ample time for sightseeing and stops along the way. When it comes to motorbikes there are rental locations across America, and you can tailor-make your own adventure or choose one of our pre-planned ones.



Motorhome Holidays

Nothing gives you more freedom to truly experience a country than to explore by motorhome. Unpack only once and take your creature comforts with you, as you take to the open road and discover the sights and sounds of America. With an extensive network of campgrounds and RV Parks offering full facilities, to staying in more natural settings within the beautiful national parks, there is no better way to get under the skin of a country.



Rail Journeys

Sit back and let the country roll past your window with a rail journey. From short city hops to longer journeys on legendary trains such as the California Zephyr, Texas Eagle, and the Sunset Limited this is a fabulous way to see the country. The routes covered often reveal scenery only accessible by rail. The iconic Rocky Mountaineer operates between Denver and Moab, a striking route that takes you from the Rockies to the wilds of Utah.



Ranches & Lodges

Whether you want a rustic national park lodge that puts you close to the magnificent scenery, a touch of luxury to enhance your travels or celebrate a special occasion or saddle up and hit the trail on an authentic dude ranch, there are myriad options available. Some are simple, back to nature experiences where it's all about the location, others have a curated daily menu of activities to entertain you. No previous riding experience is necessary for dude ranch stays but you will get a true sense of wild west adventure.



Cruising

Imagine waking up in a different place each day without having to repack, seeing different sights, and exploring new places. Enjoying fabulous cuisine and top-notch entertainment. That's what you get on a cruise and we are delighted to offer cruise holidays to the Caribbean, to the New England states and Nova Scotia and to Bermuda with leading cruise lines Celebrity Cruises and Norwegian Cruise Line. We also have epic transatlantic cruises with Cunard, and truly luxurious voyages with Silversea cruises.

Escorted Tours

An escorted tour is the ideal way to explore the breathtaking states of America. The distances covered can be extensive and letting someone else take care of the itinerary and planning ensures that you can concentrate on enjoying the most incredible experience.

At First Class Holidays we work with Trafalgar Tours and Insight Vacations to offer you the best possible selection of escorted touring choices in the USA. There are a wide range of touring options and itineraries to choose from, depending on how much time you have and how much ground you want to cover. With many of the Insight Vacations tours there is also the option to choose your group size with classic and small group touring available. With highly knowledgeable tour directors, quality hotels and a range of immersive included hand-picked experiences that cover all the must-sees, local insider secrets and one-of-a-kind encounters, it's these little details that make an escorted tour an excellent way to see the USA. The tours shown are just a few of our favourites, but if you don't see one that is quite what you're looking for, do let us know as there are many options available.

Our Favourites

Escorted touring is a great way to cover multiple states and their must-sees without the pressure of driving.

The included MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® experiences ensure a deeper understanding of the places and people that you interact with.

There are tours of all durations. So, whether you are planning on this being just a small part of your holiday and building other experiences around it, or it being the main focus, there are plenty of options.

The national park tours, such as America's Magnificent National Parks, offer a real taste of the wild west where history is alive and kicking.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

Simply tell us your interests, your dates and your budget and we will work with you to create your perfect trip.

America’s Magnificent National Parks

15 days

Discover the natural wonders and iconic landmarks that make the national parks of the USA so unique. After beginning in vibrant Scottsdale at the heart of the Sonoran Desert, journey to the Grand Canyon, through the red-hued landscape, taking in Monument Valley and dramatic Zion. The scenery then changes to the Rocky Mountains of Grand Teton and Yellowstone, before you come face to face with the native history of the Black Hills and Badlands.

Highlights

Scottsdale – Sedona – Grand Canyon
Lake Powell – Bryce Canyon
Zion National Park – Salt Lake City
Jackson and the Tetons – Yellowstone
Black Hills – Denver

Tour Includes

- Daily breakfast, 1 lunch and 6 dinners
- 14 nights accommodation in 4&5 star hotels
- Business class style coach travel
- Sightseeing as described
- Porterage, tips and gratuities
- Knowledgeable Travel Director and expert driver

Tour is operated by Insight, and small group departures are available

Departure Dates

Selected dates, April to October



Day 1: Phoenix to Scottsdale

Arrive in Phoenix and head to Scottsdale at your leisure. Enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers this evening. (D)
Hotel: Valley Ho, Scottsdale

Day 2: Sedona & the Grand Canyon

Travel along the Red Rock Scenic Byway to bohemian Sedona, before continuing to the Grand Canyon. On arrival, there's a chance for an optional flightseeing tour by either helicopter or fixed wing aircraft. Meet a local expert to learn about the history and origin of this natural masterpiece. (B)
Hotel: Grand Canyon National Park Lodge

Day 3: Monument Valley

Early risers have the chance to see a spectacular sunrise over the canyon. Head to the Cameron Trading Post, one of the oldest general stores in Arizona and enter Monument Valley Tribal Park to meet your Navajo local experts for an off-road adventure through the landscape. Enjoy a cookout lunch amid giant buttes and then travel to Lake Powell resort for dinner. (B,L)
Hotel: Lake Powell Resort and Marina – 2 nights

Day 4: Lake Powell

Today is on your own to do as you please. Partake in an optional experience or relax by the resort pool with views of Lake Powell. (B,D)

Day 5: Bryce Canyon National Park

Journey across a wide open landscape to Bryce Canyon Country along a portion of the Scenic Highway 89. The red rock pillars and high ridges will make you feel as though you've been transported to a different planet amongst hoodoos and endless vistas. Stops will be made for photographs or a walk along the trails. (B)
Hotel: Zion National Park Lodge – 2 nights

Day 6: Zion National Park

After a leisurely breakfast, tour the canyon aboard a privately chartered open-air vehicle with a local expert guide. Choose to join a hike to the Emerald Pools or a leisurely stroll along the Virgin River walk. (B,D)

Day 7: Salt Lake City

Travel to Utah’s capital today and enjoy dinner with your group at the hotel this evening.
Hotel: Sheraton Salt Lake City

Day 8: Jackson and the Tetons

Before leaving Salt Lake City, take in the State Capitol Building. Drive along the scenic Logan Canyon, and stop for lunch on your own near Bear Lake. You will then head towards historic Jackson, where you'll find traditional boutique galleries and shops to browse. The rest of the evening is at leisure, with accommodation a short stroll to the town centre. (B)
Hotel: Elk Country Inn, Jackson Hole

Day 9: Yellowstone National Park

Today is full of rustic country charm as you enter Yellowstone – the world’s first national park. Known for geothermal activity, wildlife and stunning views, this is true Wyoming in all its glory. Keep an eye out for bears and wolves as you stay in one of the National Park Lodges. (B)
Hotel: Yellowstone National Park Lodges – 2 nights

Day 10: Geysers and Hot Springs

Walk among the rainbow-tinted hot springs and geyser with your Travel Director. See Old Faithful shoot water 120 feet in the air, and drive through Hayden Valley famous for wolves, bears, elk and bison. (B)



Day 11: The Ranch at Ucross

Learn about America’s great Western legends in the wild west town of Cody today at the Buffalo Bill Centre. Travel through Bighorn National Forest to the Ranch at Ucross and experience western hospitality at this family ranch. Start with a cocktail before dinner, followed by entertainment around the firepit. (B,D)
Hotel: Ranch at Ucross

Day 12: The Black Hills

Begin the day with a scenic horseback ride, perhaps go fishing or just relax. Visit Devils Tower, an astounding geological feature in the Black Hills, considered sacred to the Lakota people. Travel through Spearfish Canyon, famous for its woodland beauty and creek-carved gorge that is older than the Grand Canyon. (B)
Hotel: Spearfish Canyon Lodge

Day 13: The Black Hills & Badlands National Park

Cross the plains of the Black Hills today, with a stop at the Oglala Lakota Living History Museum. Tick another national park off your list as you arrive at Badlands, with its sharply eroded pinnacles, spires, and grass prairie. (B)
Hotel: State Game Lodge

Day 14: Mount Rushmore & Crazy Horse Memorial

This morning, see the famous granite faces of Mount Rushmore before coming face to face with the world’s largest mountain carving in honour of the Lakota warrior Crazy Horse. Celebrate the end of your travels over dinner tonight. (B,D)

Day 15: Depart Denver

Your journey comes to an end today – you may wish to extend your stay in Colorado or beyond. (B)



Best of the Pacific Northwest

8 days

Experience the highlights of America’s Pacific Northwest and West Coast on this 8-day journey. From the buzzing waterfronts of Seattle and Portland to the character and charm of San Francisco, you’ll enjoy a mix of lively cities, local flavours and striking natural beauty. Sample regional wines and meet local producers on specially hosted experiences, then step into the great outdoors to explore some of California’s most impressive redwood forests.

Highlights

Seattle – Portland – Redwood State & National Parks – Eureka – Avenue of Giants – San Francisco

Tour Includes

- 7 nights’ accommodation
- Daily breakfast, 1 lunch and 3 dinners
- Sightseeing as stated
- Coach travel with experienced tour director
- Porterage and gratuities

Tour is operated by Trafalgar

Departure Dates

May–September
Saturdays

Day 1: Seattle

On arrival make your way to your hotel. Relax or explore before joining your fellow travellers for dinner. (D)
Hotel: EVEN

Day 2: Seattle

Unlock the best of Seattle this morning. Visit Pike Place Market, a Seattle landmark for over 100 years, browse the colourful stalls of farm fresh produce and fish straight out of Puget Sound. Then explore the Mount St. Helens Visitor Centre to discover the storied behind the 1980 eruption. (B)
Hotel: The Dossier – 2 nights

Day 3: Portland

Visit the International Rose Garden in Washington Park, then capture the view of the Portland Women’s Forum State Scenic Park framed by the Columbia River Gorge. See the Multnomah Falls before returning to Portland. (B)

Day 4: Sights of Oregon

Enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® experience at the TMK Creamery then move onto Terra Vina Vines, a multi-generational family owned vineyard. Here, enjoy a tour and tasting of their Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Cabernet Franc. (B,L)
Hotel: Ko–Kwel Casino Resort

Day 5: Eureka

Depart for Crescent City via the Scenic Loop Drive in Bandon. Today is a day of crashing waves, ocean vistas and old growth Redwood forests. (B,D)
Hotel: Red Lion Eureka

Day 6: Best of the Redwoods

Begin your day at the Blue Ox Historic Village, and explore even more of California’s spectacular scenery at the Humboldt Redwoods State Park. The 17,000 acres of old-growth redwood forest is the largest expanse of ancient redwoods on the planet. Breathe in the fresh air and soak in the sights before continuing on to San Francisco. (B)
Hotel: Beacon Grand – 2 nights

Day 7: San Francisco

Today is a full day discovering the sights of San Francisco. Explore Union Square and Fisherman’s Wharf, and this afternoon there is the option to take a scenic Bay cruise. There is a farewell dinner this evening with your fellow travellers. (B,D)

Day 8: Departure

Depart for the airport at your leisure. (B)



Seattle



Portland



San Francisco

California's Great National Parks

8 days

Towering sequoias line your path through California’s legendary Land of the Giants – a chance to experience the awe-inspiring landscapes of America’s National Parks. Step into Yosemite and meet a local climber, gaining first-hand insight into the world of rock climbing and the vital conservation work that helps protect this iconic wilderness. Soak up the alpine charm of Mammoth Lakes and marvel at the dramatic scenery of Death Valley National Park.

Highlights

Las Vegas – Death Valley National Park Mammoth Lakes – Yosemite National Park – Sequoia National Park – Los Angeles

Tour Includes

- 7 nights’ accommodation
- Daily breakfast, 2 lunches and 2 dinners
- Sightseeing as stated
- Coach travel with experienced tour director
- Porterage and gratuities

Tour is operated by Trafalgar

Departure Dates

May–October
Saturdays

Day 1: Las Vegas

On arrival in Las Vegas your time is free until your welcome dinner this evening with your fellow travellers. (D)
Hotel: Harrah's Las Vegas

Day 2: Death Valley

Immerse yourself in the otherworldly landscapes of Death Valley. A UNESCO World Heritage Site of extremes. See the undulating geology at Zabriskie Point then descend below sea level to the Bad Water Basin. (B)
Hotel: Mammoth Mountain Inn

Day 3: Mammoth Mountain

Take a scenic Gondola ride to the peak of Mammoth Mountain (seasonal) and enjoy the stunning views while enjoying breakfast. Pass June Lake and travel the Tioga Pass to enter the UNESCO listed Yosemite National Park. (B)
Hotel: Yosemite Valley Lodge – 2 nights

Day 4: Yosemite National Park

Yosemite is a joy to explore with ancient sequoia trees, sweeping meadows and vast rock formations. Your included MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® experience with the Yosemite Conservancy reveals the stories of climbers through photographs and demonstrations. Afterwards, explore El Capitan, Cathedral Rocks or Bridalveil Falls at your leisure. (B)

Day 5: Sequoia National Park

Enjoy a Be My Guest Experience with naturalist Dan Webster. Learn how fire shapes the forest ecosystem through his engaging talk. Enjoy lunch with him and then dive deeper into the wonders of the Sierra Nevada. Your overnight this evening is a Stays with Stories experience surrounded by the forest and soaring Sierra peaks. (B,L)
Hotel: Wuksachi Lodge – 2 nights

Day 6: Sequoia National Park

Tread in the shadows of giants as you walk beneath the soaring sequoia canopy and witness first-hand, General Sherman, the largest living tree in the world. Learn about the forest and it’s history as you follow the trails. Spend the afternoon exploring the park at your own pace, using the complimentary shuttle (seasonal). (B,L)

Day 7: San Francisco

Descend the Sierra Nevada mountain range into Southern California, enjoying wonderful views of Los Angeles. Visit Hollywood, the entertainment capital of the world before a farewell dinner this evening. (B,D)

Day 8: Departure

Depart for the airport at your leisure. (B)



Sequoia National Park



Yosemite National Park



Death Valley

Hawaii Four Island Adventure

13 days

Soak up the spirit of Aloha as you embark on a wonderful Hawaiian island-hopping adventure. From Oahu to the Big Island, beautiful Maui, and Kaua'i, the 'Garden Isle', this Polynesian journey takes in the waves of Oahu, the black sand beaches of Punalu'u, volcanoes and the utterly unique landscapes that make the islands of Hawaii so memorable.

Highlights

Waikiki – Pearl Harbour – Big Island
Hawaii Volcanoes National Park
Punalul'u Beach Park – Maui – Kaua'i
Waimea Canyon State Park

Tour Includes

- 12 nights superior accommodation
- 12 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 5 dinners
- Range of sightseeing as stated
- Inter-island flights
- Coach travel with travel director

Tour is operated by Trafalgar

Departure Dates

Departs: Year Round
Fridays

Day 1: Waikiki

Hawaii promises gorgeous scenery, island breezes and fabulous food. Immerse yourself in the Aloha Spirit as you don a flower lei to mark your arrival in Honolulu. This evening, join your Travel Director at a welcome dinner in Waikiki Beach to kick-start your epic Hawaii tour. (D)
Hotel for 4 nights: The Twin Fin Waikiki

Day 2: Waikiki

After a photo stop at the dramatic Halona Blowhole, follow the scenic coast of Oahu before heading to the North Shore, famous amongst surfers for its huge waves. Then return to Waikiki along Oahu's windward coast or unlock more of the island with an optional experience which could include a visit to the Polynesian Cultural Centre to get up close to local villages and watch artisans from six Pacific cultures. (B)

Day 3: Waikiki

Today is free for you to explore. Relax with beach time on the golden sands of Waikiki Beach or look for surf legend Duke Paoa Kahanamoku Statue – the father of international surfing. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a dinner featuring local fare. (B,D)

Day 4: Pearl Harbour

There's no better place to learn about history than visiting where events occurred. Pay homage to the thousands of brave soldiers who lost their lives in the military strike at Pearl Harbor as you visit Pearl Harbor National Memorial and the USS Arizona Memorial. Continue through the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, located in Punchbowl Crater, to downtown Honolulu to connect with the spiritual epicentre of Hawaii. On your walking tour, see Iolani Palace, the former home of Hawaii's last-reigning monarchs and the only royal palace in the United States, as well as the King Kamehameha I Statue and the State Capitol Building. (B)

Day 5: Big Island

The Big Island of Hawaii brings new sights, landscapes, and wildlife. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Hawaii Volcanoes National Park to learn about the geology of the Islands. Continue along the coast to Punalu'u Beach Park, famous for its black sand and Hawaiian green sea turtles. (B)

Hotel for 3 nights: Outrigger Kona Resort & Spa

Day 6: Big Island

Unlock the secrets of marine life learning about the Mobula alfredi manta rays, the second largest in the world, that come to the Kona shores to feed each day. Next up, enjoy a Be My Guest experience at Kona Sea Salt to uncover the importance of salt in Hawaiian culture, followed by lunch from a local food truck. Continue your discovery at a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® experience at a coffee plantation. (B,L)

Day 7: Big Island

Get ready to embrace your outdoor adventurer as you explore the Big Island on your own or with an optional experience. Take in Kohala's beauty and history on a fun, off-road adventure and relaxed trail walk to a hidden waterfall and scenic overlook of Pololu Valley. Finish up with a cooling dip in a waterfall. Or, discover what's beneath these gorgeous waters with a snorkelling trip in the pristine Pu'uuhonua O Honaunau and Kealakekua Bay featuring lava tubes and sea caves or on a Night Manta Experience. This evening, embrace the tradition of the Hawaiian Luau. (B,D)

Day 8: Maui

Maui. An island where dormant volcanos, black sand beaches and whale watching lure explorers just like you. Fly from Kona to Maui this morning and visit Iao Valley State Park before settling into your hotel. (B)
Hotel for 2 nights: Hyatt Regency Maui Resort & Spa

Day 9: Maui

Unlock the natural beauty of paradise, charting your own course through Maui's landscapes. This evening, enjoy a dinner featuring local flavours. (B,D)

Day 10: Kaua'i

After a leisurely morning on the Valley Isle, move on to Kaua'i where you'll spend the next 3 nights admiring the natural surroundings. Kaua'i, at over six million years old, is the oldest of the main Hawaiian Islands and boasts the only navigable rivers in the state. It is also the northernmost island in the Hawaiian chain, which is the most isolated inhabited land mass. (B)
Hotel for 3 nights: Outrigger Kaua'i Beach Resort

Day 11: Kaua'i

There's no better place to learn about Kaua'i's land than Grove Farm, a beautifully preserved one-hundred-acre homestead. Enjoy a private, guided tour of the original plantation main house, as well as other resident and plantation workers' housing camp dating back to the 1870s. Continue to Waimea Canyon State Park. The result of thousands of years of erosion, the canyon walls offer a canvas of brilliant shades of red, brown, green, blue, grey and purple, with shadows and light producing a never-ending show. End your day with a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at Allerton & McBryde Botanical Garden for a tour highlighting rare native Hawaiian ferns and plants. (B)

Day 12: Kaua'i

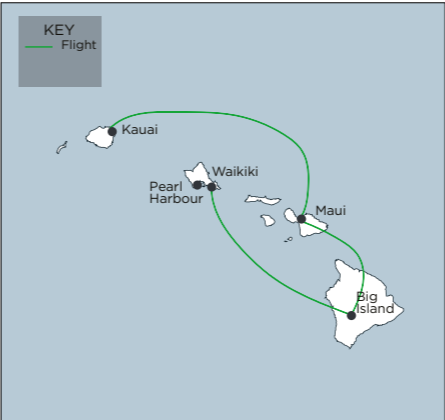
Kaua'i's natural treasures are yours to explore during this full free day. Feel like you've stepped onto the big screen on an Optional Experience Kaua'i Movie Tour adventure. Your backstage pass will take you to many famous sites on Kaua'i where Hollywood blockbusters and TV shows were filmed while viewing clips of those notable films. On your final night on Kaua'i toast the incredible sights of the islands with your fellow travellers over a farewell dinner. (B,D)

Day 13: Depart Hawaii

Make your way to Lihue Airport for your onward flights. (B)



Diamond Head Crater



Hawaii beach

New England’s Fall Foliage

8 days

Celebrate the beauty of New England, from Boston’s redbrick Freedom Trail to the bronzing leaves of Vermont’s lush trees. Visit a maple syrup farm and see Maine’s oldest lighthouse, journeying through historic sites and quaint villages. Experience the best of New England through five states, with each stop offering postcard-perfect views of this timeless and breathtaking corner of America.

Highlights

Boston – The Berkshires – Saratoga Springs – Stowe – White Mountains Kennebunkport – Portland

Tour Includes

- Daily breakfasts, 1 lunch and 3 dinners
- 7 nights accommodation in 4&5 star hotels
- Business class style coach travel
- Sightseeing as described
- Porterage, tips and gratuities
- Knowledgeable Travel Director and expert driver
- This tour is also available as a small group departure

Tour is operated by Insight, and small group departures are available

Departure Dates

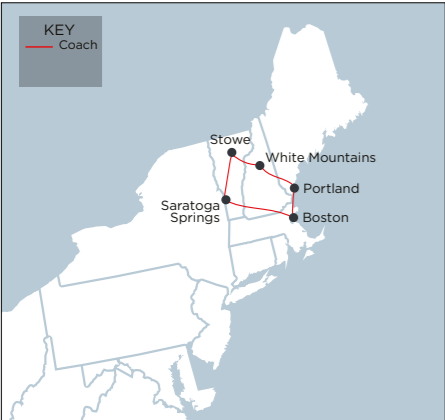
Selected dates, September & October



Portland



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Boston

Tastes & Sounds of the South

10 days

Immerse yourself in all things southern on this tour of the American south. Discover the rich cultures of Memphis, Nashville and New Orleans and walk in the footsteps of music legends. Experience southern hospitality with creole cooking to a soundtrack of jazz and country music.

Highlights

Nashville – Memphis – Graceland Natchez – New Orleans

Tour Includes

- 9 nights accommodation
- Daily breakfasts and 4 dinners
- Sightseeing as described
- Coach travel with tour director

Tour is operated by Trafalgar

Departure Dates

Selected dates – February – June & September – December



Memphis



Day 1: Nashville

Arrive in America’s Music City today, and join your group this evening for dinner. (D)
Hotel: Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center – 3 nights

Day 2: Nashville

The famous Nashville sound comes alive this morning at RCA Studio B, featuring a private performance by one of Johnny Cash’s family members. Visit Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum to see Elvis memorabilia and enjoy a Grand Ole Opy show this evening. (B)

Day 3: Nashville

Explore the Johnny Cash Museum, with the remainder of the day at leisure or choose one of the optional experiences. (B)

Day 4: Memphis

Head to Memphis to learn about the musical heritage of the city. Continue your sightseeing with visits to significant locations of the civil rights movement as you walk through history. (B,D)

Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn Memphis Downtown – 2 nights

Day 5: Graceland

Visit the home of the King today, followed by Sun Studios where the first Rock ‘n’ Roll single was recorded in 1951. (B)



New Orleans



Nashville

Day 6: Natchez

Have a musical morning at the Memphis Rock ‘n’ Soul Museum before leaving for Natchez. On the banks of the Mississippi, Natchez offers a true taste of Southern hospitality where you’ll enjoy dinner at a historic home with the locals. (B,D)

Hotel: Natchez Grand Hotel & Suites

Day 7: New Orleans

This morning you will visit a working cotton plantation to learn about planters and slavery in the South, before arriving in New Orleans. (B)

Hotel: Sheraton New Orleans – 3 nights

Day 8: New Orleans

Trace the cosmopolitan history of one of America’s oldest cities with a guide this morning. This afternoon is at leisure to soak up the laid-back atmosphere. (B)

Day 9: New Orleans

The day is your own to explore or join an optional experience. A farewell dinner is planned for this evening with a private cooking demonstration. (B,D)

Day 10: Depart New Orleans

Say ‘au revoir’ to New Orleans as you make your way to the airport. (B)

Colourful Trails of the Southwest

10 days

Journey through the timeless landscapes of the American Southwest, where vast canyons, sculpted red rocks and ancient cultures tell the story of a land like no other. Begin in Phoenix, travelling through the serene beauty of Sedona and the majestic Grand Canyon, before continuing to the iconic sandstone buttes of Monument Valley. Explore the striking scenery of Moab and Arches National Park, and uncover the ancient cliff dwellings of Mesa Verde. Spend time in historic Durango, before discovering the artistic charm of Taos and the rich heritage of Santa Fe.

Highlights

Scottsdale – Sedona – Grand Canyon National Park – Monument Valley – Moab Arches National Park – Canyonlands National Park – Mesa Verde – Durango Taos – Santa Fe – Albuquerque

Tour Includes

- 9 nights’ accommodation
- Daily breakfast, 1 lunch and 3 dinners
- Sightseeing at stated
- Coach travel with experienced tour director
- Porterage and gratuities

Tour is operated by Trafalgar

Departure Dates

May, September–October
Selected dates



Day 1: Phoenix and Scottsdale

Arrive in Phoenix at your leisure and make your way to Scottsdale. This evening meet your travel director and fellow travellers for dinner. (D)

Hotel: Sonesta Suites Scottsdale Gainey Ranch (or similar)

Day 2: Sedona – Grand Canyon

First stop today is the artists enclave of Sedona, known for its red–rock buttes and steep canyon walls. Continue to the Grand Canyon National Park via the Oak Creek Canyon Scenic Drive. (B)

Hotel: National Park Lodges Grand Canyon

Day 3: Grand Canyon National Park

Trace the scenic South Rim along Desert View Drive and take in the views of the eastern edge from Desert View Point. See Horseshoe Bend and end your day with dinner on the Navajo Nation. (B,D)

Hotel: Courtyard by Marriot Page at Lake Powell (or similar)

Day 4: Moab

Enjoy a tour in the Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park before lunch amongst the iconic buttes and mesas with the Dine (Navajo) tribe members who will share stories of their people and the land. (B,L)

Hotel for 2 nights – Hyatt Place Moab (or similar)

Day 5: Arches National Park

Discover how the natural forces of wind and rain have shaped this memorable landscape. Then continue to Canyonlands National Park to visit the Island in the Sky. (B)

Day 6: Mesa Verde – Durango

Dive into the culture and history of the Ancestral Puebloan People in the UNESCO World Heritage Listed Mesa Verde National Park. (B)

Hotel for 2 nights – Strater Hotel (or similar)

Day 7: Durango

Today is free to explore. Optional experiences include a 4WD jeep tour or a half day tour to Ouray and Silverton. (B)

Day 8: Taos – Santa Fe

Experience Taos Pueblo, a living Native American community inhabited for over 1,000 years. Explore historic adobe dwellings with a local tribal guide and discover this extraordinary site, honoured as both a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a National Historic Landmark. (B)

Hotel for 2 nights – Pinon Court by La Fonda (or similar)

Day 9: Santa Fe

A day to explore Santa Fe at your leisure. (B,D)

Day 10: Albuquerque

Your tour ends with a transfer to Albuquerque airport this morning. (B)



Treasures of Cape Cod & the Islands

8 days

Discover the quintessential charm of New England on a journey from Boston to the coast and back. Begin in historic Boston, then wander the tranquil streets of Sandwich and the sun–kissed shores of Cape Cod. Cross to the serene islands of Nantucket and Martha’s Vineyard, before arriving in graceful Newport, where stately homes and sweeping seaside vistas complete this unforgettable voyage.

Highlights

Boston – Sandwich – Cape Cod Nantucket – Martha’s Vineyard Newport

Tour Includes

- 7 nights’ accommodation
- Daily breakfast and 4 dinners
- Business class style coach travel
- Sightseeing as described
- Porterage, tips and gratuities
- Knowledgeable Travel Director and expert driver

Tour is operated by Insight and is also available as a small group departure

Departure Dates

May – July and August–September
Selected dates



Day 1: Boston

On arrival in Boston, make your way to your hotel. Later, join your tour director and fellow guests for a welcome dinner. (D)

Hotel: Hyatt Regency Boston

Day 2: Sandwich

Follow the path of American independence along Boston’s Freedom Trail, visiting Boston Common, the Old State House, and Granary Burying Ground. In Plymouth, step aboard the Mayflower II and explore Pilgrim Hall Museum with a Mayflower descendant, then witness Wampanoag and colonial lifeways at Plimoth Patuxet Museums. (B)

Hotel for 3 nights – Dan’l Webster Inn

Day 3: Cape Cod

Explore Cape Cod’s windswept shores and rolling dunes, historic lighthouses, and charming fishing villages. Discover the region’s rich maritime heritage and learn about communication innovations at Cape Cod National Seashore, where natural beauty meets centuries of human history. (B,D)

Day 5: Nantucket

Sail from Hyannis to Nantucket, where cobblestone streets and historic homes recall the island’s whaling past. Explore charming downtown and learn how the whaling industry shaped its society and economy. Return to Hyannis by ferry for an evening at leisure. (B)



Day 5: Martha’s Vineyard

Board a morning ferry to Martha’s Vineyard, famed for beaches, harbour towns, and presidential visitors. Explore Oak Bluffs’ gingerbread cottages, the Flying Horses Carousel, and State Beach. This evening enjoy a seasonal, locally sourced dining experience at your hotel. (B,D)

Hotel: Harbour View Hotel

Day 6: Newport

Arrive in Newport and choose your afternoon experience. Visit the Newport Car Museum, home to over 100 historic vehicles, or wander the Green Animals Topiary Garden, America’s oldest sculpted garden. This evening, enjoy a leisurely stroll through Newport’s elegant streets. (B)

Hotel for 2 nights – Hotel Viking

Day 7: Newport

Discover Ten Mile Drive, a scenic route that hugs the coastline and explore the grandeur of Newport’s ‘summer cottages’ giving a glimpse into the Gilded Age. End the day with a sunset sail aboard the Adirondack II. (B,D)

Day 8: Boston

Your tour comes to an end with your return transfer to Boston airport for your onward flight. (B)



Self Drive Tours

If you crave the freedom of the open road and the luxury of travelling at your own pace, then a self-drive is the perfect option. America is the home of the motorcar and with wide, free-flowing roads your options for adventure are endless. Whether you want to feel the wind in your hair as you head down the Pacific Coast on Highway 1, one of the finest coastal drives in the world, weave your way through the quaint towns and villages of New England, or take a musical journey through Tennessee and the Deep South, planning a self-drive has never been easier. On the following pages you'll find some of our favourites, but if what you want to do isn't here then just ask. We can tailor-make the perfect self-drive itinerary just for you.

Our Favourites

Highway 1, the Pacific Coast Highway. Much talked about and deservedly so, for breathtaking coastal scenery this takes some beating.

The Kancamangus Scenic Byway in northern New Hampshire is a stunning 34-mile drive that is regarded by leaf peepers as having the best fall foliage in the country. It gets busy though, so we recommend going early and avoiding weekends.

Route 66 or the so named 'Mother Road'. Starting in Chicago it crosses 8 states and 3 time zones. The distances are long but for us this is the ultimate US road trip.

Scenic Byway 12 is a stunning drive through the best scenery in Utah, between Bryce Canyon and the lesser known, but equally impressive Capitol Reef National Park.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

Simply tell us your interests, your dates and your budget and we will work with you to create your perfect trip.

Best of the West

16 days

Discover the highlights of California and dip your toes into Arizona and Nevada as you take a memorable road trip that includes the dazzling lights of Las Vegas, the natural wonders of the Grand Canyon, Death Valley and Yosemite National Park as well as the legendary Pacific Coast Highway between Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Highlights

Palm Springs – Phoenix/Scottsdale
Las Vegas – Grand Canyon – Death Valley
Yosemite National Park – San Francisco
Monterey/Carmel – Morro Bay
Santa Barbara – Los Angeles

Tour Includes

- 15 nights accommodation
- 14 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive document kit

Departure Dates

Departs: Year Round
Daily

Day 1: Los Angeles

Arrive at Los Angeles Airport and make your way to your hotel.

Day 2: Palm Springs (122 miles)

Collect your rental car this morning and head south to Anaheim. Visit Disneyland Park, the original Disney Park opened by Walt Disney in 1955, or Knott’s Berry Farm, filled with old west charm. Your destination is Palm Springs, a desert playground lying in the Coachella Valley.

Day 3: Phoenix/Scottsdale (269 miles)

Spend a few hours this morning exploring before continuing east, through the Coachella Valley to Phoenix and Scottsdale in central Arizona.

Day 4: Grand Canyon (222 miles)

Today your drive takes you north to the Grand Canyon, one of the greatest natural wonders in the world. There are numerous lookout points, you can walk the Rim Trail and just soak up the vastness of this rugged canyon, that must be seen to be believed.

Day 5: Las Vegas (273 miles)

From the incredible landscape of the Grand Canyon to an equally astonishing manmade destination. Today the bright lights of Las Vegas await. The drive takes you along historic Route 66, to the Hoover Dam, which straddles the Colorado River and is a remarkable feat of engineering, to Las Vegas.

Day 6: Las Vegas

A full day to absorb this pulsating desert city. Walk the world-famous Strip lined with hotels so impressive they are sightseeing attractions in their own right. Try your luck in a casino, take in a show or relax by the pool before dinner at superb restaurants.

Day 7: Death Valley (144 miles)

As you leave Las Vegas behind, stop for a moment to take a photo at the ‘Welcome to Las Vegas’ sign before heading west to the lowest point in North America. The Death Valley National Park is unlike anywhere else on earth and is the Mojave Desert at its most impressive. Zabriskie Point offers magnificent views of the vibrantly coloured Badlands. The stargazing here is also sensational with no light pollution.

Day 8–9: Yosemite National Park (300 miles)

Travel north into the High Sierra where Tioga Road, the highest drivable pass in California, leads you into Yosemite National Park. Best known for its impressive waterfalls and spectacular rock formations, Yosemite was one of the first wilderness parks in the United States. Delve into the depths of the park with a walk to a waterfall or learn about its wonders with a ranger-guided stroll. Explore a giant sequoia grove and see the most massive trees on earth. **From early November to late May, Tioga Pass may be closed due to weather or road conditions, in which case you will need to follow the southern route.

Day 10: San Francisco (175 miles)

Spend time exploring Yosemite before leaving for San Francisco. The route is filled with gold-rush era attractions and the state capital of Sacramento. San Francisco is a melting pot of cultures and there is plenty to explore here.

Day 11: San Francisco

Today is completely free for you to do as much or as little as you choose. Hop on a cable car as it trundles up and down the hilly streets, explore Fisherman’s Wharf, Nob Hill, Union Square and the Golden Gate Park.

Head across the Golden Gate Bridge to Sausalito or embark on a journey through the Napa Valley, one of the finest wine regions in the world.

Day 12: Monterey/Carmel (120 miles)

Discover one the highlights of your Californian adventure as you leave San Francisco behind and head south on Highway 1, often regarded as one of the most scenic drives on earth due to its breathtaking views of the Pacific coastline. Your destination is Monterey, take in Cannery Row’s historic waterfront, which so inspired John Steinbeck, Old Fisherman’s Wharf and the charming area of Carmel.

Day 13: Morro Bay (171 miles)

Continue south along the Pacific Coast Highway and beautiful stretches of California coastline. Arrive in the quaint seaside town of Morro Bay for the night, and stroll the vibrant Embarcadero lined with seafood restaurants and boutiques.

Day 14: Santa Barbara (106 miles)

Depart for Santa Barbara today, as you pass coastal vistas and vineyards before returning to the ocean. Tonight you’ll stay in America’s Riviera – Santa Barbara, where the mountains meet the Pacific with Mediterranean charm.

Day 15: Los Angeles (95 miles)

Your journey is coming towards its end as you wind your way back to Los Angeles. Drive along the beautiful stretch of coast in Malibu and see why so many celebrities choose to live here and stop off in vibrant Santa Monica. Spend the afternoon discovering the glitz and glamour of Beverley Hills and Rodeo Drive, see the Hollywood Walk of Fame and Sunset Strip before your final evening in California.

Day 16: Depart Los Angeles

Return your rental car to the airport in time for your onward flight.

This itinerary can be operated in reverse and tailored to meet your own personal requirements.



Songs of the South, a Legacy of Music & Civil Rights

14 days

Weave your way through the Deep South immersing yourself in the legendary musical legacy that embraces blues, rock and roll, country, gospel and jazz. Learn more about the modern Civil Rights movement sparked by Rosa Parks that changed history, and take time to soak up the easy-going, soulful ambiance that pervades throughout the southern states.

Highlights

Atlanta – Birthplace of Dr. Martin Luther King – Chattanooga – Nashville Country Music Hall of Fame – Graceland Memphis – Jackson – Natchez Mississippi River – New Orleans Mobile – Montgomery – Birmingham

Tour Includes

- 13 nights accommodation
- 14 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Entrance to the Country Music Hall of Fame
- Graceland experience

Departure Dates

Departs: Year Round
Daily

Day 1: Atlanta

Arrive in Atlanta, the rest of the day is free to explore. Perhaps visit Underground Atlanta, located in the heart of downtown, this 6-block area was once the city centre. During the 1920's, construction of the concrete "viaducts" elevated the street system one level, giving birth to what is now Underground Atlanta.

Day 2: Atlanta

Explore the city and see how it's evolved. Visit the birthplace of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum, CNN Studios, the World of Coca-Cola and the Virginia-Highland district, Atlanta's most popular neighbourhood for shopping, dining and nightlife.

Day 3: Nashville (250 miles)

Stop in Chattanooga and explore the Downtown Riverfront District. Once in Nashville explore the area between Broadway and 2nd Avenue, filled with entertainment venues, night clubs and an array of restaurants. It's here that you can take a tour of historic RCA Studio B – where Elvis and so many others recorded over 35,000 songs.

Day 4: Nashville

Nashville highlights include the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, the Grand Ole Opry House and Ryman Auditorium, designated a National Historic Landmark. Take a guided backstage tour or record a CD in the new Ryman Recording Studio, or perhaps take a tour past the homes of some of country music's well-known stars.

Day 5: Memphis (212 miles)

En route to Memphis take in the Belle Meade Plantation, a 30-acre historical site, known as the 'Queen of Tennessee Plantations'. Memphis is where the roots of blues, country and gospel music formed in the 1930s, learn more with a visit to the Memphis Rock 'n' Soul Museum and Sun Studio.

Day 6: Memphis

Today walk in the footsteps of the King of Rock 'n' Roll at Graceland. The Graceland experience includes Graceland mansion, Elvis' Automobile Museum, Elvis' custom jets. Then spend some time on Beale Street, a melting pot of delta blues, jazz, rock-n-roll, R&B, and gospel.

Day 7: Clarksdale/Cleveland (116 miles)

Stop in Clarksdale for a visit of the Delta Blues Museum. Cleveland is on the Mississippi Blues Trail and the unofficial birthplace of the blues. While here, visit the Grammy Museum Mississippi.

Day 8: Jackson/Natchez (224 miles)

Stop in Jackson, a treasure trove of African American and Civil Rights history. Follow along the Civil Rights Driving Tour which features sites including the Freedom Corner, the former home of slain NAACP Field Secretary Medgar Evers and explore the Farish Street Historical District. Your destination is Natchez, the oldest city on the Mississippi River and known for its antebellum mansions and historic landmarks.

Day 9: Natchez

Natchez has many historic homes and buildings that are walkable within the downtown area. Alternatively, horse drawn carriages and a downtown double decker bus offer tours covering food, literary spots, Civil Rights, and ghost tours.

Day 10: New Orleans (172 miles)

New Orleans is one of America's most culturally and historically rich destinations. Take an afternoon riverboat cruise on the Mississippi River and spend the evening in the French Quarter.

Day 11: New Orleans

Spend today exploring this vivacious city. Explore the French Quarter, New Orleans City Park, Jackson Square, or take a ride down St Charles Avenue in an historic streetcar and be astounded by the sheer beauty and number of mansions. Dine on Creole cuisine, visit gothic cemeteries or head out of the city to experience the swamps and bayous.

Day 12: Mobile/Selma (315 miles)

Once referred to as the Paris of the South, Mobile has long been the cultural centre of the Gulf Coast. Its 300-year history is alive in the city's architecture, fountains and treasured live oak trees. Continue to Selma, noteworthy for its significant role during the 1960s civil rights movement and the Selma to Montgomery marches.

Day 13: Montgomery/Birmingham (140 miles)

Continue to Montgomery, Alabama's capital. Visit the Rosa Parks Library and Museum, Rosa Parks, a 42-year-old seamstress, sparked the modern civil rights movement by taking a stand and keeping her seat on a city bus. Visit the Dexter Avenue King Memorial Baptist Church and see the pulpit where Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., first preached his message of hope and brotherhood. End the day in Birmingham.

Day 14: Atlanta (140 miles)

Visit important historical sites of the civil rights movement. Exhibits in the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute reveal slices of black and white life from the late 1800's to the present, whilst across the street is Birmingham's most famous civil rights landmark, the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church. The church was the site of a dynamite bombing in 1963 that killed 4 young African American girls. Travel to Atlanta and return your rental car at the airport in time for your onward flight.



Nashville



Atlanta



New Orleans



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Graceland

Postcards of California

9 days

Take a drive along one of the most scenic coastal drives in the world, soaking up the glorious beaches of Malibu, Santa Barbara, and the classic California beach towns of the Central Coast. Discover John Steinbeck’s Monterey muse before turning inland to the splendour of Yosemite National Park. Your journey ends in the ‘city by the bay’ beautiful San Francisco.

Highlights

Los Angeles – Malibu – Santa Barbara
Monterey/Carmel – Yosemite
San Francisco

Tour Includes

- 8 nights accommodation
- 9 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive document kit

Departure Dates

Departs: Year Round
Daily

Day 1: Los Angeles

On arrival in Los Angeles collect your rental car and make your way to your hotel.

Day 2: Los Angeles

Spend today discovering the glamour of L.A. Take in the sights of Venice Beach or head to Santa Monica. Mingle with the stars in Beverly Hills and see the Hollywood Walk of Fame or head to Anaheim for theme park thrills.

Day 3: Malibu/Santa Barbara and the Central Coast (230 miles)

Begin the drive north via Santa Monica and the rolling surf of the Malibu coastline. Take time to explore in Santa Barbara, a charming town filled with red roofed, white buildings, a picturesque nod to its Spanish heritage before continuing along the Central Coast.

Day 4: Monterey/Carmel (145 miles)

Discover the 17-Mile Scenic Drive and the pretty village of Carmel-by-the-Sea. A beautiful white sandy beach is flanked by wonderful places to eat, galleries to browse and boutiques. Your destination is Monterey, known for its exceptional marine life, excellent seafood restaurants and Steinbeck history.

Day 5: Yosemite National Park (179 miles)

Turn your sights inland as you cross California’s Central Valley to the mountains of the Sierra Nevada. Highway 49 will take you south through a region made famous during the days of the California gold rush. The creeks and streams are still a drawcard for gold panning enthusiasts.

Day 6: Yosemite National Park

Today is free to explore magnificent Yosemite National Park at your leisure. Jaw-dropping scenery awaits with vast giant sequoias at Mariposa Grove, the imposing presence of El Capitan, tumbling waterfalls, and memorable viewing points.

Day 7: San Francisco (189 miles)

After the incredible natural beauty of Yosemite, today’s scenic drive takes you back to the coast and the beautiful bay city of San Francisco.

Day 8: San Francisco

Take the ferry to Sausalito in Marin County or hop on a cable car to Fisherman’s Wharf and smile at the sea lions at Pier 39. See the Golden Gate Bridge, and visit the former island prison of Alcatraz, advance booking is essential.

Day 9: Depart San Francisco

Return your car to the airport in time for your onward flight.



Revolutionary Roads

13 days

Trace America’s path to independence from Philadelphia’s historic cobblestone streets, the battlefields of Gettysburg and the colonial capitals of Virginia. From homes of the Founding Fathers, the nation’s first settlements, living history and the ideals of liberty and democracy in Washington, D.C, this drive through early America will hark back to revolutionary spirit and the steps that the first leaders took to freedom.

Highlights

Philadelphia – Gettysburg
Charlottesville – Richmond
Williamsburg – Annapolis
Washington, D.C

Tour Includes

- 12 nights accommodation
- 8 days full inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive document kit

Departure Dates

Daily, Year Round

Day 1: Philadelphia

Arrive in Philadelphia and transfer independently to your downtown hotel for a 2-night stay.

Day 2: Philadelphia

The day is free for you to take in the ‘birthplace of America’. The city served as the temporary capital after the Revolutionary War. Wander the cobblestone streets and visit Independence Hall where the Declaration of Independence and Constitution were signed.

Day 3-4: Gettysburg (140 miles)

Collect your rental car and head to Gettysburg for 2 nights. Explore the museums, battlefield and the town shaped by Civil War connections.

Day 5: Charlottesville (166 miles)

Continue to Charlottesville, passing through Civil War country and the Blue Ridge foothills. You may wish to take a slight detour today and drive part of Skyline Drive, which offers panoramic views of the Shenandoah Valley. Arrive in the vibrant college town of Charlottesville this evening.

Day 6: Charlottesville

Known for its rich culture, history, food and wine scene, spend the day in Charlottesville. Monticello, the historic estate of Thomas Jefferson is also nearby, and well worth a visit.

Day 7: Richmond (72 miles)

Arrive in Richmond today, once the capital of the Confederacy, where you’ll spend the night. Today it is a dynamic city known for historical landmarks and riverfront parks.

Day 8-9: Williamsburg (50 miles)

On to colonial Williamsburg, part of the ‘Historic Triangle’. Stroll the historic streets and tour the world’s largest living history museum.

Day 10: Annapolis (187 miles)

Annapolis, America’s sailing capital, is a picturesque waterfront city perfect for a night stop before you arrive in Washington, D.C. Enjoy the bustling harbour and maritime culture.

Day 11-12: Washington, D.C (33 miles)

Return your vehicle today as you arrive in the city. From revolutionary-era treasures to modern museums and memorials, there is plenty to discover.

Day 13: Departure

Return to the airport for your onward flight.



Western Treasures

18 days

Embark on a fantastic road trip that takes in the best of California with time in San Francisco, Monterey, Los Angeles and San Diego before heading off into the spectacular national parks of Zion, Bryce Canyon and the epic Grand Canyon. This is a self-drive of impressive contrasts and designed to showcase the west in all its glory.

Highlights

San Francisco – Monterey – Malibu
Los Angeles – San Diego – Las Vegas
Zion National Park – Bryce Canyon
Lake Powell – Grand Canyon

Tour Includes

- 17 nights accommodation
- 16 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive document kit
- Los Angeles City Tour

Departure Dates

Departs: Year Round
Daily

Day 1: San Francisco

Arrive in San Francisco and make your way to your hotel. The rest of the day is free to explore.

Day 2: San Francisco

A full day to enjoy the ‘city by the bay’, although you could easily spend far longer here. Top of the must-see attractions include Fisherman’s Wharf, Pier 39, Union Square and Chinatown. Take a wander or cycle ride across the Golden Gate Bridge or maybe just find one of the many viewing points and see it in all its splendour.

Day 3: Monterey/Carmel (130 miles)

Collect your rental car this morning and begin your drive south to Monterey. Famed for its incredible marine life and Cannery Row, which inspired the John Steinbeck novel of the same name, this seaside town is a joy to discover. A little further south is the pretty village of Carmel, known for its white beaches, art galleries and excellent restaurants.

Day 4: Santa Barbara/Oxnard (280 miles)

Follow the super-scenic Pacific Coast Highway today as it twists and winds its way through Big Sur, where the mountains plunge down to the ocean. The landscape grows gentler as you pass through Hearst Castle and Morro Bay.

Continue through Pismo Beach and the charming town of Santa Barbara, known for its Spanish architecture, before arriving in Oxnard.

Day 5: Malibu/Santa Monica/Los Angeles (70 miles)

The ‘city of angels’ beckons today but first take time to soak up the coastal vibes of Malibu and Santa Monica. Perhaps glimpse some of the city highlights including the Hollywood Walk of Fame, Sunset Strip, Beverly Hills and Rodeo Drive

Day 6: Los Angeles

This morning, enjoy a comprehensive city tour of Los Angeles including hip Santa Monica, glamorous Hollywood and oh-so-stylish Beverly Hills. Stop at the “finish line” of Historic Route 66, walk on the boulevard of stars and take a great photo of the iconic Hollywood sign. The afternoon is yours to explore at your own pace.

Day 7: San Diego (131 miles)

Continue south via Anaheim, home to the original Disneyland, before arriving in sunny San Diego. A waterside city with more than 70 miles of beaches, beautiful parklands and neighbourhoods steeped in history and culture.

Day 8: San Diego

A day to relax in the sunshine. Begin in Balboa Park, more than 1200 acres of green space in the heart of the city which houses 17 museums and the largest population of koalas outside of Australia. Visit the California Surf Museum, San Diego Zoo or the Birch Aquarium at Scripps in La Jolla.

Day 9: Las Vegas (336 miles)

The desert beckons today, your destination the bright lights of dazzling Las Vegas.

Day 10–11: Las Vegas

Enjoy 2 full days to explore the sights and sounds of this desert city. Perhaps head out of town to Lake Mead and the Hoover Dam or take an optional scenic flight out to the Grand Canyon.

Day 12: Zion National Park (165 miles)

Leave the manmade wonder of Las Vegas behind as you travel deeper into the desert via the Colorado Plateau to the Zion National Park. Spend the afternoon exploring this remarkable park of canyons and soaring red and white cliffs, one of Utah’s most remarkable natural wonders.

Day 13: Bryce Canyon (90 miles)

The majestic hoodoos of central Utah await today. See the vibrant red rocks transformed into pinnacles and spires by the weather and passing of time.

Day 14: Page/Lake Powell (155 miles)

It’s worth the early start to witness the spectacular sunrise at Bryce Point. Continue south through Utah to the charming town of Kanab, where many westerns have been filmed. Once in Page see the Glen Canyon Dam and the magnificent blue waters of Lake Powell.

Day 15: Grand Canyon (136 miles)

There is time to explore further this morning, perhaps take a guided tour of Antelope Canyon, the beautifully coloured sandstone canyons are a photographer’s dream, before moving onto the Grand Canyon.

Day 16: Grand Canyon

Today is yours to enjoy the incredible nature wonder that is the Grand Canyon. At 227 miles long and averaging 10 miles in width from rim to rim, it truly is spectacular. Whether you choose to take an optional helicopter tour, a ranger led hike or explore the rim walking trails on a self-guided walk, your time here will be unforgettable.

Day 17: Las Vegas (276 miles)

Leave the Grand Canyon behind as you head west through Williams and Kingman, the heart of Route 66 and one of Arizona’s hidden treasures to the Hoover Dam. Straddling the mighty Colorado River, which forms a natural border between Arizona and Nevada, the sight of this huge dam is impressive to say the least. Optional tours are available, and the informative visitors centre is well-worth a visit before continuing onto Las Vegas. Take in a world-class show, see the incredible hotels along the Las Vegas strip and enjoy a fabulous meal on your final night of this wonderful drive.

Day 18: Depart Las Vegas

Return your car to the airport in time for your onward flight



Volcanoes, Valleys and Vines

15 days

From the diverse, independent scene in Portland, the misty Pacific coastline, Crater Lake National Park and craggy mountain peaks and lava fields, Oregon provides a vast study in contrasts. Journey around the state full of stunning natural attractions, as windswept beaches give way to sweeping rangelands, towering rock formations and dramatic river valleys as you discover hidden travel gems of the Pacific Northwest.

Highlights

Portland – Astoria – Pacific Coast
Ashland – Crater Lake National Park
Bend – Painted Hills – Baker City
Hells Canyon – Pendleton – Hood River

Tour Includes

- 14 nights accommodation
- 12 days full inclusive intermediate SUV car hire

Departure Dates

Departs: Year round
Daily

Day 1: Portland

Arrive in Portland today and make the short journey from the airport to your downtown hotel for a 2-night stay.

Day 2: Portland

Explore Portland today. The city blends outdoor adventure with a vibrant arts and culinary scene set against the backdrop of Mount Hood. Known as a top U.S. foodie destination, the city offers everything from craft breweries to award-winning restaurants and food carts, which have become an iconic part of the city’s identity. With over 200 parks and gardens, the city is also a haven for outdoor lovers. The urban buzz can also be seen in the thriving maker community and passion for sustainability.

Day 3: Astoria (98 miles)

Collect your rental car and depart for the coastal city of Astoria. Perched at the mouth of the Columbia River, Astoria is Oregon’s oldest city where a fishing village meets Victoriana. Spend the night here discovering museums and great local brews.

Day 4-5: Pacific Coast (90 miles)

Depart Astoria and drive U.S. 101 – the Pacific Coast Scenic Byway. Driving from north to south enables you to stop at numerous stunning viewpoints and State Parks with ease, such as Ecola and Cape Perpetua. There are many characterful coastal communities to spend 2 nights in as you take it slowly on this All-American Road.

Day 6-7: Ashland (299 miles)

You may wish to continue further down the coast today before heading inland to Ashland, home to the world-famous Oregon Shakespeare Festival with performances running from February to October and ranked in the top 10 Best Small Art Towns in America. Check into your hotel for a 2-night stay in this cultural hotspot, with a tree-shaded downtown, nearby vineyards and distinctive shops.

Day 8: Crater Lake – Bend (185 miles)

On your drive from Ashland to Bend, stop at Crater Lake National Park. Covered in snow for most of the year, drive part of the Volcanic Legacy Scenic Byway to arrive at Crater Lake, where eons of eruptions and lava flows left a heritage of cinder cones and America’s deepest lake.

The crisp air and sapphire blue water are mesmerising, and you may wish to take a tour departing from the Visitor Centre around the 33-mile rim drive. Continue to Bend where you will spend the next 2-nights.

Day 9: Bend

Bend is famous for recreation, with hiking and biking trails and impressive Smith Rock State Park with its soaring rock spires nearby. Bend’s award-winning dining and shopping make it the perfect break from your drive. You may wish to visit the town of Sisters just 30 minutes away with charming western 1880s facades and small-town ambience.

Day 10-11: Baker City (231 miles)

Depart for Baker City today and step back in time to the frontier days, when this was the epicentre of Oregon’s gold rush. On the way, make sure to stop at the Painted Hills, where you can see millions of years of history revealed in the layers of mountains of earth, one colour at a time. Best seen in the late afternoon, the Painted Hills are one of three units that make up the John Day Fossil Beds. Arrive in Baker City later for a 2-night stay. You can also visit Hells Canyon from Baker City – plummeting more than 2,438 metres, dwarfing the Grand Canyon.

Day 12: Pendleton (95 miles)

The west is still wild in Pendleton. Learn about native tribes, attend a rodeo and drink craft beers all in the same day as you stay here overnight. Browse for cowboy hats and other fine art and accessories at Hamley & Co. Western Store, a fixture in downtown since 1905.

Day 13: Hood River (146 miles)

Your drive today features jaw-dropping scenery as you arrive in Hood River, at the crossroads of the Columbia River Gorge and the Cascade Range. Hood River is full of scenic trails, wineries and farm-to-table dining. Experience as much as you can as you spend the night here.

Day 14: Portland (63 miles)

Continue driving along the Columbia River as you make your way back to Portland. A photo stop at Multnomah Falls is a must before you arrive back in the city and return your car for your final night.

Day 15: Portland departure

Make your own way back to the airport in time for your departure flight.



Crater Lake



Cannon Beach



Bend



Portland

American Grandeurs

16 days

Encompassing the states of Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and New Mexico, this self-drive reveals some of America’s most breathtaking and dramatic natural wonders. Marvel at mother nature’s most impressive creations as you weave your way through the richly coloured canyons, soaring mountain ranges, gorges and geysers before returning to Denver.

Highlights

Denver – Rocky Mountain National Park
Steam Boat Springs – Dinosaur National Monument – Grand Teton National Park
Yellowstone National Park – Salt Lake City
Bryce Canyon – Zion National Park
Lake Powell – Monument Valley
Mesa Verde – Taos – Santa Fe

Tour Includes

- 15 nights accommodation
- 15 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive document kit

Departure Dates

Departs: April – October
Daily

Day 1: Denver

Arrive in Denver, collect your car and make your way to your hotel. If preferred, you can arrange to pick up your car tomorrow.

Day 2: Rocky Mountain National Park/ Steamboat Springs (160 miles)

Leaving Denver behind, your drive begins with the spectacular Rocky Mountain National Park, a veritable living laboratory of flora and fauna. Cross the Continental Divide of the Rockies and continue to the pretty mountain town of Steamboat Springs, steeped in history and western culture.

Day 3: Dinosaur National Monument/ Flaming Gorge/Rock Springs (280 miles)

As you arrive at the Colorado/Utah border cross into the Dinosaur National Monument and visit Dinosaur Quarry, a paradise for palaeontologist fans. This spot has produced more dinosaur skeletons, bones and fossils than any other dig in the world. Some date back more the 140 million years. Explore Flaming Gorge and Red Canyon before arriving in Rock Springs.

Day 4: Jackson (190 miles)

Today you’ll travel through the Wind River Gorge, and over the high chaparral of Wyoming, a spectacularly scenic drive to Jackson. Experience the old west this evening with a walk around the traditional town square.

Day 5: Grand Teton National Park/ Yellowstone (80 miles)

The driving distance is short today giving ample opportunity to explore the magnificent Grand Teton National Park with its rugged mountains and braided rivers. Continue onwards to Yellowstone, America’s first national park. Old Faithful and Mammoth Hot Springs are the iconic sights but there is much more to enjoy. This is a wildlife wonderland so prepare yourself to find bison, deer, elk, moose and even bears wandering freely.

Day 6: Salt Lake City (350 miles)

Dip your toes into the state of Idaho as you make your way to Utah and its capital Salt Lake City. Depending on when you visit there may be opportunity to hear a performance by the world-famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

Day 7: Bryce Canyon (250 miles)

Ascend the Wasatch Mountain Range as you head for the natural wonders that await in southern Utah. Bryce Canyon, one of Utah’s ‘Mighty 5’ as the 5 national parks are known, is an otherworldly place. Here crimson hoodoos, thousands of spires and pinnacles, punctuated by evergreen forest, spread like an alien blanket across the landscape.

Day 8-9: Zion National Park (85 miles)

Head to the charming desert town of Springdale today for the next 2 nights, at the gateway to dramatic Zion National Park. Leave your car behind as you take the shuttles around the park (season dependent) to explore the iconic hikes, viewpoints and canyons.

Day 10: Lake Powell/Page (154 miles)

Your drive heads east through Kanab to Page, where the sparkling blue waters of Lake Powell contrast with the vivid red desert.

Day 11: Monument Valley (190 miles)

Leave early today to ensure there is time to explore the Navajo Indian Reservation and the trading post of Cameron. The drive takes you through the impressive landscape of the Painted Desert, a stretch of Badlands where the sandstone is banded with vivid shades of yellow, gold, blue and lavender. Discover the sandstone spires and monoliths of Monument Valley.

Day 12: Mesa Verde/Durango (185 miles)

Established to preserve the work of man, rather than natural treasures, the ruins of Mesa Verde are a slightly unusual but interesting place to explore. It is the first national park of its kind. From here it’s a short drive to the old gold mining town of Durango.

Day 13: Taos (200 miles)

Enjoy the stunning scenery of Durango this morning with a walk along its main street before leaving the town behind. Pass Pagosa Springs as you make your way to the state of New Mexico. Your home for the next 2 nights is the artists’ colony of Taos. An impressive spot surrounded by snowcapped peaks.

Day 14: Santa Fe (70 miles)

Explore the Taos Indian Pueblo, a village virtually unchanged from when it was inhabited for 800 years by almost 1400 Taos Indians. This afternoon head south to Santa Fe, the oldest capital city in the USA. This ancient and colourful city has huge appeal and myriad of attractions to discover before returning to Taos. Explore the Museum of Contemporary Native Arts, stroll through the Plaza, a grassy square with street musicians and Native American’s selling pottery and jewellery and soak up the unique atmosphere.

Day 15: Denver (290 miles)

Wind your way north through New Mexico back into Colorado. The spectacular mountain scenery is a fitting finale to your drive as you return to Denver. Enjoy a final night in the city.

Day 16: Depart Denver

Return your car to the airport in time for your onward flight.



Grand Teton National Park



Salt Lake City



Jackson



Denver

Minneapolis, Yellowstone and the Rockies

14 days

A unique journey through America’s mid-western states taking in vibrant cities, rugged mountain ranges, natural parks and impressive natural wonders. This drive is filled with history, culture and includes what is arguably the most iconic of images in the country, Mount Rushmore National Monument.

Highlights

- Minneapolis – Sioux Falls
- Mount Rushmore – Big Horn Mountains
- Cody – Yellowstone National Park
- Big Sky – Flathead Valley
- Glacier National Park – Great Falls
- Little Bighorn – Billings
- Theodore Roosevelt National Park – Fargo

Tour Includes

- 13 nights accommodation
- 13 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive document kit

Departure Dates

Departs: April – October
Daily

Day 1: Minneapolis

Arrive in Minneapolis, home to one of the most vibrant arts and music scenes outside of New York, and a pleasing blend of natural beauty and urban life. Pick up your car on arrival and make your way to your hotel. Alternatively, pick up your car tomorrow before leaving the city.

Day 2: Sioux Falls (227 miles)

Today you’ll head to South Dakota’s largest city and the ‘Heart of America’ Sioux Falls. Set on the Big Sioux River, the impressive waterfalls gave the city its name and can be seen at the Falls Visitors Park, where 7,400 gallons of water cascades over the 100-foot course every second. Soak up the culture and enjoy the varied cuisine of this vibrant city.

Day 3-4: Mount Rushmore/Rapid City (341 miles)

As you drive east to west, you’ll come face to face with a number of unique roadside attractions. Take a gander at the world’s only corn palace, Al’s Oasis where a vast bison statue heralds your arrival into the western stretches of South Dakota and Wall Drug Store, where you can still get a coffee for \$.05. The real highlight today however is Mount Rushmore National Monument. You can’t help but be awed by the sheer scale of the faces of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson,

Abraham Lincoln and Thoeodore Roosevelt, carved 60ft tall into the Black Hills.

Day 5: Big Horn Mountains/Cody (378 miles)

Search out all of the US Presidents that stand on downtown street corners in the form of bronze statues before leaving Rapid City. Head through the northern Black Hills and cross into Wyoming. Take in the alpine lakes, pine forests and snowcapped peaks of the Big Horn Mountains before arriving in Cody. Founded in 1896 by Buffalo Bill, Cody pays homage to the wild west and there are rodeos, gun fight re-enactments and shows to enjoy.

Day 6: Yellowstone National Park

See the power of nature in full force as you arrive at Yellowstone National Park. A place that needs little introduction.

Day 7: Yellowstone National Park

Discover the mountains, lakes and forests that lie within America’s first national park. Hike the park trails and boardwalks and whilst Yellowstone Canyon, Old Faithful and Mammoth Hot Springs are the must-see attractions, there is much more to enjoy. Wildlife is prolific here and you are likely to spot elk, moose, bison, eagles and bears as you explore the park.

Day 8: Big Sky/Flathead Valley/Whitefish (442 miles)

Today is a big driving day that will take you north to the seemingly endless views of Big Sky, above you the never-ending skies that gave this Montana town its name. Head through the Mission Mountain Range and along the shores of Flathead Lake to Whitefish. In the heart of the rugged northern Rocky Mountains, this town is gateway to Glacier National Park.

Day 9: Glacier National Park

Using Whitefish as your base, today is free to enjoy the magnificent natural wonders of Glacier National Park. Whether you choose to explore on foot following the many hiking trails, take a boat cruise, or embark on a drive along the historic Going-to-the-Sun Road, this will be a memorable day filled with wildlife, mountains, lakes and glaciers.

Day 10: Great Falls (219 miles)

Great Falls is the destination today. Winding along the southern border of the park, Highway 2 takes in the memorably named Goat Lick Overview, so called for the mountain goats that come to lick the mineral-laden cliffs.

Great Falls sits at the confluence of the Missouri and Sun Rivers and is home to the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Centre, which brings the epic expedition to life.

Day 11: Little Bighorn/Billings (218 miles)

Experience the vast plains and mountains of Central Montana, sitting under a huge sky. Visit the Little Bighorn Battle Monument, commemorating the site of the Battle of Little Bighorn between the Sioux, Cheyenne and the United States in 1876. Drive the tour road to retrace the steps of the battle and take a moment to reflect the past as you walk along the graves of war veterans. Return to Billings this evening.

Day 12: Theodore Roosevelt National Park/Bismark (412 miles)

Travel through North Dakota’s wide-open plains and follow the Scenic Loop Drive. See the rugged Badlands at the Painted Canyon Visitor Centre, with views as far as the eye can see before arriving in Bismark. Bismark is a charmingly authentic city, offering warm hospitality and distinctive scenery.

Day 13: Fargo/Minneapolis (432 miles)

Fargo is a large city with a small-town feel, which gained a measure of modern fame thanks to the 1996 film of the same name. Cross the Red River into Minnesota for the return drive to Minneapolis and your final night.

Day 14: Depart Minneapolis

Return your car to the airport in time for your onward flight.



Glacier National Park



Mount Rushmore



Cowboy



Little Bighorn

Historic Route 66

16 days

Travel back in time as you embark on the ultimate American road trip as you drive the “Mother Road” from Chicago to Santa Monica. The route takes you on an epic tour across the USA, it crosses 8 states, 3 time zones and is the quintessential American road trip that captures the imagination and the true spirit of America.

Highlights

Chicago – St Louis – Springfield
Oklahoma City – Amarillo – Albuquerque
Santa Fe – Painted Desert – Flagstaff
Grand Canyon – Hoover Dam – Las Vegas
Santa Monica – Los Angeles

Tour Includes

- 15 nights accommodation
- 16 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive document kit

Departure Dates

Departs: April – October
Daily

Day 1: Chicago

Arrive at Chicago Airport, collect your car and drive to your hotel. Or arrange to collect your car tomorrow if preferred.

Day 2: Chicago

A day to explore “the Windy City”. Stand on the corner of Michigan and Adams, marked as the official starting point of Historic Route 66, and head for coffee at Lou Mitchell’s, a Chicago institution since 1923 and rite of passage for those embarking on the Route 66 journey. Stroll the lakefront or explore the incredible sights and architectural treasures including Willis Tower, one of the tallest buildings in North America.

Day 3: St. Louis (300 miles)

Begin your Route 66 journey today as you leave Chicago. This legendary road passes through a wealth of pure Americana landscapes and showcases some of the oldest and most unusual sites on the way. Don’t miss Wilmington’s most photographed green Gemini Giant, and Atlanta’s Bunyan Giant. In Springfield, stop at the Cosy Dog drive-in, the birthplace of the corn dog, and explore the Lincoln Home National Historic Site. Once in St. Louis, visit historic sites found throughout the city, including the Gateway Arch, the nation’s tallest monument.

Day 4: Springfield (210 miles)

Continue through the Ozark Highlands of southern Missouri to Springfield. En route, stop at Meramec Caverns, an extensive set of natural limestone caves whose formations and colours are as unique as they are beautiful.

Day 5: Oklahoma City (310 miles)

The Oklahoma section of Route 66 contains more driveable miles than any other state, including several miles of the original road. See the beloved 20-foot-tall cement Blue Whale in Catoosa and the Cyrus Avery Route 66 Memorial Bridge in Tulsa. Once in Oklahoma City take time to check out the old Route 66 vintage buildings.

Day 6: Amarillo (260 miles)

Travel through the pancake-flat plains of the Texas Panhandle, this area of Texas was once the buffalo-rich grasslands of the Great Plains. Stop at the Route 66 Museum in Clinton for 6 decades of Route 66 history. See the first restored Phillips 66 gas station in McLean and in Groom, the leaning water tower and a 150-foot tall stainless-steel cross.

Day 7: Albuquerque (270 miles)

Before leaving Amarillo be sure to visit Cadillac Ranch. Continue to the Midpoint Café in Adrian famous for its “ugly crust” pies. Follow Route 66 to Albuquerque, which spreads north and south along the banks of the Rio Grande. Central Avenue is a treasure trove of Route 66 landmarks.

Day 8: Holbrook (233 miles)

The state of Arizona welcomes Route 66 travellers with an overwhelming display of trading posts. View huge concrete tepees that stand at the foot of brilliant red-rock mesas en route to Petrified Forest National Park. Soak up the sunset over the Painted Desert from Kachina Point before heading to Holbrook.

Day 9: Flagstaff/Williams (180 miles)

Continue to Meteor City, a true vintage trading post whose distinctive dome can be seen for miles along this stretch of Route 66. Stop in the beautiful town of Flagstaff before continuing onto Williams for 2 nights.

Day 10: Grand Canyon (260 miles)

Head to the Grand Canyon for a day of discovery. This natural wonderful has to be seen to be believed. Explore the distinctive South Rim, take in the incredible views from the numerous overlooks, which can extend for more than 100 miles on a clear day. Return to Williams for the night.

Day 11: Las Vegas (300 miles)

Leave Williams and the Grand Canyon behind as you head for Seligman, on the longest uninterrupted stretch of Route 66. Stop and marvel at the Hoover Dam, an incredible feat of engineering that straddles and harnesses power from the mighty Colorado River. Continue onto Las Vegas.

Day 12-13: Las Vegas

Enjoy 2 days to explore Las Vegas at your leisure. Take in the bright lights, impressive hotels and enjoy a world class show. Alternatively, head out of town and explore Red Rock Canyon, or Zion National Park

Day 14: Santa Monica/Los Angeles (290 miles)

Head out through the Mojave Desert for Calico Ghost Town, California’s authentic silver mining town. Re-join Route 66 in Barstow home to the Route 66 Mother Road Museum before continuing on to Santa Monica for a true Hollywood ending to your trans-America journey. Enjoy time strolling the boardwalks, and exploring the Santa Monica Pier where you’ll find the ‘End of the Trail’ sign, marking the official western end of Route 66.

Day 15: Los Angeles

Spend the day exploring, perhaps head south to Huntington Beach, the USA’s official Surf City, a fabulous and classically Californian beach experience. Theme Park lovers should explore Anaheim, home to the original Disney Land theme park, or pay a visit to Universal Studios Hollywood.

Day 16: Depart Los Angeles

Return your rental car at Los Angeles International Airport in time for your onward flight or extend your drive and continue north along Highway 1 through Santa Barbara and Monterey to San Francisco.

We also offer motorcycle rental and guided touring through our partnership with Eagle Rider, with over 150 rental locations across America. Further information is available on pages 126-127 of this brochure, or ask our team for available dates and departures.



Route 66



Route 66 Museum



Route 66



Chicago

National Parks Highway

20 days

Travel from the Sonoran Desert to the Northern Rockies, crossing multiple ecosystems and landscapes taking in some of America’s most iconic sights. Route 89, often called the National Parks Highway, provides a continuous drive connecting canyons, alpine peaks and prairies. On this itinerary, you will take in 10 of America’s magnificent National Parks, with scenic byways and western hospitality in abundance.

Highlights

Scottsdale – Petrified Forest
Grand Canyon – Zion – Bryce Canyon
Capitol Reef – Arches
Canyonlands – Park City – Jackson
Grand Teton – Yellowstone – Helena
Whitefish – Glacier National Park

Tour Includes

- 19 nights accommodation
- 17 days fully inclusive intermediate SUV car hire

Departure Dates

Daily, June to early October

Day 1: Phoenix/Scottsdale arrival

Arrive in Phoenix and transfer independently to Scottsdale for a 2-night stay. You may wish to collect your car on arrival instead.

Day 2: Scottsdale

Soak in Scottsdale’s desert charm today. From shopping, dining, luxury resorts and outdoor adventure, there is plenty to enjoy.

Day 3: Holbrook – Petrified Forest (189 miles)

Collect your rental car at Phoenix Airport today and drive through the desert to Holbrook. This Route 66 town lies just outside Petrified Forest National Park with some of the Southwest’s most unique landscapes. Explore some quirky roadside Americana before heading into the park.

Day 4: Grand Canyon (177 miles)

As national parks go, the Grand Canyon needs little introduction. You may choose to explore on foot or opt for a helicopter tour of this natural marvel.

Day 5-6: Springdale – Zion National Park (254 miles)

Today you’ll enter Utah, but you may wish to make a stop at Lake Powell on the way. Arrive in Springdale, nestled at the base of towering red cliffs at the gateway to Zion National Park. Spend 2 nights here to explore the world-famous trails of the park including The Narrows. Leave your car behind and take the park shuttle from the town (season dependent).

Day 7: Bryce Canyon – Torrey (156 miles)

Leave Springdale behind as you drive Scenic Byway 12, connecting Bryce Canyon and Torrey. Stop at Bryce Canyon to do a short hike on the Navajo Loop Trail, overlooking the hoodoos and spires. After some more photo stops passing Grand-Staircase Escalante Monument, arrive in Torrey.

Day 8: Torrey – Capitol Reef National Park

Today is a full day for you to explore Capitol Reef. A hidden gem of dramatic slot canyons and natural bridges, make sure to stop at historic pioneer settlement Fruita, for a taste of the region’s history.

Day 9: Moab (156 miles)

Arrive in Moab today, the perfect base to explore both Canyonlands and Arches National Parks. Check in for a 3-night stay and explore the eclectic shops and restaurants downtown.

Day 10-11: Arches & Canyonlands

Over the next two days, these two parks will provide you with spectacular views of iconic arches, towering spires and canyons. Explore the trails through the parks to appreciate the desert landscapes.

Day 12: Salt Lake City (234 miles)

Stay in Salt Lake City for the night, home to an impressive pioneering history and vibrant food, drink and arts scene.

Day 13: Jackson (277 miles)

As the open countryside changes to mountain scenery on your drive today, you will arrive in Jackson. The gateway to Wyoming’s rugged beauty, the town is your base for 2 nights.

Day 14: Grand Teton National Park

Escape to the mountains today as you drive through Grand Teton. Hike a trail, enjoy a lakeside picnic and look for wildlife.

Day 15-16: Yellowstone National Park (98 miles)

Wind your way north today to Yellowstone’s South Entrance. Expect dramatic alpine peaks and pristine lakes, as well as sightings of bison and elk along the route. Stay in one of the park’s lodges to ensure you cover plenty of ground during your 2 nights here.

Day 17: Helena (208 miles)

Enter classic Big Sky country as you arrive in Montana’s capital – a historic western city surrounded by the Rocky Mountains.

Day 18-19: Whitefish (209 miles)

As you drive to Whitefish, expect impressive vistas and mountainous beauty, leading you to the gateway of Glacier National Park. A must-do is driving the Going-to-the-Sun Road, winding 50 miles through the park with views of glacial valleys and jagged peaks.

Day 20: Kalispell departure (12 miles)

Return your car at Kalispell Airport today, in time for your departing flight.



Phoenix



Salt Lake City



Arches National Park



Whitefish

Credit: Donnie Sexton

The Bluegrass and Bourbon Trail

10 days

Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds and savour the flavours of the south on this self-drive tour through Tennessee and Kentucky. Beginning and ending in Memphis, home of Elvis and the blues. This circular tour takes in the Great Smoky Mountains, the mighty Mississippi, the beautiful bluegrass region of Kentucky and Nashville, ‘Music City USA’.

Highlights

Memphis – Lynchburg – Chattanooga
Gatlinburg – Great Smoky Mountains
Lexington – Louisville – Nashville

Tour Includes

- 9 nights accommodation
- 10 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive document kit

Departure Dates

Departs: Year Round
Daily

Day 1: Memphis

Upon arrival into Memphis collect your rental car and check into your hotel.

Day 2: Memphis

Today is free to explore, we suggest a visit to Graceland, legendary home of the late Elvis Presley, then perhaps the Rock & Soul Museum, the Stax Museum of American Soul Music, the Gibson Guitar Factory, or Sun Studio.

Day 3: Lynchburg (263 miles)

Continue to Lynchburg, the home of Bourbon. Whilst here take time to discover the famous home of the Jack Daniel’s whisky distillery.

Day 4: Chattanooga (91 miles)

Today’s drive brings you to Chattanooga. It lies on the Tennessee River in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains and is a paradise for lovers of the great outdoors. It’s also a remarkably eco-friendly place.

Day 5: Gatlinburg (145 miles)

Make your way north through Knoxville, a city with a rich history and a thriving arts and culture scene. Gatlinburg is one of the 3 main gateways to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Dolly Parton is also one of the regions best-loved residents and should you wish to indulge your ‘inner-Dolly’ there are many places that play tribute to her.

Day 6: Lexington (214 miles)

As you leave Gatlinburg you’ll be accompanied by scenic views of the Appalachian Mountains and the Mississippi River. Begin your morning in the horse capital of the world, in the heart of Kentucky’s Bluegrass region. Alongside its impressive equine heritage, Lexington is also one of the top spots in Kentucky for bourbon.

Day 7: Louisville (78 miles)

When you reach Louisville, don’t forget to visit the home of the world’s most famous thoroughbred horserace, the Kentucky Derby.

Day 8-9: Nashville (176 miles)

Nashville is “Music City USA”. Explore the Music City Walk of Fame (optional) and perhaps take in a show at the Grand Ole Opry or stroll through the Music Valley’s Wax Museum of the Stars.

Day 10: Memphis (212 miles)

Depart the capital of country and western music to return to the home of the blues, Memphis. Return your car at the airport where your tour comes to an end.



Smoky Mountains



Chattanooga



Lynchburg

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A Touch of Southern Comfort

9 days

Discover the genteel southern states of Georgia, South Carolina and the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. Atlanta, a vibrant and cultural hub, the ornate antebellum mansions and Spanish moss bedecked oak trees of Savannah and Charleston’s old-world appeal. You’ll learn about the Civil Rights movement and Civil War history and explore the scenic panoramas of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Highlights

Atlanta – Birthplace of Dr. Martin Luther King – Savannah – Charleston
Blue Ridge Mountains – Asheville

Tour Includes

- 8 nights accommodation
- 9 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive documentation kit
- Old Town Trolley Ticket
- Charleston Historic Walking Tour

Departure Dates

Departs: Year Round
Daily

Day 1: Atlanta

Arrive in Atlanta and make your way to the hotel. This vibrant city is the cultural hub of the state of Georgia, the rest of the day is free to explore.

Day 2: Atlanta

Explore Atlanta and see sites such as the birthplace of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum, CNN Studios, the World of Coca-Cola and the Virginia-Highland district, Atlanta’s most popular neighbourhood for shopping, dining, and nightlife.

Day 3: Savannah (248 miles)

Oh-so beautiful Savannah boasts leafy streets and gorgeous architecture, elegant town houses and antebellum mansions.

Day 4: Savannah

Today, take a trolley tour to see some of Savannah’s hundreds of restored buildings spanning 3 centuries worth of architectural styles. For shopping, City Market and the Bay Street area are known for their quaint shops and galleries.

Day 5: Charleston (111 miles)

Travel through the Lowcountry to Charleston in South Carolina. Explore some of the city’s carefully preserved 18th and 19th century homes which offer a glimpse into the lives of pre-Civil War Southern wealth and the history of the “Old South”.

Day 6: Charleston

Visit Fort Sumter or take a short drive to visit some of the numerous plantations and gardens just outside of Charleston.

Day 7: Asheville (268 miles)

Asheville, in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains, boasts a thriving arts community, diverse outdoor adventures, a vibrant downtown, and numerous historic and architectural attractions.

Day 8: Asheville

Scenic drives along the Blue Ridge Parkway are a must and hiking trails, canopy tours and horseback riding options are available. At Grandfather Mountain, see the native animal habitats and cross the Mile High Swinging bridge. Travel along old Indian trading paths the Indians used to cross through the mountains to trading posts and villages in the Tennessee and Ohio River valleys. Or visit Hot Springs, a haven for those seeking outdoor adventure, healing, and relaxation.

Day 9: Atlanta (208 miles)

Depart Asheville late morning and enjoy the drive south through rolling hills back to Atlanta for your onward flight.



Savannah



Asheville



Savannah

Six State Sampler

16 days

Discover the charms of beautiful New England on this leisurely wander through the six states of Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and Vermont. Begin in Boston before taking to the open road for a drive through a region that is steeped in history, stunning scenery, and a gorgeous coastline, sprinkled with quaint villages, welcoming inns, and sublime seafood.

Highlights

Boston – Portsmouth – Ogunquit
Kennebunkport – Portland – Stowe
Burlington – Manchester – The Berkshires
Mystic – Newport – Falmouth
Provincetown

Tour Includes

- 15 nights accommodation
- 14 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive documentation kit
- Portland Harbour cruise
- Mansion tickets in Newport

Departure Dates

Departs: Year Round
Daily

Day 1: Boston

Arrive in Boston and make your way to your hotel. The rest of the day is free for you to explore at your leisure.

Day 2: Boston/Cambridge

Explore Boston’s highlights including the Freedom Trail, a 1.6-mile trail that weaves through important historical sites from colonial and revolutionary times. Along the waterfront you could join a harbour cruise, whale watching tour or cross the Charles River to Cambridge and visit Harvard University.

Day 3: Portsmouth/Ogunquit (75 miles)

Collect your car and travel north, making a stop in Portsmouth, a working port since colonial days and a treasure trove of historical offerings. Your destination is Ogunquit in Maine. This beach community boasts a long, white sandy beach, fine shops and galleries, and the Marginal Way, a magnificent mile-long footpath that follows the edge of the Atlantic atop rugged cliffs.

Day 4: Kennebunkport (22 miles)

Use Ogunquit as a base and make the short drive to Kennebunkport, which boasts several impressive seaside estates along Ocean Avenue, the one-of-a-kind Wedding Cake House and quaint shops and galleries.

Day 5: Portland/North Conway (90 miles)

Explore Portland’s historic buildings, Old Port Exchange and take a cruise to see its famous lighthouses. Travel through Maine’s pretty lakes region and into North Conway. This is an incredibly picturesque region of covered bridges, white steepled churches, high mountains and rolling farmland.

Day 6: Lincoln (92 miles)

Spend today venturing along Franconia Notch to see natural wonders such as Indian Head, hike into Flume Gorge, or take a tram to the summit of Cannon Mountain for breathtaking views of the surrounding area. Return to North Conway for the night.

Day 7: Stowe (115 miles)

Scenic routes and covered bridges depict the landscapes, as you wend your way into Vermont, the Green Mountain state. See how Maple Syrup is made at Morse Farm and indulge in a tour at Ben & Jerry’s Ice Cream Factory as you head to the charming village of Stowe, for a 2-night stay.

Day 8: Burlington (72 miles)

From Stowe it’s an easy drive into Burlington, on the shores of Lake Champlain. Enjoy a cruise on the lake, stroll Church Street Marketplace or visit the Shelburne Museum, one of the nation’s finest, most diverse, and unconventional museums of art and Americana.

Day 9: Manchester/Lee (185 miles)

Head south to Manchester. Highly regarded for its mansions, art centre and Hildene, the former estate of Robert Todd Lincoln, Abraham Lincoln’s son before continuing into Lee for 2 nights.

Day 10: The Berkshires (44 miles)

Spend today exploring the communities located in the Berkshires hill region. Tanglewood, the Boston Symphony’s summer home is in Lenox. Stockbridge is home to the Norman Rockwell Museum, famous for his Saturday Evening Post covers. In Hancock visit the Hancock Shaker Village, a beautifully restored village, set on 1,200 acres of farm, woodland and pasture, and home to a premier collection of Shaker buildings and artifacts.

Day 11: Mystic (127 miles)

Wind through country roads to Connecticut’s northwest corner, better known as “antique country” with its quaint antique stores, museums and gardens. Continue to Mystic, best known for Mystic Seaport, a recreation of a New England seafaring village set in 17 acres and incorporating tall ships, historic buildings, and immersive experiences.

Day 12: Newport (50 miles)

Travel north into Rhode Island and Newport where you’ll find the opulent summer homes of the Vanderbilts and the Astors, the church where John F. Kennedy married Jacqueline Bouvier, and see the waters where the Americas Cup sailing race has been held.

Day 13: Newport

Spend today exploring this place of colonial-era buildings and see the magnificent mansions of the Gilded Age. Many are open to the public. Visit the Newport Vineyards, the Fort Adams State Park and soak up the salty sea air as you discover the rocky coastline.

Day 14: Falmouth (69 miles)

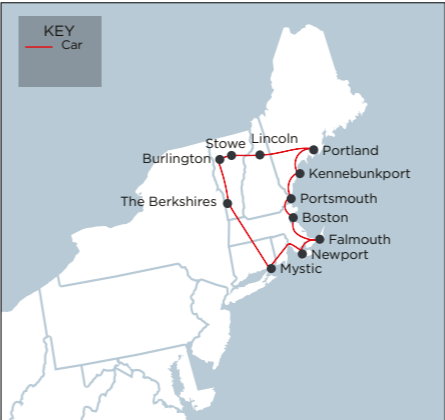
Continue into Plymouth, “America’s hometown”. See Plymouth Rock, tour the Mayflower II, an exact replica of the ship that carried the Pilgrims to the New World Village and Wampanoag site. Cross the Cape Cod Canal to a world of charm and beauty to spend the next 2 nights on Cape Cod.

Day 15: Provincetown (160 miles)

A drive along the Cape Cod National Seashore showcases the lighthouses, quaint coastal communities, and natural scenic beauty of the region. Visit the lively artist colony of Provincetown and perhaps embark on a whale watch tour.

Day 16: Boston (75 miles)

Return to Boston today and return your car to the airport in time for your onward flight.



Martha’s Vineyard and New England’s Southern Coast

9 days

Discover the coastal charms of the rugged New England cliffs and beaches, seaside communities and the unique beauty of Martha’s Vineyard. Combine this with the history and urban experiences of Boston, home to the oldest universities in the world. This is an easy self-drive, that showcases this stunning region at a leisurely pace.

Highlights

Boston – Sandwich – Cape Cod
Provincetown – Martha’s Vineyard
Newport – Plymouth

Tour Includes

- 8 nights accommodation
- 8 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive document kit
- Ferry crossing to Martha’s Vineyard

Departure Dates

Departs: April – November
Daily

Day 1: Boston

Arrive in Boston and make your way to your hotel. The rest of the day is free

Day 2: Boston

Enjoy a day of exploring. Follow the Freedom Trail, or head across the Boston River to Cambridge and immerse yourself in the hallowed atmosphere of Harvard.

Day 3: Sandwich (74 miles)

Collect your rental car this morning, your destination is Cape Cod. Arrive in the historic village of Sandwich, the oldest of the Cape towns and best known for its distinctive glassware. There are galleries, glassblowers, and studios to browse.

Day 4: Provincetown/Chatham (118 miles)

Head out for a drive along the Cape Cod National Seashore where you’ll discover lighthouses, quaint coastal communities, and the natural scenic beauty that this stunning area is renowned for. Visit the lively artist colony of Provincetown, at the very end of the Cape, where it curls around the bay. Return to Sandwich this evening.

Day 5: Martha’s Vineyard (24 miles)

Take the short drive to Woods Hole and board the Steamship Authority’s ferry for the 45-minute journey to gorgeous Martha’s Vineyard. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon exploring some of the island’s towns.

Day 6: Martha’s Vineyard

Today uncover the unique beauty of the Vineyard at your leisure, a place that remain very much untouched by commercialism. Tour the fashionable eastern half known as “down-island”, and up-island, the sparsely populated and sleepy towns to the west.

Day 7: Newport (73 miles)

Continue to the classy, coastal resort town of Newport. Soak up the atmosphere with dinner on the harbour this evening. Overnight in Newport for the next 2 nights.

Day 8: Newport

Take a meander along Ocean Drive and “Millionaire’s Row” to see the impressive summer homes of the Gilded Age. Indulge in fresh seafood, discover the glorious beaches, and take a sight-sailing tour on a restored lobster boat or former rum-smuggling yacht.

Day 9: Plymouth/Boston (97 miles)

As you return to Boston visit Plymouth, “America’s hometown”. See the Mayflower II, a full-size replica of the original ship that carried Pilgrims to the New World. Return your car to Boston airport in time for your onward flight.



Florida’s Three Shores

13 days

Take in the three shores of Florida from Miami on the Atlantic, the quirky, unique Keys and the Gulf Coast in elegant Naples. Beginning in vibrant Miami, cross the Overseas Highway to the Florida Keys, with their vast skies, clear waters and laid-back charm. Journey through the untamed beauty of the Everglades to reach Naples, for golden Gulf sunsets and luxurious coastal living.

Highlights

Miami – Islamorada – Marathon
Key West – Everglades – Naples

Tour Includes

- 12 nights accommodation
- 11 days fully inclusive intermediate car rental
- Comprehensive documentation kit

Departure Dates

Year Round, Daily

Day 1 & 2: Miami

On arrival in Miami make your way to your hotel for a 2-night stay. Stroll South Beach for art deco architecture, sample eclectic restaurants, bars and art in Wynwood or Coral Gables with its Mediterranean feel and cafes and shops along Miracle Mile.

Day 3 & 4: Islamorada (78 miles)

Collect your car hire today and head to Islamorada. Driving to the Keys is an adventure across the Overseas Highway, where at times it will appear you’re driving across the ocean. Arrive in Islamorada, known as the sport-fishing capital of the world and also home to tropical walking trails, beaches and a thriving arts and cultural scene.

Day 5 & 6: Marathon (30 miles)

Today you arrive in Marathon for 2 nights. A 10-mile stretch of community in the middle of the Keys, this is a perfect base to explore from. Fishing heritage, old-Keys lifestyle and some of the best waterside restaurants in Florida will be on your doorstep, as well as a living coral reef just offshore.

Day 7: Key West (50 miles)

On to Key West today, as you drive one of the most scenic stretches in Florida. Glide over bridges with endless ocean views and arrive in Key West to colourful streets and sunset celebrations.

Day 8 & 9: Key West

There is nowhere like Key West – an island city of palm-lined streets, Victorian homes and a haven for those who go against the tide. Explore Ernest Hemingway’s home, enjoy a slice of Key Lime Pie and make sure to take a trip to Dry Tortugas National Park famous for its shipwrecks and sunken treasures. Celebrate the sunset at Mallory Square to top off your day.

Day 10: Naples (243 miles)

Trace your journey back across the Overseas Highway today as you head to Naples. On the way, pass through the Everglades’ marshes, prairies and mangrove forests. You may wish to stop in Everglades City to take an airboat ride. Arrive in Naples for a 3-night stay.

Day 11 & 12: Naples

Two full days of pristine white-sand beaches and an air of understated elegance await in Naples. Stroll Fifth Avenue, home to world-class dining, boutiques and galleries, before you arrive at the beach at the end of the street with dolphins swimming around the pier.

Day 13: Depart Miami (129 miles)

Drive back to Miami Airport today to return your car in time for your departure.



Rail Journeys

REDISCOVER THE ROMANCE OF RAIL

Travelling by rail in the USA is one of the best ways to explore. There are journeys which will take you across the vast, sprawling prairies, through dramatic mountain ranges, alongside immense lakes and into states the size of small countries. Whether you are hopping from city to city along the east coast, in search of one of the classic cross-state adventures, or simply love the slower pace of rail travel, there is a journey for you. Many of the routes take travellers into places which can only be seen from the railway, through truly spectacular scenery. This is a leisurely way of travelling, so sit back and relax and let the multi-faceted landscapes of America captivate you as they pass by the window.



Amtrak

On May 1st, 1970, Amtrak came into service, today it covers more than 21,000 miles in 46 states and operates more than 300 trains per day. The fleet is modern, and the majority of trains offer 3 choices of seating with coach class, business class and first class seating and on longer routes first class private room options include roomettes, bedrooms, and bedroom suites. These accommodation choices also include complimentary meals, lounge access and a first class attendant.

Amtrak operates many routes across the USA, these are just a few of the most popular and iconic journeys to embark on. Please ask us about all the routes and trains available.

Acela

Boston – Washington

This is the perfect way to city hop along the East Coast travelling between Boston and Washington with stops in New York, and Philadelphia.

Journey Time: 7 hours

Departs: Multiple daily departures

Crescent

New York – New Orleans

From the Big Apple to the Big Easy, this is a unique way to take in the heritage of the American south. Why not break your journey in Atlanta, Georgia for some antebellum charm before arriving in New Orleans.

Journey Time: 30 hours

Departs: Daily

Lakeshore Limited

Boston – Chicago

Instead of flying, the Lakeshore Limited is a relaxing way to travel between the learned city of Boston and Chicago. Travel through the beautiful Finger Lakes region, hop off in New York or spend time in Cleveland's museums and art galleries.

Journey Time: 19 hours

Departs: Daily

Sunset Limited

New Orleans – Los Angeles

Travelling Amtrak's southern-most route takes in Bayou Country, the Mexican border, desert landscapes and mountains as you travel between Louisiana and California.

Journey Time: 48 hours

Departs: 3 times a week

California Zephyr

Chicago – San Francisco

This is one of the most beautiful train journeys in North America. Climb through the Rockies, the snow-capped Sierra Nevadas, the plains of Nebraska and alongside the mighty Colorado River.

Journey Time: 52 hours

Departs: Daily

Texas Eagle

Chicago – San Antonio

Embark on an adventure through the Land of Lincoln, across the Mississippi and through the Ozarks, deep into the heart of Texas. The train continues onto Los Angeles if California beckons.

Journey Time: 32 hours (San Antonio)

Departs: Daily



Tour Includes

- 11 nights accommodation
- Business class rail travel on the Acela
- Sightseeing as stated

Departure Dates
Year round, Daily



Tour Includes

- 8 nights accommodation
- First Class roomette rail travel
- Graceland Elvis Experience
- New Orleans City & Cemetery Tour

Departure Dates
Year round, Daily

Great American Cities by Rail

12 days

Combine 4 of the USA’s best loved cities that played such an important part in forming the nation. Boston, where the famous “Tea Party” saw the move for independence. New York, arrival point for so many of the immigrants that came in search of a better life. Philadelphia, home of brotherly love and where the Declaration of Independence was made and Washington D.C., the nation’s capital

Day 1: Boston
Arrive in Boston and make your way to your hotel. The rest of the day is free to explore.
Hotel for 3 nights: Boston Park Plaza

Day 2 & 3: Boston
An included ticket on the Old Town Trolley Tour allows you to see the very best of the city at your own pace.

Day 4: New York
Board the Acela this morning for your rail journey to New York. Take the rest of the day to get your bearings, and perhaps take in a Broadway show this evening.
Hotel for 3 nights: New Yorker

Day 5 & 6: New York
Enjoy the city that never sleeps at your own pace. A 48-hour sightseeing pass is included so can you make the most of your time here.

Day 7: Philadelphia
Take the train to Philadelphia. From the Franklin Institute to the Rodin Museum, the City of Brotherly Love is eclectic.
Hotel for 2 nights: Hampton Inn

Day 8: Philadelphia
Hop on the included trolley tour to see the very best of the city.

Day 9: Washington D.C.
The nation’s capital is your destination today. Re-board the Acela for the trip to Washington D.C.
Hotel for 3 nights: Hotel Zena

Day 10 & 11: Washington D.C.
Discover the power and history tied up in the spectacular buildings of Washington D.C. See the city’s famous monuments, explore the Smithsonian’s many museums or visit Arlington National Cemetery, the White House, the Capitol Building and more.

Day 12: Depart Washington D.C.
Depart the city at your leisure today.

Chicago and Southern Soul

9 days

From the shores of Lake Michigan, wend your way southwards to musical Memphis, home to country music and Graceland. Follow the mighty Mississippi River through the snow-white cotton fields and the delta to New Orleans, a feast for the senses.

Day 1: Chicago
Arrive in Chicago at your leisure and make your way to your hotel.
Hotel for 2 nights: Silversmith

Day 2: Chicago
Today is free for you to explore at your own pace. Discover one of the world's greatest skylines as you wander the lakefront along with superb shopping, dining, and entertainment.

Day 3: Amtrak®
Explore Chicago further this morning before your overnight journey aboard the City of New Orleans Amtrak service to Memphis. Upgrades to first class rooms are available.

Day 4: Memphis
Arrive in Memphis and make your way to your hotel. Spend time at the National Civil Rights Museum before sampling the delights of Beale Street.
Hotel for 2 nights: ARRIVE Hotel

Day 5: Memphis
Enjoy a guided tour of Graceland and then head for Sun Studios where Elvis and countless others laid down their now legendary hits.

Day 6: New Orleans
An early departure back onboard the City of New Orleans for the daylight journey through the Mississippi Delta to the Big Easy. On arrival mid afternoon, make your way to your hotel.
Hotel for 3 nights: Holiday Inn French Quarter

Day 7 & 8: New Orleans
The next 2 days are free for you to enjoy the warmth and vibrant atmosphere of New Orleans at your own pace. A city and cemetery tour is included, it takes 2½-3 hours and is a great way to orientate yourself with the city.

Day 9: Depart New Orleans
Depart the city at your leisure today.

The Trans American Rail Trail

17 days

Cross the USA from the Big Apple to the City by the Bay. Exploring Chicago, the windy city, the mile high city of Denver and Salt Lake City, the capital of the Mormon state of Utah. Travel across wide open landscapes and mighty mountain ranges as you discover some of the best landscapes that America has to offer and see it all from the comfort of your seat as you experience two of Amtrak’s iconic train routes.

Highlights
New York – Lake Shore Limited
Chicago – California Zephyr – Denver
Salt Lake City – San Francisco

Tour Includes

- 13 nights hotel accommodation
- 1 night aboard the Lake Shore Limited, roomette accommodation
- 2 nights aboard the California Zephyr, roomette accommodation
- Coach transfer from Emeryville to San Francisco
- Time relevant meals aboard Amtrak®
- Sightseeing as stated

Departure Dates
Departs: Year Round
Daily

Day 1-3: New York
Arrive in New York and make your way to your hotel. With an included 2-day sightseeing pass and a harbour cruise, you can enjoy the sights at your own pace. Enjoy iconic landmarks, such as the Empire State Building, Rockefeller Centre and the Statue of Liberty, and the bright lights of Broadway and Times Square.
Hotel for 3 nights: Hotel Edison

Day 4: Amtrak®
Board the Lake Shore limited this afternoon and head for Chicago.
Overnight: Roomette accommodation onboard the Lake Shore Limited

Day 5-7: Chicago
Chicago sits on the shore of Lake Michigan and the lakefront area is an inspiring stretch of coastline set against the backdrop of one of the world’s great city skylines. You’ll find fabulous shopping, great nightlife and wonderful restaurants and bars. Enjoy the best of the sights with an included sightseeing pass.
Hotel for 3 nights: Ivy Boutique Hotel

Day 8: Amtrak®
Board the afternoon departure of the California Zephyr and soak up the majestic landscapes as you travel to the snow-capped peaks of the “Mile High City.”
Overnight: Roomette accommodation onboard the Lake Shore Limited

Day 9 & 10: Denver
Arrive in Denver and make your way to your hotel. There is time to explore on your own, a city tour is included on your second day in the city.
Hotel for 2 nights: The Curtis

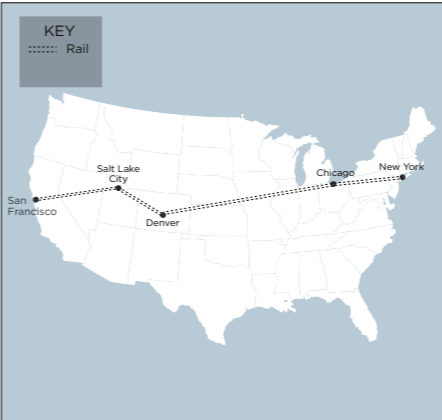
Day 11: Amtrak®
Reboard the California Zephyr for the daytime journey to Salt Lake City.
Hotel for 2 nights: Crystal Inn

Day 12: Salt Lake City
Explore the Pioneer Village, Temple Square, and the State Capitol at your leisure today.

Day 13: Amtrak®
There is further time to explore before boarding the overnight California Zephyr service to San Francisco.
Overnight: Roomette accommodation onboard the California Zephyr

Day 14-16: San Francisco
On arrival in Emeryville a coach transfer will take you to San Francisco. This glorious city has an energetic and friendly vibe brimming with the arts, culture, entertainment, and cuisine. A 24-hour sightseeing pass is included.
Hotel for 3 nights: Handlery Union Square

Day 17: Depart San Francisco
Make your way to the airport for your onward flight.



Canyon Spirit

Explore the iconic landscapes and destinations of the Southwest by rail, from the visionaries behind the Rocky Mountaineer. This elevated rail experience follows a route more than a million years in the making. See the unseen as the train winds its way into extraordinary otherworldly landscapes and through vast canyons carved by the relentless flow of the Colorado River. The scenes beyond your window are a vision of ancient rocks that glow red in the sunshine under huge vivid blue skies and vast panoramas that stretch into the distance. Sit back and relax, swap stories with your fellow travellers and enjoy the award-winning onboard service as you journey between the mile-high city of Denver, the incredible National Parks of Utah, and Salt Lake City.

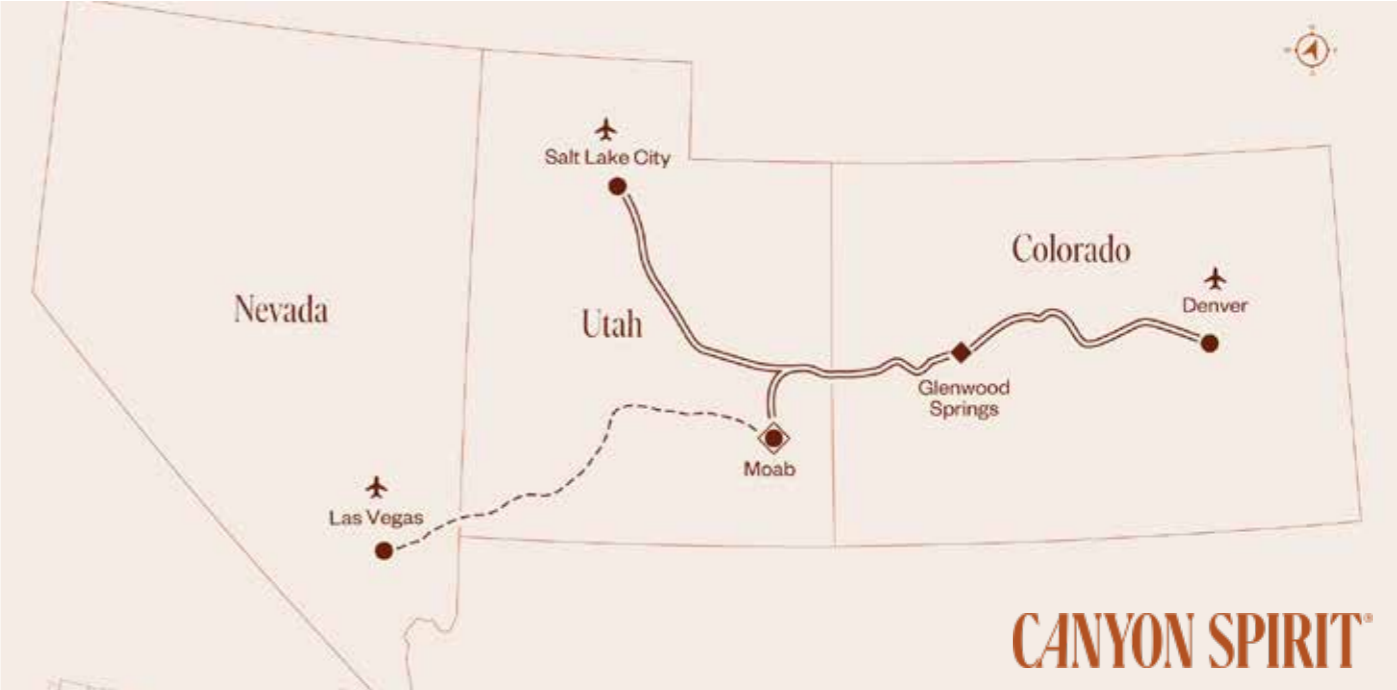


Signature Experience

- Carriage** - custom designed single-level dome coaches with oversized windows provide panoramic views of your surroundings, making photography a breeze. Take all of it in from your reclining seat.
- Dine at your seat** - enjoy regionally inspired cuisine served in the comfort of your seat.
- Excellent Hosts** - the team of friendly hosts will share engaging stories, serve your meals and take care of your every need, so you can focus on the journey ahead.
- Panoramic window views
 - Delicious breakfast and lunch served at your seat
 - Complimentary alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages and snacks
 - Storytelling and route information from your knowledgeable hosts
 - Access to an outdoor viewing area
 - Comfortable overnight accommodation
 - Complimentary baggage delivery to your hotel

Premier Upgrade

- Selecting this upgrade elevates the comfort and spaciousness of your Canyon Spirit Signature Experience, with additional features to enhance your journey:
- Access to the exclusive lounge car, for more space, views and relaxation
 - Elevated dining experience with wine pairings
 - Expanded service team with additional host in the lounge car
 - Signature cocktails, premium alcoholic beverages and gourmet snacks
 - An additional outdoor viewing area



Choose your route onboard Canyon Spirit

3 days

Two routes are on offer with Canyon Spirit – with two and three-day rail journeys. Both will immerse passengers into iconic Southwestern landscapes, experiencing the majesty of the Rockies of Colorado to the Red Rocks of Utah. Routes can be done in either direction, or in both directions on a return journey. Below details the three-day route between Denver and Salt Lake City, or vice versa. The two-day journey will travel between Denver and Moab, or the reverse.

Highlights

Denver – Glenwood Springs – Moab
Salt Lake City

Tour Includes

- Travel onboard Canyon Spirit, in your choice of service
- 2 nights hotel accommodation in Moab and Glenwood Springs
- 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 1 dinner
- Luggage handling and rail station transfers where applicable

Departure Dates

Selected dates – April to mid-November

Day 1: Denver to Glenwood Springs

Enjoy breakfast onboard Canyon Spirit this morning as you depart Denver. Heading west, you'll meet your first engineering marvel – the Big 10 Curve. As the train ascends, it will then cross the Continental Divide through the Moffat Tunnel. Journey along the Colorado River, marvelling at the colossal beauty of the canyons. Keep an eye out for wildlife as you pass through Glenwood Canyon and finish your day in the scenic mountain town of Glenwood Springs. (B,L)

Day 2: Glenwood Springs to Moab

Board the train this morning and as you head southwest, you'll be surrounded by mountain vistas and desert cliffs. Rugged landscapes lead to the 15-mile De Beque Canyon, renowned for its stair-step cliffs of rock layers. You'll then encounter Mount Garfield, the pinnacle of the Book Cliffs that span 200 miles from east to west as you cross from Colorado to Utah. Vivid red rock formations signal your approach to Moab, within easy reach of two of Utah's Mighty 5 National Parks. Spend the night in Moab. (B)

Day 3: Moab – Salt Lake City

When choosing the three-day route, your adventure extends beyond Moab to Salt Lake City. After spending the night in Moab, wake up to explore in the morning at your own pace. Soak up the desert sunrise or discover the town's hidden gems. Reboard the train and pass the last of the Book Cliffs before winding through Castle Gate and Price Canyon. Travel through Red Canyon with breathtaking views of the Wasatch Mountains before arriving in Salt Lake City via Spanish Fork. (L,D)



Canyon Spirit



Denver



Salt Lake City



Canyon Spirit

Summits & Spirits: A Grand Western Escape

12 days

Combine scenic drives and luxury rail travel onboard Canyon Spirit, experiencing mountain towns and national park vistas across the western states of Utah, Wyoming and Colorado. From Park City's historic Main Street charm, the wonders of Yellowstone and Grand Teton to the imposing otherworldly landscape of Moab, you'll be immersed in the rugged elegance of the American West.

Highlights

Park City – Jackson – Grand Teton
Yellowstone – Salt Lake City
Canyon Spirit Rail Journey – Moab
Glenwood Springs – Denver

Tour Includes

- 11 nights accommodation
- 6 days intermediate SUV car hire
- 3-day rail journey on board Canyon Spirit, inclusive of select meals and beverages

Departure Dates

Selected dates, we recommend late May to early October for Yellowstone

Day 1 & 2: Park City (33 miles)

Arrive at Salt Lake City Airport and collect your rental car. Spend the next 2 nights in Park City – a year-round alpine paradise known for its world-class skiing and lively arts scene. Wander historic Main Street or take a scenic lift ride to discover the mountain trails.

Day 3: Jackson (264 miles)

Depart Park City today for the drive to Jackson as you watch the peaks turn to desert landscapes. The drive blends historic highways and dramatic alpine views with small town charm. Arrive in Jackson – the gateway to both Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks which is your base for the next 3 nights.

Day 4: Yellowstone National Park

Leave Jackson early this morning to explore Yellowstone. Drive through the South Entrance to complete the Southern Loop. Sight include Old Faithful, Grand Prismatic Spring and the Fairy Falls Trail with chances of seeing elk, bison and bears on your drive. Return to Jackson this evening.

Day 5: Grand Teton National Park

Another day of scenic driving lies ahead if you wish to explore Grand Teton National Park, with the Visitor Centre just half an hour from the town. Plan to spend around 6 hours driving around the park today, or relax in the town of Jackson.

Day 6 & 7: Salt Lake City (288 miles)

Drive back to Salt Lake City and return your car at a downtown location. Spend 2 nights here in the city known for its world-class dining, shopping and rich pioneer history.

Day 8: Canyon Spirit – Moab

Board Canyon Spirit today and journey through Utah's Wasatch Mountains until you reach the vivid red landscape of Moab. Spend the evening at your Moab accommodation or explore the town.

Day 9: Canyon Spirit – Glenwood Springs

Another day of luxury train travel awaits as you journey to Glenwood Springs, Colorado, passing magnificent geological wonders on the way.

Day 10: Canyon Spirit – Denver

Cross the Continental Divide through the Moffat Tunnel. The red rock turns to the Rocky Mountains as you arrive into the mile-high city of Denver for a 2-night stay.

Day 11: Denver

Explore Denver today, the perfect blend of city energy and mountain charm.

Day 12: Depart Denver

Make your way to the airport for your departure flight.



Yellowstone



Denver



Canyon Spirit



Canyon Spirit

Ranches, Lodges & Resorts

The epic landscapes of North America, whether it's the vast, rolling prairies, dramatic mountain landscapes or other-worldly desert national parks are perfect for an immersive stay. Perfectly placed in settings that will be truly memorable, these will add a little something extra special to your American adventure. Maybe you yearn to ride with the cowboys on an authentic dude ranch, feel the wind in your hair on a cattle drive or just soak up the beauty of an untouched America. Or perhaps you want to add a little authentic luxury to your time here, the opportunities for a stay with a real sense of place are endless.

Our Favourites

The variety of ranch experiences is huge whether you want a very rustic, dust-on-your-boots stay or a more luxurious adventure.

Choose a resort ranch for activities such as horseback riding, hiking and wildlife experiences, all whilst staying in accommodations to rival top hotels complete with sumptuous rooms, spas and elevated dining experiences.

Alternatively, a dude or guest ranch may be something you'd like to experience, ideal for those wanting an equestrian focus with a weekly programme of events. Stay in cabins or lodge rooms and share stories and conversations with your fellow guests each evening.

There are even working ranch stays for those wishing to experience cowboy life in the American West where you can try your hand at the daily working activities driving cattle on horseback. Accommodations may be in the main ranch houses, for a fully immersive stay with ranching families.

A ranch, lodge or resort stay can be perfectly slotted into one of our longer tailor-made self-drive itineraries and is an ideal way to experience Western hospitality. Most ranches are fully inclusive, so whether you want to sit back on the veranda overlooking unforgettable vistas or saddle up and explore, our specialists will be able to recommend the best fit for you.

Our Tailor-Made Service

We love to create unique itineraries designed around everything you like to do. A selection of hotels, attractions and sightseeing tours are showcased throughout this brochure but these are just a snapshot of what we can offer.

Simply tell us your interests, your dates and your budget and we will work with you to create your perfect trip.

Tanque Verde Ranch

Old time heritage, desert splendour and true Western country magic combines perfectly at Tanque Verde, the largest ranch in North America. This is the wild west of your imagination where cactus spikes rise from the desert floor, the sunsets are breathtaking and where you can indulge in the ultimate cowboy adventure. Expect desert panoramas and mountain vistas in all directions and a wealth of activities. Lying in the Rincon Mountains east of Tucson, this southwestern dude ranch offers an authentic and warm welcome. There’s a comprehensive weekly activity schedule which includes horse riding, guided nature hikes, yoga, fishing, and a whole lot more. The horse riding sessions are available for all skill levels, so no experience is necessary. In addition to the included activities there is a menu of additional excursions too. After a day in the Arizona sun the outdoor pool is a popular spot to cool down, there’s also an indoor pool and whirlpool to sooth saddle sore muscles.

The pale pink-hued adobe walls and Santa Fe style architecture sit perfectly within the desert surroundings and house a variety of rooms, many with breathtaking mountain views. Expect southwestern décor, rustic charm and rooms which vary in size. The casitas and deluxe casitas are larger with comfy seating areas. Hearty ranch-style meals are included for all stays, plus a selection of speciality dining events throughout the week.

Stay as long as you want however, we recommend at least 3 nights to enjoy the full ranch experience.

Location: Tucson, Arizona

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



One&Only Moonlight Basin

Surrounded by endless nature and charm in Big Sky, Montana, One & Only Moonlight Basin leads the way in luxury wilderness accommodation. Tucked into the majestic peaks of this corner of Montana spanning 240 private acres, the resort offers a seamless blend of alpine adventure and refined seclusion. This ultra-modern property sits within its mountain environment with ease, featuring signature Olson Kundig design with natural materials of stone, glass and wood throughout coupled with roaring fires and cozy textiles embracing the outdoor elements. The resort is made up of 73 guestrooms and suites, with deep soaking tubs and private balconies framing dramatic mountain scenery. Those seeking solitude may opt for a private cabin, set in pine groves with views of Montana’s majestic landscape.

Dining is a highlight, with offerings from seasonal Montana fare to modern Japanese and speak-easy-inspired cocktails around the fire pit. There are adventures to be had all year round, ski directly from the resort in winter via a private gondola, whilst in summer, hiking, horseback riding, and wildlife experiences await. Make time to relax at the spa, with open-air pool and cold plunge to take in the revitalising mountain air. Located just an hour from Yellowstone National Park, this resort is a true oasis set in the western frontier, redefining wilderness hospitality with elevated comfort and natural beauty.

Location: Big Sky, Montana

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Triple Creek Ranch

This is a place where you can put yourself in the midst of the scenery from the American Wild West, but in total luxury. Where total immersion in the rugged Montana landscape is a given, authenticity is a hugely important part of the experience, and the beauty of your rustic-luxe log cabin is equal to your surroundings. Lying in the stunning Bitterroot Mountain Range, which is part of the Montana Rockies, Triple Creek Ranch allows you to do as little, the hammocks slung in the shade of the whispering pines are an inviting escape, or as much as you please. The scenery is breathtaking, the wildlife varied and the included outdoorsy experiences, impressive. Here you design your own Montana ranch adventure. Saddle up and enjoy a day on the range, head out on horseback with an experienced wrangler over the mountainous terrain, take a scenic drive, guided walks and pan for sapphires or embark on one of the many additional options including cattle drives, fly fishing, trail rides, river floats, helicopter flights, kayaking or even learn the art of cowboy hat creation. There's also a wellness spa, yoga, golf, wine tasting, an outdoor swimming pool (seasonal) and so much more.

By night slumber awaits in a secluded cabin where rustic timbers, seriously comfortable beds and every creature comfort is provided, including private hot tubs in many. The dining here is also an integral part of any stay and all meals including snacks and packed lunches are included. Ranch casual is the dress code so do what makes you feel comfortable.

We recommend a 2- or 3-night stay for the best possible experience.

Location: Darby, Montana

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Teton Mountain Lodge and Spa

Designed with outdoor adventures in mind, Teton Mountain Lodge and Spa is a year-round destination whether you are in search of the renowned ski slopes and winter activities of Jackson Hole, or here for the myriad summer pursuits. At just a mile from the Grand Teton National Park and 60 miles from Yellowstone National Park and lying at the foot of the Teton Mountain Range, the setting is undisputedly spectacular and makes the lodge a wonderful base for your time here. The abundance of activities within easy reach is impressive, with hiking trails, horse riding, mountain biking and scenic trips on the Snake River all available. Whatever way you choose to explore the wild, wide open spaces of Wyoming, the experience will be truly memorable. The rooms and suites here come in a range of styles from traditional hotel rooms to studios with fully equipped kitchens, all are beautifully designed and boast glorious valley or mountain views.

SpaTerre is an alpine oasis with a number of treatment rooms, an infrared sauna and salt chamber, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, spa pools and a rooftop hot tub enable you to relax surrounded by the mountains. There’s also a fully equipped fitness centre. Evenings begin with pre-dinner drinks in the Spur Bar, a lively spot all year-round before a hearty meal in the Spur Restaurant.

Location: Jackson, Wyoming

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Dixie Dude Ranch

For over 75 years, guests have enjoyed traditional Texas Hill Country vacations at Dixie Dude Ranch in Bandera, Texas. Proclaimed as the cowboy capital of the world, guests are guaranteed an authentic ranching stay at this true ‘home on the range’, whilst being located just an hour from the vibrant city of San Antonio. Steeped in family history dating back to the turn-of-the-century as families trekked across the country to establish the Texan frontier, the ranch is now managed by the seventh generation of the original owners. This legendary ranch combines rustic charm with genuine hospitality, where guests can saddle up for horseback rides through the rolling hills, enjoy a campfire cookout or relax in a rocking chair. There is also a swimming pool, hot tub, fishing and hiking trails in the surrounds and a museum for a slice of Texan cowboy history.

Although still a working ranch raising longhorn cattle, guests will be accommodated in traditional western-style rooms or cabins, and savour three homecooked meals per day, served family style perfectly matched with friendly conversation around the dinner table. Spend a day in the sun learning to lasso, exploring nature trails or relaxing with a massage – Dixie Dude Ranch offers a combination of adventure, relaxation and down-to-earth home comforts in a timeless Old West environment.

Location: Bandera, Texas

Our rating: ★★☆☆



Wildcatter Ranch

Escape the ordinary and embrace ranch life at Wildcatter, with true Texan hospitality to match. Located just 90 minutes from Dallas Fort Worth Airport, you’ll be transported to the rugged elegance of the American West with accommodations set within 1,500 acres of rolling North Texas Hill Country near Possum Kingdom Lake. Hike through the unspoiled wilderness complete with outstanding viewpoints, cast a line for bass or relax under the sprawling Texan sky.

Rooms are decorated in an upscale Western style, with modern amenities complimenting the classic ranch charm. Relax on a private patio for sunset views and quiet moments on the porch for a taste of country living. Wildcatter is home to expert wranglers, well-trained horses and an abundance of trails, offering the perfect place to saddle up and enjoy the ride. There are also lasso lessons and cattle drives on offer. To compliment your truly Texan activities, indulge in the true tastes of the state at Wildcatter Steakhouse, with legendary steaks. Savour a drink at The Blowout Saloon as you’re transported back to an old Western, bringing the history of ranching life alive.

**Wildcatter is a very large property, and we recommend car hire to fully enjoy it. The horse barn for activities is in the valley, while the steakhouse and lodgings are on the mountain top – the distance is not walkable. Summer heat also restricts activities to morning only.*

Location: Graham, Texas

Our rating: ★★★★★



Shortgrass Resort

Rediscover luxury in the Great American West at Shortgrass Resort, set within 52 acres on the Redwater River, focussed on curating an experience to remember for a lifetime. Just north of Spearfish, between pine forests and the high prairie of South Dakota, Shortgrass is at the centre of iconic landmarks and parks including Mount Rushmore, Badlands National Park and Devil’s Tower, making it the true luxury base for your journey in this region steeped in history. A stay at Shortgrass takes guests back to the time when pioneering American curiosity drove settlers to explore new lands. Accommodations are large, unique bungalows that have been modified to include glass doors opening to stunning vistas, designer finishes, full bathrooms and a private deck for stargazing.

A family-owned and operated property, the focus is very much close to home from hiring local staff to using locally grown ingredients and sourcing from local businesses. Dining is an elevated culinary experience at Meander Restaurant, with multi-course, fine dining options for dinner and more casual breakfast and lunch options, all included for overnight guests. A lot of ingredients are grown on-site, with guests invited to stop at the greenhouse or chat with the chef or mixologist. Explore with included activities from tubing on the river, fishing, nightly bonfires and wellness studio, with a team available to help curate additional experiences tailored to your interests.

**Minimum age of 18, restaurant is open Tuesday-Saturday*

Location: Spearfish, South Dakota

Our rating: ★★★★★



White Stallion Ranch

Immerse yourself in an authentic dude ranch experience set against the dramatic Sonora Desert. Founded in the early 1900s and one of only two surviving guest ranches near Tucson, White Stallion is located adjacent to Saguaro National Park’s Tucson Mountains. Guests will be expertly hosted by the True family, with a true passion for meeting new people and helping them embrace the adventures they’ll have in the American Southwest. Embark on guided horse rides, archery, rock climbing, e-biking or simply unwind by the heated pool or indulge in a spa treatment.

Originally built in the 1900s as a cattle ranch, White Stallion has undergone an expansion to 3,000 acres. Blending rustic charm with modern comforts, accommodations consist of just 43 guest rooms and a beautifully restored Hacienda, all with warm Southwestern décor, private patios and eco-friendly amenities. With views of the cactus gardens and corrals, guests are invited to soak up the atmosphere after a day of activity. Dining is a classic affair, with recipes inspired by Arizona working dude ranches of the past, with sustainable, local ingredients. Whether travelling solo, with family or for a special occasion, White Stallion offers a timeless ranching escape where the desert and genuine warmth await.

Location: Tucson, Arizona

Our rating: ★★★★★

New York

THE BRIGHT, BOLD AND BEAUTIFUL BIG APPLE

What is there to say that hasn't already been said about the superstar glamour of New York. Neck ache-inducing skyscrapers pierce the clouds, acid yellow cabs, the neon lights of Times Square and its truly head-spinning array of delights and iconic landmarks. Peace and tranquillity can be found here too though, in the green lungs of Central Park, on a stroll along the High Line, or a meander through the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. It can be hard to know where to start but Midtown is the natural choice for first time visitors and where you'll find Times Square, the Theatre District and the Empire State Building. The Upper East Side is quietly sophisticated with museums including the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) and the Guggenheim whilst Lower Manhattan is home to the Financial District, historic Battery Park and Ellis Island.

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

New York CityPASS

Discover the best of the Big Apple with a New York CityPASS, giving you access to 5 of New York's iconic attractions, including the Empire State Building and the American Museum of Natural History. In addition, choose from 3 of the following: The Guggenheim Museum, Top of the Rock Observation Deck, Circle Line Sightseeing Cruise, 9/11 Memorial and Museum, Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum and ferry access to the Statue of Liberty National Monument and Ellis Island Immigration Museum. By pre-booking you can save as much as 40% on standard entrance fees and gain direct entry to the attractions, bypassing the ticket lines.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: Valid for 9 days from date of first use

Brooklyn Bridge Bike Tour

Enjoy an active experience as you see some of New York's most famous sights on a fun and energetic bike tour. The Brooklyn Bridge is a must for most visitors to the city and the legendary promenade stretches above and between the traffic lanes, often amidst the suspension cables that support the bridge. Cycle up to the City Hall district and onto the bridge, the panorama from the centre is sensational, with views to the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island and Brooklyn. Descend into Brooklyn, take in the striking views of the Financial District from across the river before peddling back across the bridge.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 2 hours

Empire State Building 86th Floor Observatory

Probably one of the most recognisable buildings in New York, the Empire State Building is unmissable. Glorious Art Deco architecture and it's world-famous observatory have featured in numerous films over the years. High above the city the 86th Floor Observatory affords some of the finest panoramic views of Manhattan and beyond. On a clear day you can see for almost 80 miles. Visit during the evening to see the glittering lights of the Big Apple in all their glory. This ticket does not give access to the observatory on the 102nd floor, this can only be purchased at the Empire State Building.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: No limit

Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island Immigration Museum

Designed by sculptor Frédéric-Auguste Bartholdi and built by Gustave Eiffel, the Lady Liberty was a gift from France to the USA and is a much-loved landmark in New York. Begin your visit by meeting your guide at Battery Park for a guided tour of the park before boarding the Statue of Liberty ferry. Here, enjoy a self-guided audio tour with provided headsets, at your own pace. Take time to soak in the wonderful views across to Brooklyn and back to Manhattan. Then cross to Ellis Island for a journey through the 60+ years that the facility processed new arrivals seeking a new life in America.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 1/2 day

Hop-on-Hop-off Big Bus Tour

The perfect way to ensure you see all of the New York attractions. It's also a great introduction to the city. You can hop on and hop off at your leisure and there are 3 tickets to choose from. The Discover Ticket which includes the Downtown Loop - perfect for Lower Manhattan and includes the World Trade Centre, Empire State Building, Hudson Yards, Battery Park, Greenwich Village, and the Financial District. The Essential Ticket which includes the Downtown Loop and The Uptown Loop, which is for the Upper East Side, home to some of New York's finest museums. Or the Explore Ticket which is as per the Essential Ticket but valid for 2 days.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 1 or 2 days

Broadway Theatre Tickets

Taking in a show on Broadway is a bucket-list New York experience and the options are endless. Whether you want a classic musical such as the Lion King, Wicked, Moulin Rouge or Phantom of the Opera. Or looking for tickets to the groundbreaking show Hamilton, or maybe the crowd-pleasing Harry Potter and the Cursed Child, there is a huge array to choose from. Seats are guaranteed as the best available at the time of booking and depending on the show there is choice of matinee and evening performances.

Departs: Various dependent on performance days
Duration: Various



New Yorker Hotel by Lotte Hotels

From iconic Art Deco style and ingenious American construction, this ‘Grand Old Lady’ has long been a striking component of the New York skyline since 1930. The Midtown location brings attractions including the High Line, the Empire State Building and Broadway all within easy reach. Penn station is also just steps away. The art-deco inspired rooms are a nod to the hotel’s heritage and are simple yet comfortable with some offering views of the Hudson River. The Tick Tock Diner is open around the clock offering classic American-style comfort food, Trattoria Bianca is a popular choice for those wanting Italian cuisine, whilst Butcher & Banker is a steak house in unique setting in a former bank vault beneath the hotel.

Location: Midtown

Our rating: ★★☆☆



Park Central New York Hotel

If you’re looking for a location where you can reach the iconic sights of Rockefeller Center and Carnegie Hall all whilst being just steps from a walk through Central Park, then the Park Central New York is perfect. Built during the roaring twenties, this hotel once accommodated many influential figures including former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt. Rooms are comfortable and stylishly decorated – there are also one-bedroom suites for those wanting extra space. The Twenty-Sevens lobby lounge bar blends twenties character with modern flair and is a true centrepiece of the hotel, and there is also Central Market for convenient grab and go items perfect to take with you as you explore the city.

Location: Midtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel 48LEX New York

Conveniently located close to Grand Central Station in the heart of Midtown Manhattan, Hotel 48LEX offers guests a modern, sophisticated option within easy reach of New York’s attractions. From entering the lobby, the sleek design and elegant atmosphere is reflected in the contemporary artwork and tech-forward amenities. Rooms are decorated with elegant marble, floor-to-ceiling windows and plush amenities, making each stay feel like a chic New York City guesthouse. Options range from ‘The Salons’ to larger suites, some including private landscaped terraces. The hosts at this Four Diamond hotel pride themselves on a warm welcome at this boutique city spot, especially at The Lounge on the second floor for a night cap or coffee to start the day, and Brasserie Cognac, for an authentic slice of French cuisine in the Big Apple.

Location: Midtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



Riu Plaza New York Times Square

In the heart of Manhattan this modern and stylish hotel is set across 29 floors and is only moments away from many of New York’s attractions. Times Square is on the doorstep as are the multitude of eateries on Restaurant Row, the world-class theatres and bright lights of Broadway are also just steps away. The rooms here are comfortable and elegant with artwork reflecting the New York skyline and have everything you need for a stay in the city. Facilities include an onsite gym, a breakfast restaurant called the Theatre Buffet and the Fashion Bar, which is just off the lobby. With Central Park, Top of the Rock, and the Empire State Building all within walking distance plus easy access to the city subway lines, the Riu is an excellent base in New York.

Location: Times Square

Our rating: ★★★★★



Lotte New York Palace

Lotte New York Palace has long been a glamorous setting for society weddings, family holidays and is the most desirable Madison Avenue address housed partly in the restored 19th century Villard Mansion and a sleek, contemporary tower. Offering two remarkable experiences within The Palace and The Towers, this landmark exudes sophistication. The Palace guest rooms and suites are an effortless mix of timeless elegance and style, making them the perfect urban oasis, whereas The Towers offer upgraded amenities occupying the top 14 floors, consistently ranked among the world’s premier hotels. Guests will enjoy exceptional dining, and a tranquil spa all steps from Fifth Avenue shopping.

Location: Midtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Westin New York at Times Square

With Times Square, Madison Square Garden and midtown Manhattan as your neighbours, the Westin offers a convenient and central location from which to discover the many charms of New York. The vibrant energy of the city that never sleeps is all around you. There is a choice of rooms and suites, all of which boast Westin’s Heavenly® Bed and Heavenly® Bath making for a comfortable stay. The luxury suites also offer fabulous views of the New York Skyline. Dining comes courtesy of the Foundry Kitchen and Bar and there is a WestinWORKOUT fitness studio with state-of-the-art Peloton bikes, free weights, and cardio equipment. Step outside of the hotel for a super selection of dining options, bars, and shops at the Hudson Yards, just a short walk from the Westin.

Location: Times Square

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Ludlow

Experience the city like a true New Yorker at The Ludlow. Located on the Lower-East Side amongst historic former tenements, the neighbourhood has been transformed into one of the city’s most fashionable and forward-thinking areas. Repurposed wood beams and factory-style casement windows give this property an authentic, boutique feel, with rooms decorated in a vintage style with a high-end finish. Relax in the trellis-shaded courtyard garden or in front of the fireplace with an expertly mixed cocktail, or at the edgy bistro Dirty French, which is a dining destination for guests and locals alike.

Location: Lower East Side

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Plaza

The Plaza is probably the best-known hotel in New York and this timeless icon has been entrancing guests for over a century. Betwixt Central Park and Fifth Avenue this exceptional hotel is a memorable place from which to experience New York. Step through the revolving door into a hallowed space that continues to welcome world leaders, legends of stage and screen and travellers from around the globe. The glorious rooms and suites are elegant and refined and pay homage to the hotel’s storied past with classic décor, sumptuous fabrics and elegant lines. Indulge in afternoon tea at The Palm Court, the hotel’s famed dining venue or champagne and caviar in the Champagne Bar. The Plaza Fitness Centre is an extensive studio with cardio and strength Technogym products, personal trainers are also available. There is also a luxury day spa.

Location: Midtown

Our rating: ★★★★★ plus

Boston & New England

ACADEMIA AND REVOLUTIONARY HISTORY IN PERFECT HARMONY

Ever-so learned Boston is packed with revolutionary history, cultural exhibits and home to America's oldest university; Harvard, as well as the landmark that is Fenway Park, residence of the legendary Red Sox. Boston's downtown area sits between Boston Harbour and Boston Common and is where you'll find characterful, historic buildings including Quincy Market and Faneuil Hall sitting alongside modern-day architecture. Most of the sights on the Freedom Trail are also found here. Beacon Hill is where old brick houses line cobblestone streets giving a timeless feel to the city, as do the elegant brownstones of Back Bay. One of the cities newest neighbourhoods is the Seaport District, and you'll find a wealth of superb restaurants and bars.

Beyond Boston lie the myriad charms of New England. Its 6 distinctive states of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island offering an array of fabulous coastal, adventurous, historical and foodie experiences which combine to make the perfect road trip.

Our 5 Favourites in Boston & New England

Boston and New England have more than enough fabulous attractions to occupy your time in the USA. With history, natural beauty, stunning coastlines, and superb dining in abundance. And that's before we talk about the spectacular autumn colours. We asked some of our previous guests for their personal favourites

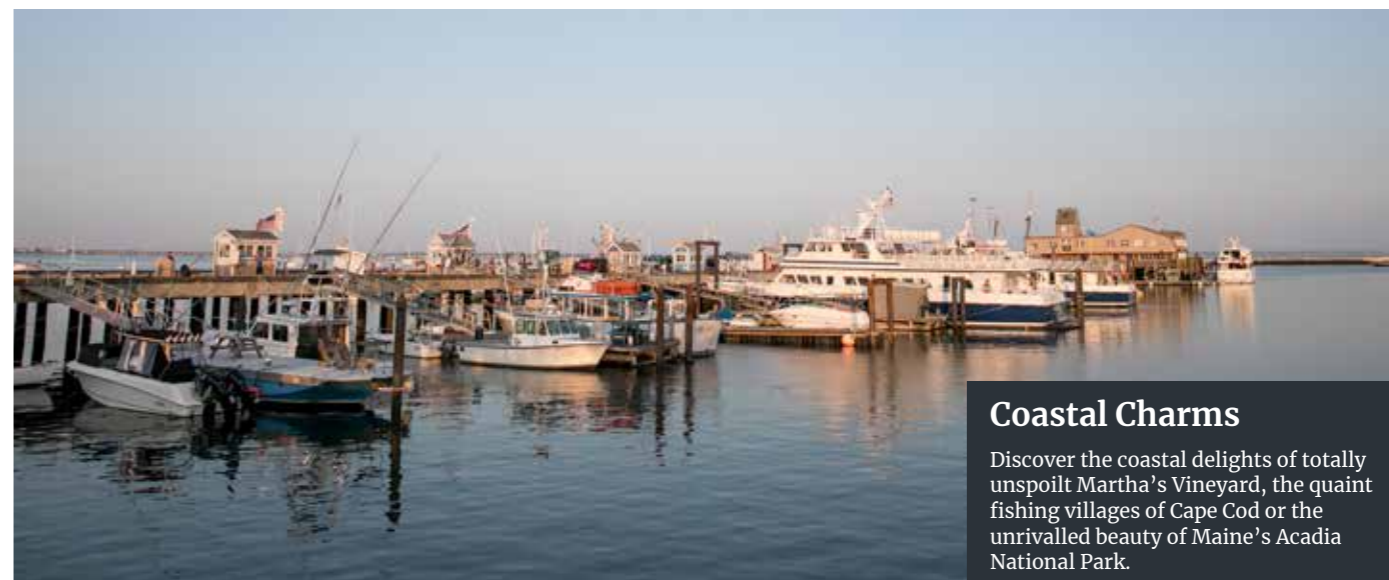
Fall Colours

Forever synonymous with the vibrant colours of Autumn, New England is one of the best places in the USA to experience Mother Nature at her most colourful.



Sporting Legends

Home to the Boston Red Sox, Fenway Park is the oldest operational baseball park in the country.



Coastal Charms

Discover the coastal delights of totally unspoilt Martha's Vineyard, the quaint fishing villages of Cape Cod or the unrivalled beauty of Maine's Acadia National Park.



Cultural Treasures

Follow the Freedom Walking Trail to hop between Boston's historical sites, visit Back Bay for elegant brownstone architecture and Beacon Hill for cobblestone streets and gas streetlights.



Academic Perfection

Cross the Charles River to explore the learned charms of Harvard, where the red brick buildings and green lawns herald America's oldest university and original Ivy League school.

Boston Park Plaza

This Boston landmark can be found in historic Back Bay, famed for its beautifully preserved rows of Victorian brownstone buildings. Back Bay is a thriving neighbourhood also highly regarded for excellent shopping and dining and tree-lined streets. The Park Plaza hotel sits within a heritage building close to Boston Common and Beacon Hill. There is a choice of rooms and suites all of which are modern in style with crisp, clean décor and stylish bathrooms. Off the Common is the hotel restaurant and bar, set within the lobby it features historic carved wood, high ceilings and is known for its New England seafood classics. There’s also an Irish pub and an Italian. Other facilities include the Lynx Fitness Centre, an impressive health club with group classes and full swing golf simulator.

Location: Back Bay

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Boxer

Set between the cobblestone streets of Beacon Hill and the historic North End, the Boxer fuses Boston’s past with its urban charms and gives easy access to the city and is within walking distance of Quincy Market, the Freedom Trail, Boston Harbour, and the green spaces of Boston Common. Like the rest of the hotel, the rooms and suites here blend industrial touches with modern elegance with a nod to the building’s history showing in the rivet steel wardrobes and gas light-inspired lamps. The décor is cool and calming with all the comforts needed after a day exploring. Bullfinch Social is the lobby level New England-inspired brasserie with classic American dishes and a relaxed atmosphere.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



Fairmont Copley Plaza

This landmark hotel has been part of the Boston story since 1912 and sits just moments away from popular attractions including Fenway Park and the boutiques of Newbury Street. The Freedom Trail is also nearby as is the Charles River Esplanade. The rooms and suites are classically and elegantly appointed, evoking a feeling of old-world charm and the Fairmont Gold level offers a private check-in and access to the guest lounge. Facilities include the rooftop health club with a state-of-the-art fitness centre and outdoor deck. Whilst there is an excellent choice of restaurants around the hotel, the OAK Long Bar and Kitchen is one of the most popular dining spots in the city.

Location: Back Bay

Our rating: ★★★★★



Newbury

Edging the famed Boston Public Garden, this luxury hotel sits within a neighbourhood of genteel Victorian brownstones and the boutiques and bistros of Newbury Street. The rooms and suites are coolly sophisticated featuring heritage architecture, custom-made furniture and bespoke artwork and a number offer Back Bay or Public Garden views. The Street Bar is a cosy, welcoming social hub, which connects to The Library, a guest only space packed with literary reads. For dining head to rooftop Contessa, a glass-enclosed eatery offering Italian food and wonderful city views. Art lovers will appreciate the curated art collection which showcases the story of the hotel in a variety of settings.

Location: Back Bay

Our rating: ★★★★★



Nobnocket Boutique Hotel

This charming inn gets its name from the Wampanoag, who were the local custodians of the island, and their word for Vineyard Haven. Expect a warm welcome and a very real sense of place. Sitting in nearly 2 acres of gardens and woodlands, just a short distance from the ferry to Cape Cod, the Nobnocket is a gorgeous arts-and-crafts building which dates to 1908. Step inside and the design is contemporary and modern, with light-filled rooms, polished parquet floors, crisp white linens and thoughtfully curated works of art. There are myriad spaces for guests to relax including a sunny patio, cosy sitting room, and covered veranda. Breakfast is served each morning and there is a plethora of restaurants, cafés, and lovely galleries nearby. This is a beautiful spot from which to explore Martha’s Vineyard.

Location: Martha’s Vineyard, Massachusetts

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Dan’l Webster Inn & Spa

At the centre of the oldest town on Cape Cod, Sandwich, the Dan’l Webster Inn & Spa has offered lodging for over 300 years. Today guests are invited to discover this boutique colonial inn, with timeless New England charm and modern comforts. The property has 48 beautifully appointed rooms and suites with many featuring hand-carved canopy beds, fireplaces and whirlpool tubs. Award-winning dining is available on-site, from breakfast through to dinner in the dining rooms and cozy Tavern, and guests can also unwind in the Beach Plum Spa. The hotel is surrounded by lush gardens including an outdoor pool open during the summer season, and is well located to provide easy access to Cape Cod’s beaches, museums and scenic trails.

Location: Sandwich, Cape Cod

Our rating: ★★★★★



Newport Harbor Island Resort

Embrace island resort life on Goat Island in Newport, at the Newport Harbor Island Resort. The quintessential New England coastal experience, from sailing to relaxing around the cozy firepit and enjoying great local cuisine, this hotel offers plenty of experiences all year round. Spacious rooms afford sweeping water and garden views with a modern coastal aesthetic, and there are 4, on-site restaurants and a full service spa. The resort boasts Newport’s only outdoor saltwater pool, with private sun deck, loungers and cabanas as well as heated indoor pool. This property offers a coastal resort atmosphere, whilst being within easy access to Newport – the city by the sea – complete with shuttle access for guests.

Location: Newport, Rhode Island

Our rating: ★★★★★



Woodstock Inn

Surrounded by quaint country stores, bookstores, art galleries and restaurants in the pretty village of Woodstock, this is a beautiful place to spend a few days in Vermont. This charming inn is New England personified with a classically elegant design, heritage-style rooms and suites, a soothing day spa and an all-season outdoor courtyard with a whirlpool and cedar sauna. During the summer months the outdoor swimming pool is a welcome place to cool down after a day exploring. There is also a fitness centre, 18-hole golf course and bicycles are available to hire. There are a number of dining options at the inn, or you can stroll into the village for a wider variety to choose from. This is a fabulous outdoorsy area with fly fishing, over 60 miles of hiking trails and more to enjoy.

Location: Woodstock, Vermont

Our rating: ★★★★★



Washington and Chicago

HISTORY IN THE MAKING AND LAKESIDE LIVING

Washington D.C. is a political powerhouse packed with world class museums, memorials and more cinema-worthy photo spots than you can imagine. Many of Washington's museums are free to explore including the Smithsonian Institution, which includes 20 museums and galleries. Discover the memorials on the National Mall, home to the Lincoln Memorial, the Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and many more. See the US Capitol Building and the White House, buildings no doubt as familiar as your own home.

The lakefront 'Windy City' otherwise known as Chicago, is a thriving metropolis on the shores of Lake Michigan. The delightful lakefront is backed by a shimmering skyline and a city packed with superb shopping and dining. Chicago is also gateway to the Great Lakes, a region that lends itself perfectly to a leisurely self-drive holiday through some of America's most breathtaking scenery.



Our 5 Favourites in Washington D.C. and Chicago

These fabulous eastern seaboard cities make for a truly remarkable stay. From instantly recognisable icons such as the Lincoln Memorial and the White House, to the magnificent Chicago skyline and sparkling waters of Lake Michigan. We asked our Destination Specialists for their personal recommendations.

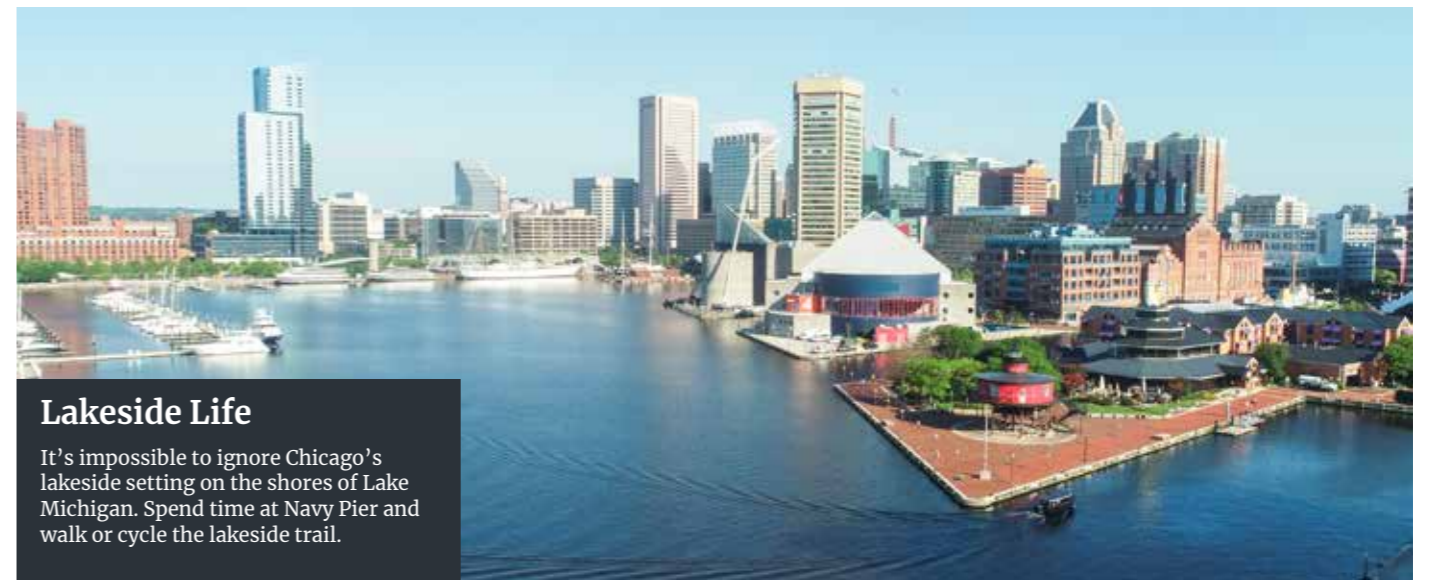
Iconic Landmarks

Washington's landmarks are varied and many and include the White House, US Capitol, Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the US Holocaust Memorial.



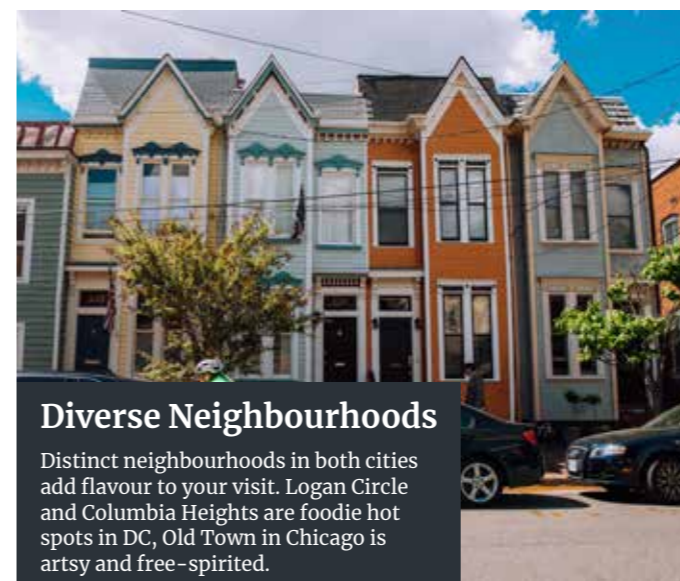
Art & Culture

Both cities offer an impressive, eclectic and diverse collection of museums and galleries.



Lakeside Life

It's impossible to ignore Chicago's lakeside setting on the shores of Lake Michigan. Spend time at Navy Pier and walk or cycle the lakeside trail.



Diverse Neighbourhoods

Distinct neighbourhoods in both cities add flavour to your visit. Logan Circle and Columbia Heights are foodie hot spots in DC, Old Town in Chicago is artsy and free-spirited.



Parks & Gardens

Wander the United States Botanic Garden in Washington, and Rock Creek Park – twice the size of Central Park. In Chicago, Millennium Park is filled with whimsical art and exhibitions.

Washington D.C. Accommodation

The Royal Sonesta Washington DC Dupont Circle

Hidden in the cosmopolitan Dupont circle area is where you will find this elegant, boutique hotel which is conveniently located for visitors wishing to explore The White House, monuments, local museums and the city’s most renowned shops and restaurants. Tastefully decorated rooms range from guest rooms with a marble bathroom, modern amenities and a mini-fridge. Premier studio city view rooms have the addition of a microwave for those on the go or a choice of a spa suites, ideal for a soak after a day exploring. Unwind in the outdoor seasonal swimming pool or keep fit in the 24hr fitness centre. The hotel’s restaurant Certo is inspired by Italy where handcrafted pasta and seafood cuisine are served alongside a vast cocktail menu and wine list.

Location: Dupont Circle

Our rating: ★★★★★



Melrose Georgetown Hotel

The elegant Melrose Georgetown Hotel consistently earns its place amongst Washington DC’s most distinguished hotels. With seamless access to the city’s top attractions, this boutique property is a great base to explore the capital from, with the shopping district of historic Georgetown and the Potomac Waterfront all within easy reach. Each of the 240 rooms and suites blend cosmopolitan style with timeless elegance and really are sanctuaries in the city. Deluxe beds, marble baths and thoughtful workstations make this the ideal choice for the modern traveller. Savour farm to table cuisine at Jardenea or unwind with curated cocktails in the sophisticated lounge or patio.

Location: Georgetown

Our rating: ★★★★★



Fairmont Washington Georgetown

Classically elegant and located in one of the most favourable parts of the city, Georgetown, the Fairmont Washington hotel offers an elegant and refined experience. Secluded courtyards are where you can plan your day of exploring or enjoy al fresco dining in the Courtyard Bar as you reflect on your day. Sip on a BeeTini cocktail made from the hotel’s rooftop honeybees in the Lobby Lounge, a great spot to unwind over a nightcap. A traditional American menu is prepared and served in the Juniper Restaurant and Courtyard. Facilities include an expansive gym and indoor saltwater pool. There are 413 spacious rooms and suites which proudly showcase local artwork, all contemporary in style and feature a comfortable seating area.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Darcy Washington DC

Boutique and modern in style, The Darcy Hotel is positioned between lively Dupont Circle and historic Logan circle. You will be spoilt for choice with dining options and shopping on your doorstep. Famous landmarks such as The White House and Capitol Building are within easy walking distance. Gerard Street Kitchen is the inhouse bar and restaurant where chefs proudly create globally inspired cuisine. Bluestone Lane coffee shop will kick start your day of discovery with brunch and lunch options or simply a selection of premium coffees. The hotel features 226 rooms all finished in a contemporary style with original artwork and splashes of colour amongst rich wood tones, suites offer extended space and a sofa bed to relax and unwind.

Location: Scott Circle

Our rating: ★★★★★



Accommodation Chicago

Palmer House, a Hilton Hotel

This is one of the most historic homes in the heart of Chicago downtown and on your doorstep, you have direct access to some of the city’s most popular attractions. Not to be missed is a walk to Millennium Park, where you will find landscape design and art. Dining comes in the form of Lockwood Restaurant and Potter’s Chicago Burger Bar. During your stay make sure you call by Lockwood Express to pick up a Palmer House brownie, invented in the pastry kitchen. Accommodation ranges from standard rooms to luxurious suites and 2 bedroom-2-bathroom suites are available for families or couples travelling together. Facilities include a tranquil oasis and spa where beauty and wellness are the priority, a state-of-the-art fitness centre and a heated indoor swimming pool.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



Silversmith Hotel

The Silversmith Hotel is sophisticated and refined, with a prime location that allows easy access to the “The Loop” train that encircles the city and covers the Art Institute, Buckingham Fountain, Willis Tower, and Magnificent Mile; Chicago’s’ prestigious shopping, dining, and entertainment area. The Adamus Restaurant and Lounge is open throughout the day serving traditional American dishes and inventive smaller plates whilst the Lounge Bar offers more relaxed dining and the place to share a platter with a local beer or classic cocktail. 144 spacious guest rooms feature high ceilings and are finished in a contemporary style with an expansive walk-in shower, luxurious bedding, and coffee maker.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Ivy Hotel

The Ivy Hotel offers boutique, sleek and spacious living within touching distance of Chicago’s iconic attractions, sprawling parks and Navy Pier. Focus is on a “home from home” residential style of accommodation. Start the day in the Divine Lounge and watch the world go by as you devour tasty American breakfast delights and good coffee before you discover the city. As evening falls the Sky Terrace is where you will find mixologists eager to share their cocktail making skills as the city lights accentuate the skyline. Accommodation ranges from studios to suites with a separate living area, and deep soaking bath. We recommend the Ivy elevated studios located on the 14th floor, which include daily breakfast, welcome evening cocktails and delectable charcuterie board.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



Sofitel Chicago Magnificent Mile

The Sofitel Chicago Magnificent Mile has a distinctively French avant-garde style, which creatively fits the external and interior design effortlessly. Centrally located you are in the very heart of the city with key attractions on your doorstep including the luxurious Gold Coast where you will find pretty streets, fine dining, and luxurious boutiques. Le Bar features floor to ceiling glass windows, plus an inviting library area and a distinctly French influenced drinks menu with an extensive selection of French champagne, wine, and speciality martinis. Just a short walk away is the hotel’s restaurant CDA, inspired by French cuisine and local flavours. 415 rooms boast city views, the superior rooms are located on a higher floor offering guests a bird’s eye view of the city.

Location: Downtown

Our rating: ★★★★★



SUNSHINE STATE, GULF SUNSETS AND ATLANTIC BREEZE

Bordering the Atlantic Ocean and the warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico, Florida is a glorious state of beautiful white beaches, thrilling theme parks and wildlife-rich wetlands. Explore the Art Deco sights in Miami, the tropical vibes of the Florida Keys, which curve gently into the turquoise sea and end in Key West, a place much-loved by Ernest Hemmingway and where sunset each evening is still greeted with a round of applause. Discover the lush everglades and the swathes of Gulf Coast beaches and islands that punctuate the coastline. Relive the space age at Cape Canaveral and enjoy uncovering a side to the sunshine state that offers so much more than just the larger-than-life theme parks of Orlando.

Loews Miami Beach

In the heart of South Beach’s Art Deco district with a beachfront setting, the Loews is a stylish choice in Miami. Highlights include a stunning pool deck with a lagoon-style swimming pool along with a VIP area featuring poolside cabanas. Sea Spa is a fabulous day spa and fitness centre that also offers a range of group classes. There is a wide range of dining options available within an easy walk, inhouse restaurants include Rao’s for southern Italian cuisine and Preston’s Market – a great breakfast spot. Bar Collins is a popular place for a casual meal and drinks and if you are poolside then the Nautilus Bar & Grill offers a pool and beachside service. There is an excellent choice of rooms and suites with views over the city of Miami or the ocean.

Location: South Beach, Miami

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel Victor South Beach

Set on iconic Ocean Drive and just steps from South Beach, Hotel Victor South Beach is a revitalised Art Deco treasure originally designed in 1937 and restored in 2013. Chic, beach-inspired rooms and suites – many of which have balconies, terraces or pool access – also feature rainfall showers or private hot tubs. The hotel is well equipped with modern comforts, including bike rentals, beach chairs and towels as well as a fitness centre and outdoor pool surrounded by cabanas. Wellness seekers will be able to relax at Kalma Spa, the first Peruvian Crystal Colour Therapy spa located in the United States, and those seeking nightlife will be walking distance from a variety of outdoor cafés and restaurants including the famed Versace Mansion.

Location: South Beach, Miami

Our rating: ★★★★★



Marriott Sanibel Harbour Resort & Spa

Sitting on 85 tropical acres, overlooking Sanibel and Captiva Island, this waterfront hotel is a great base for a few days in the Florida sunshine, with Fort Myers and the Everglades being easily accessible. Onsite facilities include the Spa at Sanibel Harbour, a well-equipped fitness centre and 3 outdoor swimming pools and a wealth of dining options. Tarpon House is a relaxing waterside restaurant, whilst the Courtside Steak House is a popular steak and seafood spot. There’s also a bakery and a tapas bar plus a poolside eatery. There is a choice of spacious rooms and suites, all have private balconies and scenic views over the gulf.

Location: Fort Myers

Our rating: ★★★★★



Naples Bay Resort & Marina

This delightful waterside resort offers a wealth of accommodation choices and facilities in Naples on the beautiful Gulf Coast. A stay here gives guests access to the Naples Bay Club, boat rentals, kayak, bicycle, and paddle board hire and a resort shuttle to downtown Naples and the beach. There are 4 excellent restaurants including the Blue Water Bar & Grill, Café on the Bay, Nosh on Naples Bay and Indulge, a lounge space with dining and entertainment. The extensive array of accommodation includes spacious guest rooms and suites with private balconies and marina views. 5 swimming pools, a lazy river, adult only pool, wellness centre with day spa and fitness centre, tennis centre with 6 courts can be found at the Naples Bay Club.

Location: Naples

Our rating: ★★★★★



La Playa Beach & Golf Resort

Set on a white sandy beach, lapped by the warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico this wonderful resort offers a wealth of experiences. There’s an 18-hole golf course, water sport rentals, bicycles, fitness classes, beach yoga plus 4 swimming pools and a hot tub. SpaTerre is a tranquil wellness space with a comprehensive menu of treatments. When it comes to dining BALEEN is a steak and seafood restaurant, and elements bar offers cosy beachside fire pits. Old Naples is only a short drive and has an excellent selection of restaurants. There is an extensive choice of rooms and suites. Those in the Gulf Tower afford sweeping views of the Gulf of Mexico, the Bay Tower have bay or gulf views, whilst the Beach House is for those who like to be closest to the sand.

Location: Naples

Our rating: ★★★★★



Ocean Key Resort & Spa

Overlooking the Gulf of Mexico, there is no bad view here, it’s a spectacularly beautiful spot. It has one of the best addresses in Key West at ‘Zero Duval Street’ and overlooks Mallory Square, where the sunset is celebrated every evening. There is superb dining at the Hot Tin Roof and Sunset Pier, and a pool and cocktail bar alongside the oceanfront swimming pool. In-room dining is also available if you fancy a quiet night in. Relaxation comes in the form of a beautiful boutique spa, SpaTerre and there’s a fitness centre should you desire it. The gorgeous rooms and suites capture the spirit of the Keys perfectly with cool floors, stone showers and some boast spa tubs, all have private balconies and Duval Street or ocean views.

Location: Key West

Our rating: ★★★★★

Deep South

BLUES, BOURBON, BAYOUS, AND THE MIGHTY MISSISSIPPI

Spanning the southern states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia, and Alabama, the deep south is an intriguing and memorable part of the USA with music running through its veins. This is where Tennessee gave birth to rock 'n' roll, now the holy grail of country music, from the honky tonk bars of Nashville to the legendary studios of Memphis, which are still a mecca for artists today. Whilst Mississippi is the home of the Blues, which was born in the cotton fields of the Mississippi Delta and vibrant and eclectic New Orleans gave us jazz. Discover the states which are steeped in history from Civil Rights Movement and the American Civil War and where the stories of Mark Twain await. Intersperse this with Creole soul food, wildlife-rich bayous, graceful riverside plantation homes and warm southern hospitality and you have the perfect blend for a journey through the richly diverse southern states of the USA.

Our 5 Favourites in the Deep South

Where to start in the Deep South. It's all about the legendary music, the food, the Civil Rights legacy, the life-force that is the Mississippi River and a culture which is unlike anything else you'll encounter in America. Some of our past guests shared their favourite experiences with us.

Glorious Food

Embark on a journey where soul-food is real. From gumbos, jambalayas, beignets and po'boys to incredible seafood and BBQ.



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Civil Rights

These are states that pushed for social change. Where Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. took up his epic struggle and a young Rose Parks made her stand.



Rhythm and Blues

Toe tap your way around the places that gave the world country music, jazz, the delta blues, and rock 'n' roll. Each state has its own musical tale to tell.



The Mighty Mississippi

Filled with history and scenery the Mississippi is synonymous with the south. Whichever way you choose to discover it, a paddle steamer cruise takes some beating.



History & Heritage

The American Revolution, American Civil War, abolition of slavery and the Civil Rights Movement all took place in the south. To travel here is a history lesson in itself.



Holston House

This lovely boutique hotel is tucked away in downtown Nashville, yet only a few blocks from the legendary Ryman Auditorium and much-feted music, dining, and sports venues. Timeless Art Deco architecture sits alongside modern styling in a place inspired by music. The rooms and suites are elegantly designed with wooden floors, beautiful fabrics and vintage charm, the suites even feature record players. TENN is the hotel restaurant showcasing American dishes with a southern twist, Bar TENN offers light meals and live music, whilst up on the roof you'll find Heirloom, a penthouse garden by the open-air swimming pool (seasonal) with views over the city. There's also a fitness centre. The Johnny Cash Museum and Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum are within a 10-minute walk.

Location: Downtown Nashville

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Union Station Nashville Yards

Once Nashville's central train terminal, this historic hotel sits within one of the most striking buildings in the city and offers character and atmosphere in abundance. Step through the doors and you'll find a stunning 65ft vaulted glass ceiling, marble floors and oak-lined walls, all of which are the perfect backdrop to the live music performances which take place in the lobby each evening. The rooms and suites boast high ceilings, vast windows, wooden floors, and splashes of colour. Stationary is the hotel's signature restaurant, whilst ERGO is the place for cocktails, in a space inspired by the romance of yester-year rail travel. With the restaurants of Broadway, the Country Music Hall of Fame and so much more within walking distance, this is an excellent base in Nashville.

Location: Downtown Nashville

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Thompson Hotel

Set in the Gulch neighbourhood of Nashville, the Thompson is a great choice for a stay in the 'Music City'. It's stylish and smart, just like it's location, which places it amidst some of the best music venues in the city. The Ryman Auditorium, Honky Tonk Row and First Art Museum are all within easy reach. The rooms and suites feature floor to ceiling windows, mid-century inspired furnishings, and beautiful bathrooms. Dining options include Marsh House with a menu of southern-inspired dishes and seafood, its also a favoured local spot too. L.A. Jackson the rooftop indoor/outdoor bar and restaurant features Friday and Saturday night DJs. There's also a great coffee shop to start the day and a fitness centre.

Location: Downtown Nashville

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Peabody

This legendary hotel is known as the 'South's Grand Hotel' and for good reason. Synonymous with gracious hospitality, elegance, and charm and the 5 resident mallard ducks who march through the lobby on a daily basis, a stay at the Peabody is a unique experience. There is a wide choice of rooms and suites which are classically designed and feature artwork that plays tribute to Memphis, the Blues and Mississippi River sunsets. The impressive array of dining options covers Italian, classic French, a deli-cum-pastry shop, and a cosy bar. Step outside and you'll find an excellent choice of eateries within a short walk. Facilities include the Feathers Spa and the Peabody Athletics Club which has state of the art fitness equipment and a Grecian-style indoor swimming pool.

Location: Downtown Memphis

Our rating: ★★★★★



ARRIVE Memphis

With just 62 rooms, this lovely hotel is thoughtfully designed and offers a boutique stay with more of a neighbourhood feel than city stay. The Blues Hall of Fame is across the street and the National Civil Rights Museum is just steps away, the Beale Street Entertainment District is a 10-minute walk. Inhouse, the hotel offers the Hustle & Dough Bakery & Café, Bar Hustle which serves light snacks and drinks and Longshot where you can play shuffleboard, watch sports, and enjoy a casual meal with a local beer. There is a great selection of other dining options within an easy stroll. The studios and suites are beautifully decorated with statement wallpaper, cosy linens, stunning bathrooms, and a Marshall Bluetooth speaker. The deluxe studios and bigger studios as the names suggest, offer more space.

Location: Midtown Memphis

Our rating: ★★★★★



Guest House at Graceland

Just steps away from one of the most legendary landmarks in the music world, the Guest House offers a unique opportunity to stay in a place inspired by Elvis Presley. For die-hard Elvis fans this is a bucket-list experience and is the perfect base from which to explore the Graceland Mansion. The décor reflects the personal style of 'the King' and alongside the distinctive guest rooms there are 20 themed suites, designed under the supervision of Priscilla Presley. As you would expect the dining experiences draw heavily on southern influences and include Delta's Kitchen, EP's Bar & Grill, the Lobby Lounge and Shake Rattle and Go for takeaway coffee and pastry. There's an outdoor pool, airport shuttle and shuttle service to Graceland, although it is only a 5-minute walk away.

Location: Graceland, Memphis

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Chattanooga Hotel, Curio Collection

Located in the popular Southside District, this comfortable hotel is just a mile from downtown. The Tennessee Aquarium is just 5 minutes away and there's a great choice of restaurants close by. The historic Lookout Mountain Incline Railway is only a short drive from the hotel as is the celebrated Rock City Gardens, which offers memorable views. There is a choice of modern rooms and suites, some offering mountain views and regionally inspired dining come courtesy of FORGE, Stills + Mash and the High Rail, a rooftop bar with scenic city views. Facilities include a day spa and fitness centre.

Location: Chattanooga

Our rating: ★★★★★



Monmouth Historic Inn

This historic property is a gracious antebellum mansion which sits in 26 acres of beautiful gardens. Evoking the era of a bygone age, a stay here puts you amongst blooming magnolias, roses, and azaleas and in a property which is a National Historic Landmark in Natchez. Built in 1818, the collection of rooms is beautifully appointed and adorned with period furnishings and antiques. You can choose to stay in the main house or in one of 7 outbuildings. Restaurant 1818 occupies what was originally the Men's and Ladies' parlours and offers an elegant dining experience and guests are invited to enjoy pre-dinner drinks in the Quitman Lounge. Tours of the house are available, and guests are welcome to wander the magnificent gardens at their leisure.

Location: Natchez

Our rating: ★★★★★



Deep South Accommodation

Holiday Inn French Quarter Chateau Le Moyne

This characterful hotel boasts a quiet location just a short walk from Jackson Square and Bourbon Street, making it a great base from which to explore New Orleans on foot or by hopping on a streetcar. Canal Street and the French Market are also nearby. Occupying a building which dates back more than 140 years, this hotel has plenty of charm and character. The rooms are comfortable and feature exposed brickwork and some have ornate balconies and views over the French Quarter. There is no restaurant onsite, but there is wide variety of dining options within an easy stroll. Facilities include a garden courtyard and an outdoor heated saltwater swimming pool.

Location: French Quarter, New Orleans

Our rating: ★★☆☆



Hilton New Orleans Riverside

Boasting a great location on the banks of the mighty Mississippi River, this modern hotel offers the best of both worlds. The chance to relax and simply watch life on the river, or dive headlong into all that the ‘Big Easy’ has to offer. The hotel is less than a mile from the French Quarter, bringing Bourbon Street and Jackson Square within easy reach and it's also connected to the Riverwalk Outlets, where you'll find an array of shops and restaurants. When it comes to rooms, there are city view or river view options available. There is also a great selection of dining to enjoy onsite, plus a wealth of other choices nearby. Facilities include an expansive health club with air-conditioned tennis courts, pickle ball, Pilates, full fitness centre and 2 swimming pools.

Location: Downtown, New Orleans

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel Monteleone

This family-owned New Orleans institution is filled with character and a real sense of history, welcoming guests for over 120 years. Sitting at the foot of Royal Street puts the myriad attractions of the French Quarter on your doorstep. Explore lively Bourbon Street, Jackson Square and the French Market, or head to Riverwalk and watch the paddle steamers on the Mississippi. Lining the cobblestone streets of this historic quarter are fabulous shops and quaint restaurants. Crillo is the hotel restaurant with great seafood options, and the famous Carousel Bar with its circular revolving bar is next door. Rooms include traditional, preferred and Iberville superior, there is also a choice of executive and themed suites. Facilities include an excellent day spa, fitness centre and a rooftop swimming pool.

Location: French Quarter, New Orleans

Our rating: ★★★★★



Royal Sonesta New Orleans

On vibrant Bourbon Street, the Royal Sonesta puts you front and centre stage to the energy and colour that the famed French Quarter is known for. With gabled windows and intricate balconies, this is a welcoming hotel that evokes the grandeur of a time long past and is a popular choice in the city. Facilities include a fitness centre and a seasonal outdoor heated swimming pool. There are several places to dine including Desire Oyster Bar, offering a raw oyster bar and extensive menu and Restaurant R'evolution known for classic Creole and Cajun dishes. The Jazz Playhouse is one of the best jazz clubs in New Orleans, whilst Le Boozie is the place for sporting events and whisky. Choose from a range of elegant and stylish rooms with courtyard or French Quarter views, some have balconies.

Location: French Quarter, New Orleans

Our rating: ★★★★★



Accommodation Deep South

Under Canvas – Great Smoky Mountains

Tucked into the trees, just 10 miles from Gatlinburg, this safari-inspired accommodation sits on 182 acres of woodland, close to the entrance to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Known as the ‘land of the blue smoke’ this a fabulous way to experience the natural beauty of the area and an exceptional outdoor experience. The safari-style canvas tents come in a range of sizes and include stargazers, with a viewing window above the bed, deluxe and suites all feature private bathrooms, wood burning stoves and private decks. There is superb onsite dining available and complimentary activities including live music, yoga and fun for kids, and nature hikes plus nightly firepits with s'mores. This is a fabulous all-American experience in the most stunning of settings.

Location: Near Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Our rating: ★★★★★



Cotton House

With a name inspired by its location on historic Cotton Row in downtown Cleveland, the Cotton House is a charming, boutique hotel in the heart of the Mississippi Delta. Cleveland attractions including the GRAMMY Museum® and Dockery Plantation are on the doorstep. The decor is ‘decidedly Delta’ with local artwork depicting the landscapes and a relaxed, welcoming feel from the moment you step through the door. Food and drink comes care of the Delta Meat Market, an excellent restaurant serving international dishes inspired by the Delta, and Bar Fontaine, which offers small plates and pasta on a rooftop patio with beautiful sunset views. Combine this with the stylishly elegant rooms and suites and you have the perfect base on the Mississippi Blues Trail.

Location: Cleveland, Mississippi

Our rating: ★★★★★



Francis Marion Hotel

Dating back to 1924, this historical Charleston landmark offers a great location from which to explore the wealth of Charleston attractions and is within walking distance of beautiful gardens, museums, antique shops, restaurants, and shopping. The onsite Swamp Fox Restaurant and Bar is excellent and showcases classic southern dishes. The Spa of Charleston is a soothing wellness space, with an extensive treatment menu and there's a small fitness centre. The rooms and suites here are comfortable and welcoming, traditional in style and offer more than a passing nod to the hotel's past history. Rooms on the higher floors offer wonderful panoramic views over Charleston.

Location: Charleston, South Carolina

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel Genevieve

Located in the downtown East Market district also known as NuLu, this charming hotel has a wealth of attractions including the Waterfront Botanic Gardens within walking distance. There is also a fabulous array of art galleries, eateries which range from BBQ to fine dining, and antique shops on the doorstep. On the rooftop you'll find Bar Genevieve offering food and cocktails with a stunning view, Rosettes is open for all-day dining and inspired by the cafes of Paris. Lucky Penny is open for bar snacks and drinks late into the evening, hidden away in the hotel for those lucky enough to find it. Rooms are bright and cheery like the rest of the hotel and offer comfortable spaces in which to relax after a day exploring Blue Grass Country.

Location: Louisville, Kentucky

Our rating: ★★★★★



Mountain States and National Parks

WILD WESTERN LANDSCAPES ON AN EPIC SCALE

The USA seems to do everything on a grand scale and the national parks and mountain states are no exception. Arizona and Utah give us dramatic, otherworldly rock formations, which glow red in the sun, cacti-studded deserts and the incredible national parks of Zion, Arches, Bryce Canyon, Canyonlands, Capitol Reef, and the mighty Grand Canyon. Further north the mountain states of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, and the Dakota's are equally impressive. The magnificent Rocky Mountains, the Grand Teton National Park, Dakota Badlands, and the geological wonder that is Yellowstone National Park. These striking landscapes are simply epic and truly are nature's most perfect playground.

Our 5 Favourites in the Mountain States and National Parks

It's hard to do justice to these remarkable states. Whether you're looking for the landscapes of the wild west, staggering beauty of mountain ranges or a mix of both, we guarantee you will not leave disappointed.

Striking Landscapes

From the iconic saguaros that stud the deserts, to dramatic rock formations, rugged mountains and vast canyons, the landscapes are awe-inspiring.



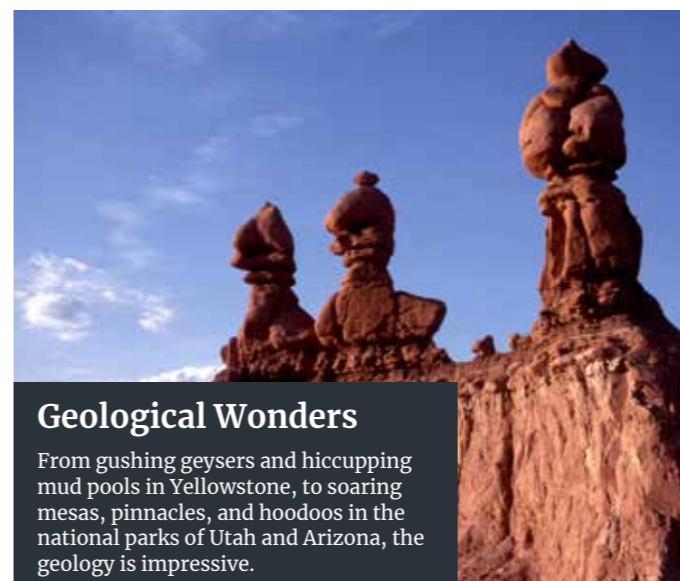
Wildlife

Head to Yellowstone National Park for grazing herds of bison and bears. In the Grand Teton National Park keep your eyes peeled for bears, moose and elk.



Exploring on Foot

Heaven-sent for exploring on foot, there's no bad spot in any of the national parks, however lesser-known Glacier National Park in Montana has more than 740 miles of hiking trails.



Geological Wonders

From gushing geysers and hiccupping mud pools in Yellowstone, to soaring mesas, pinnacles, and hoodoos in the national parks of Utah and Arizona, the geology is impressive.

The Wild West

Discover South Dakota's Badlands National Park, the Black Hills and Custer Park, where bison freely roam. And the sight of Mount Rushmore can't help but impress.



Lake Yellowstone Hotel

Location is everything and this historic lodge, which dates to 1891 boasts an excellent location in the heart of Yellowstone National Park on the shores of Lake Yellowstone. It is the perfect place from which to experience the unique eco-systems, wildlife, geology and geysers and hot springs that exist within Yellowstone. All rooms are comfortably and traditionally furnished, the standard rooms sit within Sandpiper Lodge, whilst the deluxe rooms are in the main lodge building. Some offer lake views and there is a choice of suites too. The dining room features all day dining overlooking the lake, there is also a lobby bar and lounge, gift shop and deli for take out items.

Location: Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming

Our rating: ★★☆☆



Hotel Jackson

Tucked into the quaint but vibrant town of Jackson, this boutique hotel is a beautiful base from which to explore the western heritage and charm of the Grand Teton National Park, which is just 4 miles away. The 55 rooms and suites are beautifully styled and offer a modern take on a western design. Natural stone, reclaimed wood, leather, metal and wool come together to create elegant retreats which feature gas fireplaces and spa-inspired bathrooms. FIGS serves Mediterranean-Lebanese dishes and popular with guests and locals alike. Facilities include a fitness centre, rooftop whirlpool, in-room yoga, pilates and meditation classes and the Sacajawea Library, a peaceful space featuring literary works from local authors and books about the region you are exploring.

Location: Jackson Hole, Wyoming

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Lodge at Jackson Hole

Located close to Jackson’s historic Town Square, The Lodge at Jackson Hole combines rustic charm with modern comforts. Guests will return to rooms furnished in contemporary Western style after days exploring Yellowstone or Grand Teton, with a state-of-the-art fitness centre and a year-round heated indoor-outdoor pool also on site. A hearty American breakfast buffet is served daily at the lodge, and in the evenings the Fireside Lounge is available for dinner, craft cocktails and typical Western hospitality. Spa and hot tubs are available to relax, after you have made full use of the hotel’s concierge planning facilities to organise your day. This boutique lodge captures the brilliance of Wyoming in a warm, yet sophisticated way.

Location: Jackson Hole, Wyoming

Our rating: ★★★★★



Cliffrose Springdale

The historic Cliffrose lodge sits on the edge of the Virgin River, just steps from local dining and shopping in the boutique desert town of Springdale at the gateway to dramatic Zion National Park. Guests can make use of the free local shuttle to explore the park just five minutes’ drive away. With just 53 thoughtfully designed rooms, guests can expect décor that blends with the canyon’s sandstone beauty, with options for canyon, river or pool views. With two heated outdoor pools, hot tubs and treatments available at Five Petals Spa, the lodge welcomes weary travellers to indulge after a day of exploring. Dining is at the Anthera restaurant, with a shaded patio amongst the trees and walls of Zion Canyon.

Location: Springdale, Utah (for Zion National Park)

Our rating: ★★★★★



Clear Sky Resorts Bryce Canyon

Just off Scenic Byway 12, one of the most scenic roads in the U.S, is Clear Sky Resorts. Located 15 minutes’ drive from the national park set in a secluded 80-acre canyon, this is the perfect base to explore where natural beauty meets modern comfort. Connect with nature staying in the sky domes, with floor-to-ceiling panoramic glass and ultra-modern technologies including designer bathrooms, luxury linens and sleek design features within this otherworldly setting. Guests can indulge at the celestial-themed restaurant, Sky Nova Café Bar & Grill – one of the largest glass dome restaurants in the world. As the name suggests, stargazing is available with the property’s astronomer, and you can end your days with s’mores around the fire pit.

Location: Bryce Canyon, Utah

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel Park City, Autograph Collection

Discover paradise in the Wasatch Mountains of Northern Utah at this resort hotel, located alongside world-renowned ski slopes and an 18-hole golf course in the alpine charm of Park City. Each of the 100 suites features a cozy fireplace, king-size beds and jetted bathtubs with a private balcony or patio with views of the mountains, golf course and outdoor pool. Guests can also enjoy a full-service spa with saunas and hydrotherapy. Dining is highlighted by Ruth’s Chris Steak House and Bandannas Grill, both favourites amongst guests and Park City locals.

Location: Park City, Utah

Our rating: ★★★★★

Goulding’s Lodge

Goulding’s Lodge has been synonymous with Monument Valley for nearly a century and whilst a much-recognised location for classic Western movies, it also boasts a rich history of its own. Adjacent to the Navajo Tribal Park, in the shadow of the soaring red sandstone buttes, the setting of Goulding’s Lodge is nothing short of magnificent. Rooms are simple but comfortable with Navajo fabrics and many showcase spectacular vistas over the valley to Eagle Mesa, Brigham’s Tomb, King on His Throne and Stagecoach. There’s an indoor pool, the Trading Post Museum and the Earth Spirit Theatre which shows a John Wayne western nightly. The Stagecoach Restaurant, perched above the lodge serves authentic southwestern and Navajo cuisine surrounded by the breathtaking natural beauty of monument valley.

Location: Monument Valley, Utah

Our rating: ★★★



El Tovar Hotel

This historic hotel sits a few feet from the rim of the Grand Canyon and since opening its doors in 1905 has welcomed many great names including Albert Einstein and Theodore Roosevelt. The centuries-old charm is now blended with modern facilities yet retains its cosy and welcoming atmosphere. There are 78 rooms, including 12 suites and no two are the same adding to the hotel’s distinctive appeal some of which have a balcony or terrace with memorable views of the canyon. The El Tovar Dining Room offers an excellent menu and is one of the most popular in the Grand Canyon, alternatively there are other options in the village, which is within walking distance. The location of El Tovar puts you front and centre stage to the magnificent natural wonder that is the Grand Canyon.

Location: Grand Canyon, Arizona

Our rating: ★★★★★



Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite

Tenaya Lodge sits amongs majestic pines 2 miles from Yosemite National Park. It offers the perfect combination of comfort and adventure with accommoadtion at the Lodge, Cottages and Explorer Cabins. Rooms at the Lodge reflect the beauty of their surroundings, with the best mountain views, whereas the Explorer Cabins are located a ten-minute walk from the main lodge with stunning alpine meadow and wilderness views – perfect for larger groups and families. Cottage rooms are nestled in the forest, with fireplaces and private balconies or patios for those wanting more space. Facilities include indoor and outdoor pools, hot tub, full service spa and seasonal activities.

Location: Fish Camp, California (for Yosemite)

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel Alex Johnson Rapid City

With a perfect downtown location in Rapid City, the Hotel Alex Johnson is an ideal base for those wanting to explore the Black Hills of South Dakota. Since opening its doors in 1928, the hotel has played host to several presidents and celebrities, and has since been updated whilst still celebrating its Germanic-Tudor architecture and Native American art. Guests will enjoy plush bedding in sympathetically decorated rooms, a fitness centre and on-site dining options at Juniper and Paddy O’Neill’s Irish Pub. With layers of history just minutes from the iconic landmarks of Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse and Custer State Park, this is the ideal Western base.

Location: Rapid City, South Dakota

Our rating: ★★★



Grouse Mountain Lodge

The perfect launch point for Glacier National Park, Grouse Mountain Lodge offers lodge-style comfort and upscale amenities with access to some of the region’s best outdoor experiences all year round. With spectacular mountain views and the unique charm of the town of Whitefish just seconds away, guests feel right at home after a day of exploring, with shuttles also available to downtown, the train station and airport. Rooms are decorated in rustic chic style with modern comforts, blending mountain charm and convenience. Enjoy dining at Logan’s Bar & Grill, with cozy timber décor and relax in the indoor pool or outdoor hot tub.

Location: Whitefish, Montana

Our rating: ★★★



Inn at Death Valley

The Inn at Death Valley has been welcoming guests since the 1920’s when Hollywood legends such as Marlon Brandon and Clark Gable escaped to this desert retreat. Beneath towering date palms and multi-hued sunsets, the Spanish mission-style architecture creates a desert oasis. There is a choice of rooms, suites, and casitas, whilst the spring-fed pool is still a popular place for a cooling dip. The Inn Dining Room serves meals to a stunning backdrop of the desert salt pans and the Panamint Mountains, and casual light meals are available in the pool café throughout the day. Days here are spent exploring unique locations including Mushroom Rock, Zabriskie Point and Dante’s View, but don’t miss the star gazing opportunities either, this designated Dark Sky Reserve is the largest in North America.

Location: Death Valley, California

Our rating: ★★★★★



Grand Teton & Yellowstone Wildlife with Geothermal Wonders

3 days

Explore the hidden gems and highlights of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem on a custom, private guided experience. Featuring incredible wildlife encounters, spectacular scenery and exhilarating outdoor adventures with local experienced guides, enjoy unparalleled access to the wilderness of Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks.



Day 1: Jackson Hole – Grand Teton

Depart before sunrise for wildlife viewing in Grand Teton National Park. Spend the day with your expert naturalist guide who will take you off the beaten path to ensure you are treated to all the highlights on a wildlife safari of Grand Teton. Look for elk, bison, pronghorn, black bear, grizzly bear, moose, eagles and more. Take in the impressive Teton views over lunch before returning to your Jackson Hole accommodation mid-afternoon. (B, L).

Day 2: Yellowstone National Park

Head out early for a full day excursion to Yellowstone National Park. Travel north to witness the geothermal features that led to the creation of America’s first national park.

Your guide will take you to explore geyser basins and witness famed Old Faithful before continuing to the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River with its cascading waterfalls. Enjoy short walks throughout the day and expert interpretation from your guide, as you arrive late afternoon to your Yellowstone accommodation. (B, L).

Day 3: Yellowstone National Park

Today you’ll explore Yellowstone’s abundant wildlife as you depart before sunrise to the Hayden Valley, a large sub-alpine valley between Yellowstone Falls and Yellowstone Lake. Look for bison that often travel here in large herds, wolf packs, grizzly bears, elk and more. After your morning wildlife safari, enjoy a scenic drive along the shores of Yellowstone Lake, North America’s highest elevation lake. A picnic lunch is served before departing to Jackson Hole late afternoon. (B, L)

Tour Includes

- 3 days touring with experienced naturalist guides
- Private transportation
- All activities on a private basis
- National Park entrance fees
- Meals as per the itinerary
- Use of high-quality optics during touring

Departure Dates

Mid-May to late October, on request



Utah’s Mighty 5

8 days

Discover arches, canyons and surreal desert vistas on this small group tour. Marvel at nature's artistry on an unforgettable adventure through America's red rock heartland.

Day 1: Salt Lake City

Make your way to your hotel with the remainder of the day at leisure.

Day 2: Canyonlands National Park

Depart early with your group to travel to Canyonlands National Park. Hike to Mesa Arch for an up-close view of one of the most photographed sites in the U.S. Further highlights include Upheaval Dome, the Colorado River and a view from Dead Horse Point. Arrive in Moab for a 2-night stay. (B, L)

Day 3: Arches National Park

An early morning hike takes you to Delicate Arch, before you continue your trek through the park to some of the longest natural arches in the world. A scenic drive and hike along the river is also included, showcasing ancient petroglyphs carved into the red rock. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Goblin Valley & Capitol Reef

Explore the mystical Goblin Valley State Park on the way to Capitol Reef. Hike to Hickman Bridge, and explore the park’s deep canyons and narrows. Overnight in Torrey. (B, L)

Day 5: Highway 12, Grand Staircase-Escalante & Bryce Canyon

Traverse the canyons of Escalante on Highway 12 on your way to Bryce Canyon. Meander along the rim of the canyon as you gaze upon the hoodoos. Overnight in Bryce Canyon. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Bryce Canyon & Zion

Watch the sunrise over Bryce Canyon before driving to Zion National Park, zipping past red-rock mountains and slot canyons. Hike the East Canyon Overlook Trail for a bird’s eye view before arriving in Springdale. (B, L)

Day 7: Zion National Park – Salt Lake City

At Zion, choose from ascending Scouts Lookout, traversing the 3-mile Emerald Pools loop or hiking the Narrows of the Virgin River. Enjoy a short stop at Kolob Canyons before returning to Salt Lake City this evening. (B, L)

Day 8: Salt Lake City departure

Make your way to the airport in time for your onward flight.

Las Vegas

GLITTERING, GLAMOROUS AND EXTRAVAGANT.
WELCOME TO LAS VEGAS.

Glowing in the darkness of the Nevada desert, Las Vegas is an experience unlike any other in the USA. The hotels are on an epic-scale, tourist attractions in their own right. The Venetian is Venice in miniature, complete with hand painted ceiling frescos in the casino and gondola rides on the Grand Canal. Whilst the now-famous fountains at the Bellagio are synonymous with Vegas. These days Las Vegas is about so much more than its high rolling, big spenders, it's now even on the Formula 1 calendar as their newest circuit with the famous Las Vegas Strip part of the action. Take a spin on the High Rollers, the world's tallest observation wheel, visit the Mob Museum, indulge in a show, or leave the lights of Vegas behind and take a scenic flight out over the Hoover Dam and the magnificent Grand Canyon.



Las Vegas Strip
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Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Las Vegas Strip Highlights Night Flight

Swoop over the glittering Las Vegas Strip on this never-to-be-forgotten night flight that gives you a birds eye view of the world-famous hotels, neon lights and razzamatazz of this desert city. Take to the skies in a state of the art Eco Star helicopter and spot legendary landmarks including the New York New York skyline, dancing fountains of the Bellagio and the Eiffel Tower. See the Luxor Pyramid and the towering Stratosphere which soars more than 1,000 feet into the air and no flight is complete without seeing the 'Glitter Gulch' of downtown, where Las Vegas began.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 12–15 minutes

Death Valley 4WD Tour

Head for the lowest point in the Western hemisphere as you discover Badwater Basin, the Devils Golf Course and Dante's View on this exploration of Death Valley. One of the most spectacular and otherworldly places in the USA. Your guide will showcase this remarkable landscape with stops at Furnace Creek and Zabriskie Point on a memorable day that is in total contrast to the manmade marvels of Las Vegas. Hotel pick up is included as well as a gourmet sandwich lunch. You'll travel in comfort in a luxury 4WD vehicle on this small group experience.

Departs: September – May
Duration: Full day

Grand Canyon West Rim by road

Travel through the desert by road as you spend a day discovering the spectacular Grand Canyon. First stop on the way is the vast Hoover Dam, the sheer scale and feat of engineering is impressive. Continue through the ancient Joshua Tree Forest to the west rim of the canyon. Visit the Hualapai Indian Country and spend time with your Hualapai hosts as you take in the rock formations from Guano Point. See Eagle Point, as the name suggests a rock formation that resembles a majestic eagle with its wings spread and enjoy lunch at the Skywalk Café. Tickets to experience the glass bridge of the Grand Canyon Skywalk are an optional extra

Departs: Daily
Duration: Full Day



Red Rock Canyon
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Wind Dancer Grand Canyon Helicopter Tour

A memorable experience that takes you from Las Vegas over the vast Hoover Dam, onwards to the Grand Canyon with beautiful views of Lake Mead and the Mojave Desert as you fly. As you arrive at the Grand Canyon, which is around a 45-minute flight from Las Vegas, the ground drops away and this incredible natural wonder is revealed beneath you. After flying through the canyon, you'll land 3,500 feet below the rim for champagne and drinks, the mighty Colorado River is just 300 feet away. As you return to Las Vegas see the red rock formations of the Bowl of Fire and enjoy a spectacular flight over the Las Vegas Strip.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 4 hours

Cirque du Soleil Tickets

Cirque du Soleil has long been a must-do show experience for visitors to Las Vegas, and their original Las Vegas show Mystere can still be experienced at Treasure Island. This vibrant, high-energy show was deemed a theatrical 'flower in the desert' and is now just one of many Cirque du Soleil performances that can be experienced. Current shows include LOVE, Michael Jackson One, 'O' and KA. Whichever show you choose you can't help but be entranced by the world-class acrobatics, gravity defying feats, puppetry, and powerful performances.

Departs: Daily, various venues
Duration: Approx. 90 minutes

Go City: Las Vegas Explorer

This multi-day, multi-attraction pass gives you all the flexibility you need to experience the thrills and spills of Las Vegas. You can select from 2 to 7 top experiences and it's valid for 30 days from the day of activation meaning you can choose what you do when you want to and create your own itinerary. The huge list of experiences to choose from includes the High Roller Observation Wheel, the Tower at the Strat, Madam Tussauds Las Vegas, the Eiffel Tower Experience, FlyOver, Hop-on Hop-off Classic Bus tour, Fly LINQ Zipline, the Big Apple Rollercoaster and so much more.

Departs: Daily
Duration: Various

New York New York

This is Las Vegas and anything goes and so this is where you'll find the New York skyline but in miniature, including the Statue of Liberty, in the heart of the desert. 12 towers recreate some of the Big Apple's most notable skyscrapers incorporating the Chrysler Building and the Empire State Building, and the rooms and suites are comfortable and designed with an urban loft style in mind. There's an extensive array of restaurants to tempt all palates, 4 bars including the Bar at Times Square, a casino, swimming pool and whirlpools and you can even take a ride on the famous rollercoaster that weaves through the façade for fabulous Las Vegas views. The New York New York is a popular and good value option in Las Vegas.

Location: Las Vegas Strip

Our rating: ★★★★★



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Luxor

This distinctive dark pyramid, with its dazzling beam of light that can be seen from space is one of the most recognisable hotels on the Las Vegas strip and whilst perhaps not as contemporary as some of its newer neighbours, is a good value choice for visitors. It sits at the southern end of 'the strip' connected to the Excalibur and Mandalay Bay. This is Vegas so understated is not an option, choose between a huge range of rooms and suites in the pyramid, where the lifts slide diagonally up the walls, or the tower. The pool deck is one of the largest in Las Vegas with 4 pools and with 8 restaurants and 5 bars, refreshments are never far away. There's a huge array of entertainment and you can escape the heat of the desert sun with a treatment in the Nuture Spa.

Location: Southern end of the Las Vegas Strip

Our rating: ★★★★★



Planet Hollywood

With a central location on the strip, opposite the sparkling fountains of the Bellagio, Planet Hollywood is one of the trendiest hotels in Las Vegas. The rooms are contemporary and stylish, and the suites are huge. There is direct access to the Miracle Mile shops where you'll find more than 170 shops to browse. The range of restaurants and bars includes Gordon Ramsey Burger, a Mexican grill, Chinese bistro and Cafe Hollywood, a classic American diner plus several more. Relax by the 2 rooftop pools and take in the views, cabanas and day beds are also available to hire. The day spa offers a range of treatments and if you are after entertainment, Planet Hollywood has a wealth of star-studded shows including music, dance, and comedy.

Location: Central Las Vegas Strip

Our rating: ★★★★★



MGM Grand

The MGM Grand is big, even by Las Vegas standards and this vast emerald green edifice has been part of the southern strip skyline for years. Your entrance is heralded by the 45ft bronze lion, and it offers everything you could possibly want from a stay in Las Vegas. This hotel was designed with entertainment in mind and alongside the large gaming floor you'll find a concert arena and sporting venue, 5 swimming pools, 3 whirlpools and a lazy river, the Grand Spa and a state-of-the-art fitness centre, multiple restaurants and bars and a wealth of entertainment including a Cirque du Soleil production. There is an extensive range of room and suites, which are modern and well-appointed.

Location: Southern end of the Las Vegas Strip

Our rating: ★★★★★



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Paris

Bringing a little Parisien chic to the desert, the Paris boasts an exact half scale replica of the Eiffel Tower, along with the Arc de Triomphe, façade of the Louvre, Paris Opera House and the Alexandre III bridge. A stay here allows you to wander Parisien boulevards and dine at the top of the Eiffel Tower to gaze at some of the best views in Las Vegas. Enjoy dining at restaurants including Nobu, Bedford by Martha Stewart and Gordon Ramsey Steak. For a taste of France, head to Mon Ami Gabi, Café Belle Madeleine and Vanderpump Paris, the options are endless. There's an impressive array of rooms and suites which boast a European décor, French flair, and marble bathrooms. The beautiful pool area sits beneath the Eiffel Tower and is definitely a pool with a view. Daybed and cabanas are available to hire.

Location: Central Las Vegas Strip

Our rating: ★★★★★

Caesars Palace

This iconic hotel has been a landmark on the Las Vegas strip for more than 50 years and remains a huge drawcard for visitors. Roman-inspired opulence, legendary service, lavish shopping, and superb dining make this one of the destination hotels in Las Vegas. Take in a show at the Colosseum, which plays host to some of the biggest names in the industry and relax by one of the 7 swimming pools in the Garden of the Gods Pool Oasis. For those who love to shop, some of the most luxurious brands in the world can be found in the Forum Shops. The rooms and suites are set across 6 towers and vary in style, size, and price. After a busy day exploring the sights and sounds of Las Vegas the fabulous Qua Spa is a welcome retreat where you can relax and unwind before the evening's entertainment begins.

Location: Central Las Vegas Strip

Our rating: ★★★★★

The Venetian

Romantic Venetian Renaissance takes front and centre stage at this gorgeous hotel, which has staked its claim as an iconic hotel on the Las Vegas Strip. As a tribute to Venice expect beautiful architecture, stunning artwork, and replica Venetian landmarks. You can even take a gondola ride along the canal that winds through the resort. Every hotel room here is a suite and almost double the size of a standard Las Vegas room, with sunken living rooms and roman baths. There are more than 40 restaurants including openings by celebrity chefs, fine dining, and around the globe cuisine along with a range of bars including Bellini, forever synonymous with Venice. There are 4 pools across 2 pool decks with pool chairs, in-pool loungers, cabanas, and day beds along with a day spa and a huge range of entertainment.

Location: Central Las Vegas Strip

Our rating: ★★★★★

Bellagio

Regarded as one of the finest hotels in Las Vegas the Bellagio is everything you would expect from a luxury hotel and more. Elegant, glamorous, and lavish, with dancing fountains, designer boutiques and an array of lively bars and restaurants. 5 swimming pools in a Mediterranean courtyard setting beautiful gardens, a divine day spa and access to a golf course ensures the leisure facilities are equally impressive. The rooms and suites are elegant and understated by Las Vegas standards with views over the city to the mountains beyond, or over the Strip for first-hand views of the fountains which burst into life every 30 minutes. The central location brings a wealth of casinos, and shopping and dining options in other hotels within easy reach.

Location: Central Las Vegas Strip

Our rating: ★★★★★

California

GLORIOUS BEACHES, THE GOLDEN AGE OF FILM AND MISTY REDWOOD FORESTS

The landscapes of California are instantly recognisable from innumerable films over the decades. Entrancing us with sweeping vistas of crashing surf and golden beaches, coastal drives, soaring redwoods, snow-capped mountains, and cactus-studded deserts. To the north lie the lush vineyards and world-class wine regions of the Napa Valley and Sonoma. The city of San Francisco is home to one of the crookedest streets in the world, legendary sourdough and clam chowder and the famous deep red struts of the Golden Gate Bridge which heralds the start of Pacific Highway 1, one of the most famous coastal drives in the world. Further south via Monterey, Carmel and Santa Barbara, lies Los Angeles ‘city of Angels’, where budding actors and actresses wait their turn in the spotlight, and evocative places including Hollywood, Santa Monica, Beverly Hills and Rodeo Drive wait to be explored.

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Warner Bros. Studio Tour Hollywood

Movie and TV fans will not want to miss the opportunity to visit the world’s busiest motion picture and television studio, go behind the scenes on this tour where your guide will introduce you to film sets, backlot streets and so much more! Venture behind the lens as you sit on the couch at Central Perk on the set of FRIENDS or become Hobbit-sized at the special effects table. Step into a working soundstage before your final experience at Stage 48 takes you to the archive, showcasing costumes and original props from Wonder Woman, Aquaman as well as the Wizarding World of Harry Potter.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 3 hours

Hollywood Celebrity Homes Tour

Join this small group tour where you will visit over 40 celebrity homes, past and present. You will see the mansions of today’s superstars including Tom Cruise and the Beckhams and former residences of Michael Jackson and Elvis Presley. Drive through Beverley Hills and Rodeo Drive to see the exclusive shops such as Gucci and Prada, where the rich and famous shop. Cruise along Sunset Strip and pass the Beverley Wiltshire Hotel which featured in “Pretty Woman”, Hollywood Walk of Fame, Graumans’ Chinese Theatre and the famous Hollywood sign. This is stargazing at its best.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 2 hours

Big Bus Los Angeles Hop-On-Hop-Off Bus Tour

There is no better way to explore LA’s attractions, from downtown to sun-drenched beaches onboard an open topped double decker bus tour. With informative commentary and over 40 iconic stops to choose from, you decide where you wish to hop on and off to discover the history and facts about Los Angeles at your own pace. Maybe stroll along Sunset Boulevard or explore the world’s most famous sidewalk Hollywood Walk of Fame, browse exclusives boutiques in Beverley Hills on Rodeo Drive or relax in Santa Monica at the beach, the list is endless. There are 3 routes to choose from and tickets may be purchased for 1-3 days.

Departs: Daily
Duration: Various

Golden Gate Bridge to Sausalito Bike Tour

San Francisco’s waterfront and iconic Golden Gate Bridge lend themselves to exploring the city from the saddle. Join this guided cycle tour passing Fisherman’s Wharf, Aquatic Park, Fort Mason, the Marin and the Presidio which once protected the Golden Gate Bridge. A highlight of your trip will be crossing Golden Gate Bridge before coasting downhill into picturesque Sausalito where your guided tour concludes. Discover shops, art galleries, cafés and shops at leisure before returning to San Francisco by ferry which is included in your tour price. Continue discovering the city until the close of the day as the bike is yours to continue your adventure. You may prefer to upgrade to an electric bike.

Departs: Daily
Duration: Various

2 Day Hop-on-Hop-off Bus tour & Alcatraz

Combine the freedom of exploring San Francisco with visiting the infamous Alcatraz Island. There are 3 routes to choose from with informative commentary, this 2-day pass will ensure you don’t miss out on sightseeing attractions such as vibrant Fisherman’s Wharf, Chinatown’s “Dragon Gates”, Union Square for a shopping spree and Alamo Square to see the world-famous Painted Ladies Victorian houses. A highlight will be crossing Golden Gate Bridge where you will view the stunning skyline and Alcatraz Island. Your return ferry crossing to Alcatraz is included with a self-guided tour, learn of the history and tour inside the prison cell before you escape back to the city.

Departs: Daily
Duration: Various

California Wine Country – Full Day Tour to Sonoma and Napa

Escape the city and join a wine journey through California’s world-famous wine regions of Sonoma and Napa Valley. You will visit 3 wineries, each with a very different charm and wine tasting experience to tantalise the palate. Lunch time is where you will have time at leisure to browse quintessential shops, art galleries and a variety of dining options, maybe sample a cheese board or take a picnic on the lawn. Your guide will then continue to enhance your wine tasting experience with further tastings. After a full day of indulgence enjoy the scenic drive back to the city.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 9 hours



The Garland

The Garland is a delightful boutique hotel in North Hollywood with a relaxed, retro feel and friendly, welcoming atmosphere. Standing apart from your standard city hotel, the Garland offers the little extra touches that make the difference. One day it might be complimentary wine tasting, the next might be a guided neighbourhood walk, time with a top personal trainer or an afternoon of lawn games. The hotel is within easy reach of many LA hotspots and even has a complimentary shuttle to Universal Studios Hollywood and City Walk. There’s a lovely swimming pool, popular bar, restaurant and a collection of rooms and suites which offer vintage style, a sunny décor and a comfortable place to sleep after a day of exploring.

Location: North Hollywood

Our rating: ★★★★★



Andaz West Hollywood

With a location in the heart of West Hollywood, on Sunset Boulevard, a stay at the Andaz puts you in the centre of superb shopping, dining, and entertainment. This was the first hotel on Sunset Strip and is now a contemporary, modern place to stay. The rooftop pool offers some of the best views of the Hollywood Hills and LA skyline, and the hotel is a registered art gallery, with exhibits changing every 3 months, showcasing a variety of guest artists and curators. Rooms are simple and stylish, and many offer floor to ceiling windows with memorable views. In-house dining comes in the form of the Riot House Market and Riot House open kitchen, whilst the Riot House Bar, once the venue of choice for 1970s rockers, is now a relaxed, laid-back bar with great views and a welcoming atmosphere.

Location: West Hollywood

Our rating: ★★★★★



Loews Hollywood

Just a few steps from the Hollywood Walk of Fame and next to the Dolby Theatre, home of the Oscars, the Loews is perfectly located for discovering all that Hollywood has to offer. On the 5th floor you’ll find the pool and sundeck, with fabulous views, there’s also a fitness centre, daily poolside yoga and a complimentary hop on hop off Starline sightseeing tour. The H2 Kitchen & Bar is open for dinner and drinks and there are plenty of eating spots nearby. When it comes to rooms and suites, here you’ll enjoy the classic LA views, whether it be the city skyline, the Hollywood Hills including the legendary Hollywood sign and the Capitol Records building. The décor is coolly modern and stylish with all the creature comforts needed.

Location: West Hollywood

Our rating: ★★★★★



Fairmont Century Plaza

Regarded as something of a Los Angeles landmark, the Fairmont Century Plaza brings the fabulous shopping of Westfield Century City within walking distance and the famed boutiques of Rodeo Drive are 2 blocks away. It’s also a great central hub for exploring Hollywood, West Hollywood and Santa Monica is 20 minutes away. Lumiere is an elegant brasserie and the hotel’s signature dining experience and there’s an outside courtyard strung with fairy lights for alfresco meals. Relaxation comes in the form of the sunny rooftop pool, a state-of-the-art fitness centre and luxury spa retreat offering a comprehensive menu of wellness treatments. The array of rooms and suites are elegant and sophisticated with a neutral colour palette and private balconies offering city or sunset views, Fairmont Gold options are available.

Location: Century City

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hilton Santa Monica Hotel & Suites

This welcoming hotel offers a great base in Santa Monica. The 3rd Street Promenade shops and restaurants are a 15-minute walk whilst the beach is a 10-minute stroll. The famous sands of Malibu are just a 3-mile drive away. There is a choice of rooms and suites, which are amongst the largest in Santa Monica and modern and well appointed. Facilities include an open-air pool with a sun deck and day beds and a state-of-the-art fitness centre. Santa Monica offers a wealth of dining options however if you want to dine in the hotel then Monica’s is the inhouse restaurant with a bar and sunny dining terrace.

Location: Santa Monica

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa

Huntington Beach offers the classic California experience and holds the official ‘Surf City USA’ title. It has an easy laid-back surf town vibe but with superb dining, boutique shops and is a great access point for Catalina Island. It’s also the closest beach to Anaheim, so is an excellent beach destination to combine with the theme parks. This Spanish-inspired hotel sits on the ocean front and is a 5-minute walk from Huntington Beach Pier and Pacific City. The rooms and suites, all have private balconies or terrace and courtyard, garden, or ocean views. There’s an extensive array of dining, beautiful lagoon-style pool, hot tubs, children’s pool with slides and a fitness centre.

Location: Huntington Beach

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Seabird Resort

Embrace the warm SoCal lifestyle at the Seabird in vibrant Oceanside, it’s the perfect beach destination just a short drive north of San Diego. This beachfront resort offers beautiful views, a collection of gorgeous rooms and suites with contemporary furnishings and unique works of art curated by the Oceanside Museum of Art. There’s a stunning pool deck with a hot tub and full-frontal views over the Pacific and iconic Oceanside Pier, Sunny’s Spa and Beauty Lounge and 3 excellent restaurants. Sister property Mission Pacific Beach Resort is next door and home to Valle, a Michelin-star restaurant, the Roof Top Bar and the Top Gun House, the beachfront house from the original film, restored to its former glory and now a place for pies and ice cream.

Location: Oceanside, San Diego

Our rating: ★★★★★



Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa

The Monterey Plaza has all the ingredients for the perfect stay on the California coast. History, gorgeous ocean views and an exceptional location on Cannery Row. With Old Fisherman’s Wharf and the Monterey Bay Aquarium on the doorstep, it is the ideal base for exploring Monterey. There is a choice of rooms and suites with a charming coastal décor and spacious bathrooms. The waterfront rooms are the most popular and many have balconies where you can sit and soak in the salty sea air. Dining options come courtesy of Schooners Monterey featuring contemporary American dishes and sustainable seafood and The Coastal Kitchen showcasing tasting menus of regional produce. There’s also a lovely day spa and sundeck with whirlpool spa tubs and a fireplace.

Location: Monterey

Our rating: ★★★★★



Handlery Union Square

The Handlery Union Square is a stalwart on the San Francisco hotel scene and is a friendly, family-run hotel in the heart of the city. The shops, theatres and restaurants of Union Square are moments way and the cable car to trundle you down to Fisherman’s Wharf is just outside the hotel. Facilities include a heated outdoor pool, which is open all year round, a fitness centre and sauna. There is no onsite restaurant but there are a number of options within a short walk. Rooms and suites are comfortable and restful retreats after a day exploring the city. Choose from rooms in the historic section of the hotel or upgrade to the premier section for more spacious rooms, many of which feature balconies with pool or city views.

Location: Union Square

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Marker

Centrally located in one of San Francisco’s most vibrant neighbourhoods, The Marker has been welcoming guests since 1910. The 7-storey building with 200 rooms has retained the beaux-arts style since its inception, featuring high ceilings, a grand staircase and original lobby fireplaces, perfectly balancing the past, present and future. Accommodations range from queen rooms to one-bedroom suites, all decorated with bright art deco touches and pops of colour, with a nod to the surrounding Theatre District. Tratto at The Marker is the ideal spot for a pre-show dinner and happy hour serving Italian fare and craft cocktails as well as usual breakfast favourites each morning.

Location: Union Square

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel Riu Plaza Fisherman’s Wharf

Close to Pier 39 in one of the most iconic spots in San Francisco, this welcoming hotel offers an excellent base from which to explore the city. Step out of the hotel to find picture-postcard views of the bay and Alcatraz, sealions lazing in the sunshine and an abundance of seafood restaurants. Hop on one of the legendary cable cars, there’s a stop nearby for easy access to the rest of the city. After a day discovering the charms of San Francisco, the open-air swimming pool is a popular place to cool off and there’s a fully equipped gym. In the evening relax by one of the crackling fire pits. The Riu offers a choice of modern, comfortable rooms and suites and a breakfast buffet restaurant.

Location: Fisherman’s Wharf

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel Zoe

A short walk from the waterfront in Fisherman’s Wharf, a cable car stop on the doorstep and an excellent Italian trattoria as the inhouse restaurant make the Hotel Zoe a very popular option in San Francisco. There’s easy access to North Beach and Pier 39 as well as the rest of the city. The central courtyard is a relaxing place with fire pits, artwork and complimentary s’mores, and bicycles are available to hire if you like the idea of exploring on 2 wheels. The rooms and suites here are elegant and contemporary in style with a neutral colour palette, the junior and 1-bedroom suites offer more space with separate seating areas. Pescatore Trattoria is an authentic neighbourhood Italian and a popular eatery with locals and guests alike.

Location: Fisherman’s Wharf

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Argonaut

This storied boutique hotel is housed within the historic Haslett Warehouse and is a place of character and charm with exposed brickwork and Douglas Fir beams. The location on the edge of all that Fisherman’s Wharf has to offer with Pier 39 in one direction and the boutiques of Ghirardelli Square in the other, makes this a wonderful base in the city. As with the rest of the hotel, the rooms and suites are packed with original features, there’s a nautical theme running throughout, and many have views of the wharf and bay. San Francisco is a town for foodies and the Blue Mermaid Restaurant at the Argonaut is no exception and thought of as one of the best seafood places in the city. There is also a wealth of dining options within a few short steps.

Location: Fisherman’s Wharf

Our rating: ★★★★★



Fairmont San Francisco

The Fairmont is an historic San Francisco hotel sitting atop Nob Hill, just a short cable car trundle down to Union Square, downtown and Fisherman’s Wharf. The hotel is world-renowned for its elegant charm and superb levels of service, it also offers some of the best views in the city. There’s an array of dining options including the Laurel Court Restaurant, known for its Gilded Age décor and a divine afternoon tea on weekends, but the Tonga Room and Hurricane Bar is a tiki style city institution. The rooms and suites at the Fairmont are spread through the main historic part of the hotel and the contemporary Tower Building, which offers the best views. Other facilities include a fitness studio and day spa. There are also rooftop bee hives and a herb garden.

Location: Nob Hill

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Meritage Resort & Spa

Set amongst the rolling vineyards of California’s Napa wine region, the Meritage is just a short distance from the delightful town of Napa, and it also boasts its own 9-acre vineyard. In this region of excellent dining guests are spoilt for choice at the Meritage with Olive and Hay, an al fresco farm to table dining experience and the French-inspired Village Bistro. Fivetown Grocery offers everything you need from morning coffee to pastries and delicacies for picnics to enjoy as you explore. The rooms and suites are Tuscan-inspired, and many have a private terrace or balcony with vineyard views. After a day sipping and sampling your way around Napa vineyards, the swimming pool is a welcoming place to relax in the sunshine or perhaps treat yourself in the award-winning spa.

Location: Napa Valley

Our rating: ★★★★★



Lodge at Bodega Bay

Bodega Bay is a pretty fishing village in Sonoma County, a place filled with valleys and vineyards, ancient redwoods and 55 spectacular miles of rugged Pacific coastline. The Lodge at Bodega Bay sits on a bluff above the ocean and is a beautiful lodge which is locally owned and operated. Spend your days discovering the cold climate vineyards west of Russian River Valley, artisan food producers, majestic redwoods, wild beaches, and coastal hikes. Afterward return to the lodge where inviting rooms with comfy beds and ocean views await. Indulge in local flavours at Drakes Sonoma, take a swim in the pool, hop on one of the bikes available for guests, enjoy a pampering spa treatment or just nab one of the wooden rocking chairs by the fire pit and relax.

Location: Sonoma County

Our rating: ★★★★★



Pacific Northwest

RUGGED, WILD AND UTTERLY UNSPOILT

Meandering up the northwestern coastline of the USA bordered by the Pacific Ocean to the point where Canada takes over, Oregon and Washington State are breathtakingly natural, beautiful and wild open spaces to explore. Washington State is home to peninsulas, rugged beaches, volcanoes and lakes, the Cascade Mountains and the Olympic National Park. Plus, the vineyards and wineries of Walla Walla, the state's counterpart to the Napa Valley and the super cool city of Seattle. Venture into Oregon and you'll uncover one of the best kept secrets in the USA. You'll find magnificent coastlines flanked by deserted beaches pounded by rolling waves, canyons and cascading rivers and a thriving arts scene. These two northwestern entities are ripe for exploring and will make for a unique experience in the USA.

Our 5 Favourites in the Pacific Northwest

These stunning states that lie north of California and lead into Canada offer some of the most spectacular landscapes in the USA. With Mount Rainier National Park, Olympic National Park and Crater Lake National Park suggested as unmissable must-see sights by past guests.

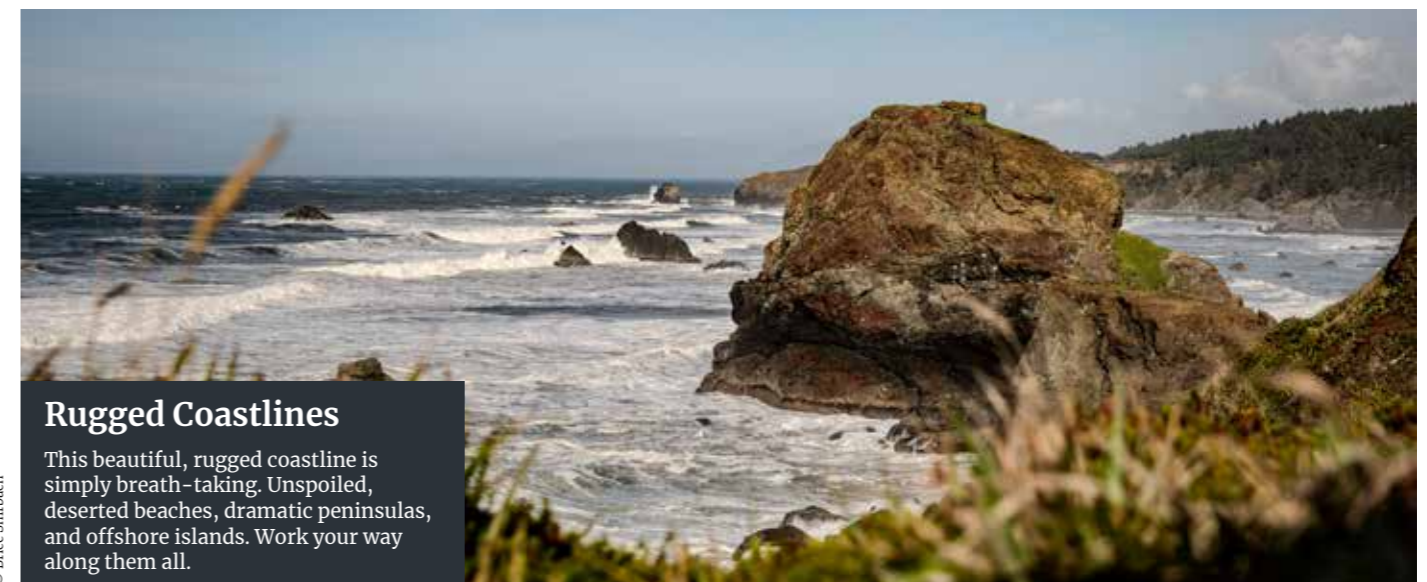
Vineyards and Craft Brews

Discover an under-rated region of wineries and craft breweries.



Glorious National Parks

Both states offer spectacular national parks in abundance with waterfalls, rainforests and lakes to explore.



Rugged Coastlines

This beautiful, rugged coastline is simply breath-taking. Unspoiled, deserted beaches, dramatic peninsulas, and offshore islands. Work your way along them all.

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City Life

Sparkling Seattle is a joy to explore with art galleries, museums, and incredible sights. Portland is unique with the world's largest bookstore and myriad craft breweries.



Fabulous Food

The states of the Pacific Northwest offer a veritable bounty with sublime seafood, incredible local produce, exciting chefs, and an eclectic dining scene.



Kimpton Hotel Monaco Seattle

The Kimpton Hotel Monaco Seattle offers a boutique stay set within the heart of the city, just steps away from major attractions including Pike Place Market, sports stadiums and the waterfront. Spacious guest rooms are bright with a bold palette of reds and grey, in a nod to the odd cloudy day in the city all rooms feature a “cloud” wall as a bed backdrop. The premium spa rooms feature a deep soaking bath and separate walk-in shower. Suites are also available. Outlier is the inhouse restaurant and is a modern gastro pub. Guests can make use of the hotel’s complimentary bicycles and explore the city by pedal, there’s also a fitness centre. If you would like to feel right at home the staff will even provide you with a plant in your room!

Location: Downtown, Seattle

Our rating: ★★★★★



Fairmont Olympic Hotel

This iconic hotel takes centre stage in downtown Seattle with famous landmarks on your doorstep including the Great Wheel on the waterfront and Pike Place Market, one of the oldest public markets in America. Brush shoulders with locals as you taste your way around the farmers market or browse local craft stalls. 4th Avenue Espresso Bar serves great coffee, whilst The George brasserie offers a contemporary dining environment. The Founders Club brings a romantic ambience for pre-dinner drinks. 450 rooms and suites are elegantly appointed with hints of the hotel’s heritage and if you need extra pampering Penelope & The Beauty Bar will ease you into relaxation and re-energise. There is also a large indoor heated pool, hot tub, and gym.

Location: Seattle

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Historic Davenport

The Historic Davenport hotel retains the feel of a bygone era and has been carefully crafted to intersperse modern day facilities without losing its charm. Located in downtown Spokane it is ideally located for cycling or walking alongside the Spokane River and the city boasts a vibrant shopping and arts culture. Dining options include the Palm Court Grill and The Roof Garden Terrace Bar, which is open seasonally. Circus rooms are part of the original hotel whilst the apartment suites will offer guests a larger space with separate living area. After a day exploring guests may like to indulge at the superb day spa where an extensive menu of treatments is available, there is also a fitness centre and indoor pool for a relaxing swim.

Location: Spokane

Our rating: ★★★★★



Sun Mountain Lodge

Sun Mountain Lodge embraces its surroundings, and the nearby town of Winthrop feels like a step back in time with old boardwalks, restaurants, and boutiques. Spend the day horse-riding, kayaking or paddleboarding on the lodge’s private lake, alternatively explore the hiking trails, home to over 450 different bird species. The choice of accommodation includes the main lodge with valley or mountain views. Lakefront suites with a full kitchen, dining and living area and the grand suites, which accommodate families or couples travelling together. Facilities include 2 seasonal outdoor swimming pools, 2 hot pools, an onsite spa, and 2 restaurants. The Dining Room for fine dining and the Wolf Creek Bar & Grill, which is more casual. We highly recommend you prebook a Cowboy Dinner during your stay.

Location: Winthrop

Our rating: ★★★★★



Heathman Hotel

The Heathman is where Portland’s artistic soul meets timeless elegance. Located in the city’s historic theatre district and opened in 1927, vintage charm and modern luxury intertwine in richly appointed rooms and suites, many with sweeping views over downtown. Dining is at The Tavern, where seasonal, ingredient-driven fare and convivial culture set the table, and booklovers will instantly feel at home in the hotel’s famed library. Immerse yourself in Portland with its creativity, coffee, bookstores and green spaces just steps from your door.

Location: Portland

Our rating: ★★★★★



Sentinel Hotel

Set across 2 wings this iconic hotel takes centre stage in downtown Portland and has played host to icons including Coco Chanel. Tread in her footsteps as you browse luxurious boutiques, art galleries and discerning venues home to music and theatre. Jake’s Grill is the hotel restaurant and known for superb steaks. For something more casual with a music vibe then Fortune won’t disappoint, or head for the Dormaine Serene Wine Lounge, where world class wines are introduced. All room types from deluxe rooms to a 2-bedroom parlour suite are relaxing and tranquil spaces and guests staying in an executive room or suite will have exclusive access to Room at the End of the Hall. A modern lounge where you can enjoy soft drinks and snacks throughout the day.

Location: Portland

Our rating: ★★★★★



Headlands Lodge

Perched on the rugged cliffs of the Oregon Coast in Pacific City alongside Cape Kiwanda State National Area, Headlands Coastal Lodge & Spa offers an elevated escape where wild-coastal beauty merges with thoughtful luxury. Spacious oceanfront guestrooms and cottages feature private balconies, soaking tubs, and sweeping views of Haystack Rock, allowing you to unwind in comfort and awe. At Meridian Restaurant & Bar, enjoy regionally inspired cuisine curated with fresh, local ingredients from the sea and land, while gazing on crashing waves from panoramic windows. The spa and wellness centre also offers restorative massages, yoga, and outdoor hot tubs, making Headlands a destination for couples, families, and adventurers alike.

Location: Pacific City

Our rating: ★★★★★



Sunriver Resort

Sunriver Resort isn’t your typical hotel stay; here you are a guest in over 3,300 acres of wilderness where activity showcases the region year-round. There are 4 award winning golf courses, whilst younger visitors will enjoy the indoor and outdoor pools at the aquatic centre, complete with slides and a lazy river. During the winter there is dog sledding, snowmobiles and skiing nearby. In summer join guided kayak tours or visit Smith Rock State Park for scenic walking trails. Accommodation options include lodge village or river lodge rooms which feature a fireplace, private balcony, and bath. There are also larger Sunriver homes scattered around the resort. Dining is a gourmet extravaganza with a choice of up to 8 restaurants.

Location: Sunriver

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hawai'i

SURF BREAKS, DAZZLING REEFS AND GLORIOUS BEACHES

The beautiful islands of Hawai'i offer some of the most dramatic coastlines and spectacular scenery in the world. This is a landscape of lush volcanic mountains rising from the Pacific Ocean, pristine beaches, a warm Polynesian culture and is paradise personified. O'ahu is the main island and home to the state capital of Honolulu, the golden sands of Waikiki and Pearl Harbour. Maui is an island of impressive natural beauty and magnificent scenery. Head inland away from the beaches and you'll be rewarded with cascading waterfalls and jaw-dropping scenery. Kaua'i ups the ante even further with soaring mountains, thundering waterfalls and surf beaches that rank amongst the best in the world. Whether you pick one Hawaiian island or island hop your way around, you are assured of the warmest welcome and the most memorable of holidays.

Choosing which Hawaiian island to explore

It's not really possible to choose a 'favourite' Hawaiian island as they are each unique in their own right. In order to experience the true spirit of aloha, we recommend sampling at least two islands on your itinerary. Explore beaches, marine life, volcanoes and connect with the community in this unique part of the world.



Kaua'i

To say that Kaua'i is nicknamed the 'Garden Island' is an entirely accurate description. Emerald valleys, sharp mountain spires and jagged cliffs are carpeted in centuries old rainforest complete with cascading waterfalls. Some areas of the island can only be seen by sea or air, adding to the mystery of Hawaii's oldest island. Ideal for adventure-seekers as well as those seeking a small-town island feel, Kaua'i is rich in culture and bespoke experiences that leaves travellers feeling right at home.



Maui

'The Valley Isle', known worldwide for its natural beauty, offers a perfect blend of adventure and relaxation. Golden beaches are a welcome retreat from an island full of discovery. Driving the scenic Hana highway, winding through the rainforest and waterfalls and witnessing nature's spectacular show at the Haleakala sunrise – a true moment of magic as the night sky fades to shades of indigo and gold over the vast volcanic crater. Maui is a paradise of unforgettable experiences.



O'ahu

From bustling city life to laidback surf towns, there is a lot to enjoy on O'ahu. Iconic Waikiki Beach, the surf-central North Shore and the fusion between east and west cultures make this Hawaii's gathering place. Get an insight into World War II history at Pearl Harbor, explore the island's agricultural history at the Dole Pineapple Plantation or embark on a trip to Kualoa Ranch or 'Jurassic Valley' – the backdrop to numerous film and TV productions.



Hawai'i

Known by the nickname 'Big Island', the largest island in the chain's sheer size is awe-inspiring. Travellers here will experience a wet tropical climate to the polar tundra due to the impressive volcanoes and geological features. From jet black sands and lava fields to lush valleys, Hawai'i is Mother Nature's masterpiece. Swim with manta rays by night and spend your days exploring coffee farms and cultural heritage, every corner offers the chance for a unique discovery.

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Haleakala Sunrise

Perhaps one of the most sought-after experiences on the island of Maui, the early start seems a thing of the past as you witness the daybreak over the otherworldly landscape of the dormant Haleakala crater. Translated from the Hawaiian word meaning ‘House of the Sun’, journey to the National Park of Haleakala high above the clouds for an unforgettable show of light and colour bursting into view from 9,740 ft elevation. As a local ranger leads a Hawaiian chant, you’ll feel immersed in true Hawaiian culture as the sun rises over these unparalleled views. This tour also features a stop for breakfast on your return from the National Park, and remember to dress warmly, no matter the time of year.

Departs: Tuesday – Friday, 2am pick-up year round
Duration: 10–12 hours (dependent on season)

Na Pali Coast Morning Snorkel Tour

Explore snorkelling locations teeming with fish, coral reefs and hidden coves as you sail along the Na Pali coast – an area of the island that can only be seen by sea or air. See the jagged green cliffs of this ancient coastline, and experience its untouched, timeless beauty. Encounter pods of playful dolphins, sea turtles, and a chance to see humpback whales from December–March. Breakfast snacks and lunch are served on board, along with signature Mai Tais as you listen to the history of the island from your onboard guides, before swimming the pristine waters of Kaua’i.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 5½ hours

Road to Hana

Immerse yourself in the beauty of the Hana Rainforest, and let your experienced guide take the wheel on one of the oldest roadways in the Hawaiian Islands. Passing awe-inspiring waterfalls, black sand beaches and the chance to swim in a secret waterfall, this tour takes in the part of the island with the most scenic coastal routes in the world. 64 miles, 640 turns and curves and 59 single lane bridges make this a truly unique adventure. Stop at the bamboo forest, Ho’okipa Beach Park, Waikani Falls and fresh water caves and lava tubes to name a few highlights.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 10 hours



Haleakala Sunrise

Honolulu City Highlights, Arizona Memorial & Pearl Harbor

This ideal tour departing from various Waikiki locations will give visitors the opportunity to explore the main sights of Honolulu. Visit the famed USS Arizona Memorial to pay respects to those lost during the air attack of 1941, with film footage of the attack and gripping displays of the tragedy and heroism of this era. Along with your Pearl Harbor visit, you’ll also see Punchbowl Cemetery, located in an extinct volcano, before making stops at Iolani Palace – the only royal palace in the United States – and the King Kamehameha statue

Departs: Daily
Duration: 5–6 hours

Kualoa Ranch Half Day Tour

This tour encompasses the natural beauty of the 4,000 acre Kualoa Ranch, from the Ka’aawa Valley to the waters of Kaneohe Bay. Comprising of two of the most popular tours, the Hollywood Movie Sites Tour exploring the 200 plus iconic film and TV locations the ranch has played host to, and the Ocean Voyage Adventure, taking a catamaran cruise across an 800-year-old Hawaiian fishpond to the ‘Secret Island’ before a voyage on Kaneohe Bay. Get up close to the iconic Mokolii’I Island for some photo opportunities and enjoy lunch at the Ranch House.

Departs: Monday–Saturday
Duration: 4½ hours

Volcano, Chocolate & Waterfalls

Join an in-depth experience of Hawaii’s volcanoes, journeying through Volcanoes National Park with a knowledgeable guide, as you explore the dynamic terrain and geological history that changed the landscape of the island after the collapse of the Halemaumau Crater. From lava tubes to steam vents, the ever-changing environment of the world’s most active volcano, Kilauea, will be explained by your naturalist guide. Embark on a tree-to-chocolate adventure as you visit a 1,000-acre chocolate and tropical fruit farm to learn about the chocolate-making process, before a stop at the scenic Rainbow Falls in Hilo.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 10–12 hours



Prince Waikiki

With views of Honolulu's marina, Prince Waikiki is Waikiki’s only all-ocean-view hotel, offering sleek, light-filled rooms with floor to ceiling windows overlooking the Pacific and yacht-lined harbour. Decorated in calming coastal hues reflecting Oahu's environment, accommodations are furnished with elevated touches and fine details. Guests can unwind at the infinity pool, saltwater pool, hot tub or cabanas, with cocktails available from the Hinana Bar with live entertainment and views of the island paradise. Indulgent dining options include ocean-to-table sushi at Katsumidor Sushi Tokyo, island-inspired cuisine at 100 Sails Restaurant & Bar, and pastries at Honolulu Coffee Company.

Location: Honolulu

Our rating: ★★★★★

Outrigger Reef Waikiki Beach Resort

This beachfront escape is in the heart of Waikiki Beach, surrounded by spectacular white sand beaches and eclectic shopping and entertainment options. Outrigger pride themselves on blending modern elegance with rich Hawaiian culture, with live Hawaiian music at Kani Ka Pila Grille and farm-fresh cuisine at Monkeypod Kitchen by Merriman. A variety of rooms and suites are available, some with private lanais and sweeping ocean or Diamond Head views. Club-level guests can access the Voyager 47 Club Lounge, with spectacular views, premium refreshments and elevated amenities. Whether you’re looking to relax or immerse yourself in Hawaiian culture, this property’s cultural activities and beachside charm are the gateway to the spirit of aloha

Location: Waikiki Beach, Honolulu

Our rating: ★★★★★

Alohilani Resort Waikiki Beach

Experience a chic urban oasis of tranquillity along one of the world’s most celebrated shorelines. Located on the beach walk at the sought after Kalakaua Avenue, the city meets the sand at this resort flanked by ocean views and the energy of Waikiki. Contemporary design is complemented by Hawaiian culture, from the open-air lobby with Oceanarium, to the luxuriously appointed rooms with ocean, Diamond Head or city views. Relax at SWELL, for a stunning poolside experience with 5th floor saltwater infinity pool and bar that seamlessly transitions from day to night with cabanas, fire pits and live music. Guests can savour dining by Chef Morimoto, join a cultural class or enjoy a spa treatment at this trendsetting location on Waikiki Beach.

Location: Waikiki Beach, Honolulu

Our rating: ★★★★★

The Ritz–Carlton O’ahu, Turtle Bay

Immerse yourself in the natural beauty and cultural richness of O’ahu’s North Shore at this resort, set among pristine shores and lush valleys. Spacious rooms and suites feature luxurious amenities and lanais framing ocean or garden views. Indulge in ocean-to-table dining and handcrafted cocktails, relax with spa treatments inspired by local Hawaiian healing traditions and take to the waves with surf lessons and kayaking. Explore rugged cliffs and volcanic hiking trails nearby, and return to the refined comforts offering an unforgettable escape where nature and elegance meet.

Location: Kahuku, North Shore of O’ahu

Our rating: ★★★★★

Sheraton Princess Kaiulani

The welcoming hotel is just a short walk from the famous sands of Waikiki Beach and some of the best shopping and dining in the area. Here you can relax, try your hand at surfing and explore to your hearts content. The hotel features a wide array of room choices with views that range from the city skyline to the turquoise waters and pale sands of the shoreline and many boast private lanais. Rooms in the Ainahau Tower offer the best ocean views. Splash Bar is the inhouse bar and restaurant and serves authentic local dishes poolside, with a big warm dose of Aloha. Facilities include an outdoor pool, fitness centre, yoga sessions and menu of cultural activities with Hawaiian storytelling, ukelele lessons and Hiuwai sunrise ceremonies.

Location: Waikiki Beach, Honolulu

Our rating: ★★★★★



Andaz Maui at Wailea Resort

Spanning 15 beachfront acres, Andaz Maui at Wailea Resort is a luxury escape for a memorable getaway in the heart of the upscale community of Wailea. Savour true island spirit with carefully curated cuisine at Ka’ana Kitchen, direct access to Mokapu Beach and accommodations that offer tropical vistas. 320 accommodations include rooms, suites and villas decorated in an elegant, contemporary style with private lanais. Any of the 5 resort pools are the perfect place to relax, with 3 ocean-facing, cascading infinity pools, a lagoon pool and adult only option ensuring that everyone is catered for. Sip handcrafted cocktails at the Lehua Lounge, or rejuvenate with traditional Hawaiian spa treatments

Location: Wailea, Maui

Our rating: ★★★★★



Wailea Beach Resort

From the moment you arrive the vast waters of the Pacific Ocean take front and centre stage here and depending on when you stay, you might be lucky enough to spot humpback whales frolicking in the waves. The beach is wide, the sunsets memorable and the pretty village of Wailea is nearby. This family-friendly resort has an array of facilities including 4 swimming pools comprising of an adult only pool, 2 oceanfront pools and the NALU adventure pool which is great fun for kids of all ages. There’s also a kids club, movie house, gym, Mandara day spa and menu of Hawaiian cultural activities whilst the excellent onsite dining includes signature Hawaiian, oceanfront meals by candlelight, luau buffet and a fun food truck.

Location: Wailea, Maui

Our rating: ★★★★★



Kaua'i Shores

Less than a mile from historic Kaapa Town and adjacent to the open-air Coconut Marketplace shopping village, Kaua'i Shores is a friendly and welcoming hotel on a beautiful beach. It sits in 6 acres of tropical gardens and offers 2 swimming pools, a hot tub, and the Lava Lava Beach Club, where you can dine with toes in the sand and enjoy live entertainment from local musicians. The rooms are simple and comfortable with warm and bright island décor, and all have private lanais. Complimentary bicycles are available for guests to explore on 2 wheels and daily yoga is available beside the beach each morning. There’s also an activity desk for planning your island adventures.

Location: Royal Coconut Coast, Kaua'i

Our rating: ★★★★★



1 Hotel Hanalei Bay

Perched on a hillside overlooking the sparkling waters of Hanalei Bay, this sustainable sanctuary is swathed in an incredible collection of native plants. Designed with the exceptional natural beauty of its setting in mind, this hotel follows the curves of the landscape, and the planting gives cultural significance, enhances wellbeing, and blurs the lines between inside and out. Bringing world-class wellness to the ‘garden isle’ there are 7 locally inspired dining venues, 2 swimming pools with beach cabanas, immersive wellness experiences including the Bamford Spa, and a range of outdoor pursuits inviting you to explore the island. Rooms and suites are poolside or boast peaceful mountain or glorious ocean views and create restful havens for your Kaua'i experience.

Location: Hanalei Bay, Kaua'i

Our rating: ★★★★★



Grand Hyatt Kaua'i Resort & Spa

Located on the white sands of Poipu Beach on Kaua'i's sunny shore, Grand Hyatt Kaua'i Resort & Spa is a beachfront oasis complete with lush gardens and acres of pools. Enter through the open-air lobby, with your first view of the beach framed in Hawaiian-style architecture. Luxurious accommodations offer views of manicured gardens, pristine beaches or the mountainside from your private patio or lanai. A water lover's paradise, the expansive pool complex features waterfalls, a lazy river, waterslide and saltwater lagoon, as well as tranquil adult only areas. Dining is world-class, with tiki-roofed Tidepools surrounded by koi ponds, followed by the evening luau on the beach.

Location: Koloa, Kaua'i

Our rating: ★★★★★



Fairmont Orchid

Sitting on the majestic Kohala Coast and boasting an oceanfront position, this stunning tropical oasis offers exceptional facilities and is an outstanding base from which to discover the magnificent Big Island of Hawaii. Relax into island life at the Spa Without Walls, an open-air haven of thatched huts, and oceanfront cabanas, swim in the lovely pool or head for the championship golf course. Watersports include kayaks, snorkelling and paddle boards, or perhaps learn the art of lei making or just enjoy the beautiful beach. Dining comes in the form of 4 restaurants, a deli, lounge, and a traditional Hawaiian Luau, which is a memorable experience. There is a choice of rooms and suites boasting garden or ocean views from private lanais.

Location: Kohala Coast, Hawaii

Our rating: ★★★★★



Grand Naniloa

The Grand Naniloa is a friendly and comfortable waterfront hotel on Hilo Bay with easy access to the village. There is a modern fitness centre, oceanfront pool and sundeck, a 9-hole golf course, plus bicycle rentals for exploring, making this lovely hotel an excellent choice on the Big Island. There is a range of rooms and suites, all have private lanais and many boast fabulous ocean views. The Hula Lounge Lobby Bar is a welcoming place for pre-dinner drinks with a view, before dinner in Hula Hulas Restaurant, which offers farm to fork, local dining. Hilo is on the eastern side of the Big Island making this an ideal spot from which to explore the Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, which dominates the landscape.

Location: Hilo, Hawaii

Our rating: ★★★★★



Caribbean & Bermuda

TURQUOISE SEAS, SUN-DRENCHED SHORES AND ISLAND RHYTHMS

There are few locations in the world that are as synonymous with relaxation as an island escape, making the Caribbean or Bermuda a perfect addition to an already busy itinerary. At first glance, each island appears awash with idyllic beaches, surrounded by blue seas and lush green forests, but looking beyond the surface, you're sure to discover colourful local life and signature laid back island atmosphere wherever you choose. From historic sites to luxury hotels, each island has its own distinct character that is yours to uncover on your perfectly tailored itinerary. Choose to island hop, cruise through the Caribbean seas, or perhaps add a beach stay to the end of your trip to North America with our hand-picked selection of hotels across this region.



Bermuda

Only a short flight from the U.S East Coast, Bermuda is an easily accessible escape that feels worlds away. Nestled in the turquoise waters of the North Atlantic, this is where British charm meets island soul. Famed for pink sand beaches, pastel-coloured architecture and year-round mild weather, the blend of cultures and natural wonders certainly pack a punch when condensed into Bermuda's 21 square miles. Whether you're sipping a Rum Swizzle, strolling the colonial-era streets or enjoying the sunsets, this elegant island is sure to leave a lasting impression.



Cambridge Beaches Resort & Spa

Home to 4 private beaches and 2 private coves and surrounded by the azure waters of the Atlantic and Mangrove Bay, this hotel has been a treasured oceanfront destination since 1923. Every accommodation at Cambridge Beaches offers elegantly appointed rooms, suites and cottages with authentic old-world charm, outdoor seating areas and stunning views. A typical day at Cambridge Beaches is likely to be spent lounging at the infinity edge pool or pink sand beach, indulging in a treatment at Ocean Spa, or exploring the coastline by kayak or sailboat. There are several options for dining, with stunning water views in abundance – start with a cocktail at the Sunken Harbor Club, enjoy lighter poolside fare at Pastel, dine at local favourite Breezes or sample an afternoon tea in the Parlour.

Location: Somerset

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hamilton Princess & Beach Club

Historic splendour meets modern luxury at Hamilton Princess & Beach Club – A Fairmont Managed Hotel. The iconic 'Pink Palace' hotel has long embraced elite travellers to Bermuda, with guests waking up to peaceful harbour views and blue skies whilst still being within easy reach of vibrant Hamilton. Rooms and suites are stylishly decorated with designer touches, with the rest of the resort blending rich heritage and modern island flair. After spending a day at the pool, exploring the island or simply lazing in a hammock or cabana, guests can delight in top-quality cuisine at any of the four restaurants, or head to the Crown & Anchor for entertainment, exquisite rum selection and comfort food.

Location: Hamilton

Our rating: ★★★★★



Barbados

Perhaps one of the most popular Caribbean destinations, Barbados is a gem of an island famed for luxurious accommodation and laidback atmosphere. The island has long been associated with the rich and famous, and as a former British colony, you’ll feel a sense of a ‘home away from home’ where afternoon teas and cricket are just as popular as a stroll on any number of its white-sand beaches. Head to the Platinum coast on the fashionable west side of the island to enjoy pristine beaches and turquoise Caribbean waters, or if you’re feeling adventurous, head to the east for rugged coastal beauty and diving amongst shipwrecks. Barbados is also the destination for the epicurean traveller, being dubbed the ‘Culinary Capital of the Caribbean’. From the famous street food at Oistins’ fish fry, to multiple award-winning restaurants and the world’s oldest rum distillery, there is no shortage of unique Caribbean flavours on offer in Barbados.

Sugar Bay Barbados

Sugar Bay is home to stunning views and is located on the beach on the south coast, just a short distance from Bridgetown. A delightful base from which to explore from, the resort is all-inclusive with airy, inviting rooms offering beach, pool or garden views. Sugar Bay is an ideal choice for couples, friends or families, with a boho-chic style throughout, and all the comforts of a modern resort. The calm waters of the south coast and the resort’s protected lagoon make this a paradise in which to unwind. Choose to relax in several food and beverage options on-site, from relaxed Caribbean poolside cocktails to fresh sushi and Caribbean cuisine. Relax at one of the resort pools, or refresh yourself at Karma Spa & Salon set amongst the lush gardens.

Location: South Coast

Our rating: ★★★★★



Bougainvillea Barbados

Find yourself surrounded by glistening pools and white sands during your stay at Bougainvillea Barbados. A Mediterranean style resort set amongst colourful gardens perched on 2 white-sand beaches, you’re ideally located on the south coast of the island just a 15-minute walk from St Lawrence Gap with its rum shacks, shopping and dining. Even if you don’t leave the resort, you’re bound to find the perfect spot to relax in around the main pool and gardens or on Maxwell beach. Studios and suites are decorated in light cream tones and include kitchenettes. Visit Calabash Beach Bistro where fresh cuisine is paired with ocean views for breakfast, lunch or dinner, or enjoy Deia Beach – one of the south coast’s most popular beachside spots.

Location: South Coast

Our rating: ★★★★★



Coral Reef Club

Set on Barbados’ exclusive West Coast, the Coral Reef Club is a family-run boutique hotel nestled within 12 acres of lush gardens, just a short walk from lively Holetown. This elegant, Bajan-style retreat offers charming rooms and suites with traditional wooden features, many overlooking tropical gardens and the sea. Luxury cottages and plantation suites feature private plunge pools for ultimate relaxation. Enjoy complimentary non-motorised water sports, unwind in the serene spa housed in a colonial-style building, and savour fresh, Caribbean-inspired cuisine at the open-air restaurant. With impeccable service and timeless charm, Coral Reef Club is the essence of barefoot luxury

Location: West Coast

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Sandpiper

Unwind in discreet elegance at The Sandpiper, located on the pristine shores of Barbados’ west coast. The Sandpiper prides itself on high-end luxury with a boutique, personal touch, with its sister hotel the Coral Reef Club next door being part of the same family-owned group. With attention to detail at the forefront, expect rooms decorated in a contemporary style set in 2 horseshoe-shaped complexes leading towards the beach, all with private terraces. The restaurant at The Sandpiper is renowned for having one of the best chefs on the island, with its changing menu, or relax at Harold’s Bar for lunch or a sundowner. All of this is accompanied by live, yet low-key entertainment most nights with Calypso music and Reggae Jazz.

Location: West Coast

Our rating: ★★★★★

Fairmont Royal Pavilion

Located on Barbados’ prestigious west coast in St. James, Fairmont Royal Pavilion is an elegant beachfront retreat surrounded by lush tropical gardens. All rooms, suites, and villas offer serene, sea-facing views, with the most popular beachfront suites offering direct access to the sand—perfect for sunrise strolls. Interiors blend classic and modern style in calming neutral tones, with spacious villas for added privacy. Guests can enjoy kayaking, paddleboarding, or sailing just steps from their door. Dining options include oceanfront elegance at Palm Terrace, relaxed bites at the Beach Club, and cocktails and shared plates at Taboras—all delivering a true taste of the Caribbean.

Location: West Coast

Our rating: ★★★★★



Sandy Lane

Nestled among mahogany trees on Barbados’ exclusive west coast, Sandy Lane is the Caribbean’s most iconic luxury retreat. Beloved by discerning travelers, it offers unmatched privacy, white coral sand beaches, and world-class service. This grand Palladian-style hotel features marble floors, sweeping staircases, and elegantly designed rooms and suites with ocean or garden views—plus larger 2-bedroom options and private villas for ultimate indulgence. Guests enjoy 4 exceptional restaurants, including Bajan Blue with its famous Sunday Brunch, and the chic Monkey Bar. The award-winning Romanesque spa, championship golf, and VIP hospitality make Sandy Lane the epitome of refined Caribbean elegance.

Location: West Coast

Our rating: ★★★★★



Antigua

Antigua offers the ultimate tropical island experience, with a beach for each day of the year, and a compact size which is waiting to be explored. The English influence from this former island colony remains, with historic buildings dating back to the 18th and 19th centuries, and Nelson’s Dockyard in the quaint English Harbour becoming one of the major attractions. In contrast to the history, luxury yachts pepper the bays, and the island is also home to world-class sailing events. Exploring further around Antigua may lead you to Shirley Heights, a former military and gun battery that afford the best views of the island, complete with spectacular sunsets, or take on one of the hiking trails. Visit the capital of St. John’s where history meets modern day. Enjoy charming shopping areas with vendors offering local arts and crafts to stores with internationally recognised brands or choose to join a walking tour of the city. Perhaps a cooking class or sample some local rum if you want to enjoy a slower pace and experience true island living.



St James’s Club & Villas

St. James’s Club and Villas, on Antigua’s southeastern coast, sits on a secluded 100-acre peninsula offering the chance for total relaxation or plenty of activity. Renowned for excellent service, it’s a top all-inclusive choice for families and couples. Caribbean-style rooms, suites, and villas feature blue-and-white décor, with options with garden terraces or beach access. Two beaches offer distinct vibes: tranquil Mamora Bay or Coco Beach for snorkelling and gentle surf. Guests enjoy an award-winning kids club, plus activities from sailing to pickleball. 5 restaurants serve fine dining and casual fare, showcasing Antiguan flavors, ensuring St. James’s feels like your home away from home.

Location: South East

Our rating: ★★★★★



Blue Waters Resort & Spa

Blue Waters Resort, a family-owned retreat on Antigua’s northwest coast, has delivered first-class service for over 40 years. Set between 2 white-sand beaches, its 17 acres of tropical gardens, freshwater pools, and secluded coves offer relaxation and adventure. Activities include water sports and kayak safaris, while modernised rooms and villas blend Caribbean charm with colonial character. Dining spans casual to refined: Reef Restaurant for light bites, The Palm for al fresco Caribbean cuisine, and The Cove for French-Caribbean fusion in a torch-lit clifftop setting. Guests can unwind at the spa or explore by boat charter or snorkeling excursion, enjoying true island luxury.

Location: North West

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Inn at English Harbour

The Inn at English Harbour offers boutique luxury on a secluded beachfront at Freeman’s Bay, across from UNESCO-listed Nelson’s Dockyard. Blending relaxation with easy access to Antigua’s historic sites, hiking trails, and regattas, the Inn features an infinity pool, private dock, and chances to spot resident turtles. Colonial-style suites combine antique furnishings with modern comfort. Dine beachside at the Reef Restaurant for breakfast, lunch, and cocktails, enjoy high tea at the water’s edge, or head uphill to The Terrace and The Stone Bar for refined Caribbean cuisine made with home-grown produce—all while soaking in the charm of this historic setting.

Location: South West

Our rating: ★★★★★



Carlisle Bay

Carlisle Bay, on Antigua’s southwest coast, offers understated luxury on a pristine horseshoe bay framed by rainforest and white-sand beaches. Contemporary, light-filled suites feature ocean views, balconies or terraces, with larger options for families. Décor is calm and refined, with Caribbean touches. Dining spans four venues: barefoot Indigo on the Beach, Asian-inspired East, family-friendly Italian OTTIMO!, and The Jetty Grill for local flavours by the sea. Guests can enjoy water sports, tennis, yoga, an outdoor gym, and “Firepit Fridays” with rum punch and music. Carlisle Bay blends sophisticated design, exceptional service, and a setting perfect for relaxation or island adventure.

Location: South West

Our rating: ★★★★★

Saint Lucia

The crown jewel of the Caribbean, Saint Lucia is full of unforgettable vistas where natural beauty meets warm island charm, captivating all those that set foot on her coastline. Welcoming visitors with soothing waves and warm beaches, the island is the only nation to be named for a woman, personifying adventure and inspiration. Known for its twin volcanic peaks, the UNESCO-listed Pitons, this lush tropical paradise has something for all travellers whether it be relaxation or adventure. Visitors can relax on golden beaches or at luxury resorts and boutique hideaways, hike or zipline through the hills shrouded in tropical rainforest before topping everything off with a shopping trip to the capital Castries, full of vibrant markets and traditional island life. Savour the island's Creole cuisine and relax to the beat of steel drums as you soak in the confluence of Caribbean, African, English and French cultures.



Windjammer Landing

Nestled on a serene hillside overlooking the Caribbean Sea, Windjammer Landing Resort & Residences offers an extraordinary escape in Labrelotte Bay. Designed to evoke the timeless charm of a Mediterranean village, this 60 plus acre resort is an idyllic retreat for families, couples and honeymooners alike. Rooms, suites and villas are designed to blend seamlessly with the landscape, with a range of amenities dependent on category from private balconies, fully equipped kitchens and intimate plunge pools. The resort offers plenty of space to relax, whether that be at one of the 6 swimming pools, 7 restaurants offering casual beach grills to international cuisine, or at the spa. Take a dip in the Jacuzzi overlooking the ocean, and settle into the resort with one of the warmest island welcomes.

Location: Labrelotte Bay

Our rating: ★★★★★



East Winds

This all-inclusive resort is set in a tropical garden by the sea, with breathtaking views just steps from Saint Lucia's most beautiful private beach. The lush gardens, soft sandy beaches and clear waters provide the perfect setting for ultimate island relaxation. A range of 30 exclusive cottages and suites offer unique characteristics, and luxurious amenities and are decorated in a charming island style with calming tones. The resort prides itself on partnerships with local producers to provide the freshest ingredients and delectable farm-to-table dining with fish caught fresh the same morning. Dine beachside from morning to evening, enjoy a morning yoga session and relax at the pool with swim-up bar.

Location: Gros Islet

Our rating: ★★★★★



Hotel Rabot from Hotel Chocolat

Overlooking the Piton mountains in the southwest of the island, this boutique, open-air adults-only resort comprises of 25 private luxury lodges, where guests can experience firsthand the environment where cocoa trees thrive. The sounds of nature replace the noise of daily life here, with a truly unique stay in Saint Lucia's rainforest on this working estate. Lodges are designed with a blend of Saint Lucian charm and sleek contemporary style, furnished with premium comfort in mind. Sample the exclusive cacao-cuisine menu in dishes served at the restaurant and bar, using ingredients grown on the estate and seasonal produce from across the island and discover the 'Tree to Bar' tour. There is also a cocoa-infused spa and infinity pool, with a shuttle to nearby Malgretoute beach.

Location: Soufriere

Our rating: ★★★★★



Anse Chastanet

This captivating eco-resort blends luxury with the natural beauty of the Caribbean. With one of the island's most stunning panoramic views of the mountains meeting the sea, it is positioned on a private estate of 600 acres, bordering 2 pristine beaches with access to coral reefs. 49 individually crafted rooms are set amongst hills and gardens, blending indoor-outdoor living with many having just 3 walls to invite refreshing trade winds. Dining is across 4 restaurants, from the Treehouse Restaurant overlooking the sea and tropical foliage, to East-Indian Caribbean fusion with produce from the organic farm. There is plenty for active travellers too, with trails, snorkelling and diving.

Location: Mamin

Our rating: ★★★★★

Cruises

A cruise holiday is a holiday like no other, a comfortable floating hotel with everything you need. The luxury of unpacking only once and exploring ports of call that change daily. The options for cruises in the USA are endless. Whether you are looking for cruise experience that takes you along the Eastern seaboard, a Trans-Atlantic ship that sails into New York past the Statue of Liberty for a true bucket-list experience. An epic Alaskan adventure or want to venture into the warm waters of the Caribbean Sea, we have a ship and an itinerary to suit.

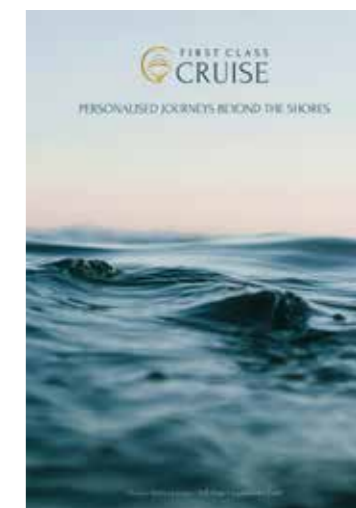
Our Favourites

For a luxurious cruise experience, where all staterooms boast balconies with ocean views, Silversea Cruises is a superb choice.

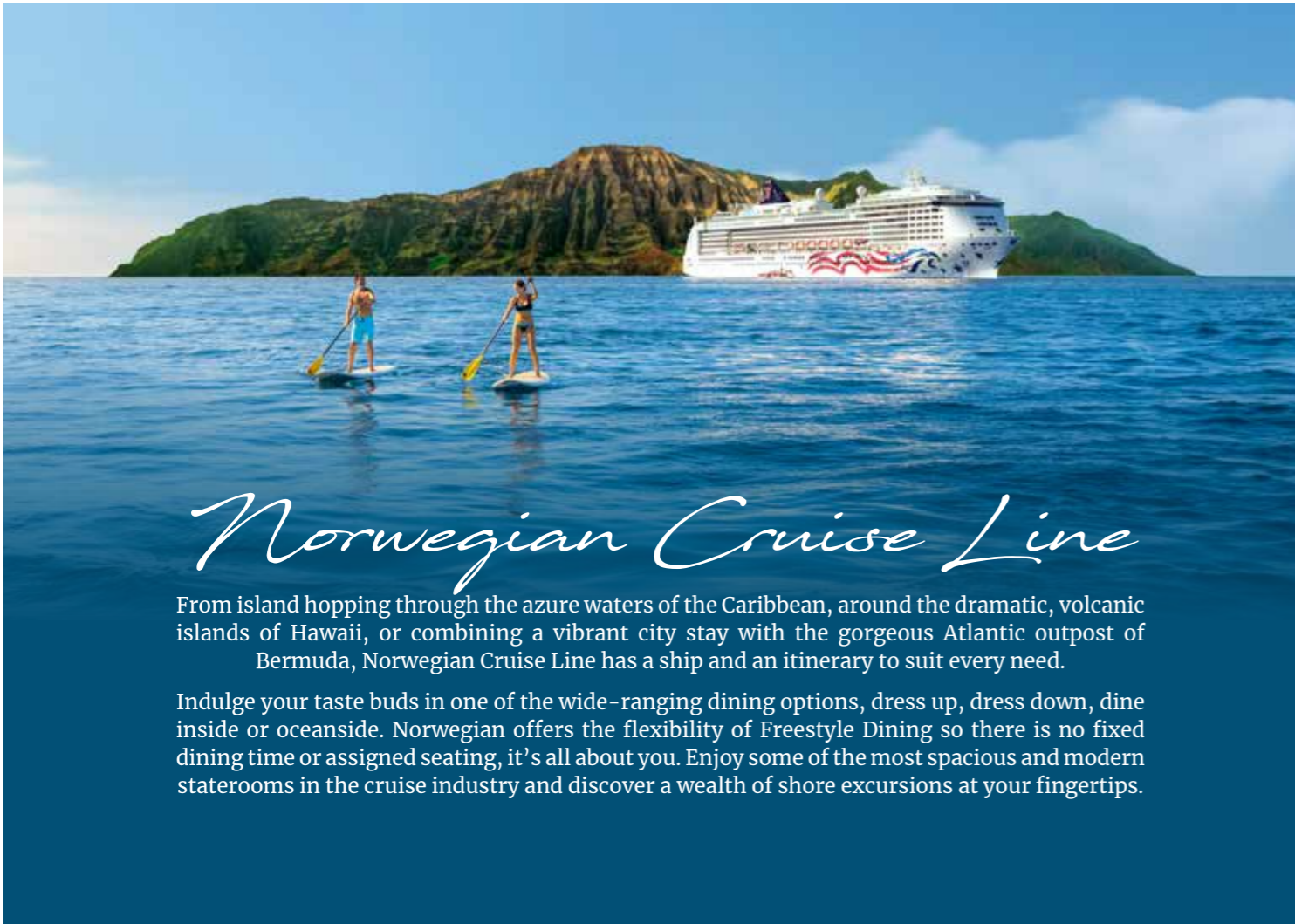
Venture a little further and include the natural wonders of Central America with your Caribbean cruise experience.

A transatlantic cruise truly encompasses the glamour of a bygone era, and the Queen Mary 2 offers the ultimate sailing experience across the Atlantic.

With multiple durations available a cruise is easy to slot into your holiday arrangements, whether it's a short hop to Bermuda or a longer exploration of the Caribbean.



For further information on the multiple cruise lines we feature, other than those in this brochure, consider our sister company First Class Cruise – part of the First Class Travel Group.



Norwegian Cruise Line

From island hopping through the azure waters of the Caribbean, around the dramatic, volcanic islands of Hawaii, or combining a vibrant city stay with the gorgeous Atlantic outpost of Bermuda, Norwegian Cruise Line has a ship and an itinerary to suit every need.

Indulge your taste buds in one of the wide-ranging dining options, dress up, dress down, dine inside or oceanside. Norwegian offers the flexibility of Freestyle Dining so there is no fixed dining time or assigned seating, it's all about you. Enjoy some of the most spacious and modern staterooms in the cruise industry and discover a wealth of shore excursions at your fingertips.



Celebrity Cruises

Set sail on one of Celebrity's award-winning ships to explore the splendour of the Pacific Coast, the history and natural beauty of New England, crystal-clear waters of the Bahamas or the Caribbean and Mayan treasures of Mexico.

Savour global-inspired cuisine at restaurants featuring menus crafted by a Michelin-starred chef. Watch thrilling music and dance performances in the theatre. Cap your evening off with a cocktail and live music in one of the many bars and restaurants.



Hawaii Cruises – Inter-island

Discover the breath-taking Hawaiian Islands on this year-round 7-day cruise. Discover an island each day taking in the volcanoes of the Big Island, dramatic surf beaches of Oahu and lush tropical vegetation of Kaua'i with plenty of time to explore through a menu of shore excursions.

Sails: Round trip from Honolulu, Oahu

Ports of Call may include: Kahului – Maui, Hilo – Hawaii, Nawiliwili – Kaua'i



Caribbean Cruises

Regarded as one of the best cruise lines to the Caribbean there are a wealth of options available. Choose from 7, 9, 10 and 12 day cruises which start and end in the Caribbean or Florida, or longer cruises from New York.

Sails: Round trip from Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Miami, and Orlando

Ports of Call may include: Barbados – Antigua – Saint Lucia – British Virgin Islands – Curacao – Aruba – St. Kitts – Bahamas Jamaica – Grand Cayman – Grenada – Mexico



Bermuda Cruises – from New York and Boston

Spend time in historical Boston or amongst the bright lights and cloud piercing skyscrapers of New York before setting sail for beautiful Bermuda. These relaxing cruises spend plenty of time in Bermuda allowing you to discover this Atlantic island in depth.

Sails: Round trip from Boston and New York

Ports of Call may include: Bermuda



Pacific Coast Cruises

Take in breath-taking scenery that spans snow-capped mountain peaks, glorious golden beaches, and iconic landmarks. From Vancouver to San Diego and all that is in between, this an exceptional way to discover North America's magnificent Pacific coast.

Sails: One way between Los Angeles & Vancouver (& reverse)

Ports of Call may include: Los Angeles – San Francisco Catalina Island – Astoria – Victoria – Vancouver



New England & Canada Cruises

Experience the perfect balance of urban charm and natural beauty with cruises that take in New England and eastern Canada. History and exceptional landscapes make this a delightful way to explore.

Sails: Round trip from Boston

Ports of Call may include: Boston – Bar Harbor – Portland Rockland – Halifax – Charlottetown – Quebec City – Saint John




Caribbean & Bahamas Cruises

Discover glorious beaches, striking natural wonders and UNESCO World-Heritage sites, and a never-ending parade of dazzling coral reefs, mountain peaks and tropical rainforests. Choose from an array of Caribbean cruises or explore the beautiful Bahamas and the character of Florida's Key West.

Sails: Round trip from Fort Lauderdale, Orlando, Tampa, and Miami

Ports of Call may include: St. Kitts & Nevis – Barbados St. Lucia – Mexico – Jamaica – Martinique – Grand Cayman Key West – Bahamas



Silversea Cruises

Silversea’s small luxury ships are designed for those who delight in discovery and indulge in luxury. All their ships feature spacious, ocean-view suites with butler service, and most include private verandas, meaning you can sip your champagne from the comfort of your deck while watching the vistas beyond.

Silversea’s fleet of small ships offers extreme comfort for the adventurous traveller. Oceanview suites are some of the most spacious in luxury cruising. With one of the highest crew-to-guest ratios in the industry, multiple dining options, expert guides and authentic experiences guaranteed, there is nothing more rewarding than a Caribbean cruise. On all classic cruises selected shore excursions (one per shore day) will be offered complimentary. Excursions are immersive and authentic experiences.



Cunard

There is something truly nostalgic about the notion of a transatlantic cruise. Harking back to the golden days of travel, when everything was at a slower pace, and the elegance of the journey was as important as the destination. It’s true you can now cross the Atlantic in a little over 7 hours if you fly but if you have the time then a transatlantic cruise is a very special experience indeed.

Several cruise lines sail this route, but Cunard has been sailing around the globe for more than 100 years and offer 4 magnificent ships, including their flagship the Queen Mary 2 and the first choice for transatlantic crossings.



Sample Itinerary – Silver Moon

- Day 1** Sail from Bridgetown, Barbados
- Day 2** Bequia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- Day 3** Day at Sea
- Day 4** Curacao, Netherland Antilles
- Day 5** Aruba
- Day 6** Bonaire, Netherland Antilles
- Day 7** Day at Sea
- Day 8** Scarborough, Trinidad & Tobago
- Day 9** St George’s, Grenada
- Day 10** Fort-de-France, Martinique
- Day 11** Castries, Saint Lucia
- Day 12** Bridgetown, Barbados



Sample Itinerary – Silver Ray

- Day 1** Sail from Bridgetown, Barbados
- Day 2** Bequia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- Day 3** Castries, Saint Lucia
- Day 4** St John’s Antigua and Barbuda
- Day 5** St Kitts, St Kitts and Nevis
- Day 6** St Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands
- Day 7** San Juan, Puerto Rico
- Day 8-9** Day at Sea
- Day 10** Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Your all-inclusive Silversea cruise includes a veranda suite with an ocean view, an included shore excursion per day, access to a wide choice of restaurants, premium beverages, and butler service.



Transatlantic – Southampton to New York

Whether you want to sail from Southampton to New York, leave New York in style or indulge in a roundtrip transatlantic crossing, these 6,7 and 14 night cruises whisk you across the Atlantic with ample time to enjoy the myriad charms of the Queen Mary 2.

Sails: One way or round trip from Southampton, one way from New York

Queen Mary 2

This remarkable flagship is renowned for her style and elegance and is an iconic ocean liner that offers space in abundance. Your time at sea is your own. Her Art Deco inspired interiors are a fitting nod to her maritime heritage, with every possible modern convenience catered for. The elegant state rooms include Britannia Inside, Britannia Oceanview, Britannia Balcony, and the Britannia Club Balcony. Suite options come in the form of the Princess Grill and Queens Grill Suites.



Highlights

- * Spacious staterooms and suites
- * Superb range of dining including gala dinners and afternoon tea
- * Signature bars and lounges including a champagne bar, the Golden Lion pub and room service
- * 2 swimming pools, whirlpools, and a children’s pool
- * 3D cinema and classical music venue
- * Games deck with croquet, paddle tennis and bowls
- * Library and Cunard book club on sailings of more than 4 days
- * Menu of onboard activities
- * Live music and theatre
- * Casino
- * Day spa



Holland America Line

For over 150 years Holland America have been sailing to new places and opening up the world to inquisitive guests. They are one of our favourite cruise companies to work with and for good reason. Holland America work on the basis that bigger isn't better and offer a fleet of spacious, mid-size ships.

Onboard expect sleek, nautical lines and a warm and welcoming service. There is a choice of dining options including speciality restaurants and pop-ups, live cookery demonstrations and culinary shore experiences too. Holland America's Explorations Central (EXC™) programme adds depth and authenticity to their offered programme of excursions and experiences.



Regent Seven Seas Cruises

Regent Seven Seas sets the standard high with 6 outstanding ships, Seven Seas Grandeur®, Seven Seas Splendour®, Seven Seas Explorer®, Seven Seas Voyager®, Seven Seas Mariner® and Seven Seas Navigator®, forming The World's Most Luxurious Fleet™. No matter which vessel you want to sail on, or which destination you choose to discover you'll enjoy the same luxurious levels of service.

Almost every suite or stateroom features a private balcony, and the cruise style is quality, without formality. Onboard expect exceptional dining with speciality restaurants and a culinary enrichment programme on select ships, open bars and lounges, unlimited access to spa facilities and an impressive array of included shore excursions.



New England & Canada Cruises

Explore the Atlantic Seaboard's quaint towns and iconic lighthouses with cruises that take in America's oldest cities and historic sites on a range of 7, 12 and 14 day cruises.

Sails: Boston, Montréal and Québec

Ports of Call may include: New York, Boston, Newport, Portland, Halifax, Sydney, Prince Edward Island, Montréal and Québec City



California and Pacific Coast Cruises

A unique way to explore the beautiful Pacific Coast with cruises that cover everything from a 1 night hop between Vancouver and Seattle, to 4 & 5 day escapes and classic 7 day cruises.

Sails: San Diego, Seattle and Vancouver

Ports of Call may include: Vancouver, Astoria, San Francisco, Santa Barbara, Avalon, Ensenada, Ketchikan, Nanaimo and Victoria



Caribbean Cruises

With an abundance of routes to choose from, Holland America Line offer convenient weekend departures and multiple 9 day Friday to Sunday options.

Sails: Round trip from Miami and Fort Lauderdale

Ports of Call may include: Bahamas, Turks & Caicos, Jamaica, Grand Cayman, Mexico, St. Maarten, Antigua, St Lucia, Dominica, St. Kitts, St. Thomas and Barbados



Caribbean Cruises

Sails: Miami, Galveston, Barbados and Tampa Bay

Ports of Call may include: Miami, Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, Jamaica, Cayman Islands, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Barbados, St. Lucia, Antigua and Grenada



Sample Itinerary

- Day 1** Sail from Barbados
- Day 2** Grenada
- Day 3** St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- Day 4** St. Lucia
- Day 5** Martinique
- Day 6** Cruising the Caribbean Sea
- Day 7** St. Barts
- Day 8** Antigua
- Day 9** Dominica
- Day 10** Barbados

Getting Around America

With a country as vast and varied as America, there needs to be plenty of modes of transport to help you explore it. There are reliable air services and an excellent rail network including iconic train journeys. Driving in America is easy, with wide-open roads and truly beautiful scenery along the way; hiring a car or motorhome is a great way to cover a multitude of places whilst exploring at your own pace. The airline you choose to fly with will get your holiday off to a great start; we've included some of the best so that your dream American holiday can be started in the best way possible.





Car Rental

There’s nothing better than freedom; being able to explore at your own pace, in your own time. Nothing better than going where the fancy takes you, pausing now and then to gaze at the scenery or stopping off in a quaint village or beauty spot, a roadside diner or country inn. Nothing better than cruising along wide highways without a care in the world; and America is just made for exploring.

From the stunning scenery of the majestic National Parks to the laid back beaches of the California coast; from cruising along the Mother Road, Route 66, to the leafy lanes and byways of New England; from cities like Boston and San Francisco to the excitement of Florida’s theme parks, there really is something for everyone. You can choose from one of our pre planned self-drives or just hire a car, book some hotels and take off on your own; the choice is yours.

But whatever you choose you can do so in the knowledge that our partners, Alamo and National, are two of the most respected names in the car rental business offering the widest range of locations and the best fleet of high quality, reliable cars available.

- Our rates include:**
- * Unlimited mileage
 - * Collision Damage Waiver
 - * Supplementary Liability Insurance
 - * Handling fees
 - * State & local taxes and some airport fees

Added Value: Our fully inclusive prices now include a second driver free

- Alamo Gold** rates also Include:
- * Up to 3 Additional drivers
 - * 1st tank of fuel

Prices Exclude:

Personal Accident Insurance, fuel, child seats, one way fees, ski racks, snow tyres, GPS (unless pre-purchased).

Rental Period

Rates are based on a 24 hour time period commencing at the car is taken; e.g. a car collected at 9am must be returned by 9am to avoid incurring late fees. Minimum rental period is 1 day for standard rentals and 5 days for enhanced and one-way rentals.

Car Types

Car models are shown for guidance only and may differ from those shown. Specific models cannot be guaranteed.

Rental Age

Minimum age for renting is 21. Drivers under 25 will be charged an underage fee.

One Way Rentals

One way rentals are allowed throughout the USA for all car groups except economy cars. They are subject to availability and must be pre-booked. One way fees apply depending on routings and are payable locally. One way rentals within Florida and California are FREE of the one way charge, except for Convertible cars rented in San Francisco between 01 July & 31 August when a one way fee is charged. One way fees are based on distance and we will advise the fee at the time of booking. One way fees are payable locally on collection and will be subject to local taxes.

Choose the right car size

American cars are large, but the boot space tends to limited for the size of the car. Please ensure that you choose a car that will accommodate all your luggage and not just one with enough seats for the passengers. And don’t forget about the souvenirs that you’ll collect along the way.

Child Seats

Child seats are required by law for all children under the age of 4 years (ages may vary between states). These can be rented at a charge of approx \$7 per day (payable locally). A deposit may be required. Seats are subject to availability & should be requested at the time of booking.

Deposit (Credit Card Only)

A credit card imprint will be taken on collecting your car to cover extras which have not been pre-paid e.g. fuel, child seats, one way fees. The credit card **MUST** be in the name of the main driver. Visa, Mastercard & American Express cards are accepted. Debit cards are not acceptable. Extra drivers will need to produce a card in their own name when they are added to the contract at the time of pick-up.

Compact

- * Group CCAR / CDAR
- * Automatic
- * 4 seats
- * 2 bags



Full Size Suv

- * Group FFAR
- * Automatic
- * 7 seats
- * 3 bags



Convertible

- * Group STAR
- * Automatic
- * 2 seats
- * 2 bags



Rental Locations

Cars are available at most major towns and cities throughout America. Cars collected at an airport and returned downtown (or vice versa) may incur a small drop off charge. In locations where Alamo/ National do not have offices, we may provide car rental with an alternative rental company. Please note that the rental conditions may differ to those shown here. Full information will be provided at the time of your enquiry/ booking.

Intermediate

- * Group ICAR / IDAR
- * Automatic
- * 5 seats
- * 3 bags



Full Size

- * Group FCAR
- * Automatic
- * 5 seats
- * 4 bags



8 Passenger Minivan

- * Group MVAR
- * Automatic
- * 8 seats
- * 5 bags



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Eagle Rider

Cue your favourite biker anthem, grab a fistful of throttle and roll on out to a life-affirming adventure that will change you forever. There are places on the paved side of this planet that can only truly be experienced by motorcycle, where life in the wind heightens the senses and expands the spirit of every freedom seeking soul. EagleRider provide motorcycles and design tours for men and women who are not the average citizen. Novice or expert, bikers are a breed apart, and so are their programmes. They are one of you, and understand the pure primal joy only motorcycling, above all else, offers.

Rental Locations:

EagleRider have over 150 rental locations across the length and breadth of America including these key touring locations:

Los Angeles | San Francisco | Seattle | Santa Monica | San Diego | Phoenix Las Vegas | Denver | Salt Lake City | Dallas | Atlanta Nashville New Orleans | Memphis | Miami | Orlando | Washington D.C. | New York Boston | Chicago

Our Prices Include:

- * Late model bike equipped for touring
- * Unlimited Mileage
- * Helmet for driver and passenger
- * Free transfers from selected hotels and airports to the rental office
- * Storage for luggage and personal belongings
- * VIP Express check-in
- * VIP Zero Insurance package with zero excess for damage, \$1000 excess for theft of bike, holiday interruption protection, personal effects cover and flat tyre cover
- * Second Driver
- * State Taxes on rental and insurance costs
- * Environmental Surcharge

Not Includes:

- * Fuel & oil
- * Location and special event surcharges
- * One-way fees
- * Supplemental Liability Insurance

Charging Period:

Rentals are calculated in 24hour rental periods, so you must return the bike by the same time you collected it to avoid an extra cost. Spending an extra hour at the airport, for example, could save a day's rental. If you return the bike late you will be charged an hourly late fee. Bikes can only be returned during office opening hours.

Driving Age:

Minimum age for renting is 21 and you must have a full licence that allows you to operate a bike of at least 125cc engine size.

Security Deposit:

A \$100 security deposit will be charged to the renter's credit card at the time of rental.

One-way Rentals:

One-way rentals are allowed between most locations and a fee is payable locally based on the distance between locations. Costs are plus taxes.

**Please note one-way rental prices were correct at time of printing, and are subject to change without notice.*

The Eagle Rider Fleet

EagleRider operate the largest range of late model Harley Davidson's, so there's bound to be something that takes your fancy, and in some locations you can opt for BMW and Triumph models too. Images are a guide only and bike supplied may be different.

TOURING CLASS



HD Street Glide



HD Road Glide

CLASSIC CLASS



HD Road King



HD Heritage Soft Tail Classic

GRAND TOURING CLASS



HD Electra Glide Ultra Classic



HD Street Glide Grand Touring



Motorhome

America is just built for road trips. With wide open roads, amazingly varied scenery that changes with every turn in the road and over the brow of every hill, stunning beaches and amazing national parks, not forgetting some really friendly people, there can be no better place to explore in your own home on wheels. Our partners El Monte are part of the world wide THL group, true experts in providing motorhomes that make dreams come true.

A motorhome holiday is about freedom. Freedom to go where you want, explore what you want, see what you want and sleep where you want – by the sea, a river, in the mountains or near a city. Freedom to escape time and do things your way. So choose your own journey, travel at your own pace, experience the great open road and all of its adventures and live the American Dream.

Rental Locations:

- You can pick up your motorhome from no fewer than 13 popular locations across America:
- * Bellingham
 - * Chicago
 - * Denver
 - * Dallas
 - * Las Vegas
 - * Los Angeles
 - * Orlando
 - * Miami
 - * New York
 - * Phoenix
 - * San Diego
 - * San Francisco
 - * Salt Lake City

Las Vegas, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Orlando open Monday to Sunday year round, except public holidays. Dallas, New York and Bellingham are closed Sundays. Denver, Miami, Chicago, Phoenix, San Diego and Slat Lake City are closed Saturday and Sunday. Opening times are generally 0800-1700; 0800-1600 on Sunday.

You can collect your vehicle after 1pm. You must return it between 8 and 11 am. We recommend staying in a hotel the day you arrive in the USA.

What to Expect:

Gone are the days when a motorhome holiday was virtually a tent on wheels, when roughing it was the norm. Your motorhome will have been built by some of the leading manufacturers in America to El Monte's exacting high standards, and you'll want for nothing in your home on wheels.

Every Motorhome Features:

- * Automatic Transmission
- * Cruise Control
- * Power Steering
- * Cab Air - conditioning
- * Large Storage Bay
- * Awning
- * Auxiliary Battery and Generator
- * TV with DVD
- * AM/FM Radio with CD
- * 12V Interior Lighting
- * Wash Basin
- * Shower
- * Toilet
- * Water Heater
- * Heater & Thermostat
- * Kitchen Sink
- * Range (Stove)
- * Microwave
- * Refrigerator
- * Freezer (FS31 only)

When it comes to sleeping, all our models feature a fixed double bed at the rear of the motorhome and a double bed over the driver cab; depending on model you can also expect bunk beds and couches / dinettes that convert to beds for sleeping.

Pricing:

El Monte operates a flexible pricing system that is based on supply and demand, so the earlier you book, or the more flexible you can be with date or vehicle type, the better the price we are able to offer. Changing the date by a day or so, or taking a larger model, can actually reduce the cost of your holiday, and our Destination Specialists will advise on the best options to suit your itinerary.

The minimum rental period is 7 nights, maximum rental 50 nights (longer on request); one way rentals have a longer minimum rental depending on location and route.

One Way Rentals:

One way trips are a great way to see more of the country in your holiday time. One way rentals are available between all locations on request and there is an additional fee depending on the distance involved that varies between \$250 plus tax and \$800 plus tax, payable locally. *(To be advised at time of booking)* The number of vehicles available for one way rental is limited, so it's best to book early and be prepared to perhaps reverse your route as well.

All Our Prices Include:

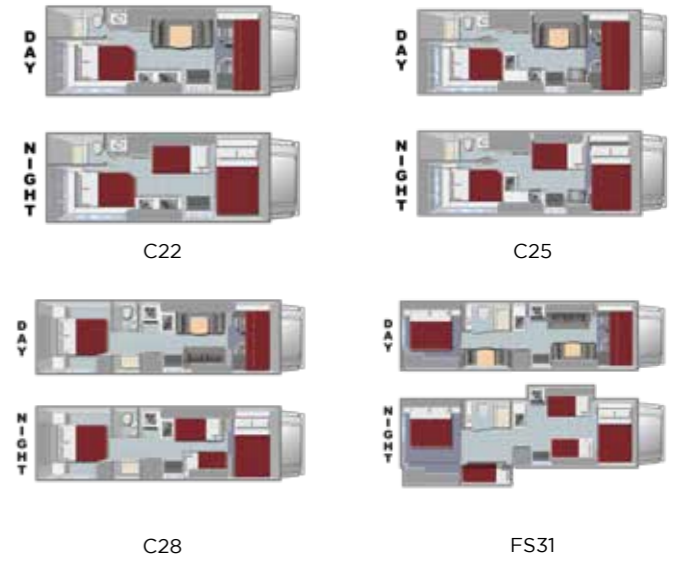
- * Daily rental fee for the duration of the hire
- * VIP insurance (\$1000 liability per incident)
- * Personal kits
- * Kitchen kits
- * Preparation fees
- * First tank of propane
- * First set of toilet chemicals
- * 24 hour on the road support
- * State taxes but not road fees for Denver rentals or security fees for New York rentals

Not Included:

- * Mileage – which must be pre-paid. A range of options are available
- * Generator use
- * GPS
- * GPS & Wi-Fi combo
- * Tolls, fuel, parking and campsite fees
- * Optional extras which can only be paid locally

Minimum age for renting an RV is 21 and all drivers must have held a full licence for at least two years.

A credit card in the lead driver's name will be required at the time of collecting the RV and \$1000 held against it. (Hold is released on return if there is no damage).





British Airways

Flying direct from London to 26 US destinations, British Airways offers onward connections with oneworld® partner American Airlines across the United States.

World Traveller is a full-service economy class offering:

- Generous free baggage allowance
- Meals and full bar service
- Personal entertainment system with complimentary headphones
- Family-friendly features and kids' activity packs

Your seat is ergonomically designed and comes with an adjustable headrest, lumbar support and recline. Your World Traveller experience also includes a few extra features to help make the journey as enjoyable as possible, including a comfy cushion, blanket – plus flight socks, toothbrush and toothpaste and an eye mask on request.

Entertainment at your fingertips: A whole world of entertainment awaits you with hundreds of the latest films, documentaries, television, music, audio books and games; personal flat screen and headphones with on-demand service that lets you choose what you want when you want it on all flights.

World Traveller Plus is a premium economy service, a more comfortable, relaxing experience on longer routes offering:

- A wider seat with greater recline, lumbar support, head rest and foot rest
- Small, intimate cabins with attentive service
- Delicious meals served on china crockery, and full bar service
- Personal entertainment system with noise-reducing headphones
- Larger free baggage allowance
- Extra leg room to stretch out, sit back and relax or sleep
- Comfy cushion, blanket and a stylish amenity kit made from recycled material with toothbrush, toothpaste, flight socks and eye mask
- Power supply for laptops and other electronic devices

Club World combines premium levels of comfort and service with the freedom and flexibility to make every journey unique and unforgettable. Your Club World seat will adapt to your personal needs, and on A350 aircraft there's the option of Club Suite with direct aisle access, whether you plan on working, catching up on some sleep, or just unwinding with world-class dining and entertainment:

- Your own spacious suite for relaxing or dining
- Comfy chair that converts into a 6ft fully flat bed
- Superior dining and Club Kitchen for self-service refreshments
- Access to private lounges and spa treatments*
- Dedicated check-in desks* and priority boarding
- Memory foam headrest and quilted blanket
- Luxury amenity kit and cosy bedding by The White Company
- Power supply for laptops and other electronic devices

*Available at selected airports

First is your ticket to exceptional comfort and impeccable service. Your First suite is a haven of style and comfort where sophisticated and contemporary British design meets impeccable service and attention to detail. Whether you want to curl up and shut off or stretch out and enjoy the experience, you'll find you're well equipped.

Your suite includes:

- 6ft 6in fully flat bed with luxurious mattress, duvet and Temperley London pyjamas
- His and hers Temperley London gift bag with premium accessories and skincare by ELEMIS
- Indulgent food with flexible dining accompanied by fine wines and vintage champagnes
- Access to luxurious lounges and spa treatments

Exclusive and attentive service

A personal power supply for laptops and electronic devices, on demand entertainment with 15" screen

Travel Club World or First and you have access to a world of calm and tranquillity. Relax and recharge your batteries before the flight in one of British Airways elegant departures lounges stocked with fine wines and drinks, refreshments, newspapers, magazines, and comfy sofas. There's also a range of facilities for when you need to get online, including free Wi-Fi at most major airports.

Connecting flights are available from Aberdeen, Belfast, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds/Bradford, Manchester and Newcastle. Jersey, Isle of Man and Dublin also offer domestic services, please note some domestic services are operated by British Airways subsidiaries or partner airlines.



United Airlines

United offers comprehensive access to the U.S. from four U.K. airports, and onward connections to over 280 destinations across the Americas. And you won't just arrive at your destination: you'll arrive refreshed, thanks to high levels of inflight comfort and personal service.

Non Stop Flights

United offers direct non stop flights from four UK airports:

From **London Heathrow** to

- New York/Newark
- Washington D.C.
- Chicago
- Houston
- San Francisco
- Los Angeles
- Denver (now a year-round service)

From **Edinburgh** to

- New York/Newark
- Washington D.C.*
- Chicago*

From **Glasgow** to

- New York/Newark*

*Operates on a seasonal service.

United Economy®

Relax in ergonomically-designed seats providing up to 32 inches of legroom. Aircrafts are equipped with individual seat back screens, offering a wide choice of films, TV and music. On all international flights enjoy a complimentary three course meal, inflight snacks, wine, beer and soft drinks.

United Economy Plus®

Stretch out with extra legroom when you upgrade to United Economy Plus. Enjoy all the benefits and services of Economy, but with extra space and added comfort. Economy Plus seats have up to six inches of additional legroom providing a total of up to 37 inches of legroom.

United® Premium Plus

The international premium economy cabin is available on all wide-bodied flights from the UK. Enjoy access to priority check-in, priority boarding and once onboard large seats, with extra legroom and a footrest, an upgraded dining experience, power outlet and USB at your seat and complimentary beverages.

United Polaris® Business Class

The United Polaris business class service is designed to bring a new level of quality to every aspect of premium cabin travel — from lounge to landing — and provide the best sleep in the sky.

Delight your taste buds with a new chef-designed, multi-course inflight dining experience created in partnership with chefs gathered through The Trotter Project. Enjoy a dessert cart and à la carte snacks as well as top-rated wines and champagnes. Sleep-themed amenity kits including products from Sunday Riley help flyers stay relaxed and refreshed during their travels. Sink into sleep with Saks Fifth Avenue luxury bedding – pillows, blankets and duvets.

Stay connected at 36,000 feet with United Wi-Fi across our entire fleet.

United is a Star Alliance Member

Stay connected with the world's largest airline alliance. With the Star Alliance network, customers have seamless travel options from Austin to Zanzibar and everywhere in between.

MileagePlus members may earn and use miles on United and 25 other Star Alliance member airlines, and Premier® members are recognized with added benefits around the world. Plus, with more than 970 locations, the Star Alliance lounge network is the largest in the world.

Preferred Airlines



Virgin Atlantic

For 40 years, Virgin Atlantic has been the long-haul airline for people who want flying to be an adventure. Every year they fly over six million people to some of the best loved places around the world. Step onboard and experience a unique spirit, irresistible service, award-winning entertainment, and some of the best premium cabins in the sky. Whichever class you choose your flight with Virgin Atlantic will be unforgettable.

Flights to the USA

Fly direct to the USA from London Heathrow to:

- * New York
- * Boston
- * Washington D.C.
- * Los Angeles
- * Las Vegas
- * San Francisco
- * Seattle
- * Orlando
- * Miami
- * Tampa
- * Atlanta



Economy Classes

Economy Light: Hand luggage only and your seat allocated at check in, or in advance for a fee. Onboard, relax into your comfy seat with adjustable headrest and 31in seat pitch.

Economy Classic: With Economy Classic, you can take a 23kg bag as well as hand luggage and choose your seat in advance for a fee. Onboard, relax into your comfy seat with adjustable headrest and 31in seat pitch.

Economy Delight: With Economy Delight, you can use Premium Check In at the airport, choose your seat in advance for a fee, and priority boarding means you can settle into your extra legroom seat with 34in seat pitch sooner. Enjoy hours of entertainment with 300+ hours of films, in-seat power, and onboard Wi-Fi packages are available for purchase.

Premium: Enjoy a dedicated check in and bag drop with priority boarding where you'll be greeted with a welcome drink in the dedicated cabin. Stretch out in your wide leather seat with 38 inches seat pitch, and in-seat power to keep your gadgets going and hundreds of hours of entertainment. Onboard Wi-Fi is available to purchase. Enjoy restaurant-inspired meals and treats including afternoon tea. There's also the Wander Wall of snacks if you're feeling peckish.

Upper Class: The Upper Class experience starts before you even depart. Relax pre-flight with access to one of the Clubhouse lounges at the airport, these beautiful lounges allow you to relax in comfort away from the bustle of the main airport. Enjoy fast-tracking private security and priority boarding. Once onboard sit back and relax with a glass of bubbly as the crew prepare for departure. Your Upper Class pod ensures total privacy and comfort with plenty of room to stretch out, and when you are ready it will be transformed into a fully flat bed with crisp linens and a cosy duvet. If you feel like stretching your legs head for the Bar, the Loft, or the Booth, depending on which aircraft you are travelling on. A la carte dining and hours of entertainment ensure this is the ultimate way to travel.

All information is correct at the time of publication and is subject to change without notice. Images are for illustration purposes only and may not be reflective of current travel protocols.

The following pages give information relevant to certain products and services in this brochure. Please read it and any links to our website, as it forms part of your contract with us.

1. Alamo Car Rental

Full details of Alamo terms and conditions can be found on our website www.fcholidays.com

Changes - Legislation or regulations or the cost of fuel may affect Alamo's pricing or procedures. On all-inclusive products, Alamo reserves the right, without notice, to (i) charge customers, at the time of rental or thereafter, for the amount of any additional or increased surcharges, fees, taxes or increased fuel costs incurred subsequent to entering into this Agreement, or (ii) increase Client's tax, surcharge or fuel inclusive rates by an amount equivalent to the additional or increased tax, surcharge, or fuel cost subsequent to entering into this Agreement.

Validity - Prices in this brochure are not available to USA, Canadian, Latin American, Asian and Japanese citizens, even if living in the UK.

Driving Restrictions - Vehicles can be driven in any state in the United States. Vehicles may not be driven into Mexico. Vehicles rented in Alaska must be returned in Alaska. Vehicles can be driven into America but must be returned to the United States unless a pre-arranged drop off at one of the approved locations has been made. Driving on unpaved roads voids your Collision Damage Waiver (CDW) coverage.

Parking/Traffic Violations - You are responsible for reporting and paying all parking/traffic/toll violations when returning your vehicle. Your credit card will be charged for any charges/fines/penalties incurred in addition to an administrative fee, if you do not report a parking/traffic/toll violation when returning your vehicle.

Refunds - We regret that we cannot provide any refund for any unused rental days shown on a voucher.

Rental Age - The minimum age for renting a vehicle is 21 years; an underage fee will apply for renters and additional drivers aged 24 and under. Certain locations may restrict specialty car types for underage drivers. All drivers must possess a full and valid UK Licence and all must be present at pick up to sign the rental contract.

Your Rental Agreement - Whilst we will confirm the reservation of your request, you will be required to sign a rental agreement before driving the vehicle in America. At this point your contract will be between yourself & the car rental company. Please check all charges listed on your rental agreement prior to authorising your credit card payment. Any queries should be brought to the attention of the car hire representative before leaving the rental station. We cannot be held responsible for any charges added to your rental agreement that were not disputed/checked at the time of the rental.

Taxes, Surcharges & Fees - All rentals are subject to state and provincial taxes. These are included in our rental prices for prepaid items and include taxes & charges in effect at the time of printing. Taxes are payable locally for all items charged for at the time of rental, e.g. child seats, one-way fees, fuel fee etc.

One-way Fees - Fees are based on mileage between pick up & drop off location & are subject to change, except within California and Florida where there is no charge. Our Destination Specialists will advise the appropriate fee for your rental at the time of booking. Fees are payable locally.

2. Motorhome rentals with El Monte

Full details of El Monte RV terms and conditions can be found on our website www.fcholidays.com

Driver requirements - Drivers must be 21 years of age or older and hold a valid driving licence. All drivers must be present at pick-up and sign the rental agreement. The lead driver must present a valid credit card at the time of rental.

One Way bookings are available at an extra charge, subject to vehicle availability at the time of booking.

Travel Restrictions - not all vehicles are suitable for all driving conditions and it is at El Monte's discretion to restrict access to certain areas. A list can be found on our website as shown above, but access to Death Valley is prohibited between 01 May and 30 September due to extreme temperatures which cause system failure.

Returning your RV - It should be returned in the same condition it was picked up in, in toilets and holding tanks empty and clean inside.

Tolls and fines - El Monte will pass on the cost of any traffic infringement fines, unpaid tolls or other legal charges

Smoking - is not allowed inside the vehicle and incurs a \$500 penalty.

Damage - El Monte reserves the right to refuse any rental at their discretion. While on their road trip guests are responsible for:

Damage caused to the RV where the terms of Rental Contract have been breached; Damage caused by negligence and/or wilful conduct; Damage caused to the RV in any way by part or total water submersion or salt water; Damage caused due to a single vehicle roll over; Damage caused to the RV when using the RV in contravention of any legislation or regulation controlling vehicular traffic; Damage or loss caused to any personal belongings; Damage caused by the incorrect use of snow chains; Damage to the awning, slide out, overhead or underbody of the RV; Damage caused to tires and windscreen except where Windscreen and Tire Protection Plus Extended Roadside Assistance has been purchased and applies; Damages caused by neglecting proper operating procedures, e.g. incorrect fuel type and quality, ignoring oil or coolant levels, air pressure, etc; Damages caused by freezing / overheating e.g. unit not winterized, or overheating of RV or systems, e.g. plumbing or water systems.

3. Escorted Tours

Guaranteed departures - The operation of most tours is subject to minimum numbers being reached and you will be told 6 weeks in advance of departure if the tour is not going ahead. If your tour is cancelled you will be offered a choice of another date or a full refund. Some tours are guaranteed to operate and our sales team will be happy to advise on the latest status.

Luggage - is restricted to one item per person with a maximum weight of 20kgs to comply with strict weight regulations on coaches; this may be less than your airline allowance. Additional luggage, if it can be carried, is charged at approximately \$7 per day. Hand luggage is restricted to one small item per person; please be aware that hand luggage with wheels does not always fit into the overhead racks or lockers on coaches.

Seat rotation operates on tour coaches to give every passenger a chance of the best views. Bookings cannot be accepted if customers are dependent on sitting in a particular seat throughout the tour regardless of the reason.

Smoking - is not allowed on board any coach.

Tour Pace - Early departures and late arrivals may sometimes be necessary in order to include the fuller days in some itineraries but generally our tours are designed to allow sufficient time in key locations and to offer a relaxed touring pace.

Tour Participation - Escorted tours are suitable for most people, but not everyone, due to the nature of the itineraries, the hotels and locations they visit and the way that coaches are built.

Children do not generally enjoy coach tours and often become restless on the longer journeys involved; for the enjoyment of others, children under the age of 7 are not accepted on any tour. Persons under 21 must be accompanied by, and share their room with, an adult at least 21 years of age. Some hotels may also require that at least one of the room occupants is 21 years of age or older.

Clients with disabilities are welcome but must be accompanied by a companion who is capable of providing all the assistance they will require without further help from the coach crew. The coach driver and tour director are not able to provide one to one assistance or to lift passengers onto or off the coach.

4. Holidays including Amtrak Rail Services

Tickets and travel are subject to Amtrak regulations and conditions of carriage and we cannot accept responsibility for any delays which may occur. We do not recommend booking onward travel on days that you are scheduled to travel by rail in case your journey is subject to an unforeseen delay. Ticket only prices include a booking fee.

5. EagleRider

Full details of EagleRider terms and conditions can be found on our website www.fcholidays.com

Drivers must be 21 years of age or older and have held a valid driving licence to ride a 125cc motorcycle for two years.

Credit Card - a valid credit card in the driver's name must be presented at collection.

Insurance - our prices include the maximum available protection with EagleRider. If you prefer a lower price but with more risk and personal costs, we can offer prices accordingly, however we do not recommend this course of action.

6. Flight Information

All flights are non-smoking.

Flight tickets - Where possible, we will issue e-tickets for your flights, which are electronic paperless tickets, meaning no worries about losing part of your travel documents. An itinerary will be issued with your documents showing all your flight arrangements that you can present at check in.

Checking in - You must check in for your international flights approximately 3 hours prior to departure time on your ticket or e-ticket. Please note that due to increased security measures, some airlines may request personal information on check in such as home address or address for your initial stay.

Special Requests - Unfortunately, we have no control over the allocation of seats on a flight and cannot guarantee that you will be sitting with your travelling companion. If you require special seating for medical reasons, please let us know. Some airlines allow you to pre-book your seats for a small charge, please call us for more information.

Airlines/Aircraft - Airlines reserve the right to substitute carriers, aircraft types, configurations and classes on their flights. A schedule change may range from five minutes to a day or more. If a schedule change does occur, and we are told about it before departure, we will offer a revised itinerary and holiday cost to reflect that change. Please note that the holiday price could be higher or lower, depending on the flight affected. Notwithstanding the above, the provisions of paragraph 10 of our Booking Terms & Conditions apply. Some airlines may still consider an intermediary touchdown on a flight as a 'direct' flight.

Alcohol Policy - All airlines operate a zero tolerance policy for excess consumption of alcohol on board their flights. Some airlines may or may not serve alcohol on their flights, and some will charge for alcoholic and soft drinks.

Delays - Liability for flight delays are as per the airline's own conditions of carriage. Please see our terms and conditions or call for more information.

Seat reservations - Advance seat requests can be made, charges may apply.

Schedule Changes - Flight schedules are arranged many months in advance, and although rare, some flight rescheduling does occur. In most instances, the changes are kept to a minimum and we will do our best to inform you as soon as possible. Your return flight should be reconfirmed with your airline 72 hours before departure. Please note that schedule changes are made by the airline, not by First Class Holidays. We cannot accept liability for any extra charges incurred as a result of a rescheduled flight.

Taxes - Taxes and service charges including airport improvement fees in effect at the time of printing are included in our prices.

Baggage Allowance - Luggage allowances vary depending on your chosen airline and the fare purchased. Please ask for details.

Meal Requests - All international flights include a meal service; however, flights within America may not include meals. Your Airline will provide any special meals that you may require (vegetarian, diabetic etc.). Please request your special meal with your reservations consultant at the time of booking.

7. Passports and Visas

Please note that it is the traveller's responsibility to hold the documents for entry into the USA, i.e. valid passport and visas (including any transit visas).

USA Visa Requirements - All passengers must hold either a visa for entry into USA or have completed an online ESTA application if eligible for travel under the Visa Waiver Programme. Restrictions apply on eligibility to those who can travel under the Visa Waiver Programme, please see www.usembassy.org.uk for more information. This authorisation may be obtained online through the Electronic System for Travel Authorisation (ESTA), through a U.S. government website. It is recommended that application be completed at least 72 hours before departure; however we strongly advise completing the process as far in advance as possible. At the time of printing, the fee for completion of an ESTA application is US\$21. Eligible visitors seeking to travel to the United States under the Visa Waiver Programme may apply for travel authorisation via the ESTA Web site at: <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov>. If you are planning to visit Canada you will require a Canadian eTA, which is similar to the ESTA for America. Apply online at www.canada.ca It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure that they have a valid passport and visa if necessary. First Class Holidays cannot be held responsible if you are not in possession of the correct documentation.

Foreign Office Advice - The safety of our customers is our priority and as such we work in line with the advice provided by the Foreign & Commonwealth Office. We recommend that you keep up to date with this advice, which can be accessed via the Foreign & Commonwealth office website at www.fco.gov.uk. Alternatively you can contact ABTA at ABTA.com or their consumer helpline on 0203 117 0599.

8. Baggage Allowance

Flights - Each airline imposes its own baggage allowance, so please check the information for your flights. Airlines have indicated that allowances will be strictly adhered to, and charges will be imposed for excess baggage. For the carriage of special items, like golf clubs, skis, wheelchairs etc., there may be an additional charge as this is extra to your normal baggage allowance. Some airlines will require to be told if you intend to take such items, so please check at the time of booking.

Coach & Rail Tours - Due to space limitation on coaches and trains, only one piece of baggage is permitted on all coach and rail tours.

9. Building Works

Please be aware that many cities in America are undergoing citywide construction. Where we are advised of building work taking place at your hotel, we will notify you of the work being undertaken, however we cannot take liability for building works outside your accommodation or elsewhere in your destination.

10. Currency

If you plan to carry cash with you on holiday we recommend that you purchase a pre-paid currency card. All major credit cards are widely accepted and we suggest that clients carry at least one card.

11. Data Protection Statement

Please be assured that we have measures in place to protect the personal booking information held by us. This information will be passed on to the principal and to the relevant suppliers of your travel arrangements. The information may also be provided to public authorities such as customs or immigration if required by them, or as required by law. Certain information may also be passed on to security or credit checking companies. If you travel outside the European Economic Area, controls on data protection may not be as strong as the legal requirements in this country.

We will only pass your information on to persons responsible for your travel arrangements. This applies to any sensitive information that you give to us such as details of any disabilities, or dietary/religious requirements. (If we cannot pass this information to the relevant suppliers, whether in the EEA or not, we will be unable to provide your services in making this booking, you consent to this information being passed on to the relevant persons.) Full details of our data protection policy are available upon request.

12. Documentation

Once your booking is confirmed, you will receive a confirmation invoice which will detail all the arrangements made on your behalf. On receipt, please check all details thoroughly and advise your travel agent immediately if you have any concerns. Your full documents will be sent to your travel agent 2 to 3 weeks before departure and will include air tickets, hotel and travel vouchers, maps, tourist information and a day by day personalised itinerary. For some packages, a more detailed documentation kit will be sent to your first hotel.

13. Excursions

Any excursions or tours that you book or pay for whilst on holiday are not part of your package holiday provided by us. For anything that you do book in this way, your contract will be with the operator of the excursion or tour and not with us. We are not responsible for the provision of these excursions or tours or for anything that occurs during them.

13. Gratuities

Service charges are usually not included on bills in restaurants and bars. It is standard practice to tip service personnel 15-20% of the bill. Tips to tour drivers and escorts are not normally included in your tour cost and are at your own discretion.

14. Health

At the time of printing, no vaccinations are necessary for entry into America. American hospital and medical services are excellent but can be expensive. It is therefore a condition of your booking that adequate insurance is taken for the duration of your holiday.

Important Information

15. Hotels

Checking In & Out Times - Check in time is normally after 3pm on the day of arrival; check out time between 11am to 12 noon. If you require a late check out, you should be able to arrange a day room for which you should pay the hotel directly (subject to availability).

Additional charges - Hotels may charge for items such as telephone, safe, parking, newspapers, movies, internet and other items. Please check with your hotel for a list of charges which are payable locally. Not all hotels offer tea/coffee-making facilities in your room. Some charge for these within a 'daily service charge'.

Hotel Guests - As First Class Holidays do not own the properties featured in our brochure, we have no control over other guests or individual hotel policies. We are unable to accept liability for conferences or conventions being held at your hotel, or for any facilities or amenities, which may be restricted as a result.

Meal arrangements - Most hotels featured in our brochure are booked on a room only basis. This means that no meals are included. Meals may be included on touring holidays, as detailed in the individual itinerary. Most hotels offer a continental style breakfast. Continental breakfasts include cold items, like rolls, butter and preserves. Coffee/tea and juice are often offered. If cooked items are available, these may attract a supplement. Lunches and dinners may be table d'hôte with a selection from the menu of the day. If a la carte options are selected, there may be an additional charge. Alcoholic and soft drinks are not included. If you are taking an escorted tour, self drive, independent tour or any other package that includes meals our descriptions show the meals included. Please note that meals are provided on the day that they appear on the itinerary.

Non-Brochure Hotels - Please note that if your chosen hotel is not featured in our brochure we are willing to contact the hotel to obtain rates and make a reservation on your behalf. Please note however that our ground handlers may not have inspected some non-featured hotels and therefore we cannot accept liability for any lapse in standard or facilities.

Room Types - It should be noted that standards of hotels in the remoter parts of America may not necessarily be equal to those in cities where a larger selection is available. A twin or double room is based on two people sharing either one or two beds (i.e a double room may have one or two beds). A triple room is based on three people sharing the existing (two) beds in one room. At some hotels, a rollaway bed is available at an additional cost payable directly to the hotel. Please note we cannot guarantee a double bed for honeymoon couples or twin beds for single sex occupants. When booking two or more rooms, we can request, but cannot guarantee, adjacent rooms. Please advise our staff at the time of booking if you would like to make this request.

Security deposits - A credit card imprint will be requested on checking in at your accommodation, as a security deposit.

16. Insurance

A valid insurance policy is a condition of your booking. We do not sell insurance however we do recommend ABTASure Travel insurance. The ABTASure travel insurance scheme is arranged and managed by Citybond Suretravel, a division of Citybond Holdings Plc (Citybond), with the express permission of ABTA and solely for the benefit of ABTA members and their clients. For further information please see www.abtasure.co.uk

17. Local Taxes

Provincial sales tax exists in almost every American state. It is added to the advertised price of restaurant meals, bar drinks and all consumer goods.

18. National Parks

A National Park User Fee may be charged to access some National Parks.

19. Smoking

Smoking is not permitted on sightseeing tour coaches or rail journeys. Some hotels are smoke-free whilst some offer a choice of smoking or non-smoking rooms. If you have a preference, please advise our staff when making your reservation. All flights are non-smoking.

20. Suitable Clothing

For Spring, Summer and Fall touring, casual, lightweight clothing that can be worn in layers is suggested. In the mountains during the evenings it can get quite chilly, so a warm jumper or jacket is recommended.

21. Weather

Adverse weather conditions, such as hurricanes, may affect the area in which you are travelling. Please ensure that you check before travelling.

22. Travelling in Vehicles

When travelling in any motor vehicle, seatbelts (if provided) must be worn at all times.

23. Unused Services

No refunds are allowed for unused services provided in your package. Therefore, should you cancel, amend or miss any part of your tour, we will not be responsible for any refund.

24. Wildlife Viewing

When booking a wildlife adventure (e.g. bear or whale watching), it should be noted that as you are travelling to view the animals in their own natural environment, sightings cannot be guaranteed. The tour guides will do their utmost to ensure that sightings are made, however in the event that this is not possible, refunds will not be made.

25. Brochure Validity

This brochure was printed in October 2025 and is valid until replaced by a new edition.

Terms & Conditions

1st Class Holidays Limited Booking Conditions

The following Booking Conditions together with the Important Information, our Privacy Policy and any other written information we brought to your attention before we confirmed your booking form the basis of your contract with 1st Class Holidays Ltd, trading as First Class Holidays, company number 034445248 and registered address, Trafford House, Chester Road, Manchester M32 0RS ("we", "us", "our").

Please read them carefully as they set out our respective rights and obligations. In these booking conditions, "you" and "your" means all persons named on the booking and all persons on whose behalf a booking is made or any other person to whom a booking is added or transferred.

Except where otherwise stated, these booking conditions only apply to holiday arrangements which you book with us in the UK and which we agree to make, provide or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. All references in these booking conditions to "holiday", "booking", "contract", "package", "tour" or "arrangements" mean such holiday arrangements unless otherwise stated.

By making a booking, the first named person on the booking, the ("party leader") agrees on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking that:

- A) he/she has read these Booking Conditions and has the authority to and does agree to be bound by them;
- B) He/she consents to our use of personal data in accordance with our Privacy Policy and is authorised on behalf of all persons named on the booking to disclose their personal details to us, including where applicable, special categories of data (such as information on health conditions or disabilities and dietary requirements)
- C) He/she is over 18 years of age and resident in the United Kingdom and where placing an order for services with age restrictions declares that he/she and all members of the party are of the appropriate age to purchase those services

D) He/she accepts financial responsibility for payment of the booking on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking.

1. Making a booking

Subject to the availability of your chosen arrangements, we will confirm your holiday by issuing a confirmation invoice. This invoice will be sent to the party leader or your travel agent. A binding contract will come into existence between you and us as soon as we have issued you with a booking confirmation that will confirm the details of your booking and will be sent to you or your travel agent. If your confirmed arrangements include a flight, we (or if you book via an authorised travel agent of ours, that agent) will also issue you with an ATOL Certificate. Upon receipt, if you believe that any details on the ATOL Certificate or booking confirmation or any other document are wrong, you must contact us immediately as it may not be possible to make changes later. We regret we cannot accept any liability if we are not notified of any inaccuracies (for which we are responsible) in any document within ten days of our sending it out (five days for tickets). We will do our best to rectify any mistake notified to us outside these time limits, but you must meet any costs involved in doing so.

2. Payment

In order to confirm your chosen holiday, a deposit of 10% of the total holiday cost (or full payment if booking within 89 days of departure) must be paid at the time of booking. The balance of the holiday cost must be received by the party leader 89 days prior to departure. This date will be shown on the confirmation invoice. Reminders are not sent. If we do not receive all payments due (including any surcharge where applicable) in full and on time, we reserve the right to treat your booking as cancelled by you, in which case the cancellation charges set out in clause 5 below, will become payable.

Except for flight inclusive bookings, all monies you pay to one of our authorised travel agents for your holiday with us will be held by the agent on our behalf until a contract between us comes into existence. After that point, your agent will hold the monies on our behalf until they are paid to us. For flight inclusive bookings, all monies paid to any authorised travel agent of ours for your holiday with us will be held on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust subject to the travel agent's obligation to pay such monies to us in accordance with our trading terms unless we fail. In the unlikely event of our financial failure, all monies then held by the travel agent or subsequently paid by you to the travel agent will be held by the agent on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust without any obligation on the agent to pay such monies to us.

3. Contract

A binding contract between us comes into existence when we issue our confirmation invoice to the party leader or your travel agent. We both agree that English Law (and no other) will apply to your contract and to any dispute, claim or other matter of any description which arises between us ("claim") (except as set out below). We both also agree that any claim (and whether or not involving any personal injury) must be dealt with under the ABTA Alternative Dispute Resolution Process (if the process is available for the claim in question and you wish to use it – see clause 13) or by the Courts of England and Wales only unless, in the case of Court proceedings, you live in Scotland or Northern Ireland. In this case, proceedings must either be brought in the Courts of your home country or those of England and Wales. If proceedings are brought in Scotland or Northern Ireland, you may choose to have your contract and claim governed by the law of Scotland/Northern Ireland as applicable (but if you do not so choose, English law will apply).

4. Holiday Insurance

We consider adequate travel insurance to be essential. It is a condition of your contract with us that you should take out insurance to cover you in the event of illness, personal injury or death during the course of your holiday and for cancellation.

Please read your policy details carefully and take them with you on your holiday. It is your responsibility to ensure that the insurance cover you purchase is suitable and adequate for your particular needs. We do not check alternative insurance policies.

5. If you change your booking & transfers of booking

If, after your confirmation has been issued you wish to make changes to your confirmed holiday, you must notify us in writing as soon as possible. This should be done by the first named person on the booking. Whilst we will endeavour to assist, we cannot guarantee we will be able to meet any such requests. Where we can, an amendment fee of £50.00 per person will be payable together with any costs incurred by ourselves and any costs or charges incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers. You should be aware that these costs could increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made and you should contact us as soon as possible. A change of holiday dates will normally be treated as a cancellation of the original booking and rebooking in which case cancellation charges in accordance with clause 6 of these Booking Conditions, will apply. Changes may result in the recalculation of the holiday price where, for example, the basis on which the price of the original holiday was calculated has changed.

Transfer of Booking: If you or any member of your party is prevented from travelling, that person(s) may transfer their booking to someone else, subject to the following conditions:

- a. that person is introduced by you and satisfies all the conditions applicable to the holiday;
- b. we are notified not less than 7 days before departure;
- c. you pay any outstanding balance payment, an amendment fee of £50 per person transferring, as well as any additional fees, charges or other costs arising from the transfer; and
- d. the transferee agrees to these booking conditions and all other terms of the contract between us. You and the transferee remain jointly and severally liable for payment of all sums. If you are unable to find a replacement, cancellation charges as set out in clause 6 will apply in order to cover our estimated costs. Otherwise, no refunds will be given for passengers not travelling or for unused services.
- Important Note:** Certain arrangements may not be amended or transferred after they have been confirmed and any alteration could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements. Most airlines do not permit name changes and such changes are likely to be the full cost of the flight.

6. If you cancel your holiday before departure

You or any member of your party, may cancel your holiday at any time provided that the cancellation is made by the party leader and is received by us in writing. As we incur costs from the date we confirm your booking we will retain your deposit and in addition apply cancellation charges up to the maximum amount shown below. The amount of cancellation charge shown is a percentage of the total holiday price excluding insurance premiums and amendments which are non-refundable in any event. These charges are calculated from the date we receive your written notification at our offices.

| Period before departure in which we receive your notification | Cancellation charge payable |
|---|-----------------------------|
| More than 89 days | Deposit Only |
| Between 88 and 31 days | 50% |
| Between 30 and 15 days | 75% |
| 14 days or less | 100% |

IMPORTANT NOTE: Certain arrangements on this website and in our brochure have different cancellation terms than those stated above. These are either noted on the website, the relevant brochure page or will be advised on your confirmation invoice.

NOTE: Depending on the reason for cancellation, you may be able to reclaim these charges if the reason for cancellation is covered under the terms of your holiday insurance policy. Where any cancellation reduces the number of full paying party members below the number on which the holiday price was based, we will only make concessions agreed for your booking were based, we will recalculate these items and re-invoice you accordingly. See clause 5 "If you change your booking & transfers of booking" if any member(s) of your party are prevented from travelling.

Cancellation by You due to Unavoidable & Extraordinary Circumstances:

You may terminate the package travel contract at any time before the start of the package without paying a cancellation charge in the event of "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" occurring at the place of destination or its immediate vicinity which will significantly affect the performance of the package or carriage to your holiday destination. In these circumstances, we shall provide you with a full refund of the monies you have paid but we will not be liable to pay you any additional compensation. For the purposes of this clause, "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" may include warfare, other serious security problems such as terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination, or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination as agreed in the package travel contract. This clause 6 outlines the rights you have if you wish to cancel your booking. Please note that there is no automatic statutory right of cancellation under the Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013.

7. If you have a complaint

In the unlikely event that you have any reason to complain or experience any problems with your holiday whilst away, you must immediately inform our local representative or agent (if we have one) and the supplier of the service(s) in question. Any verbal notification must be put in writing and given to our representative / agent and the supplier as soon as possible. If we do not have or you cannot contact our local representative or agent and any complaint or problem is not resolved to your satisfaction by the supplier, you must contact us in the UK using the contact details we have provided you with during your holiday, giving us full details and a contact number. Until we know about a complaint or problem, we cannot begin to resolve it. If you remain dissatisfied, however,

you must notify us in writing within 28 days of the completion of your holiday and this must be to us at the address detailed in paragraph one of these Booking Conditions.

You must quote your booking reference number, holiday number and departure date. For all complaints and claims which do not involve death, personal injury or illness, we regret we cannot accept liability in respect of any complaint or claims which are not notified to us in accordance with this clause. If you fail to follow this simple complaint procedure, your right to claim any compensation you may otherwise have been entitled to may be affected or even lost as a result. Please note that we offer an Alternative Dispute Resolution Service through our ABTA membership. Please see clause 18 for further details.

8. Behaviour and damage

When you book with us, you accept responsibility for any damage or loss caused by you or any member of your party. Full payment for any such damage or loss (reasonably estimated if not precisely known) must be made direct to the accommodation owner or manager or other supplier or to us as soon as possible. If the actual cost of the loss or damage exceeds the amount paid where estimated, you must pay the difference once known. If the actual cost is less than the amount paid, the difference will be refunded. You will also be responsible for meeting any claims subsequently made against us and all costs incurred by us (including our own and the other party's full legal costs) as a result of your actions. You should ensure you have appropriate travel insurance to protect you if this situation arises.

All our customers are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly and acceptable manner and not to disrupt the enjoyment of others. If in our opinion you are disruptive or in the reasonable opinion of some other person in authority, you or any member of your party behaves in such a way as to cause or be likely to cause damage, distress, danger or annoyance to other clients, employees, property or to any third party, or damage to property, we reserve the right to terminate the holiday of the person(s) concerned immediately. In the event of such termination our liability to you and/or your party will cease and you and/or your party will be required to leave the accommodation or other service immediately. We will have no further obligations toward such person(s) including any return travel arrangements. No refunds will be made, and we will not pay any expenses or costs incurred as a result of the termination.

9. Entry Requirements, Visa and Immigration

Passports, Safety & Health Formalities You must check your passport, check the entry, passport, visa, immigration requirements, safety and health formalities applicable to your itinerary. We can only provide general information about this. You must check requirements for your own specific circumstances with the relevant Embassies and/ or Consulates, the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) and your own doctor as applicable. Requirements and the safety of the countries and areas in which you will be travelling to, do change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure in order to make your decisions accordingly. Most countries now require passports to be valid for at least 6 months after your return date. If your passport is in its final year, you should check with the Embassy of the country you are visiting. For further information contact the Passport Office on 0870 5210410 or visit <https://www.gov.uk/browse/citizenship/passports>.

Special conditions apply for travel to the USA, and all passengers must have individual machine readable passports. Please check <https://uk.usembassy.gov>.

For European travel you should obtain a UK Global Health Insurance Card (UK GHIC) prior to departure unless you are able to rely upon an existing European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). For travel to Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland, UK GHIC and EHIC can not be used for medical treatment. Passengers to these destinations should obtain comprehensive medical insurance prior to departure, including cover for emergency medical treatment and associated costs. Where any cancellation reduces the number of full paying party members below the number on which the holiday price was based, we will only make concessions agreed for your booking were based, we will recalculate these items and re-invoice you accordingly. See clause 5 "If you change your booking & transfers of booking" if any member(s) of your party are prevented from travelling.

Unavoidable and Extraordinary Circumstances: You may terminate the package travel contract at any time before the start of the package without paying a cancellation charge in the event of "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" occurring at the place of destination or its immediate vicinity which will significantly affect the performance of the package or carriage to your holiday destination. In these circumstances, we shall provide you with a full refund of the monies you have paid but we will not be liable to pay you any additional compensation. For the purposes of this clause, "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" may include warfare, other serious security problems such as terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination, or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination as agreed in the package travel contract. This clause 6 outlines the rights you have if you wish to cancel your booking. Please note that there is no automatic statutory right of cancellation under the Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013.

10. The price of your holiday

Prices note, any prices shown are a guide only and subject to change in the event of booking. Any price shown in this brochure have been calculated using exchange rates of 15 October 2023 as shown in the Financial Times Guide to World Currencies.

We reserve the right to amend the price of unsold holidays at any time and correct errors in the prices of confirmed holidays. We also reserve the right to increase the price of confirmed holidays solely to allow for increase which are a direct consequence of changes in:

- (i) the level of the carriage of passengers resulting from the cost of fuel or other power sources;
- (ii) the level of taxes or fees applicable to the holiday imposed by third parties not directly involved in the performance of the holiday, including

tourist taxes, landing taxes or embarkation or disembarkation fees at ports and airports; and

(iii) the exchange rates relevant to the package. Such variations could include but are not limited to airline cost changes which are part of our contracts with airlines (and their agents), cruise ship operators and any other service providers.

We will absorb and you will not be charged for any increase equivalent to 2% of the price of your travel arrangements, which excludes insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. You will be charged for the amount over and above that. However, if this means that you have to pay an increase of more than 8% of the price of your confirmed holiday (excluding any insurance premiums, amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements), you will have the option of accepting a change to another holiday if we are able to offer one (if this is of equivalent or higher quality you will not have to pay more but if it is of lower quality you will be refunded the difference in price), or cancelling and receiving a full refund of all monies paid to us, except for any insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. Should you decide to cancel for this reason, you must exercise your right to do so within 7 days from the issue date printed on your final invoice. We will consider an appropriate refund of your insurance premiums paid if you can show that you are unable to transfer or reuse your policy.

Should the price of your holiday go down due to the changes mentioned above then any refund due will be paid to you less an administrative fee of £10. However, please note that travel arrangements are not always purchased in local currency and some apparent changes have no impact on the price of your travel due to contractual and other protection in place.

There will be no change made to the price of your confirmed holiday within 20 days of your departure nor will refunds be paid during this period.

Please also note that our holiday prices include all coach travel, accommodation and meals as specified in the holiday description and a Goods and Service Tax (GST), where applicable. A GST is levied on hotel and other elements of your holiday package. Similar to British VAT a proportion of this tax is refundable to overseas visitors. Rather than impose on you the responsibility for reclaiming any rebate due we have already deducted this amount in calculating the holiday prices shown in this brochure.

When making your booking, you waive your personal right to claim a GST rebate applicable to your holiday package and assign such entitlement to us as the tour operator. This will then enable us to reclaim the tax paid by us on your behalf and no further refunds will be due to you. Reservations can only be accepted on this express understanding. Unless specifically indicated in holiday itinerary or description contained in this brochure, entrance fees, guide fees, city sightseeing tours and optional excursions are not included in the holiday cost.

11. If we change or cancel your holiday

The arrangements for holidays are made many months in advance. Accordingly, we must reserve the right to make changes to brochure and holiday details both before and after your booking has been confirmed. Most of these changes will, however, be insignificant.

Changes: If we make an insignificant change to your holiday, we will make reasonable efforts to notify you or your travel agent as soon as is reasonably practicable before your departure, but we will have no liability to you. Examples of insignificant changes include alteration to your outward/return flights by less than 12 hours, changes to aircraft type, change of accommodation to another of the same or higher standard, changes of carriers. Please note that carriers such as airlines used in the brochure may be subject to change.

Occasionally we may have to make a significant change to your confirmed arrangements. Examples of significant changes include the following when made before departure:

- (a) a change of accommodation to that of a lower official classification or standard for the whole or a significant part of the time you are away;
- (b) a change of accommodation area for the whole or a significant part of the time you are away,
- (c) a change of outward departure time or overall length of your arrangements by more than 12 hours,
- (d) a change of UK departure airport except between:
- The London airports: Gatwick, Heathrow, Luton, Stansted, London City and Southend
 - The South Coast airports: Southampton, Bournemouth and Exeter
 - The South Western airports: Cardiff and Bristol
 - The Midland airports: Birmingham, East Midlands and Doncaster/Sheffield
 - The Northern airports: Liverpool, Manchester and Leeds/Bradford
 - The North eastern airports: Newcastle and Teesside
 - The Scottish airports: Edinburgh, Glasgow, Prestwick and Aberdeen
- (e) A significant change to your itinerary, missing out one or more destination entirely
- Cancellation: We will not cancel your travel arrangements less than 89 days before your departure date, except for reasons of force majeure or failure by you to pay the final balance. We may cancel your holiday before this date if e.g. the minimum number of clients required for a particular travel arrangement is not reached.

If we have to make a significant change or cancel, we will tell you as soon as possible and, if there is time to do so before departure, we will offer you the choice of:

- i. (for significant changes) accepting the changed arrangements; or
- ii. Having a refund of all monies paid; or
- iii. Accepting an offer of alternative travel arrangements of a comparable or higher standard than yours, if available (at no extra cost); or
- iv. If available, accepting an offer of alternative arrangements of a lower standard, with a refund of the price difference between the original arrangements and the alternative arrangements.

You must notify us of your choice within 7 days of

our offer. If we do not hear from you within 7 days, we will contact you again to request notification of your choice. If you fail to respond again, we will assume that you have chosen to accept the change or alternative booking arrangements.

Compensation

In addition to a full refund of all monies paid by you, we will pay you compensation as detailed below, in the following circumstances:

- a) If, where we make a significant change, you do not accept the changed arrangements and cancel your booking;
- b) If we cancel your booking and no alternative arrangements are available

The compensation that we offer does not exclude you from claiming more if you are entitled to do so.

| Period before departure in which we notify you | Compensation per person |
|--|-------------------------|
| Over 89 days | NIL |
| Between 29 and 88 days | £10 |
| Between 15 and 28 days | £15 |
| Between 8 and 14 days | £20 |
| 7 days or less | £25 |

***IMPORTANT NOTE:** We will not pay you compensation in the following circumstances:

- a) where we make an insignificant change
- b) where we make a significant change or cancel your arrangements more than 89 days before departure
- c) where we make a significant change and you accept those changed arrangements or you accept an offer of alternative travel arrangements;
- d) where we have to cancel your arrangements as a result of your failure to make full payment on time;
- e) where the change or cancellation by us arises out of alterations to the confirmed booking requested by you;

f) where we are forced to cancel or change your arrangements due to Force Majeure (see clause 12)

If we become unable to provide a significant proportion of the arrangements that you have booked with us after you have departed, we will, if possible, make alternative arrangements for you at no extra charge and where those alternative arrangements are of a lower standard, provide you with an appropriate price reduction.

12. Force Majeure

Except where otherwise expressly stated in these Booking Conditions, we regret we cannot accept liability or pay any compensation if our contractual obligations to you are affected by "Force Majeure" in these booking conditions. "force majeure" means any event beyond our or our supplier's control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures has been taken. Such events may include actual or threatened war or terrorism, riot, civil strife, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination or remain at the travel destination, the act of any government or other national or local authority including port or river authorities, industrial dispute, labour strikes, lock down, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, chemical or biological disaster, unavoidable technical problems with transport and all similar events outside our or the supplier(s) concerned's control.

13. Our responsibility to you

(1)We will accept responsibility for the arrangements we agree to provide or arrange for you as an "organiser" under the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018, as set out below and as such, we are responsible for the proper provision of the travel services specifically included in your package, as set out in your confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking.

- (2) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any personal injury or death unless you are able to prove that it was caused by our negligence or the negligence of our suppliers.
- (3) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any injury, illness, death, loss, damage, expense, cost or other claim of any description if it results from:

- (a) the acts and/or omissions of the person affected; or
- (b) the acts and/or omissions of a third party unconnected with the provision of the service contracted for and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable; or
- (c) Force Majeure (as defined in clause 12).
- (4) We limit the amount of compensation we may have to pay you if we are found liable under this clause:
- (a) loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions and money: the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is an amount equivalent to the excess on your insurance policy which applies to this type of loss per person in total because you are required to have adequate insurance in place to cover any loss of this kind.
- (b) Claims not falling under (a) above and which don't involve injury, illness or death: the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is up to three times the price paid by or on behalf of the person(s) affected in total. This maximum amount will only be payable where everything has gone wrong and you or your party has not received any benefit at all from your booking.
- (c) Claims in respect of international travel by air, sea and rail, or any stay in a hotel:

- i) The extent of our liability will in all cases be limited as if we were carriers under the appropriate Conventions, which include The Warsaw/Montreal Convention (international travel by air); The Athens Convention (with respect to sea travel); The Berne/Lisbon Convention (with respect to rail travel); and The Paris Convention (with respect to hotel arrangements). You can ask for copies of these Conventions from our offices. Please contact us.

In addition, you agree that the operating carrier or transport company's own 'Conditions of Carriage' will apply to you on that journey. When arranging transportation for you, we rely on the terms and conditions contained within these international conventions and those 'Conditions of Carriage'. You acknowledge that all of the terms and conditions contained in those 'Conditions of Carriage' form part of your contract with us, as well as with the transport company and that those 'Conditions of Carriage' shall be deemed to be included by reference into this contract.

ii) In any circumstances in which a carrier is liable to you by virtue of EC 261/2004 (denied boarding and flight disruption), any liability we may have to you under our contract with you arising out of the same facts, is limited to the remedies provided under the Regulation as if (for this purpose only) we were a carrier.

iii) When making any payment, we are entitled to deduct any money which you have received or are entitled to receive from the transport provider or hotelier for the complaint or claim in question.

(5) Subject to these Booking Conditions, if we or our suppliers negligently perform or arrange those services which are the subject of your booking, the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking and we don't remedy or resolve your complaint within a reasonable period of time, and this has affected the enjoyment of your package holiday you may be entitled to an appropriate price reduction or compensation or both. You must inform us without shall delay of any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel services included in this package. The level of any such price reduction or compensation in respect of any claim for damages or compensation whatsoever will be calculated taking into consideration all relevant factors such as but not limited to: following the complaints procedure as described in these Booking Conditions and the extent to which ours or our employees' or suppliers' negligence affected the overall enjoyment of your holiday. Please note that it is your responsibility to show that we or our supplier(s) have been negligent if you wish to make a claim against us.

(6) It is a condition of our acceptance of liability under this clause that you notify any claim to us and our supplier(s) strictly in accordance with the complaints procedure set out in these conditions.

(7) Where any payment is made, the person(s) receiving it (and their parent or guardian if under 18 years) must also assign to us or our insurers any rights they may have to pursue any third party and must provide ourselves and our insurers with all assistance we may reasonably require.

(8) Please note, we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss or expense or other sum(s) of any description:

- (a) which on the basis of the information given to us by you concerning your booking prior to our acceptance of it, we could not have foreseen. You would suffer or incur if we breached our contract with you;
- (b) relate to any business;
- (c) indirect or consequential loss of any kind.
- (9) We will not accept responsibility for services or facilities which do not form part of our agreement or where they are not advertised in our brochure. For example any excursion you book whilst away, or any service or facility which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you.

(10) Where it is impossible for you to return to your departure point as per the agreed return date of your package, due to "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances", we will provide you with any necessary accommodation (where possible, of a comparable standard) for a period not exceeding three nights per Please note that the 3 night cap does not apply to persons with reduced mobility, pregnant women or unaccompanied minors, nor to persons needing specific medical assistance, provided we have been notified of these particular needs at least 48 hours before the start of your holiday. For the purposes of this clause, "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" mean warfare, acts of terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely back to your departure point.

14. Arbitration

Disputes arising out of, or in connection with your booking which cannot be amicably settled may be referred to ABTA's approved Alternative Dispute Resolution process if you so wish under a special scheme arranged by ABTA Ltd and administered independently. The scheme provides for a simple and inexpensive method of arbitration on documents alone with restricted liability on the customer in respect of costs. Full details will be provided on request or can be obtained from the ABTA website (www.abta.com). The scheme does not apply to claims for an amount greater than £5,000 per person. There is also a limit of £25,000 per booking. Neither does it apply to claims, which are solely in respect of physical injury or illness or their consequences. The scheme can however deal with compensation claims, which include an element of minor injury, or illness subject to a limit of £1,500 on the amount the arbitrator can award per person in respect of this element.

For arbitration or arbitration and other alternative dispute resolution (at no cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However, you also agree that in some cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder. Where we act as agent, please bear in mind that your contract is with the supplier of the arrangements concerned. Unless the supplier is also a member of ABTA, only disputes relating to our actions as agent can be dealt with by the arbitration scheme or mediation procedure and not complaints about the arrangements themselves or the acts / omissions of the supplier.

15. Conditions of suppliers

Many of the services, which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. These suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable international conventions (see clause 13). Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and

conditions and of the international conventions are available on request from ourselves or the supplier concerned.

16. Special requests and medical conditions / disabilities

If you have any special request, you must advise us at the time of booking. Although we will endeavour to pass any reasonable requests on to the relevant supplier, we regret we cannot guarantee any request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability. For your own protection, you should obtain confirmation in writing that a special request will be complied (where it is possible to give this) where it is important to you.

We regret we cannot accept any conditional bookings, i.e. any booking which is specified to be conditional on the fulfilment of a particular request. All such bookings will be treated as "standard" bookings subject to the above provisions on special requests.

If you or any member of your party has any medical condition or disability which may affect your holiday or has any special requirements as a result of an illness or medical condition or disability, or any which affect the booking process), please tell us before you confirm your booking so that we can assist you in considering the suitability of the arrangements and/or making the booking. In any event, you must give us full details in writing at the time of booking and whenever any change in the condition or disability occurs. You must also promptly advise us if any medical condition or disability which may affect your holiday develops after your booking has been confirmed. If we reasonably feel unable to properly accommodate the particular needs of the person concerned, we must reserve the right to decline their reservation or if full details are not given at the time of booking or the condition / disability develops after booking, cancel when we become aware of these details and cancellation charges as set out in clause 6 may apply.

17. Excursions

We may provide you with information (before departure and/or when you are on holiday) about activities and excursions which are available in the area you are visiting. We have no involvement in any such activities or excursions which are neither run, supervised nor controlled in any way by us. They are provided by local operators or other third parties who are entirely independent of us. They do not form any part of your contract with us even where we suggest particular operators/other third parties and/or assist you in booking such activities or excursions in any way. We cannot accept any liability for any injury, illness or death or any other excursion, and the acceptance of liability contained in clause 12(1) of our booking conditions will not apply to them. We do not however exclude liability for the negligence of ourselves or our employees resulting in your death or personal injury. We cannot guarantee accuracy at all times of information given in relation to such activities or excursions. If you are visiting the area, we are generally or that any particular excursion or activity which does not form part of our contract will take place as these services are not under our control. If you feel that any of the activities or excursions referred to in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material which are not part of our contract, are vital to the enjoyment of your holiday, write to us immediately and we will tell you the latest known situation. If we become aware of any material alterations to area information and/ or such outside activities or excursions which can reasonably be expected to affect your decision to book a holiday with us, we will pass on this information at the time of booking.

18. Insolvency Protection and ABTA membership

We provide financial security for flight-inclusive packages by way of an Air Travel Organiser's Licence issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, RH6 0YR, UK, telephone 0333 1036350 email: claims@caa.co.uk (ATOL number 5421) When you buy an ATOL protected flight or flight inclusive holiday from us, you will receive an ATOL Certificate. This lists what is financially protected, where you can get information on what this means for you and who to contact if things go wrong. For further information, visit the ATOL website at www.atol.org.uk. The price of our flight inclusive arrangements includes the amount of £2.50 per person as part of the ATOL Protection Contribution (APC) we pay to the CAA. This charge is included in our advertised prices. Not all holiday or travel services offered and sold by us will be protected by the ATOL scheme. ATOL protection extends primarily to customers who book and pay in the United Kingdom.

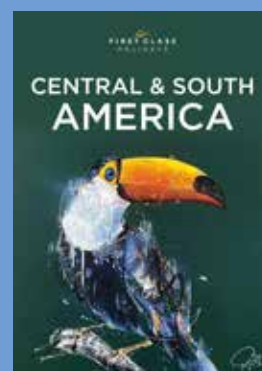
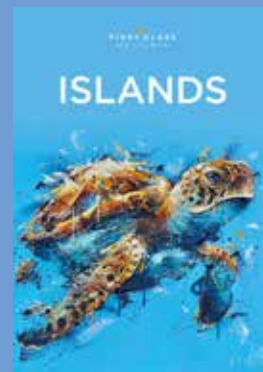
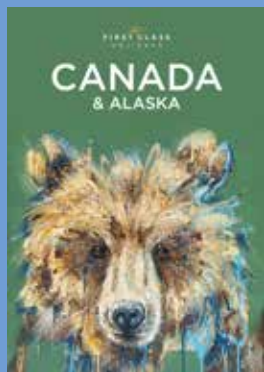
We, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL Certificate, will provide you with the services listed on the ATOL Certificate (or a suitable alternative). In some cases, where neither we nor the supplier are able to do so for reasons of insolvency, an alternative ATOL holder may provide you with services you have booked, or a suitable alternative (at no cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However, you also agree that in some cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder. Where we act as agent, please bear in mind that your contract is with the supplier of the arrangements concerned. Unless the supplier is also a member of ABTA, only disputes relating to our actions as agent can be dealt with by the arbitration scheme or mediation procedure and not complaints about the arrangements themselves or the acts / omissions of the supplier.

15. Conditions of suppliers Many of the services, which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. These suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable international conventions (see clause 13). Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and

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