

Mighty National Parks Itinerary August 20 – 25, 2023



Sunday, August 20, 2023

Arrive in Las Vegas, also known as Sin City, in the mid-morning. Transfer to our hotel, the Treasure Island Resort by Raddison conveniently located in the heart of the Las Vegas Strip. (Transfers not included). Store our luggage until check-in time, then unpack once since we will be staying at the same resort for the duration of the trip. Spend the remainder of the day at leisure exploring the resort and walking along the strip. There is so much to see and do within walking distance of the resort or by free monorail between Treasure Island and the Mirage, and shuttles between other hotels.

Monday, August 21, 2023

Experience both Bryce Canyon and Zion National Park, two of the most stunning places on earth in one unforgettable day! After an early morning departure from our hotel, we pass Mesquite, Nevada and enter the Virgin River Gorge, a dramatic and beautiful canyon carved by the rushing river waters in Northwestern Arizona. Then crossing into Utah, we will travel through St. George, known as Utah's Dixie with its mild climate, and continue on to Bryce Canyon National Park. Enjoy the incredible natural amphitheater of Bryce Canyon. Walk the rim trail and enjoy stunning views of the unique hoodoos and landscapes. Then take a memorable hike down into the canyon to get a closer look at the amazing formations. After a picnic lunch, proceed to Zion National Park to experience the striking sandstone cliffs that tower above the valley floor of the park. Your journey will allow you to see highlights of Zion including a stop at the visitor center, a scenic drive along the canyon walls pass and through the mile-long tunnel, along with a stop at Checkerboard Mesa. You'll understand why Zion has become one of the most visited of our National Parks. Then depart for your relaxing return trip back to Las Vegas. Remainder of the evening is at leisure.

Tuesday, August 22, 2023

Today we have a chance to experience the incredible Antelope Canyon and Horseshoe Bend in an amazing day tour beginning with an early morning pick up at our hotel. One of the most incredible sights you will ever see, Antelope Canyon is a natural slot canyon carved over time by water and wind to create a symphony of shapes, colors and shadows. You will visit Antelope Canyon X, which includes two sections of slot canyons to walk through and marvel at. After enjoying a picnic style lunch, visit Horseshoe Bend overlook, where you will stand 1,000 feet above a scenic horseshoe turn in the Colorado River. This is another amazing photo opportunity in a beautiful day you will always remember. The walk to the overlook is a 1.5-mile round trip walk over sand on a flat walking path. Then depart for your relaxing return trip back to Las Vegas. Remainder of the evening is at leisure.

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

An exclusively arranged tour awaits you that allows you to personally and intimately experience the breathtaking beauty of the Grand Canyon West Rim along with the culture of its local inhabitants, the Hualapai Indians. After departing the hotel in the early morning, we head across the Mojave Desert, crossing the Colorado River high above on the Mike O'Callaghan—Pat Tillman Memorial Bridge. Arrive at Grand Canyon West, located within the Hualapai Reservation, arriving approximately 2 ½ hours after departing from Las Vegas. Enjoy views of Eagle Point. This area was named due to the eagle-shaped ridge and where bald eagles are a common sight. Purchase an optional ticket to walk across the famous Skywalk for \$25, a 10-foot wide glass bridge 4,000 feet above the Canyon floor, extending 70 feet out over the West Rim. There's simply no thrill like stepping out on glass thousands of feet in the air, yet there's no need to be nervous — the Skywalk is strong enough to hold 70 fully loaded 747 passenger jets. After an included lunch at the Skywalk Restaurant, we will have the opportunity to explore the area around Guano Point, a breathtaking destination at the rim of the Grand Canyon with sweeping panoramic views of the entire West Rim. The view includes the calm flow of the Colorado River with majestic mountain ranges in the background. This vantage point offers the best view in all of the Grand Canyon West. Next, you'll have the opportunity to experience the displays of Native American dwellings. Then depart the Grand Canyon for your return trip to Las Vegas where you will enjoy a short photo stop of the Hoover Dam from the bridge overlook viewing area before being dropped off at our resort. Remainder of the evening is at leisure.

Thursday, August 24, 2023

Spend our last day and evening in Las Vegas, the entertainment capital of the world, taking part in the hundreds of fun activities available. In the late evening, transfer to the airport for our return flight home. (Airport transfers not included).

Friday, August 25, 2023

Arrive back home in the early morning, bringing back special memories of our time in Las Vegas and the Mighty National Parks.

NOTE: The order of activities may be changed without notice due to weather, traffic conditions and other circumstances beyond our control.