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**National Parks Adventure**

**July 24-August 4, 2012**

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# 2012 National Parks Itinerary

**Tuesday, July 24, 2012**

Schedule flights and motor coach from home city to Rapid City, South Dakota. Today is simply

A travel day. Transfer upon arrival to our hotel: Howard Johnson's Rapid City. Group meeting at the hotel with Thompson Travel Director.

**Wednesday, July 25, 2012**

Breakfast included this morning at our hotel (1) Our tour begins at 900am from our hotel with our local guide visiting Mt Rushmore catching the early morning sun on the faces then on to Crazy Horse, The world's largest mountain carving, located in the Black Hills of South Dakota

Then on to dinner at the K-Bar-S Lodge for a prime rib dinner on their deck included. (2)

**Thursday, July 26, 2012**

Breakfast included at our hotel (3) Depart this morning for Cody, Wyoming our next stop. Enroute visit Deadwood, Calamity Jane's home. Walk in the footsteps of our legends and come release your inner outlaw in Historic Deadwood. Lunch on own. Check in Buffalo Bill Village Holiday Inn Resort. This evening we will enjoy the Chuck Wagon Dinner (4) at 630pm with entertainment then on to the Cody Night Rodeo. Cody is RODEO!!! This world famous PRCA sanctioned Rodeo has been performing nightly, in Cody, Wyoming since 1938. Held each evening at 8:00pm until approximately 10:00 with special events for children and adults alike.

**Friday, July 27, 2012**

Breakfast included this morning.(5). We will depart our hotel at 800am for Yellowstone National Park and Old Faithful. Boxed lunch included enroute. (6). . A delightful day of sightseeing with our local guide, begins with mountains to the prairies, over Sylvan Pass, a trip along Lake Yellowstone finishing with the world famous Old Faithful Geyser, a fountain of steam that rises more than 60 feet in the air. On to Jackson Hole for our overnight at the Painted Buffalo Inn one block from Town Square. Depart hotel 600pm for a fun-filled evening at the Bar T Ranch Covered Wagon Dinner Show Included (7)

**Saturday, July 28, 2012**

Breakfast included this morning. (8) This morning we will enjoy touring Grand Teton National Park. Lunch included at the Mural Room at the Lodge at Grand Teton (8). Return to Painted Buffalo Inn for second night here. Dinner on own in Jackson Hole.

**Sunday, July 29, 2012**

Breakfast included this morning. (9) Depart Jackson Hole for Salt Lake City, Utah. Box Lunch included enroute. Upon arrival a guided tour of Salt Lake with a local guide including the Mormon Temple and University of Utah. Check-in to the Marriott Downtown Salt Lake City. Dinner on own this evening.

**Monday, July 30, 2012**

Breakfast included this morning at our hotel. (10) Depart for Bryce Canyon upon arrival enjoy a guided tour where the beautiful orange sandstone formations will amaze you Check in: Best Western Ruby Inn. Dinner included this evening. (11)

**Tuesday, July 31, 2012**

Breakfast included this morning. (12) Then on to Zion National Park. Utah's First National Park!

Massive canyon walls ascend toward a brilliant blue sky. To experience Zion, you need to walk among the towering cliffs, or challenge your courage in a small narrow canyon. These unique sandstone cliffs range in color from cream, to pink, to red. They could be described as sand castles crowning desert canyons.

Then on to [Lake Powell](#) for our overnight. Check Inn Lake Powell Marina Resort 600-800pm Dinner cruise on Lake Powell included this evening. (13)

### Wednesday, August 1, 2012

Breakfast included this morning then on to the Grand Canyon. (14) Box lunch enroute. (15) Upon arrival at the Grand Canyon. 1200pm enjoy the four hour [Desert view tour of the Grand Canyon](#) . Guided by a park ranger,

the Desert View Tour covers some 52 miles in 3.75 hours. Traveling east along the Rim of the Grand Canyon, the Colorado River emerges from the depths of the inner gorge and many of its rapids can be viewed.

This tour stops at Lipan Point, often said to be the most spectacular viewpoint on the East Rim Drive.

The highlight of the tour is the stop at Desert View, an outpost some 25 miles from Grand Canyon Village. Here you will find the Watchtower, a re-creation of the unusual towers erected by the ancient native peoples of the Southwest. The view from atop the Watchtower is nothing short of breathtaking.

Dinner this evening at eh Bright Angel Lodge included. (16)

### Thursday, August 2, 2012

Breakfast included this morning. (17) Some free time at the Grand Canyon to get some last minute pictures and souvenirs.

Depart the Grand Canyon via [Scenic Oak Creek Canyon Road](#) a serenely breathtaking stretch that attracts a wide array of travelers each year. Noted for its scenic splendor, Oak Creek Canyon lies within the Coconino National Forest between Sedona and Flagstaff Arizona, the journey along Oak Creek Canyon Road is half the fun! Notably, one of Rand McNally's Top Five Scenic Drives in America, the road beckons with its immense beauty and incredible landscapes.

Entering [Sedona](#) for our wild ride on the [Pink Jeeps. the ultimate 4x4 Jeep experience!](#) 100% off road fun! Eyes open wide on this fun-filled adventure that leads you on and over the red rocks while the magnificent canyon walls surround you. Whether you're stretching your legs and soaking up the views at Submarine Rock and Chicken Point or holding on tight for our heart pounding descent down the "Road of no Return", this exhibition of natural beauty will leave you mesmerized.

Broken Arrow exceeds all expectations every time. Simply put, the best off-road tour in the Southwest!

Free time for shopping and dinner on own in Sedona then on to Scottsdale for our last two night.

Check in: [The Marriott at McDowell Mountain, Scottsdale](#). Dinner on own

### Friday, August 3, 2012

Breakfast included this morning. (18) Day is free to enjoy this beautiful resort. This evening enjoy our farewell dinner included. (19)

### Saturday, August 4, 2012

Departure flights and motorcoach transportation back to home city.

End of service.

Included is transportation from Home City via air and motorcoach, 11 nights accommodations, baggage handling, 19 meals as listed on the itinerary, all tours and admissions listed on the itinerary as well as

fully escorted with a Thompson Tours Director.