

## **WEST COAST : 14 Nights / 15 Days**

**(2N Los Angeles - 2N San Diego - 2N Phoenix - 2N Grand Canyon - 2N Las Vegas - 2N Yosemite National Park - 2N San Francisco)**

### **Day 1: Begin Your Tour • Los Angeles**

Get into the city that mixes glamour, grit and the American Dream: Los Angeles. It is packed with legends, it's full of energy and there are loads of things to do. For today, just relax and soak in the vibe of your surroundings. Overnight in Los Angeles.

### **Day 2: Los Angeles**

Head to mythical Hollywood and walk across the holy ground for stars. Check out the Kodak Theatre, where the Oscars are held every year and Graumann's Chinese Theatre, where so many legends have pressed their hands into the cement. Cruise down the hottest shopping street in LA, Melrose Avenue, and one of the best areas for nightlife - the Strip (Sunset Boulevard), with its billboards, clubs and eateries, before getting a glimpse at one of the world's wealthiest suburbs in Beverly Hills. A little further west discovers Santa Monica, LA's oldest beach resort. Known for its liberal vibes, art galleries and wide sandy beaches, Santa Monica is all about the California coast lifestyle. See the famous pier, which serves as a permanent amusement park, complete with a solar powered Ferris wheel! Maybe later you can travel out to LA's quirkiest suburb where anything goes - Venice Beach. A favorite hangout spot for locals, colorful Venice Beach attracts all sorts of people. Get a feel for street life when you hit the buzzing boardwalk, where performers, tattoo artists, hair braiders, musicians and roller bladders gather. Make sure you check out the markets and stalls, as well as the greased-up body builders pumping iron at the famous open-air gym, Muscle Beach. Later, head out and hit the town's hottest bars and clubs. Overnight in Los Angeles.

### **Day 3: Los Angeles • San Diego**

Next up, drive to the O.C. - Orange County. You'll join the crew and find yourselves cruising along the unmistakable Pacific coastline as it gloriously winds around to the super laid-back locale of San Diego. Recline into relaxation mode and take in the calming nature of San Diego. Start by embodying the easygoing vibes with a visit to the eclectic mix of vibrant neighborhoods around this city, including Balboa Park for some Mother Nature time. Consider yourself a thrill seeker? Why not drive your very own speedboat (yes you can take the wheel!) with a guide around the San Diego Harbor. Overnight in San Diego.

### **Day 4: San Diego**

Today you'll go about your way like a true Cali native with a full day of outdoor excitement! Surf, sun and 42 miles of beachside bliss will have you hanging ten like Kelly Slater in no time. For those who are maybe feeling a little less adventurous, who'd rather get up close and personal with 4000 animals, then the famous San Diego Zoo is a must see for you. By nightfall you'll have worked up an appetite, so get ready to dig into a Mexican Feast! Overnight in San Diego.

### **Day 5: San Diego • Phoenix**

Now you've had a taste of living the San Diego dream, it's time to crank up the heat as you enter the desert. We say farewell to our California love and delve a little deeper inland to see what Arizona



has to offer. This impressive metropolis is situated bang in the middle of the desert and is a sight you won't forget. Uninterrupted sunshine is expected for approximately 300 days a year, making this place a super steamy urban mirage perfect for shopping and sporting events. Overnight in Phoenix.

### **Day 6: Phoenix**

Today, you can choose to enjoy the views high up above in a Hot Air Balloon. A hot air balloon ride over the "Valley of the Sun" - sounds like a bucket list kind of thing (because it is) and you have the chance to tick it off right here. Or take a 90-minute narrated Desert Belle Sightseeing Cruise on Saguaro Lake. It's an easy drive from Phoenix and Mesa. Hop on board the Desert Belle, a restored sightseeing vessel with spectacular views of the desert landscape. Snap photos of Tonto National Forest, and look for local wildlife such as bald eagles, coyotes and bobcats. Ride in your choice of an air-conditioned cabin or shaded open-air top deck, with great views from all seats. You can also take a day tour to Sedona Red Rock Country, explore Native American Ruins, visit The Chapel of the Holy Cross, see Bell Rock, one of Sedona's most popular red rock formations. Overnight in Phoenix.

### **Day 7: Phoenix • Grand Canyon**

Drive to the desert zone of USA, the thrill of the desert continues, and the next stop will make any nature lover weak in the knees. This location is one of the world's most recognizable natural wonders and the pride of Arizona. Settle in for the night at our comfy Lodge in the heart of the National Park before the great Grand Canyon reveals itself tomorrow. Take a step outside and take a peep at the endless starry skies; tomorrow will be a day to remember. Overnight in Grand Canyon.

### **Day 8: Grand Canyon**

You deserve a full day out here to truly appreciate the wilderness taking in its dramatic scenery. This day will be like no other; beginning with a hike through the UNESCO World Heritage listed site, there's also the option of a bike ride, then the day will end with a spine-tingling sunset. Incredibly, there's also the option to view this wonder from the best and most thrill-seeking seat in the house - a helicopter! Overnight in Grand Canyon.

### **Day 9: Grand Canyon • Las Vegas**

With the majestic Grand Canyon left behind for now, stop at several spots along the famous Route 66, but most notably, Seligman. It is a town steeped in history for some rustic old school Americana vibes. Get ready for a full-blown, non-stop assault on the senses, starting first up with the iconic Hoover Dam! This is Las Vegas - sometimes known as Sin City - a place of dreams & epic debauchery. This huge man-made entertainment precinct in the middle of the desert is all about total excess. You'll be blinded by the bright lights and gob smacked at the thought of all that money running through more than 75 massive casinos. A nighttime tour of the famous 'Strip', including a stop for pics at the legendary Vegas sign will show you just what is on offer after dark in this outrageous city. Fremont Street is on tonight's agenda, where the main attraction is a super impressive light and laser show, before no doubt heading out straight into what Vegas is all about. Overnight in Las Vegas.

### **Day 10: Las Vegas**

You have today all to yourself, but you'll need to run with a tight schedule to fit in all of Vegas' weird



and wonderful charms. Travel the world in a day - taking in the famous Bellagio Fountain, a Venetian Gondola and even an Egyptian Pyramid, all whilst staying firmly within the city's realm! Feeling romantic? Stop by and see one of the many Elvis impersonators for a shotgun wedding ceremony. Tonight, live like a baller while you cruise along the 'Strip' in a party bus. Overnight in Las Vegas.

### **Day 11: Las Vegas • Yosemite National Park**

Today you will drive to Yosemite National Park. There's some memorable eye candy here, from huge granite cliffs and the chiseled landmarks of El Capitan and Half Dome to the highest waterfalls in North America. Yosemite is also home to some of the oldest trees in the world, the mighty Giant Sequoias which tower above the park, and let's not forget the unbelievable array of incredible wildlife, from bears to coyotes! Overnight in the cabin where you will sleep to the sounds of the forest only to wake up to a beautiful sunrise.

### **Day 12: Yosemite National Park**

Yosemite National Park which was established in 1890 in the Sierra Nevada, encompasses stunning mountain vistas and valleys housing meadows and forests (including groves of giant sequoias) surrounded by high cliffs and waterfalls. The forest of giant Sequoias, the world's biggest trees and the soaring cliffs of Half Dome are just some of the highlights of the park. During our days in the park there are several options that can be offered. Drive up to Glacier Point, the most impressive viewpoint in the park. From here you can marvel at the valley as well as the impressive walls of Half Dome. There are three very different walks offered at this point each varying in difficulty; two of them descend into the valley while the third traces the rim of the valley. In the evening we can also look for wildlife such as bears and coyotes. Overnight in the cabin where you will sleep to the sounds of the forest only to wake up to a beautiful sunrise.

### **Day 13: Yosemite National Park • San Francisco**

After the enchanting nature soothes your soul, drive to the 'City by the Bay' in sunny California. San Francisco is amongst one of USA's most cosmopolitan and atmospheric cities. Located on the bay, its suburbs are linked by a series of expansive bridges, one of those being the infamous Golden Gate Bridge. Trams run major routes along the foreshore and into the hilly heights in a city where quaint wooden houses contrast sharply with the sophistication of modern skyscrapers. Overnight in San Francisco.

### **Day 14: San Francisco**

San Francisco is a city which the locals are fiercely proud of and for good reason. There's plenty to keep you entertained but the best introduction is to jump on a hop-on-hop-off bus tour or book one of our 'Urban Adventures' around the city. No trip to San Francisco is complete without a visit to Alcatraz, so enjoy a bay cruise in the evening to explore the dark side of Frisco. Overnight in San Francisco.

### **Day 15: Homeward Bound**

It's time to say goodbye to the mesmerizing tour that you've had. Pack your bags with loads of memories, drop your rental at the airport and fly out.