

Arizona “Spring Blooming in the Desert”

featuring 5 nights Tucson, 4 nights Phoenix area and 1-night Flagstaff

March 7-23,2019

Day 1: We’ll depart south for warm Arizona this morning stopping in Faribault for our included morning break. Our travels take us across Iowa and through Kansas City to our overnight in Topeka, Kansas. This evening we’ll enjoy an included Welcome Dinner at the hotel. (D)

Day 2: Following an included breakfast we’ll head across Kansas stopping to visit the “Cathedral of the Plains”. Late this afternoon we’ll arrive in Colorado Springs, Colorado and check into our hotel for the night. The evening will be free to relax and have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 3: An included breakfast starts our day and then we’re off south across Colorado and over Raton Pass and through the Turkey Mountains. We’ll take a morning break and a lunch stop on your own prior to arriving in the historic city of Santa Fe. The city was founded between 1606 and 1610 and is the second oldest city in America. Upon arrival we’ll meet our local guide for a guided city tour including the Palace of Governors, San Miguel Mission, Loretto Chapel and the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Francis of Assisi. Later we’ll continue on to Albuquerque and upon arrival we’ll check into our hotel for the night. The evening will be free to have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 4: As our luggage is loaded on the coach we’ll enjoy an included breakfast. Our travels will take us south stopping for a morning break en-route to Las Cruces, NM for a lunch break on your own. This afternoon we’ll enter Arizona and stop for a break prior to arriving in Tucson and checking into our full-service hotel for a 5-night stay. Following time to unpack and refresh the evening will be free to relax and enjoy dinner on your own. (B)

Day 5: After an included breakfast we’ll enjoy a tour of the Tucson area including San Xavier Mission. After visiting the mission we’ll head to the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, you’ll have plenty of time to enjoy all their displays and have lunch on your own. Later we’ll return to the hotel with the remainder of the day and evening free to relax and have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 6: After an included breakfast we’re off for a wonderful full day of touring southern Arizona as we visit Fort Huachuca, home of the famous “Buffalo Soldiers”. This afternoon we’ll arrive in the historic old mining town of Bisbee for lunch on your own and time to browse the shops. Next we’ll visit the Old West city of Tombstone, you’ll have time to explore Main Street and visit Boot Hill. We’ll then return to our hotel with the evening free to relax and have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 7: The morning will be at leisure to enjoy included breakfast. This afternoon we’ll enjoy a narrated tram tour up into Sabino Canyon, a wonderful experience. We’ll then visit the world-famous De Grazia Gallery in the Sun. Later we’ll return to the hotel and after time to refresh we’ll enjoy a special included dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: This morning included breakfast and as it is Sunday the coach will be available for shuttles to church for those who wish to attend services After the day will be free to enjoy the warm weather, relax, sit by the pool, shop or maybe visit friends who winter in the Tucson area. Tonight, you will be free to relax and have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 9: This morning following included breakfast we'll head north to the "Valley of the Sun" and upon arrival we'll enjoy a tour of the Phoenix area including the world-famous Heard Museum, featuring American Indian and Western art. Following the tour we'll head to Old Town Scottsdale for time to have lunch on your own and to browse this wonderful area with its unique shops. Later we'll arrive at our full-service hotel for the next 4 nights. The evening will be free to relax and enjoy dinner on your own. (B)

Day 10: After our included breakfast at leisure the day will be free to relax, sit by the pool or go shopping. The evening will be free to have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 11: Following included breakfast the morning will be at leisure for you to take in the warm sun. This afternoon we'll drive the very scenic Apache Trail to the town of Tortilla Flats. Here you'll have time to visit the General Store and explore the shops of this old mining town. Next we'll enjoy a narrated cruise on Canyon Lake prior to returning to the hotel. The evening will be free to relax and have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 12: The morning will be at leisure following included breakfast. This afternoon we'll head out to the Mesa Flea Market for time to browse the booths for some great bargains. This evening we'll enjoy the Arizona Opry and their wonderful musical show including dinner. (B, D)

Day 13: Following included breakfast we'll head north to Cave Creek and Carefree to explore these wonderful communities. Later will continue on to the colorful city of Sedona and upon arrival you'll have time for lunch on your own and to browse the shops. Later we'll drive through beautiful Oak Creek Canyon stopping at the overlook for some great views prior to checking into our hotel in Flagstaff for the night. The remainder of the day and evening free to relax, shop and enjoy this wonderful city. The evening will be free to have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 14: As our luggage is loaded on the coach we'll enjoy our included breakfast. Then we'll head east stopping for a morning break. Later we'll enter New Mexico and stop for lunch on your own and an afternoon break en-route to our overnight in Albuquerque. Upon arrival and prior to checking into our hotel we'll have time to explore Old Town Albuquerque. Later we'll check into the hotel with the evening free to relax and have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 15: We'll enjoy an included breakfast and then we're off across New Mexico stopping for a morning break. This afternoon we'll take a lunch break on your own and an afternoon break prior to arriving in Clinton, OK for our overnight. The evening will be free to relax and have dinner on your own. (B)

Day 16: Following included breakfast we'll head north across Kansas taking appropriate break stops en-route to the Kansas City area for an overnight at our full-service hotel. After time to refresh we'll enjoy an included Farewell Dinner. (B, D)

Day 17: After an included breakfast we'll head north across Missouri and Iowa back to Minnesota. Our warm and wonderful memories of our winter escape to Arizona will be with us forever. We should arrive back home late this afternoon. (B)



Tour Includes:

- * Deluxe Motorcoach
- * 16 nights accommodations
- * Luggage handling
- * Cathedral of the Plains
- * Santa Fe tour
- * 5 nights Tucson
- * Tucson tour
- * San Xavier Mission
- * Sonora Desert Museum
- * Fort Huachuca
- * Bisbee
- * Tombstone
- * Sabino Canyon tram tour
- * 4 nights Phoenix area
- * Phoenix tour
- * Heard Museum
- * Old Town Scottsdale
- * Apache Trail with Tortilla Flats
- * Dolly Steamboat narrated cruise on Canyon Lake
- * Arizona Opry Musical show and dinner
- * Mesa Flea Market
- * Cave Creek and Carefree
- * Oak Creek Canyon
- * 1-night Flagstaff
- * Old Town Albuquerque
- * 20 Meals (16 breakfasts and 4 dinners)
- * Across Country Tour Manager

Price Per Person:

\$2,895.00 Double

\$2,795.00 Triple/Quad

\$3,895.00 Single

A \$200.00 deposit per person is required to hold your reservation.

Final payment is due 45 days prior to departure.