

Yellowstone & The Grand Tetons

11 Days / 10 Nights

Departure Dates: June 22-July 2; July 13-23;

Tour Code: YEGx91

DAY ONE

Join Lamers Tour & Travel on this amazing tour to our nation's oldest national park and the majestic peaks of the Grand Tetons. As we get acquainted with our fellow travelers, we head toward Fergus Falls, MN and our first night out at the Country Inn & Suites.

DAY TWO — CB, D

As we head west, we travel into the bleak yet beautiful North Dakota Badlands. We soon begin to experience a more western flavor as travels take us to nearby Medora. Founded by the Marquis de Mores and named for his wife, this town is now one of North Dakota's most popular destinations. After checking into our accommodations for the evening, get ready to enjoy a Pitchfork Fondue followed by a performance of the Medora Musical. Presented in the 2800-seat Burning Hills Amphitheatre, we will be surrounded by the majesty of the Badlands as we overnight at the nearby Badlands Motel.

DAY THREE

Today we learn the history of Medora by visiting Roosevelt's Maltese Ranch Cabin the 26-room Chateau de Mores built as a home for the Marquis and his family and guests. The Marquis de Mores became a cause-celeb since he planned to revolutionize the meat-packing industry for cattle coming from the area. Later as we continue westward into Montana we pause to visit the Custer Battlefield National Monument commemorating the Battle of the Little Bighorn. Our comfortable accommodations for the evening will be in Sheridan, Wyoming at the Holiday Inn.

DAY FOUR — CB, D

Travels take us through the Bighorn Mountains on the final leg of our trip to Yellowstone National Park. Witness the spectacular scenery of Shell Canyon. Cut out of solid granite by the roaring waters of Shell Creek, the sheer-walled canyon is a marvelous example of nature's persistence. Later we stop at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center to explore five museums under one roof. Learn about the life and legend Buffalo Bill Cody. This afternoon we will follow the Shoshone River into Yellowstone National Park. Tonight finds us inside the park at Grant Village on the shores of Lake Yellowstone.

DAY FIVE — B, L

A local park guide will join us this morning as we explore the park. Marvel at the geysers and springs that make this park so famous and unique, including Old Faithful, Fountain Paint Pots, Mammoth Springs and the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone. Later, we follow the Gran Tetons range into Jackson Hole Valley. We arrive in Jackson Hole, WY our home for the next two nights at the Hampton Inn.

DAY SIX — CB, D

This morning, we drive through the magnificence of Grand Teton National Park. Be sure to take pictures from the tranquil Chapel of the Transfiguration. This log chapel was designed with a view of the Cathedral Group of peaks behind the altar. This afternoon enjoy a scenic float trip aboard rubber rafts down the Snake River. The snow-capped peaks of the Grand Tetons provide a breath-taking backdrop as we glide along. Tonight we experience an included dinner and show at the Jackson Hole Playhouse on Town Square.

DAY SEVEN — CB, D

Today we ross the Continental Divide just like thousands of settlers did as they traversed the Oregon Trail. We're on our way to visit Wyoming's City of Gold – South Pass City. Many buildings in South Pass City have

been restored to the period of its last big gold rush. Routing takes us through Ten Sleep Canyon over Powder River Pass, Wyoming's highest mountain pass at 9,677 feet, to Buffalo, WY. Upon checking into the Hampton Inn, dinner is included this evening at a local café.

DAY EIGHT — CB, L, D

Our travels take us into the Black Hills for a visit to the famous Crazy Horse Memorial. This mountain monument will be the world's largest statue when completed. This evening we travel to Fort Hays for a fun chuckwagon dinner and western show then overnight in Keystone, SD for the next two nights at the Baymont Inn & Suites.

DAY NINE — CB, L

Our adventure continues today as we visit the famous drive-through wild animal park – Bear Country USA. This park is home to the largest collection of privately owned black bears in the world. Enjoy the antics of these clowns as they climb trees, swim in their pool and amble about. Later, Custer State Park is famous for its scenic drives, a bison herd numbering more than 1,500 and numerous prairie dog towns. Relax and enjoy lunch at the Pheasant Dining Room located right here in the park. This evening Mount Rushmore is immortalized as we marvel at it under radiant illumination.

DAY TEN — CB, L

As we continue our journey east, we travel through sacred Badlands National Park. This rugged and formidable landscape is noted for pinnacles, eroded buttes and spires blended with mixed grass prairies. Later we pause for a visit at the Mitchell Corn Palace. This popular tourist destination is known for its outdoor corn murals that are redesigned each year into one-of-a-kind works of natural art. It's a venue for concerts, sporting and other community events. Our last night out will be in Worthington, Minnesota at the Holiday Inn Express.

DAY ELEVEN — CB

Our return home has us talking about the sights and sounds we experienced on this western adventure. Come back and travel with us soon!

PER PERSON PRICING:

\$2,636 Double | \$2,444 Triple | \$2,354 Quad | \$2,922 Single

Deposit: \$200 per person within 7 days of making reservation. Final payment is due 60 days prior to departure. Luggage handling included for one suitcase.