

Winter Wonderland



Bryce Canyon N.P. in winter

15 Days / 14 Nights Las Vegas to Las Vegas

- * Enjoy winter landscapes and nature's silence in America's West
- * Arches, Canyonlands, Zion, Bryce and Grand Canyon National Parks.
- * Learn about native cultures by touring Mesa Verde N.P.
- * Visit Monument Valley, a geological wonderland.
- * Optional winter activities include snowshoe walks, dog sled adventures, romantic sleigh rides.



Grand Canyon

USA Winter Vacations in the National Parks of the West

Experience the famous National Parks on a winter vacation without the crowds of summer.

Choose this rare winter vacation opportunity and travel with a small group of international guests through the Western part of the USA. This winter tour will be guided by two local guides with experience in the national parks and in western winter conditions.

Let yourself be inspired by the magical winter landscapes at Bryce Canyon, Arches, Grand Canyon, Canyonlands and Zion national parks and other less-frequented natural treasures.

These winter national park tours, covering the most famous parks in the western USA, are carefully tailored to the needs of a small group tour with no more than 10 participants. You will enjoy natural wonders on walks, hikes or snowshoe outings in peaceful winter landscapes, in solitary enjoyment of these national treasures.

Comfortable accommodations for your Winter Vacation:

Travel Dream West has carefully chosen hotels for their charm, uniqueness and great service. We stay in small communities where you will have a chance to get to know the locals. Our small group tours also feature some special accommodations chosen for their originality and historical importance. The first and last night is spent in Las Vegas, Nevada. We are happy to assist you with booking additional nights, and we encourage you to arrive a day in advance to get to know Las Vegas, the entertainment capitol of the U.S.



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Monument Valley



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These wintertime small-group bus tours offer the chance to see some of the USA's most famous national parks in a season when only five percent of the million yearly visitors come here.

Enjoy guided hikes through silent winter landscapes in impressive national parks of the West. Known for its rock arches, colorful formations, and expansive landscapes, Utah is a dream come true for photographers and nature lovers. The shorter days of winter allow easy viewing of sunrises and sunsets over incredible landscapes with glowing winter light --all without the crowds of tourists found here at other times of the year.

Day 1: Arrival in Las Vegas:

Welcome to Las Vegas, the entertainment capital of the world, complete with world-class contemporary architecture, shopping and shows. The team of Travel Dream West greets you with a welcome dinner. Meet in the lobby of our hotel at 6pm.

Day 2: Las Vegas - Valley of Fire State Park - Bryce: Morning departure for Utah. A stop at Valley of Fire State Park offers a snow-free hike amid impressive red cliffs. On to the entrance of Bryce Canyon National Park. 2 Nights in Bryce.

Day 3: Bryce Canyon National Park: Today's highlights are all found within the fascinating Bryce Canyon National Park with its many otherworldly, colorful rock formations.

Day 4: Bryce - Kodachrome State Park - Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Calf Creek Falls - Torrey: The picturesque All-American Highway 12 leads us along the Escalante National Monument. In the afternoon, weather permitting, we follow Calf Creek to impressive Lower Calf Creek Falls.

1 Night in Torrey

Day 5: Torrey - Capitol Reef National Park - Goblin Valley State Park - Sego Canyon - Moab: Today's program centers around Capitol Reef National Park with its soaring slot canyon. A two-and-a-half hour hike through this wonderland provides solitude and incredible views - with no other tourists in sight.

2 Nights in Moab, UT

Day 6: Moab - Arches National Park:

Spend the morning relaxing or independently exploring the many galleries and shops of Moab. In the afternoon we will enjoy one of the most beautiful of all the national parks, Arches, with its many graceful sandstone arch formations.

Day 7: Moab - Canyonlands National Park - Dead Horse Point State Park - Durango, CO: A morning drive brings you to Canyonlands National Park with expansive views across the Colorado Plateau. After a walk and a stop at the visitor center, the tour continues south to the wild west town of Durango.

2 Nights in Durango

Day 8: Durango - Silverton, San Juan Mountains (Rocky Mountains): Durango and Silverton are both historic mining towns located within the Rocky Mountains. A recommended optional ride on the Durango & Silverton steam train takes you through the winter expanses of the Cascade Canyon.

2 Nights in Durango

Day 9: Durango - Mesa Verde National Park - Bluff: Spend the morning learning about the history of America's first peoples in the impressive Mesa Verde National Park, where well-preserved archeological cliff dwellings can be toured. A ranger will lead us through these ancient homes, inhabited by Pueblo Native Americans around 600 B.C.

1 night in Blanding or Bluff

Day 10: Bluff - Valley of the Gods - Gooseneck State Park - Monument Valley: As we continue our journey, we pass Gooseneck State Park, where the San Juan River tightly curves and meanders through the desert. We visit Goulding's Trading Post, where John Ford and John Wayne stayed while filming their popular westerns. Dinner and entertainment will be staying in an authentic hogan for the night in Monument Valley.

Day 11: Monument Valley - Horseshoe Bend - optional Antelope Canyon tour - Lake Powell - Page: An optional Native American guided tour is available through the magnificent Antelope Canyon. Visit Glen Canyon Dam and the visitor center.

Day 12: Page - Grand Canyon National Park South Rim: Today we drive south to the most famous of all national parks - the Grand Canyon. Weather dependent, we will take a longer hike along the Grand Canyon rim.

1 night in Cameron

Day 13: Colorado River - Pipe Springs National Monument - Coral Pink Sand Dunes - Kanab: Cross the Colorado River on a high bridge by Marble Canyon and explore the landscape around Lees Ferry on foot. In Pipe Spring N. M. we visit a testament to the life of early pioneers. Night in Kanab

Day 14: Zion National Park - Las Vegas:

A beautiful drive on the Mt. Carmel road brings us to Zion National Park. In the afternoon we return to Las Vegas. We say our good-byes at the last dinner together.

Day 15: Las Vegas: Individually travel on or head home.