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WESTERN USA & NATIONAL PARKS TOUR 2016

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September 2016

Sun 25: Australia to San Francisco (B) - fly with Air New Zealand to San Francisco. On arrival we transfer to our hotel. Villa Montes Hotel (1 night)

Mon 26: San Francisco to Eureka (B) - we commence the day with a visit to Muir Woods National Park, the last remaining redwood forest in the San Francisco Bay area. We then drive north through California to the town of Eureka. Comfort Inn Humboldt Bay (2 nights)

Tue 27: Redwoods National Park (B) - today we have the chance to view some of the largest original redwoods in the world. Time is available to take a walk and experience the tranquillity of the stately groves of trees.

Wed 28: Eureka to Klamath Falls (B) - we cross the border from California into Oregon on the drive to Klamath Falls. Along the way we pass through lovely forested areas. Comfort Inn & Suites (2 nights)

Thu 29: Crater Lake National Park (B) - for thousands of years, Crater Lake has inspired people. No place else on earth combines a deep, pure lake, so blue in color, sheer surrounding cliffs almost two thousand feet high, two picturesque islands and a violent volcanic past. It is a place of immeasurable beauty.

Fri 30: Klamath Falls to Portland (B) - in the morning we board the Amtrak Coast Starlight service. The scenery along the route is unsurpassed. The dramatic snow-covered peaks of the Cascade Range and Mount Shasta, lush forests, fertile valleys and long stretches of Pacific Ocean shoreline provide a stunning backdrop for our overnight journey. Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront (2 nights)

October 2016

Sat 1: Portland (B) - we have the day at leisure to explore the City of Roses. Portland was founded in 1843, on the west bank of the Willamette River. There are beautiful parks and gardens and well preserved historic landmarks.

Sun 2: Portland to Amtrak Empire Builder Train (B) - we have the morning at leisure in Portland before transferring after lunch to the train station. We board Amtrak's Empire Builder service for the overnight journey to Glacier National Park. On the train we pass through majestic wilderness, following the footsteps of early pioneers. Superliner Roomettes (1 night)

Mon 3: Amtrak Empire Builder Train to Glacier National Park (B) - in the morning we arrive at West Glacier Station where we are met and transferred to our hotel. Glacier National Park is famous for its pristine forests, alpine meadows, rugged mountains, and spectacular lakes. With over 700 miles of trails, the park is a hiker's paradise. Best Western Whitefish (2 nights)

Tue 4: Glacier National Park (B) - we spend the day exploring the park including a drive on the amazing the Going-to-the-Sun Road. This engineering marvel spans 50 miles through the park's wild interior, winding around mountainsides and treating visitors to some of the best sights in northwest Montana.

Wed 5: Glacier National Park to Yellowstone National Park (B) - we drive through the State of Montana and enter Yellowstone National Park through the northern gate. Best Western Mammoth Hot Spring (3 nights)

Thu 6 to Fri 7: Yellowstone National Park (B) - we spend two full days touring the oldest National Park in North America. The Park protects a geothermal area along with a range of wildlife including bison, wolf, moose and bear.



Sat 8: Yellowstone to Grand Teton National Park (B) - we continue our tour by driving to magnificent Grand Teton National Park. Togwotee Mountain Lodge (2 nights)

Sun 9: Grand Teton National Park (B) - we have a full day available to tour the park. It is rich with wildlife, pristine lakes and alpine terrain.

Mon 10: Grand Teton National Park to Salt Lake City (B) - we drive 450km to Salt Lake City the capital of Utah. The city is bordered by the buoyant waters of the Great Salt Lake and the snow-capped peaks of the Wasatch Range. Downtown's 10-acre Temple Square, headquarters of the Mormon Church, is home to the 19th-century Salt Lake Temple and the neo-Gothic Assembly Hall. The acclaimed Mormon Tabernacle Choir performs in the square's domed Tabernacle. Crystal Lake Inn (2 nights)

Tue 11: Salt Lake City (B) - our tour of the city covers sights such as the magnificent Salt Lake Mormon Temple, Governor's Mansion, Old Mormon Pioneer Trail, the Pony Express Station, Olympic Village and University of Utah.

Wed 12: Salt Lake City to Moab (B) - we drive 375km to Moab which is home to Arches and Canyonlands National Parks. The town is surrounded by some of the most stunning red rock landscapes on Earth. Moab's has a unique combination of small town hospitality, beautiful scenery and the cool waters of the Colorado River. La Quinta Moab (3 nights)

Thu 13 to Fri 14: Canyonlands and Arches National Park (B) - during our stay in Moab, we will take day tours to Canyonlands and Arches National Parks. Millions of years ago, the Colorado and Green Rivers cut winding paths deep into rock, creating a series of rocky canyons that form the heart of this stunning wilderness, Canyonlands. We take a scenic drive through the park. Natural stone arches and amazing rock formations, which appear as though they have been shaped by an artist's hand are the feature of the Arches National Park.

Sat 15: Moab to Cortez (B) - we drive to the town of Cortez. Far View Lodge (2 nights)

Sun 16: Mesa Verde National Park (B) - today we explore Mesa Verde, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The park's defining features are the 600 cliff dwellings which were built into the canyon walls. These range from small houses to the 150 room Cliff Palace.

Mon 17: Cortez to Grand Canyon via Monument Valley (B) - we drive 440km to the Grand Canyon. Along the way we view the famous buttes and mesas of Monument Valley. These ancient rocks have been the backdrop for numerous movies and TV shows. Red Feather Grand Canyon (2 nights)

Tue 18: Grand Canyon National Park (B) - day at leisure to explore one the world's great natural wonders. The Grand Canyon is 350km long and ranges in width from 6km to 29km.

Wed 19: Grand Canyon to Bryce Canyon (B) - in the morning we visit the Antelope Slot Canyon which is located on Navajo Land. This is one of the most photographed slot canyons in the world. We then continue our drive onto Bryce Canyon. Best Western Ruby's (2 nights)

Thu 20: Bryce Canyon (B) - on our scenic drive we view the deep amphitheaters filled with flame coloured rock formations which are the hallmark of the park.

Fri 21: Bryce Canyon to Zion National Park (B) - drive 135km to Zion National Park. Bumbleberry Inn Zion (2 nights)

Sat 22: Zion National Park (B) - Zion is often said to be the most beautiful place in America. This spectacular corner of Utah is a masterpiece of towering cliffs, deep red canyons buttes and massive monoliths.

Sun 23: Zion National Park to Las Vegas (B) - on the last leg of our tour we drive to Las Vegas. The centre of gambling in the United States and the world, Las Vegas is commonly known as The Entertainment Capital of the World. The city's image has often made it a popular setting for films and television programs. Gold Nugget Hotel (1 night)

Mon 24: Las Vegas to Los Angeles (B) - in the afternoon we transfer to the airport and board our flights back to Australia.

Tue 25: In Flight

Wed 26: Auckland to Melbourne - late morning arrival back into Melbourne.

Tour Inclusions:

- ▲ Clean and comfortable accommodation
- ▲ Meals as indicated (B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner)
- ▲ Amtrak California Coastal Starlight rail fares: Klamath Falls/Portland
- ▲ Amtrak Empire Builder rail fares including superliner roomettes: Portland/Glacier National Park
- ▲ Gratuities for local guides, porters and hotel staff
- ▲ Sightseeing tours and activities:
 - Muir Woods
 - Redwoods National Park
 - Glacier National Park
 - Yellowstone National Park
 - Grand Tetons National Park
 - Salt Lake City Tour
 - Canyonlands National Park
 - Arches National Park
 - Mesa Verde National Park
 - Monument Valley
 - Grand Canyon National Park
 - Bryce Canyon
 - Zion National Park

Cost Per Person (\$A twin share basis)

Land arrangements	\$12,600
Single room supplement	\$ 3,200

Extra Touring

If you are interested in extending the itinerary to include additional touring (e.g. Yosemite National Park) please let us know. We would be happy to assist in organising these arrangements.

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Title		
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Email		
Home phone		
Mobile phone		
Emergency contact person and number		
Frequent flyer number		
Travel insurance company		
Policy number		

Single Travellers (please circle):

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