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Utah's National Parks

May, June, September & October

TOUR RATING: MODERATE



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Venturing into one of our newest national parks, Bears Ears National Monument
- Walking along the Virgin River in Zion National Park
- Hiking amongst the hoodoos in Bryce Canyon
- Waterpocket Fold in Capitol Reef National Park
- Iconic views from Highway 12 in Grand Staircase-Escalante

Join us on an incredible hiking journey through the National Parks and Monuments of Utah and Southwestern Colorado. Highlights include: walking along the Virgin River in Zion, enjoying the Waterpocket Fold in Capitol Reef, driving the famous Burr Trail in Grand Staircase-Escalante, hiking among the hoodoos of Bryce Canyon, and exploring one of our newest national monuments, Bears Ears. This trip will blend the natural beauty of Utah with the rich cultural history of first western settlers in Capitol Reef as well as the ancient Puebloan culture.

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Mesa Verde, Hovenweep, and Bears Ears

We start this morning with a brief orientation and then it is off to Mesa Verde National Park a perfect blend of natural and cultural beauty where we will get out for a short hike to see some of the dwellings built right into the cliff sides. Then we will make our way west to stop at two cultural units, Hovenweep and Canyons of the Ancients, celebrating the Northern Ancestral Puebloan culture also known as the Anasazi. Meals included: Lunch & Dinner



Bears Ears & Natural Bridges

This morning we begin our exploration of the Bears Ears region with a visit to Newspaper Rock State Park. Afterwards, we get a closer look at the Bears Ears rock formation before enjoying a picnic lunch amongst three natural bridges carved by the power of water over time at Natural Bridges National Monument. As we continue west we will drive through Glen Canyon NRA crossing the Colorado River and driving along scenic highway 95 on our way to Capitol Reef National Park. Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



Capitol Reef National Park

Our exploration of Capitol Reef begins with a morning hike to the Grand Wash followed by a stroll to Hickman's Bridge. After lunch we check out some of the human history of the park in the Capitol Gorge where we can view petroglyphs and a pioneer register etched into the stone on a 3-mile hike in a slot canyon. Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



Capitol Reef & Grand Staircase

This morning we take a short hike in Cohab Canyon and an opportunity to get a closer look at the historic Gifford House. On our way south on highway 12 we will drive part of the famed Burr Trail through a narrow canyon where you will be surrounded by contours of sandstone while riding through a narrow canyon with walls rising hundreds of feet above you. This evening relax at the charming Boulder Mountain Lodge. Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



Grand Staircase-Escalante & Anasazi State Park

In the morning we will visit Anasazi State Park, the anthropology museum, and the excavated site of a thousand-year-old village. The Fremont prehistoric people occupied most of Utah during the same period as the Ancestral Puebloans. Artifacts recovered from this site, as well as its architecture, reflect a prehistoric "melting pot.". We will enjoy lunch on the trail on a fantastic hike in Grand Staircase with several trail options to choose from in this vast protected area. The we will continue along scenic highway 12 to Bryce National Park. Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner





Bryce Canyon National Park

Visit the Bryce Canyon Visitor Center and hike the Rim Trail. Experience the canyon's intricate geological display from the rim at Bryce Point and Paria View, and below the rim on the Navajo and Queens Garden Trails on a 3-mile loop. This afternoon savor the ambiance the Lodge, designed in 1924 by master architect Gilbert Stanley Underwood. The lodge and its cabins were recognized in 1987 as a National Historic Landmark. Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



Zion and Cedar Breaks

A morning drive will bring us to Cedar Breaks National Monument located at over 10,000 feet up this unique amphitheater is a treat to see. After a short hike at Cedar Breaks we will make our way to Zion National Park where we will explore some of the park's trails including the Riverside Walk to the beginning of the Narrows as well as the Emerald Pools for breathtaking views of Zion's canyon. This evening we will celebrate a great week of exploration. Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



Departures from Las Vegas

After one last post-breakfast hike in Zion we make our way down to Las Vegas to bid farewell after a great week in Utah. Meals included: Breakfast

Pricing

TRIP COST	PAYMENT TERMS
\$4,195 each based on double occupancySingle Supplement: \$795	 \$750 deposit due to hold space Balance due 90 days prior to departure (can be auto-collected if you pay by credit card)

TRIP PRICE INCLUDES	TRIP PRICE EXCLUDES
Lodging as outlined in lodging section below based on double occupancy Meals as noted in itinerary above Snacks and beverages Park admission and museum admissions for all included activities Services of professional trip leader(s) Ground transportation for all included events during the trip & porterage service Black Sheep Adventures reusable water bottle, wool (baaaah) socks & luggage tags	Pre & post tour travel Alcoholic beverages Gratuities for your BSA guides

Lodging

Inn at the Canyons-1 night

Sitting below the San Juan Mountain range in the small town of Monticello, UT this family owned hotel is the perfect gateway to explore the Bears Ears region including Natural Bridges, Newspaper State Rock, and Canyonlands.

Red Sands Hotel-2 nights

At the doorstep of Capitol Reef national park this recently remodeled hotel is a great place to relax after a full day of adventure in the area. Take a dip in the onsite pool and hot tub or catch up on e-mails and posting photos from your Utah adventure on the complimentary wi-fi.

Boulder Mountain Lodge-1 night

Located in the middle of Utah's scenic red rock canyon country and surrounded by mountain forests this lodge is an oasis in the middle of Grand Staircase-Escalante. Each room features a deck or patio with fantastic views of the gorgeous surroundings. Make sure to get out and explore some of the 11-acre bird sanctuary that surrounds the lodge.

Lodge at Bryce Canyon—2 nights

This iconic national park lodge was built in 1925 by famed architect Gilbert Stanley Underwood. Your room is just a few steps away from the rim of Bryce Canyon providing ample opportunities to easily explore the park.

Desert Pearl Inn-1 night

A top-rated Zion National Park lodging choice is nestled within the majestic cliffs of Zion beside the Virgin River in Springdale, Utah. The Inn features sophisticated rooms feature Southwestern-influenced decor, floors made from reclaimed railroad trestles, and handcrafted furnishings, plus terraces or balconies.

Terms

CANCELLATION POLICY

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- 61-90 days prior to trip start: Cancellation fee equal to 25% of trip cost
- 31-60 days prior to trip start: Cancellation fee equal to 50% of trip cost
- 0-30 days prior to trip start: No refund

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