

# THE TRAVEL CLUB

## U.S. National Parks: The Rockies to Yellowstone with 4-Night The Badlands & Mount Rushmore Extension

9 DAYS: Saturday, May 9-Sunday, May 17, 2020

**\$3,439 per person double occupancy; \$4,539 for single reservations**

**Includes round-trip airfare, fuel surcharge and all air taxes and fees. Fuel surcharge, air taxes and fees subject to change. Passport required. Per person deposit is \$600.**

Go west and discover the America of legends and folklore. Stand in awe of extraordinary landscapes and embrace your pioneering spirit on this breathtaking adventure. From the soaring peaks of the Rocky Mountains and the mesmerizing sandstone cliffs of Moab to the wildlife of Yellowstone, this is America at its most majestic.



### Your tour package includes

- 8 nights in handpicked hotels. 8 breakfasts, 3 dinners with beer or wine
- 6 guided sightseeing tours, Expert Tour Director & local guides, Private deluxe motor coach
- Hotel accommodations (or similar)
- Denver: The Curtis 2n
- Rocky Mountain National Park: Boulder Marriott 1n
- Moab: Comfort Suites 2n
- Park City: Hampton Inn & Suites 1n
- Jackson: Elk Country Inn 2n

### Included highlights

- Downtown Denver, Rocky Mountain National Park, Vail, Arches National Park,

- Park City's historic Main Street, the Grand Tetons, Yellowstone National Park, Old Faithful,

## Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for about 1 hour daily across moderately uneven terrain, including paved roads and unpaved trails, with few hills.

## Denver, Colorado

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### Day 1: Arrival in Denver

#### Included meals: Dinner

Welcome to Colorado! Enjoy a welcome dinner with your fellow travelers this evening.

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### Day 2: Sightseeing tour of Denver

#### Included meals: Breakfast

Explore Colorado's capital city on a tour led by a local guide. • See the Colorado State Capitol Building and the Denver Public Library • View the Botanic Gardens and the Denver Mint • Pass through the city's vibrant art and museum districts  
Enjoy a free afternoon in Denver or add an excursion.

### Optional Excursion Garden of the Gods & Cave of the Winds \$59/pp

Head south to visit the Garden of the Gods. This public park is a National Natural Landmark and features unique sandstone rock formations. You'll see some of the towering red, pink, and white rocks that sit against the backdrop of snow-capped Pikes Peak. After, continue on to the Cave of the Winds. Walk up stairs and stroll along the cave's illuminated, paved walkways during an hour-long guided tour to see a variety of stalagmites and stalactites. You'll learn how John and George Pickett's curiosity led them to discover the underground caverns and how the name of the cave pays homage to a local Native American legend. Save \$10 when you book this excursion up to 3 days before your tour departs (On-tour price: \$69)

## Rocky Mountain National Park Region, Colorado

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### Day 3: Rocky Mountain National Park

#### Included meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Set out to explore the wonders of Rocky Mountain National Park. • Drive along the Trail Ridge Road, which soars to 12,000 feet in elevation (weather-dependent) • Take several short trail walks • Look out for wildlife including elk, bighorn sheep, moose, and bears Sample local brews during an included beer tasting and dinner this evening.

## Moab, Utah

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### Day 4: Moab via Vail

#### Included meals: Breakfast

Make several stops as you travel through the Rockies and Glenwood Canyon en route to Moab, Utah. • Stop in Vail, a famous resort town • Visit the charming mountain town of Glenwood Springs Then, continue along the continental divide to Moab.

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### Day 5: Arches National Park

#### Included meals: Breakfast

Spend a free morning in Moab or add an excursion. This afternoon, gaze at the red rock sculptures carved by nature as you explore Arches National Park, home to more than 2,000 arches, spires, domes, pinnacles, and fins. *Please note: The order of activities may vary based on season.* Enjoy a free evening in Moab or add an excursion.

## Optional Excursions

### Colorado River Raft Trip \$69/pp

Take a leisurely rafting trip down a tranquil stretch of the Colorado River, where you'll admire some of the most majestic sights of the American West. You'll float through Castle Valley and past the Fisher Towers during your time on the river. Though your raft will ride a current, you'll travel through the river's mildest stretch. Please note: This excursion is seasonal and runs March through October. Save \$10 when you book this excursion up to 3 days before your tour departs (On-tour price: \$79)

### Canyonlands River Cruise & Old West Dinner \$99/pp

Tonight, board a flat-bottomed boat for a cruise on the Colorado River. As you float along, take note of the passage of time etched on the Canyonland walls. During tonight's show, watch as lights and shadows create ever-shifting colors on the red rock canyons, and listen to the story about the formation and history of the Moab area while sipping two included drinks. Back on shore, end your evening with a cowboy-style, Dutch oven dinner. Please note: This excursion is seasonal and runs March through October. Save \$10 when you book this excursion up to 3 days before your tour departs (On-tour price: \$109)

## Park City, Utah

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### Day 6: Transfer to Park City & sightseeing tour

### Included meals: Breakfast

Enjoy the open spaces and fantastic scenery as you travel north to Park City, a popular ski resort that's also known for hosting the Sundance Film Festival. With your Tour Director leading the way, get to know the city on a guided tour. • Explore the historic Main Street, listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1979 • Pass the Park City Museum, where you can discover the city's rich past

## Jackson, Wyoming

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### Day 7: Transfer to Jackson & Grand Teton National Park

### Included meals: Breakfast

Make your way to Jackson, Wyoming this morning. Then, spend the afternoon exploring Grand Teton National Park with your Tour Director. • Admire the Grand Tetons, the youngest mountain range in the Rockies • Take short walks to view the park's unique wildlife

### Day 8: Yellowstone National Park

### Included meals: Breakfast, Dinner

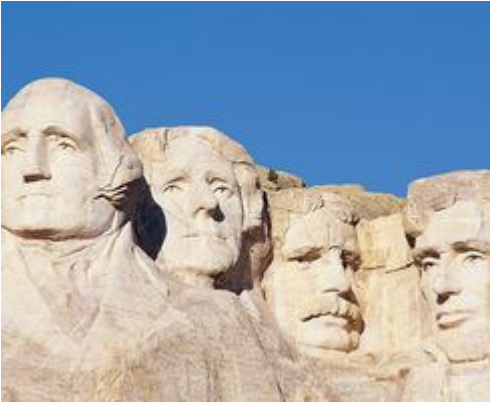
Travel to Yellowstone, which was designated the world's first national park in 1872. • Marvel at natural wonders as you explore Yellowstone National Park • Spot hot springs and geysers, including the iconic Old Faithful • View wildlife including bison, grizzly bears, elk, and wolves Enjoy a farewell dinner with your fellow travelers this evening.

### Day 9: Departure

### Included meals: Breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport for your flight home or extend your stay to visit the Badlands and Mount Rushmore.

## Add an extension to The Badlands & Mount Rushmore from \$549 4 nights



### Cody, Wyoming

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#### Day 9: Cody via Buffalo Bill Museum Center of the West

**Included meals: Breakfast**

Stop to visit the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, which was founded in 1921 by Buffalo Bill's foster son Johnny Baker, as you travel through scenic northern Wyoming. • Learn about the life, times, and legend of William "Buffalo Bill" Cody • View Buffalo Bill's show outfits • See Frederick Remington's Portrait of a Ranch Hand as well as Sitting Bull's bow and arrows Then, continue on to Cody.

### Sheridan, Wyoming

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#### Day 10: Sheridan via Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument

**Included meals: Breakfast**

Head north into Montana to pay a visit to the Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument. Then, head south into Big Horn County, Wyoming and soak in the views of the mountains and wildlife as you travel to Sheridan.

### Rapid City, South Dakota

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#### Day 11: Rapid City via Devils Tower & Crazy Horse

**Included meals: Breakfast**

Cross into South Dakota, making several stops before continuing on to Rapid City for the evening. • Visit the soaring Devils Tower National Monument, a sacred site for Native Americans • View the Crazy Horse Monument, the world's largest mountain sculpture and memorial for the legendary Lakota Chief

#### Day 12: The Badlands & Mount Rushmore

**Included meals: Breakfast**

Set out to admire some of the country's most famous attractions. • Visit Badlands National Park, a desolate landscape of sharply eroded buttes, pinnacles, and spires • Stop at Wall Drug, South Dakota's favorite general store • Stand in awe of Mount Rushmore • Enter the Lincoln Borglum Visitor Center

#### Day 13: Departure **Included meals: Breakfast (excluding early morning departures)**

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.