



WESTMINSTER

The Pacific Northwest

10 Days August 26 to September 4, 2024

The diversity of the northern Pacific Coast is such a marvel. Where else can you visit the Wine Country & the Redwood Forests, drive the rocky coastline of Oregon, visit the Waterfalls of the Columbia Gorge and explore the history of Lewis & Clark. If those marvels aren't enough, then you should know this tour starts with two nights in San Francisco and ends with two nights in Seattle.

Tour Highlights:

- San Francisco Guided City Tour
- Harbor Cruise to Alcatraz
- Fisherman's Wharf & Ghirardelli Square
- Full Day Wine Country Tour & Tastings
- Redwoods Tour with a Naturalist
- Drive-thru Chandelier Tree
- Oregon Coastline Tour with local guide
- Visit the Oregon Dunes
- Portland City Tour
- International Rose Tea Garden
- Lewis and Clark Historical Park
- Route of the Waterfalls Tour (Multnomah & Bridal Veil)
- Sea Lion Caves
- Two Hour Naturalist Cruise
- Seattle City Tour
- Seattle Underground Tour
- Seattle Space Needle
- Nine Nights Lodging
- Nine Hotel Breakfasts, One Lunch & Four Dinners
- All Taxes & Tips on these services
- Luggage Handling (as available)
- Round Trip Airfare from Denver
- Motorcoach Transportation & Driver's Gratuity

Per Person Prices Starting at:

\$4,899 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$4,599 TRIPLE...\$4,389 QUAD...\$6,399 SINGLE

\$500 per person deposit with reservation

Final Payment due by June 1, 2024

***Airfare is based on \$600 pp roundtrip. Once airfare is confirmed, any addition to this will be passed on to the customer. Airfare will not be confirmed until first deposit is received. Prices cannot be guaranteed until deposit is made.*

Travel Insurance is available and can be purchased on line at

<https://atc.tripassure.com/main/?welcome=USTO7000WV>

(Each person is responsible for their own insurance enrollment)

Register for this trip at any
City of Westminster Recreation Center

For questions call (303) 426-4310



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Day 1 – San Francisco, CA – Depart today on your flight to San Francisco, CA. On arrival, a motorcoach will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel, the Holiday Inn Express Fisherman's Wharf, for a two-night stay. Enjoy a free evening at Ghirardelli Square, featuring over 40 specialty shops and restaurants. Dinner on your own this evening.

Day 2 – San Francisco City Tour – Cruise to Alcatraz - After breakfast, meet your guide at the hotel for a San Francisco City Tour. You will enjoy historical sites to modern San Francisco architecture and the beauty and culture of the Bay area. This afternoon, take a cruise to Alcatraz. The cruise takes you along the San Francisco's waterfront, under the Golden Gate Bridge, along the Marin Headlands, around Alcatraz and back to Fisherman's Wharf. Enjoy dinner tonight on Fisherman's Wharf followed by free time to explore the area. **(B,D)**

Day 3 – Full Day Wine Country Tour – Redwood Country - After breakfast, depart San Francisco, and enjoy a full day tour of the Wine Country. Today, you will get an informative tour of the Vineyards, and enjoy samples of the wine. End the day in Redwoods Country at the Best Western Plus Humboldt House Inn. Dinner on your own this evening. **(B)**

Day 4 - Redwoods Tour – Avenue of The Giants – Crescent City - After breakfast, start the day by touring the Redwoods with a Naturalist. Wander through a grove of Redwoods and capture photo opportunities like you've rarely experienced. Home to 50 species of birds, black-tailed deer, steelhead trout and hundreds of other wild inhabitants. Visit the Chandelier 'Drive thru Tree,' where cars can drive through a Giant Sequoia. Following the tour enjoy 'The Best of Humboldt County' Picnic Lunch.

Next, drive the Avenue of the Giants with a local guide. The Avenue of the giants are the largest remaining stand of old growth redwoods in the world. Travel this afternoon to Crescent City, CA for an overnight stay. Enjoy a Seafood dinner tonight at a local restaurant. **(B,L,D)**

Day 5 - Oregon Coast – The Oregon Dunes – Sea Lion Cave – Newport, OR – This morning, meet your local guide for an Oregon Coast Tour as you travel US Highway 101 (the Pacific Coast Highway) and follow a portion of the 400-mile trek of the spectacular Oregon Coast. Along the way you will find magnificent panoramic views of the Pacific Ocean, beaches and lighthouses.

Today includes a visit to the Oregon Dunes, one of the largest expanses of temperate coastal sand dunes in the world, the stark, mist-shrouded views of dunes, forests, and ocean in such close proximity to one another are rare and hauntingly beautiful. Plus, visit the Sea Lion Caves, the world's largest sea cave and home to wild sea lions and a variety of sea birds. End the day in Newport, OR for a night at a local hotel. Dinner on your own this evening. **(B)**

Day 6 – Two-Hour Naturalist Cruise – Portland, OR – International Rose Test Garden – Guided Portland Tour - Start the day with a Two-Hour Naturalist Cruise. This cruise is narrated by a naturalist guide and gives you a chance to explore ocean life including gray whales, harbor seals, sea lions, sea slugs and other marine life.

Next, travel to Portland, OR and visit the International Rose Test Gardens. Conceived by Oregon Journal editor Jesse A. Currey in 1915, it started as a safe haven for hybrid roses grown in Europe during World War I. Flowers began arriving in Portland in 1918 and the garden and amphitheater were dedicated in 1924. The grounds are split into several smaller areas: The Royal Rosarian Garden, the Shakespeare Garden and the Miniature Rose Garden.

The Portland Rose Test Garden is the oldest official continuously operated public rose test garden in the United States. The space features more than 10,000 roses. It also offers spectacular views of downtown and Mount Hood.

Meet your guide at the International Rose Test Garden for an afternoon guided tour of Portland, one of the oldest American cities on the west coast. This tour will tell you about the history of the Pacific Northwest and the city of Portland. Tour will include Historic Old Town, Chinatown, and City Center. Tonight, check into the Courtyard by Marriott Portland City Center for the night. Enjoy dinner at the hotel this evening. **(B,D)**

Day 7 - Guided Tour of Lewis and Clark National Historic Park – Astoria, OR - After breakfast, travel to Astoria where you will enjoy a guided tour of Lewis and Clark National Historic Park. Step into the Fort Clatsop replica at Lewis and Clark National Historical Park, and you'll get a real sense of what the Corps of Discovery experienced more than 200 years ago. Rangers in buckskins offer demonstrations such as flintlock gun shooting, hide tanning, and candle making.

Check out the historic canoe landing and consider doing a hike on one of the nearby trails. At the Visitor Center, you'll find informative films, displays, and a bookstore with Lewis and Clark related books, media and other high quality merchandise. Check into your Astoria hotel for night and enjoy dinner this evening at a local restaurant. **(B,D)**

Day 8 - Multnomah & Bridal Veil Falls – Mount St. Helens Visitors Center – Seattle, WA - This morning, enjoy a Route of the Waterfalls Tour including stops at Bridal Veil & Multnomah Falls. Bridal Veil Falls runs below the historic Columbia Gorge Scenic Highway – the base of the falls standing probably no more than 20 vertical feet above the Columbia River.

Next, tour the Mount St. Helens Visitors Center. Walk through a life-like forest and experience the Eruption Chamber. Learn about forest recovery, reforestation and conservation of forest resources. Continue traveling to Seattle, WA where you enjoy a two-night stay. Dinner is on your own this evening. **(B)**

Day 9 - Seattle Underground Tour – City Tour – Space Needle - After breakfast, enjoy a 75-minute guided walking tour that begins beneath Doc Maynard's Public House, then spills into historic Pioneer Square, Seattle's birthplace, before plunging underground for an exclusive, time-capsule view of the buried city! It's the only way to tour the interconnecting tunnels of the world-famous Seattle Underground. All the while, tour guides regale you with sidesplitting stories our pioneers didn't want you to hear. It's history with punch lines! The tour ends in Rogues Gallery and the Underground Gift Shop, where you'll find displays depicting the past and Northwest memorabilia.

Next, meet your local guide for a Seattle City Tour. This afternoon you will learn the fascinating history and see the prominent sites in Seattle. Tour includes, the waterfront, Pike Street Place, Pioneer Square, Hiram Chittendum Locks and shopping district.

Also included today is a visit to The Space Needle. It features an observation deck 520 ft (160 m) above ground, providing views of the downtown Seattle skyline, the Olympic and Cascade Mountains, Mount Rainier, Mount Baker, Elliott Bay, and various islands in Puget Sound. Dinner is on your own this evening. **(B)**

Day 10 – Depart for Home - After breakfast, you will be transferred to the Seattle Airport for your return flight home. **(B)**