



Overview

GOLDEN WEST ADVENTURE

Regional Discoveries

Tour Code - 8500

15 days Los Angeles to Los Angeles

Los Angeles, Scottsdale, Williams, Las Vegas, Madera, Sonora, San Francisco, Monterey, Solvang

All inclusive prices starting at: \$1549

Spend 15 days visiting hot spots throughout California, Arizona, and Nevada. Overnights include Los Angeles, Scottsdale, Williams, Fresno, Sonora, Carmel, and Lompac-w ith three overnights in Las Vegas and San Francisco. There's plenty of time to get to know these two spectacular cities without feeling rushed. Other stops along the way include Palm Springs, home to 90 golf courses; Yosemite National Park, home to El Capitan (a 3,000-foot vertical rock formation and a mecca for climbers); Sacramento, California's historic capital; and wine country, home to many well-known wineries.

Meals

Breakfast - 0

Lunch - 0

Dinner - 0

Standard Features

SIGHTSEEING: In Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Monterey; included wine tasting. Inside visits as shown in UPPERCASE in the tour description, including admission charges when applicable.

SCENIC HIGHLIGHTS: Palm Springs, Sedona, Oak Creek Canyon, Grand Canyon National Park, Historic Route 66, Las Vegas, Yosemite National Park, Sacramento, Golden Gate Bridge, Fisherman's Wharf, Nob Hill, Monterey, 17-Mile Drive, Carmel, Solvang, and coastal Santa Barbara.

GUIDES: Services of a professional Tour Director.

TRANSPORTATION: Private, deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach while touring.

HOTELS: Twin-bedded rooms with private bath or shower, hotel taxes, service charges, and tips for baggage handling. Listed hotels or equivalent.

OPTIONALS: Customise your holiday experience with a range of convenient optional excursions.

Itinerary

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Day by Day

Day	Description
1	LOS ANGELES. Enjoy time at leisure to relax or to do some independent exploring. Your Tour Director is on hand this evening to answer any questions.
2	LOS ANGELES - PALM SPRINGS - SCOTTSDALE. Begin the day with a sightseeing tour of the world's "Capital of Glamour", including a drive through Hollywood and famous Grauman's Chinese Theatre. A stop in the desert oasis of Palm Springs with its distinctive wind farms, 5,000 swimming pools, and 90 golf courses. Ocotillo and cholla cacti dot the desert landscape as you cross the great Colorado River and continue into Arizona, where the unmistakable saguaro stands sentinel. Arrive in the mountain-ringed desert resort of Scottsdale in the late afternoon.
3	SCOTTSDALE - SEDONA - GRAND CANYON - FLAGSTAFF. Your first stop is Sedona, a thriving centre for New Age arts set in canyon country. Next, we pass through the weather-sculptured rock formations of Oak Creek Canyon and up onto the Mogollon Rim, passing the San Francisco Peaks and arriving at one of the natural wonders of the world - the Grand Canyon. There is time to stroll the canyon rim. For a once-in-a-lifetime experience, take

our optional helicopter flightseeing excursion for incomparable views of flame-coloured walls plunging 6,000 feet into the Colorado River. Overnight in Flagstaff.

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- 4** **FLAGSTAFF - LAS VEGAS.**
 Leave Flagstaff on historic Route 66 and cross the old Mohave gold strike country, which still bears traces of century-old ghost towns set in natural desert beauty. By late afternoon, reach Las Vegas, a fantastic city of feverish gambling, neon lights, and glamorous shows. This evening, enjoy our optional outing to relive the revelry and timeless music of the Rat Pack in one of the only theatres in Las Vegas that recreates the authentic dinner and show that was common with some of the city's most famous entertainers back in their heyday. Finish the evening with a stop at Glitter Gulch for the "Freemont Street Experience" light show.
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- 5** **LAS VEGAS.**
 The morning and afternoon are free for you to swim and sunbathe at the hotel pool or explore the varied casinos. Try an optional river float trip through the Black Canyon.
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- 6** **LAS VEGAS.**
 Another full day at leisure. Your Tour Director will have plenty of activities to choose from and will recommend favourite restaurants and shopping areas.
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- 7** **LAS VEGAS - MADERA.**
 A day of striking contrast as you journey across the desert landscape of Nevada before crossing into California. Overnight in Madera, located in California's Central Valley.
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- 8** **MADERA - YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK - SONORA.**
 Leave Madera for YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, a wonderland of spectacular lakes, cascading waterfalls, lush forest, giant granite domes, pinnacles, and mountains rising as much as 4,000 feet above the valley floor. We then drive to Sonora, once a thriving centre in the Gold Rush era and well known for its collection of Victorian homes.
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- 9** **SONORA - SACRAMENTO - SAN FRANCISCO.**
 This morning we visit Sacramento, California's historic state capital, home to more than 40 art galleries and dozens of museums. There's time to visit historic Old Town, the nation's largest collection of Gold Rush-era buildings. We continue west to the "Golden Gate City" of San Francisco, famous for its hills and cable cars. Our included sightseeing tour takes in the spectacular Golden Gate Bridge, and bustling Fisherman's Wharf.
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- 10** **SAN FRANCISCO - WINE COUNTRY EXCURSION.**
 This morning, cross the famous Golden Gate Bridge to wine country for a guided tour and WINE TASTING at one of the many wineries. Next up: Sonoma, a picturesque valley known for its wine grapes. Afterward, visit the pristine waterfront community of Sausalito. Free time to explore this quaint, Mediterranean-style village's shops, galleries, and breathtaking views.
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- 11** **SAN FRANCISCO.**
 This morning, visit the famous and fascinating ALCATRAZ PRISON. Get a close-up look at the infamous federal penitentiary that was off limits to the public for years. Afterward, the day is yours to do some more exploring in the "City by the Bay". Choose from a variety of optional excursions. Note: The Alcatraz Prison visit is a value of \$26.00
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- 12** **SAN FRANCISCO - 17-MILE DRIVE - CARMEL - MONTEREY.**
 This morning, a visit to Fisherman's wharf in Monterey, known for its historic waterfront, delicious seafood, and unique shopping. Next, we take spectacular 17-Mile Drive and watch the waves of the Pacific Ocean en route to Carmel, made famous by John Steinbeck's novel Cannery Row. Situated on Carmel Bay and nestled in a pine forest, the one-square-mile village of Carmel is incredibly dynamic, yet still quaint and picturesque. During your free time, why not visit Carmel village, where you can relax, unwind, and enjoy the peaceful, European ambience as you stroll through winding streets and explore secluded alleyways and courtyards. This afternoon, return to Monterey and Cannery Row. During your free time this afternoon, consider a visit to Monterey Bay Aquarium, known for its interactive exhibits and teeming sea life.
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- 13** **MONTEREY - SOLVANG**

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This morning, we pick up the Old Spanish Mission Trail to Solvang, where Denmark has been recreated with picturesque buildings and windmills. There's time to walk the flower-lined village streets and enjoy the quaint "Old World" architecture. Tasty bakery treats and perhaps a Danish smorgasbord for dinner all add to the unique experience of Solvang.

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SLOVANG - SANTA BARBARA - LOS ANGELES.

From Solvang it's a short drive south to coastal Santa Barbara. Sightseeing includes a photo stop at the historic mission and a visit to the pier. Follow the Pacific coastline past the fine sandy beaches of Malibu and Santa Monica, reaching Los Angeles in the late afternoon.

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LOS ANGELES

The vacation ends today with guests departing on individual schedules. Transfers are provided to Los Angeles International Airport.

Dates/Prices

NB: All prices listed are per person

MARCH 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
GD	25 Mar 2010	8 Apr 2010	On Request	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

APRIL 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
GD	22 Apr 2010	6 May 2010	On Request	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

MAY 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
GD	6 May 2010	20 May 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
GD	13 May 2010	27 May 2010	On Request	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
GD	27 May 2010	10 Jun 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

JUNE 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
GD	10 Jun 2010	24 Jun 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
GD	17 Jun 2010	1 Jul 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	24 Jun 2010	8 Jul 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

JULY 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	8 Jul 2010	22 Jul 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	15 Jul 2010	29 Jul 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	22 Jul 2010	5 Aug 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	29 Jul 2010	12 Aug 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

AUGUST 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
GD	5 Aug 2010	19 Aug 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	12 Aug 2010	26 Aug 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	26 Aug 2010	9 Sep 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

SEPTEMBER 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	3 Sep 2010	17 Sep 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

	9 Sep 2010	23 Sep 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	16 Sep 2010	30 Sep 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	23 Sep 2010	7 Oct 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	24 Sep 2010	8 Oct 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US
	30 Sep 2010	14 Oct 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

OCTOBER 2010

Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
28 Oct 2010	11 Nov 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

NOVEMBER 2010

Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
4 Nov 2010	18 Nov 2010	Open	\$1549 US	\$2156 US

ACCOMMODATION PRICES

Pre & Post Tour	City	Start Date	End Date	Single Price	Twin Price	Triple Price
PRE	Los Angeles	1 Jan 2010	31 Dec 2010	\$123 US	\$72 US	\$62 US
POST	Los Angeles	1 Jan 2010	31 Dec 2010	\$123 US	\$72 US	\$62 US

OPTIONAL CHARGES

Type	Name	Price
OPTIONAL	Gratuity	\$135US

The tours departures marked  are guaranteed to operate.

Furthermore, Cosmos guarantees most departures that are still in operation 45 days prior to the published departure date, and at such time will be displayed on this website. Throughout our peak period, 1 May to 15 October, Cosmos guarantee most departures that are still in operation 60 days prior to departure.

PLEASE NOTE: This guarantee does not apply in any situation where the safety of clients is at potential risk (any act of terrorism or war, political unrest, global health warnings or Force Majeure**, etc); or when the operation of a vacation is not possible for reasons beyond our control (such as industrial action/strikes and operational restrictions); to multiple coach departures (i.e. "A" coach) or late cancellation of group parties.

**Force Majeure: French for "act of God; an inevitable, unpredictable act of nature, not dependent on act of man. Used in insurance contracts to refer to acts of nature such as earthquakes or lightning."

*** Availability**

- **Open** - There is at least one seat available on this departure date and can be confirmed to you via your travel agent at the time of booking. Please note availability may be subject to change and is updated on this website at 24 hour intervals.
- **On Request** - All seats allocated to the Australasian market have been sold for tours that marked on request. However seats MAY still be available from another Cosmos office worldwide. These seats can be requested and normally take 2 business days after a booking has been made to be confirmed.

Optional Tours

To help plan your leisure time, as well as your pre-tour budgeting, here is a list of optional excursions that may be offered on this tour. Availability is subject to sufficient participation, weather conditions, seasonal suitability, group interests, and general feasibility for your tour. Please note prices may be based on the previous year and are subject to change. Full terms and conditions are contained in the important travel documents.

Cost	Description
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USD

Name:STARS' HOMES TOUR

Location:LOS ANGELES

Details:Cruise the Sunset Strip on our way to Beverly Hills and Bel Air where you will see a dazzling array of Stars' Homes, and well groomed parks, manicured gardens and Hillside Estates. Tour is approximately 2 hours.

115
USD

Name:DISNEYLAND-GUIDELINE

Location:LOS ANGELES

Details:Spend a full day in the happiest place on earth! Included in the price are admission to the Magic Kingdom and unlimited rides on the various attractions in the five lands. Experience the thrill of The Matterhorn, the charm of It's a Small World, the surprises of the Haunted Mansion, and the many colourful parades and shows.

149
USD

Name:GRAND CANYON HELICOPTER FLIGHTSEEING

Location:GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK

Details:Enjoy breathtaking scenery on a 30-minute helicopter flight over the majestic Grand Canyon. It's an experience you'll never forget! Upgrades to an Eco Star Helicopter may be available for an additional charge. Please talk to your tour director if interested.

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USD

Name:GRAND CANYON IMAX

Location:GRAND CANYON

Details:This 40-minute multimedia presentation introduces you to the ancient wonders of the Grand Canyon. Learn about its folklore, its mysterious primitive tribes, and the many legends of this unique area. The film also focuses on the adventurous exploration of the Colorado River by John Wesley Powell and his expedition.

88
USD

Name:RAT PACK DINNER AND SHOW WITH THE FREEMONT STREET EXPERIENCE

Location:LAS VEGAS

Details:Before there was Elvis there was The Rat Pack - Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis Jr., Joey Bishop and Dean Martin - who won over audiences with their cool musical styling's and playful stage demeanour during their run at the Sands in the original Copa Room. Relive the revelry and timeless music of the Rat Pack in one of the only theatres in Las Vegas with an actual dinner in the showroom, re-creating the authentic dinner and a show Vegas experience that was common with some of the city's most famous entertainers back in their heyday. Finish the evening with a stop at Glitter Gulch for the "Freemont Street Experience" light show.

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USD

Name:IMPERIAL GRAND CANYON HELICOPTER FLIGHTSEEING

Location:GRAND CANYON

Details:Board your helicopter at the South Rim heliport and relax in comfort as you take to the skies of the gorgeous North Rim and Eastern Gorge. Soar past the Dragon Corridor and the Dragon's head, and then discover the Kaibab Forest and the Kaibab Plateau as you fly through the widest and deepest region of the Canyon. Photographers and non-photographers alike will fully enjoy this dazzling tour and witness amazing sights like the Painted Desert, the Zuni Corridor, and the convergence of the Little Colorado River with the Colorado River, Point Imperial, and Temple Butte. The Canyon just goes on and on from there. This flight is approximately 45-50 minutes.

127
USD

Name:BLACK CANYON RAFT TRIP WITH TRANSPORTATION

Location:LAS VEGAS

Details:A leisurely float trip aboard a motor-assisted raft starting at the base of Hoover Dam and travelling through one of the Colorado river's most beautiful canyons. Learn about the history, desert wildlife, and beauty in the Black Canyon. Be prepared for possible sightings of Big horn sheep, osprey and the Great Blue Heron - bring your camera! A box lunch is included. Trip is approximately three hours; suitable for all ages and no paddling experience necessary. (Transportation is included)

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USD

Name:GRAND CELEBRATION HELICOPTER EXPERIENCE

Location:LAS VEGAS

Details:Embark on an unforgettable, narrated flight from Boulder City to the floor of the Grand Canyon. Descend 4,000 feet toward your exclusive landing site and enjoy breathtaking beauty of the Grand Canyon. Touch down by the banks of the Colorado River. Compliment your journey with a delightful picnic meal and refreshments served under an authentic Indian "Ramada". Your tour also includes majestic views of historic Boulder City, Lake Mead, the Hoover Dam, and extinct

volcanoes.

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USD
- Name:**HOOVER DAM CLASSIC
Location:LAS VEGAS
Details:Travel to the Hoover Dam in style and comfort aboard our custom Suburbans. Your talented guide will share points of interest and answer questions along the way. You'll truly appreciate the extra care and comfort you receive from Pink Jeep Tours. The Hoover Dam Discovery Tour offers ample time for exploring this National Historic Landmark and engineering wonder of the world. See live presentations, a fascinating film on the dam's construction and history, exhibit gallery, observation deck and venture down to the observation room in the power plant to view the massive generators. You'll encounter dramatic views of both the Colorado River as well as Lake Mead, the largest man made body of water in the Western Hemisphere. Tour time four hours.
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- 38**
USD
- Name:**EVENING IN CHINATOWN
Location:SAN FRANCISCO
Details:Explore this vibrant historic section of San Francisco that houses the largest Chinese community outside of Asia. Included in this evening's agenda is a lavish four-course dinner in an authentic Chinese restaurant. This evening will include a short walking tour of Chinatown plus a ride on San Francisco famous Cable Cars.
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USD
- Name:**MUIR WOODS, SAUSALITO AND BAY CRUISE
Location:SAN FRANCISCO
Details:North across the Golden Gate Bridge lie two of California's most unique tourist attractions. Marin County, one of the most affluent counties in the United States, is home to one of the few remaining groves of virgin Coastal Redwoods. These redwoods are among the tallest and oldest trees in existence. The nature trail at Muir Woods leads you into the heart of its cathedral-like grove. Sausalito is an alluring village of art galleries, quaint shops and waterfront restaurants with views of San Francisco across the bay. Then enjoy a cruise along the historic waterfront, with a close-up view of Alcatraz, the Golden Gate Bridge, Pier 39, and the sea lions. This tour is approximately six-hours.
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- Name:**MUIR WOODS AND SAUSALITO
Location:SAN FRANCISCO
Details:North across the Golden Gate Bridge lie two of California's most unique tourist attractions. Marin County, one of the most affluent counties in the United States, is home to one of the few remaining groves of virgin Coastal Redwoods. These redwoods are among the tallest and oldest trees in existence. The nature trail at Muir Woods leads you into the heart of its cathedral-like grove. Sausalito is an alluring village of art galleries, quaint shops and waterfront restaurants with views of San Francisco across the bay. This tour is approximately four-hours.
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USD
- Name:**ROCKET BOAT
Location:SAN FRANCISCO
Details:Get blown away on this 30-minute high-speed tour of the City's historic waterfront. Sail past the sea lions, zoom to the Bay Bridge, fly down to ATandT Park, scream past Treasure Island, and breeze by Alcatraz on the way back to PIER 39. This exciting ride pauses occasionally to allow passengers to catch their breath and capture unique sightseeing and photo opportunities unavailable on other tours. Rocket Boat, it's an extreme adventure powered by biodiesel fuel. A blast on the Bay that is not to be missed.
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USD
- Name:**MONTEREY BAY AQUARIUM
Location:MONTEREY
Details:Explore the wonders of our ocean planet in nearly 200 galleries and exhibits at one of the world's finest aquariums. Highlights include a million-gallon indoor ocean with giant bluefin tuna, sharks, sea turtles, stingrays and barracuda; plus the largest jellyfish exhibits anywhere.
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- 30**
USD
- Name:**HOP ON HOP OFF DOUBLE DECKER BUS
Location:LOS ANGELES
Details:Sightsee at your own pace Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Downtown L.A. and more, with unlimited hop-on, hop-off opportunities at more than 40 stops on 4 loops! (48 hour pass)

[Tour Map](#)

