





## Western United States with emphasis on National Parks

Yellowstone, Grand Teton, Zion National Park, the Grand Canyon, the Rocky Mountains in Colorado

## 10 days

A tour of the United States can be a lot of different things- from visits to major cities, to visits to amusement and theme parks, to visits to national parks- Treasures of varied natural phenomena of epic proportions that stretch over thousands of kilometers. Glaciers, majestic forests, swamps, deep canyons, rivers and waterfalls, springs and geysers, pools with bubbling mud, and "Grand Teton Park" with lakes and vistas of snow-covered mountains. We will see breathtaking sights in the Grand Canyon, and heavenly beauty in Zion Park. We will also visit Colorado which offers some of the most beautiful vistas in the United States.

## **ITINERARY**

#### Day 1, Wednesday, Bozeman- Yellowstone, Mammoth Springs

We will arrive to Bozeman where we will be met by staff from Shai Bar Ilan Geographical Tours at the hotel. Bozeman is adjacent to the northern entrance of Yellowstone National Park- that in 1872 became the first park in the US to be recognized as a national park. Until today, it remains the largest and most famous of all the national parks in the US. The park is famous because of its waterfalls, its stunning vistas and the very great variety of wildlife who inhabit it. We will see miraculous natural sights- waterfalls, canyons, hot springs. We will visit Mammoth Hot Springs which are rich in minerals that are slowly released from the water during the spray and evaporation process and form terraces one on the other forming a spectacular display of levels in many shades of colors: white, pink, orange, yellow, and brown- all within the mist of the hot springs.



# <u>Day 2, Thursday, Yellowstone, Tower Falls, Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone, Norris Geyser, Old Faithful- Jackson</u>

Today we will continue our tour in Yellowstone Park. We will see Tower Falls, the most popular falls in the park. We will continue on to the canyon termed "the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone" – not to be confused with the Grand Canyon! It is one of the most amazing areas of the park. We will enjoy the impressive view of Yellowstone River that twists and turns flowing deeply at the bottom of tall cliffs. Yellowstone is famous primarily for the many memorable geysers in it. In this park there are more than 300 geysers. We will see Norris Geyser, the tallest in Yellowstone with the hottest water. We will walk on a wooden path that will take us between a number of geysers and mud pools. We will continue to the very famous geyser, "Old Faithful" that erupts every hour to hour and a half to a height of 50 meters (55 yards). We will leave Yellowstone and travel south to the city of Jackson, Wyoming.

#### Day 3, Friday, Grand Teton

Today we will visit the Grand Teton National Park which was designated a national park in 1929 and spreads over an area of 1,300 square kilometers (502 square miles) in the northwest of the state of Wyoming. The park contains the most important peaks of the Teton mountain range, a range that is more than 60 kilometers (37 miles) in length and also the greater northern part of the valley of Jackson Hole. We will see the jagged granite cliffs at an altitude of 4200 meters (4,600 yards) and their snowy peaks reflected in the beautiful Jenny Lake. There we will take a lovely short boat ride. At the end of our visit, we will return to the hotel and begin our preparations for shabbat. Shabbat dinner.

#### Day 4, Shabbat, Jackson

After shabbat prayers and our main meal, we will go out on a walking tour in the vicinity of the hotel.

#### Day 5, Sunday, Jackson- Salt Lake City

After breakfast we will bid farewell to Wyoming and will cross the border to Utah on our way to Salt Lake City, the capital city of Utah and its cultural and commercial center. It is also the spiritual center of the Mormons and this is its uniqueness. The city lies beside the Great Salt Lake, thought to be the second saltiest body of water in the world- second only to the Dead Sea. Upon arrival, we will do a city tour.

#### <u>Day 6, Monday, Salt Lake City - Zion Park - Las Vegas</u>

Today we will go out to visit Zion National Park, the largest and most popular of the parks in Utah. In its center is a canyon through which flows Virgin River. The park is characterized by sandstone peaks in a variety of colors, narrow and deep canyons, a flowing river, pools and waterfalls, coniferous forests, and a wide variety of wildlife. At the end of our visit, we will set off for Las Vegas.





#### Day 7, Tuesday, Las Vegas, Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam

This morning, we will drive to Gand Canyon National Park. It is the largest canyon on earth. (after it come Fish River Canyon in Namibia and Blyde River Canyon in South Africa) This area still belongs to the Hualapai Indians. We will go to a viewpoint of the canyon and to the glass bridge that is hug over the canyon. This is one of the experiences that people find unforgettable. After our tour we will return to Las Vegas, stopping on the way to see Hoover Dam- the largest dam in the United States. In the evening, we will go out for a tour of the craziest city in the world- the designs and kitsch of the hotels and casinos are sights you will not forget soon- from the Paris Hotel which has in its center the Eiffel Tower, by way of New York hotel which has a Statue of Liberty in the center, to real gondolas making their way through artificial canals at the Venetian Hotel.

#### Day 8, Wednesday, Las Vegas- Denver- Park "Garden of the Gods"

Today we will go to the airport and fly to Denver, the capital of Colorado, which lies at the foot of the Rocky Mountains. After landing, we will go to visit "Garden of the Gods" park which contains red rocks in all different forms that were fashioned by nature 300 million years ago. Along the park there are walking paths of varying difficulties, we will take a short and pleasant walk.

#### Day 9, Thursday, Denver, Rocky Mountain National Park

After breakfast we will visit Rocky Mountain National Park. There we will meet the wild nature of Colorado with an amazing abundance of mountains, lakes, and wildlife. This park has more than 190 mountain peaks, about 150 lakes, and more than 500 kilometers (310 miles) of walking trails. In this park dwell black bears, elk, deer, and more animals.

#### Day 10, Friday, Denver, Rocky Mountain National Park

Our rich and moving adventure is completed, we will travel to the airport and fly filled with wonderful experiences back home.

### **Dates, Prices and Important Information**

Tour Code	Departs	Returns	Duration	Price	Single Supplement	Guide
EUSA1007	10 JUL 2024	19 JUL 2024	10 DAYS	\$5980	\$1860	
EUSA1408	14 AUG 2024	23 AUG 2024	10 DAYS	\$5980	\$1860	

#### The rate includes:

- Domestic Flight
- First class hotels or the best available locally
- Comfortable air-conditioned touring coach for travelling
- Kosher half board & supplies for making sandwiches for lunch
- Professional experienced Shai Bar Ilan guide
- Tips for local service providers
- Entrance fees to all sites mentioned in the tour plan



#### The rate does not include:

- International Flights
- Travel and baggage Insurance
- Personal expenses
- Tip for Shai Bar Ilan Tour guide (Recommended: \$5 per person per day)

#### **Terms of cancellation**

- From the time of registration, US \$ 47 per passenger for cancellation fees which will be charged in any case
- \* From 21-60 working days before embarking on the trip: 30% of the price of the trip to the traveler (on trips to South America cancellation fees apply from 60 working days before the departure of the trip from Israel)
- \* From 7-20 working days before embarking on a trip: 50% of the price of the trip to the passenger
- \* Less than 7 working days before departure: 100% cancellation fee including all associated costs such as visa,
- \* Cancellation fees for domestic flights: Any flight booked will be subject to full cancellation fees on the passenger.

#### **Important Information**

- Fridays and Saturdays, holidays and holidays in Israel, Sundays and holidays abroad are not counted as a working day.
- If any flight tickets were issued or additional services such as visas were purchased, etc., their prices will be added to the above cancellation fees
- ❖ The price of the trip is based on a minimum of 15 paying travelers
- The passenger is responsible for the final updates, all the many changes that are made in the final route after updating domestic flights and changes of travel agents abroad. Tour itineraries undergo changes according to the above, as well as due to serious climatic changes or hazards which require necessary changes. As travel agents, we do not have control over many changes that are required, which are made many months after the tour was originally planned. In the event that the passenger finds it necessary to cancel registration for the tour due to these changes in the itinerary, the passenger will be refunded all his/her money.
- The trip is subject to the conditions and responsibilities as they appear on the website
- Passports must be valid for at least 6 months beyond the return date from the tour
- There may be changes in the itinerary due to changes in internal flight times and other objective reasons