

Capture the glitz and grandeur of the Southwest from California's vibrant coast and enchanting deserts to the wondrous Grand Canyon and incomparable Las Vegas.



Explore the Grand Canyon

Southwest Discovery

TOUR PACE

Discover America's great Southwest on this active tour which includes five two-night stays in Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Grand Canyon National Park and San Diego and two one night stays in Scottsdale and Palm springs.

HOTELS

Luxurious, centrally located, soothing or exciting - your hotels were selected to reflect the eclectic personalities of each destination. Enjoy the city settings of the InterContinental Hotel Los Angeles, the San Diego Marriott Gaslamp Quarter and the action packed Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino in Las Vegas. Retreat to the relaxing Hilton Palm Springs and InterContinental Montelucia Resort & Spa in Scottsdale and the scenic surroundings of your National Park Lodge at the Grand Canyon.



Have fun exploring the Las Vegas Strip

DAY 1 – ARRIVE LOS ANGELES. Welcome to the City of Angels! On arrival at Los Angeles International Airport, your airport transfer service takes you to your tour hotel. Please join your Tour Director and your fellow travellers at 6 p.m. for a *Welcome Drink* at the hotel.
Hotel: InterContinental Los Angeles Century City.

DAY 2 – LOS ANGELES SIGHTSEEING. Start your discovery tour following in the footsteps of the stars at the *Hollywood Walk of Fame* and see the iconic *Grauman's Chinese Theatre* and the *Hollywood Sign*. *Enjoy the red carpet treatment as you are taken on a private guided tour of the Kodak Theatre*, home of the Academy Awards. Next, visit the boutiques and restaurants at The Grove, LA's ultimate entertainment destination, and the adjacent *historic Farmers Market*. This afternoon, follow the ocean breeze to laid-back *Santa Monica*. Stroll along Palisades Park and visit the historic pier or the Third Street Promenade shopping and dining pedestrian area. *Dinner tonight is at a restaurant in stylish Beverly Hills.* (B,HD)

DAY 3 – LOS ANGELES – PALM SPRINGS. Leave dazzling Los Angeles for *Palm Springs*, the desert oasis and popular getaway of old-time stars. Stop at the *Desert Springs Premium Outlets* for top value designer shopping. Arriving in Palm Springs, feel the air cool as you *ascend 5,873 feet (1,791 meters) on the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway* into the pines of Mount San Jacinto. The views of the valley below are breathtaking. Descending back into the desert, drive past homes of *rich and famous celebrities* while learning about *Palms Springs history* and *Native American heritage*. Tonight is at your leisure to stroll the chic shops, galleries and restaurants. Hotel: Hilton Palm Springs (B)

DAY 4 – PALM SPRINGS – LAS VEGAS. Rise early and experience the magic of the desert in the morning on an optional excursion to Joshua Tree National Park with its rich cultural history, surreal geologic features and fascinating wildlife. Or relax with a leisurely breakfast at the hotel. On the way out to Las Vegas, stop at historic Hadley Fruit Orchards for a chance to buy the finest dried fruit and nuts and indulge in its celebrated date shake. Arrive in Las Vegas late afternoon, just in time for some fun in Sin City!
Hotel: Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino (B)

DAY 5 – LAS VEGAS AT LEISURE. Today is yours to enjoy as you please. Relax by the swimming pool, try your luck at the casinos and have fun exploring the Strip -- look out for pirates sinking a galleon at Treasure Island and the musical water ballet at the Bellagio! Shoppers will enjoy browsing the Forum Shops at Caesars or the ultra luxurious Crystals at the new CityCenter featuring the world's most elite designers. (B)

DAY 6 – LAS VEGAS – GRAND CANYON. Leaving Las Vegas, see the Hoover Dam, the engineering marvel spanning the Colorado River. Travel a portion of *Historic Route 66*, stopping at the iconic *outposts of Kingman and Seligman*. This afternoon, you'll be awed by the immense landscape as you enter *Grand Canyon National Park*. Carved by the Colorado River over millennia, the colossal canyon is ranked as a top natural wonder of the world. Later, join

your Tour Director for a *sunset walk along the rim*. This evening, *enjoy dinner at a restaurant in the Grand Canyon*. Hotel: National Park Lodges (B,HD)

DAY 7 – GRAND CANYON SIGHTSEEING. Rise early for one of Mother Nature's grandest shows – sunrise at the Grand Canyon. *Join a local expert for an exclusive presentation on the history and geology of this 1.7 billion-year-old wonder*. Then, explore the canyon's South Rim with your Tour Director, stopping at spectacular overlooks all along Desert View Drive. Learn about Native American culture while keeping an eye out for deer, bighorn sheep and the California condor. The afternoon is yours to do as you please. Maybe explore Canyon Village, attend a free Ranger Program, take a short hike into the canyon or take an optional flightseeing tour by helicopter or airplane. (B)

DAY 8 – GRAND CANYON – SCOTTSDALE. Leave the Grand Canyon behind and wind down stunning *Oak Creek Canyon* as you enter Red Rock Country. Admire the red rock formations used as backdrops for many Western movies as you arrive in mystical *Sedona*. There is time to explore the town on your own or join an optional jeep tour before continuing south. *Visit Montezuma Castle National Monument, one of North America's best preserved cliff dwellings*. Arrive in Scottsdale and your stunning resort.
Hotel: InterContinental Montelucia Resort & Spa (B,D)

DAY 9 – SCOTTSDALE – SAN DIEGO. Head towards the Pacific coast, driving past the giant saguaro cacti of the *Sonoran Desert* and the Imperial Sand Dunes of California. Arrive in *San Diego*, California's second largest city, boasting a dazzling cityscape and one of the most beautiful natural harbours in the world.
Hotel: San Diego Marriott Gaslamp Quarter (B)

DAY 10 – SAN DIEGO SIGHTSEEING. Explore San Diego starting with the historic *Gaslamp Quarter, quaint Seaport Village, the Embarcadero and Balboa Park*, the nation's largest urban cultural park. The afternoon is at leisure; perhaps visit the San Diego Zoo or take a harbour cruise and explore Coronado Island, home to the iconic Hotel Del Coronado. This evening, head for *Old Town San Diego State Historic Park*, celebrating San Diego's rich Spanish heritage. *Enjoy the mariachi bands and raise your Margarita to your newfound friends at a Highlight Dinner* with your Tour Director at a local Mexican restaurant. (B,HD)

DAY 11 – SAN DIEGO – DEPART LOS ANGELES. Stop in sparkling *La Jolla, "the jewel" by the sea*, before continuing on to *Mission San Juan Capistrano to learn about the legendary returning swallows and California mission history*. Your tour ends in Los Angeles with a departure transfer to Los Angeles International Airport and the tour hotel in Los Angeles for guests wishing to extend their stay. (B) *Please do not schedule flights before 5 p.m.*

11 DAYS ~ CALIFORNIA ~ NEVADA ~ ARIZONA

- Key**
- PREMIUM HIGHLIGHTS
 - PERSONAL INSIGHTS
 - HIGHLIGHT DINNERS
 - WELCOME DRINK
 - ORIENTATION TOUR
 - CENTRAL HOTELS + NIGHTS
 - SCENIC HOTELS + NIGHTS
 - HERITAGE HOTEL + NIGHT
 - STAY INSIDE NATIONAL PARKS
- See hotel details on pages 47-49

Hear behind-the-scene stories at the Kodak Theatre

Enjoy a stylish dinner in Beverly Hills

Hollywood Walk of Fame



Ascend 5,873ft on the Aerial tramway



Enjoy a talk on geology by a local expert

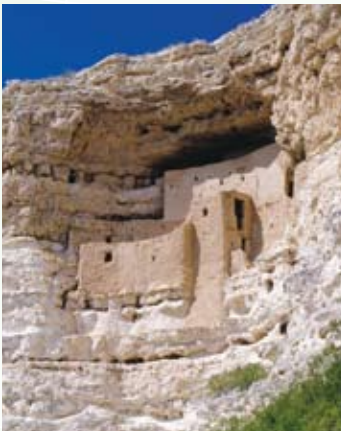
Enjoy dinner with breathtaking views

Visit one of California's original 21 missions

Learn about the "Miracle of the Swallows"




Visit Montezuma Castle National Monument



Included Premium Highlights

- Ascend the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, the world's largest rotating aerial tramway, to the cool pines of Mount San Jacinto
- Visit Montezuma Castle National Monument, one of the best preserved cliff dwellings in North America
- Visit Mission San Juan Capistrano, one of California's original 21 missions

Included Personal Insights

- Step beyond the Red Carpet and hear behind-the-scene stories about the Oscars at the Kodak Theatre
- Enjoy a talk on the geology of the Grand Canyon by a local expert
- Learn about California's 21 Spanish Missions and the "Miracle of the Swallows" at Mission San Juan Capistrano

Included Other Excursions & Sights

- Drive along the legendary Sunset Strip and discover Hollywood's main iconic sights
- Explore The Grove and historic Farmers Market, one of LA's favorite shopping and dining destinations
- Stroll through the attraction-packed seaside community of Santa Monica
- Shop for designer bargains at the Premium Outlets in Desert Springs
- Tour Palm Springs and learn about its famous past and present residents
- Travel along a portion of Route 66 and stop at two iconic outposts
- Explore the Grand Canyon on a morning excursion and a sunset rim walk
- Drive through spectacular Oak Creek Canyon and Red Rock Country
- Stop in artistic Sedona, enjoy its red rock formations and learn about its mystical energy vortexes
- Journey through the Sonoran Desert dotted with the ever-present saguaro cactus
- Explore San Diego's downtown attractions, the waterfront and Balboa Park
- Visit Old Town San Diego State Historic Park, commemorating San Diego's transformation from a Mexican pueblo to an American settlement
- Stop in the coastal resort of La Jolla, the jewel of Southern California's coast

Included First Class Services

- Escorted by a professional Tour Director
- Luxury air-conditioned 40 seat coach with extended legroom and onboard restroom
- Insight hotels include all service charges, taxes and portage
- Insight Traveller document wallet, map book journal and information pack
- Airport arrival and departure transfers on Day 1 and Day 11

Included Quality Dining

- 3 Highlight Dinners of local cuisine in Beverly Hills, at the Grand Canyon and San Diego's Old Town (HD)
- 10 Full Breakfasts (B) and 1 three-course table d'hôte Dinner or Buffet (D)

Enjoy the mariachi bands at a Farewell Dinner

Explore Balboa Park



TOUR CODE: ASWD **Save up to US\$215 p.p. with our Early Payment Discount**

Starts	Ends	Twin Share	Single Supp.	Starts	Ends	Twin Share	Single Supp.	Starts	Ends	Twin Share	Single Supp.
Los Angeles -	Los Angeles	p.p.	Option	Los Angeles -	Los Angeles	p.p.	Option	Los Angeles -	Los Angeles	p.p.	Option
May 13	- May 23	\$2150	\$925	Jul 22	- Aug 01	\$2150	\$925	Sep 09	- Sep 19	\$2150	\$925
Jun 17	- Jun 27	\$2150	\$925	Aug 19	- Aug 29	\$2150	\$925	Sep 23	- Oct 03	\$2150	\$925

Supplements

Pre & post tour accommodation

Per person, per night	Twin	Single	Triple
InterContinental			
Los Angeles Century City	\$106	\$212	\$92

Accommodation prices are per person, per night, room & taxes only. Airport transfers are not included with pre and post tour accommodation – see page 50 for details.

Notes

All prices are per person sharing a twin room. All tours start on Friday and end on Monday.

Reductions

- SAVE \$195 per person with Triple room reduction
 - SAVE \$295 per person with Quad room reduction
 - Insight's Great Savings & Discounts**
 - SAVE \$215 per person with Young Traveller Discount
 - SAVE up to \$108 per person with 2nd Tour Discount
 - SAVE up to \$108 per person with Frequent Traveller Discount
- | Early Payment Discount | 12 months | 10 months | 6 months |
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| SAVE per person | \$215 | \$161 | \$108 |
- For additional information regarding Insight's Great Savings and Discounts, please see page 50.

DEF **Definite Departures (DEF)** are tour dates guaranteed to operate. These are regularly updated and listed on our website www.insightvacations.com (see page 50 for details).

Included are worth approximately \$202

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