



# WONDERS of the WEST

Four departures only!  
June 10 - 19, July 15 - 24  
August 12 - 21, &  
September 2 - 11, 2012

The ultimate in scenery and comfort to Grand Teton, Yellowstone and Glacier National parks with fine hotels, complete sightseeing, fine dining and two great train rides, aboard the California Zephyr and the Empire Builder.

Without question, both Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks are truly 'Wonders of the West' and offer some of the most stunning scenery in North America. Grand Teton, with its jagged mountains, pristine lakes and rich wildlife is a jewel and Yellowstone, with its geysers, hot springs and waterfalls is a visual feast. Not as well known, but equally splendid is Glacier National Park, Montana with its storied 'Going to the Sun' Highway over the Continental Divide and happily, we have combined all three of these great National Parks into one glorious holiday with excellent hotels, epic scenery and intelligent planning. Nicer still, ALL sightseeing is included, from a float trip on the Snake River during our visit to Grand Teton, to complete touring in Yellowstone including Old Faithful and during our stay in Glacier National Park, the fabled red open-air 'jammer' buses. There is a professional tour manager to handle the details from start to finish and most meals, of an exceptionally high quality, are included.

Uniquely, not only are these three great National Parks included, but so is travel aboard two of America's most noted trains, the famed 'California Zephyr' and the 'Empire Builder' that convey our guests to the start of the holiday in Utah, and then home from Glacier National Park after the tour. So, not only does our time in the National Parks yield up extraordinary vistas, but so does our travel to and from the tour. Guests may begin their vacation in either the Midwest or the San Francisco Bay Area aboard the California Zephyr and in either case, it is a scenic overnight journey to Utah in comfort. Similarly, at the end of our tour, in Glacier National Park, guests may travel east to the Midwest, or to the West Coast aboard the Empire Builder train, again, an overnight ride in either direction.

We invite you to compare this exquisite holiday with those offered by any other company, most of which require days of endless bus travel, a different hotel every night and hotels outside of Yellowstone and you will agree that this Holiday puts others to shame.

*We look forward to welcoming you aboard!*

## Highlights

- ✦ Train travel from Chicago and the Midwest or San Francisco to Utah aboard the famed *California Zephyr*, a scenic overnight trip from either point. From Chicago, guests enjoy the stunningly beautiful daylight passage through the Colorado Rockies, and from California, a daytime journey through majestic Sierra Nevada mountains.
- ✦ Fully hosted from start to finish by professional tour manager that handles all the details.
- ✦ Overnight luxury hotel stay in Provo, Utah at the Four Diamond-rated Provo Marriott with full breakfast.
- ✦ Many meals including breakfast daily.
- ✦ Complete sightseeing throughout including all admission fees and special treats such as the scenic float trip on the Snake River at Jackson Hole and the red open-air 'jammer buses' at Glacier National Park.
- ✦ Two-day visit to Jackson Hole/Grand Teton with raft trip on the Snake River and complete touring of Grand Teton National Park.
- ✦ Two-night stay in Yellowstone National Park at the historic Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel along with complete sightseeing including Old Faithful geyser.
- ✦ Two night stay in spectacular Glacier National Park, Montana with complete sightseeing included the famed red 'jammer' buses over the extraordinary Going to the Sun Highway.
- ✦ Train travel from Glacier National Park to Chicago or Portland aboard the 'Empire Builder' train, an overnight ride in either direction.

## GEYSERS & GLACIER-CARVED VALLEYS



Castle Geyser at Yellowstone National Park. Yellowstone has more than 10,000 geysers, hot springs and fumaroles (steam vents).



The 'Grand Canyon' of Yellowstone National Park.



We have included travel from any Midwestern or California point to Utah aboard the California Zephyr and travel home from Glacier National Park to the Midwest, Portland or Seattle aboard the Empire Builder. Guests who wish to upgrade from the included coach accommodations may upgrade to bedroom accommodations and pricing varies by date and room type. Like airline tickets, rates are less costly when early reservations are made. Both trains feature full dining car and sightseer lounge service regardless of your accommodation onboard.

### Day 1 Sunday Depart Chicago

Guests depart Chicago bound for Utah aboard the famous California Zephyr today. Guests living on the West Coast may depart the San Francisco Bay Area and Sacramento today as well. From both California and the Midwest, it is an overnight journey to Provo, Utah.

### Day 2 Monday Overnight Provo, UT

Arrive in Provo aboard the California Zephyr with an overnight stay at the superb Provo Marriott. Transfer to the hotel is included.

### Day 3 Tuesday Jackson Hole

After a welcome breakfast, we depart Provo bound for Jackson Hole and Grand Teton National Park. Wonder at this spectacular landscape rich with majestic mountains, pristine lakes and extraordinary wildlife. The abrupt vertical rise of the jagged Teton Range contrasts with the horizontal sage-covered valley and glacial lakes at their base, creating world-renowned scenery that attracts nearly four million visitors per year. Check into the Antler's Inn for an over night stay. There is time tonight to enjoy quaint Jackson including the fabled Million Dollar Cowboy Bar. Tonight is also our casual welcome dinner, a nice chance to meet your fellow travelers. (B, D)

### Day 4 Wednesday Yellowstone

After breakfast, we enjoy a morning float trip on the Snake River with the backdrop of some of the most stunning Mountain Scenery in North America, the Grand Teton Range and you will want to have your camera handy. We then drive north to Yellowstone National Park. America's first national park, it is home to a large variety of wildlife including grizzly bears, wolves, bison, and elk. Preserved within Yellowstone National Park are Old Faithful and a collection of the world's most extraordinary geysers and hot springs, and the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone. This afternoon we check into the Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel, located inside Yellowstone National Park. Most tours offer one night outside the park, for a nice change, we do two in the park. (B)

### Day 5 Thursday Yellowstone

Today we see all of Yellowstone's majesty with

Upper & Lower Falls, Hayden Valley, Old Faithful, Fountain Paint Pot, and the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone. You will want your camera handy since today is a visual feast of unequalled splendor. A final night to enjoy the magical setting of Yellowstone. (B)

### Day 6 Friday Fairmont Hot Springs

Another pretty day as we drive north to picturesque Fairmont Hot Springs, the perfect midtrip indulgence. Admission to the soothing hot springs is included and there is a fine spa as well as a range of outdoor activities. B L

### Day 7 Saturday Glacier Park

A beautiful day as we travel into Glacier National Park. You will want to have your camera ready. Overnight is spent at the famed Glacier Park Lodge, the largest log building in the world, built by the Great Northern Railroad. We enjoy two nights in this amazing structure. (B)

### Day 8 Sunday Glacier Park

The Big Day! We depart this morning aboard one of the famed red open-air 'jammer buses for a spellbinding day that finds us traversing the breathtaking 'Going to the Sun' Road over the Continental Divide. Later today, shimmering Lake McDonald where an early evening boat cruise is included. Many of our passengers rate this the prettiest day of the entire tour which is saying quite a lot. Overnight at the Glacier Park Lodge. (B, D)

### Day 9 Monday All Aboard!

After breakfast, guests bound for the Midwest depart right from Glacier Park Lodge aboard the Empire Builder which makes a special stop at the hotel. Guests bound for Portland have all day to relax and enjoy the hotel before an evening departure for the West Coast. (B)

### Day 10 Tuesday Journey Home

The Empire Builder arrives in St. Paul, Milwaukee and Chicago today and guests traveling to the West Coast arrive in Portland at 9am. Note: For guests that started their tour in California, return train travel from Portland back to any California point is included from Portland.

*(Included meals are noted)*



## FARES & ACCOMMODATIONS

	June	July - Sept
<b>Double Occupancy</b>	<b>\$2,695</b>	<b>\$2,845</b>
<b>Single Occupancy</b>	<b>\$3,295</b>	<b>\$3,595</b>

*Including exclusive occupancy of hotel rooms throughout.*

3rd/4th persons sharing a hotel room pay \$1795 per person. No additional taxes or fees.



The historic (ca. 1936 ) Red Buses are both a symbol of Glacier National Park and a reminder of a time when adventurous travel was done with style and grace. With the canvas top rolled down, you'll be treated to a multi-sensory experience as you cruise through the rugged mountain roads of Glacier National Park.



One of the most distinctive features of this superb vacation is the fact that our guests enjoy travel to & from the great National Parks aboard two of the most famous trains in America, the California Zephyr and the Empire Builder. With double-decker Superliner cars, both trains offer stunning Sightseer Lounge cars with wrap-around windows so you do not miss a moment of some of the grandest scenery in America, full dining car service as well as snack bar service for lighter refreshments. In the basic tour cost, we have included spacious reclining coach seating, akin to First Class airline seats on an international flight. Guests may also upgrade to Sleeping car accommodations at additional cost, which include all meals while aboard.

**For Reservations call 800-323-5893**

