



Cross Country Cruisin' – 21 Days

This coast-to-coast lodging tour offers a balance between large, bustling cities and serene national parks.

We begin our tour in the “Big Apple” New York City. We travel due south to the nations capital, Washington DC. In this great city you will have a chance to take in the Romanesque city complete with museums and many political symbols such as the White House and the Capitol building. In the evening we will take in an Illuminated tour of the monuments.



Our journey continues into Virginia and through the Appalachian Mountains to the heart of American country music, Nashville Tennessee. Learn to country-dance, shop downtown or take a leisurely walk along the river. We next stop at Graceland, Elvis' home, in nearby Memphis Tennessee. Take in an optional tour of the big house or stroll down Beale Street to see the influences that Jazz and Blues music has had on the USA.

Leaving Tennessee we head to the coast and New Orleans! Here you can visit the French Quarter complete with lovely architecture, Cajun hospitality and fiery food and evenings of fun.

From New Orleans our journey takes us west through the great state of Texas. We stop in Austin first to take in hiking, biking and lots of shopping. We also stop on the border between Texas and Mexico before heading on to New Mexico.

Our first stop is Carlsbad Caverns National Park, one of the largest cave systems in the world! We then head to Santa Fe, America's oldest capital city. Walk through the town square to see the Native America influence that is so prevalent in the South West.

Monument Valley offers us spectacular scenery and an optional Navajo guided jeep tour. On this tour you can learn about the culture and customs of the Native Americans of this area. The scenery will just get better as our next stop is the Grand Canyon! Take in the fantastic views of this natural sight from the rim or on one of the legendary hikes. Alternatively opt for a scenic flight over the canyon or spend your day traversing to its depths.

After such scenery we head back to the big city and glitz. Las Vegas is the next stop. Try your luck in one of the many casinos or visit one of the many clubs or shows on offer. From Las Vegas we journey on into California. You can visit the city of San Diego for a visit to the San Diego Zoo or get wet at Sea World. Rent bikes, rollerblades or surfboards at the beach or just relax in the sun before we head to our last stop, Los Angeles.

Meals

You will contribute to a food kitty of \$9 per day. This will provide for 3 meals a day usually; eating fresh food that we purchase as we travel to satisfy the international flavour of the group- a healthy way to travel at an unbeatable price. While on the tour you will take turns cooking meals.

Included

- Transportation
- Services of a tour leader
- All 20 hotel/cabin/hostel nights
- Admission to Monument Valley
- Admission to Carlsbad Caverns
- Illumination Tour of Monuments in Washington DC
- Admission to all National Parks and Monuments as stated on itinerary

Not Included

- International Flights
- Travel Insurance
- Spending Money

Food (Kitty will be collected USD\$9 per day)

Stops – Departs our New York hotel at 0730 hrs.

1. Washington DC (HP)
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3. Virginia (HP)
4. Nashville (HP)
5. Memphis (HP)
6. Memphis (HP)
7. New Orleans (HP)
8. New Orleans (HP)
9. Texas (HP)
10. Texas (HP)
11. Carlsbad Caverns (HP)
12. Sante Fe (HP)
13. Sante Fe (HP)
14. Monument Valley (HP)
15. Grand Canyon Region (HP)
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17. Las Vegas (HP)
18. Las Vegas (HP)
19. San Diego (HP)
20. San Diego (HP)
21. Los Angeles

Optional Activities

- Horseback riding
- Swamp Tour
- I-MAX Theatre
- Surfing
- San Diego Zoo
- Sea World
- Limos in Las Vegas
- New Orleans jazz clubs
- Tour of Graceland

- Mississippi Steamboat ride
- Smithsonian National Museums
- Grand Canyon scenic flight
- Southern Mansion tour
- Monument Valley Jeep tour
- National park hikes

Dates & Prices - 2007 Dates

Departs New York

12 September- 2 October	£1219
14 November- 4 December	£1219
26 December- 15 January	£1311
16 January- 5 February	£1249
20 February- 11 March	£1277
19 March- 8 April	£1277

Departs Los Angeles

17 October- 6 November	£1219
5 December- 25 December	£1219
20 February- 11 March	£1277

2008 Dates

Departs New York

19-Mar-08	£1277
9-Apr-08	£1186
23-Jul-08	£1276
10-Sep-08	£1276
14-Nov-08	£1276
30-Dec-08	£1276
16-Jan-09	£1186
20-Feb-09	£1276
19-Mar-09	£1276

Departs Los Angeles

14-May-08	£1180
4-Jun-08	£1269
17-Oct-08	£1180
2-Dec-08	£1269
20-Feb-09	£1180
5-Mar-09	£1269

For dates and prices for LA start or if you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact Alicia Hunt, USA Programme Manager at the Real Gap office on 01892 516 164 or email alicia.hunt@realgap.co.uk