



APR. 29-MAY 11, 2025

BEST OF CALIFORNIA

Departs: Wichita, OKC, Tulsa

Included Meals: ✈️

- 10 Breakfasts
- 7 Lunches
- 4 Dinners

Activity Level Challenging

\$5399 Double **\$4999 Triple**
\$4799 Quad **\$6599 Single**

Pricing is Per Person
\$300 Non-Refundable Deposit Per Person
Optional Travel Protection Available
Final Payment Due 100 days before departure

Cancellation Policy C



Get a taste of some of the very best elements of the sunshine state! Round trip flights mean we'll jump right into the action and explore San Diego, Los Angeles, Yosemite and Sequoia National Parks, San Francisco, and more!

1 // Palm Springs, CA Today we board our flight for sunny California! This evening we will have a scenic **dinner** among the cliffs over the Chino Canyon by taking the **Palm Springs Aerial Tram Ride**.

2 // San Diego, CA After spending some time exploring Palm Springs, we will head to **San Diego**. Known for its temperate climate and extensive beaches and parks, San Diego is often referred to as the birthplace of California. This evening we will have **free time** to explore the waterfront area located near our hotel.

3 // San Diego, CA This morning we will be checking out the **San Diego Zoo**, consistently ranked as one of the top 10 zoos in the nation. Included in admission is their **aerial tram ride** over the zoo, as well as their **35 min bus tour**. This afternoon will appeal to the lovers of history as we explore the **USS Midway Museum**. As the longest-serving aircraft carrier of the 20th century, there is much to see aboard this large Navy vessel, and plenty of stories to read about from those who sailed her across the seas.

4 // Norwalk, CA 'All aboard!' Today begins with a **coastline train ride** from San Diego to **Los Angeles**. Once there, a **step-on guide** will take us around the city and give us some of the highlights that make up this City of Angels. There will be some **free-time** this evening to do some shopping and exploring in this fascinating city.

5 // Norwalk, CA **Santa Catalina Island** is one of the Channel Islands off of the coast of California and today we are taking a ferry boat over to check it out. After **lunch**, we will board a 'submarine' of sorts. The belly of this vessel will allow us to stay dry as we drop about 6' under

the surface of the water to see the local fish in their native habitat. Later this afternoon we will take a **guided tour** of the **Catalina Casino**. Home of a large ballroom and movie theater, it is the host of the annual Catalina Film Festival and it has even been used as the setting for some movies you may recognize.

6 // Bakersfield, CA You can't go to LA without a tour of the **film studios** that make this city such a cultural hub. Speaking of culture, this afternoon we will be checking out the **Ronald Reagan Presidential Library**. Through the use of wide-ranging exhibits and interactive experiences, there is much to learn about in this large museum. A **guided tour** will help us to see it all, and some time on your own will let you take a closer look at the things that interest you most.

7 // Oakhurst, CA Today will we travel through the **Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Park**. Home of the famous General Sherman giant sequoia, the sizes of these trees are sure to make you stand in awe at what nature can do. **Dinner** will be included tonight at a local favorite.

8 // Gilroy, CA A **step-on guide** will join us this morning to help us see as much of **Yosemite National Park** as possible in the time we have available. We will see the truly breathtaking view of the Yosemite Valley as we emerge from the mountain tunnel into a beautiful picturesque landscape. Tonight's **dinner** is in the Old City Hall, a unique building that was once the home of the mayor's office, a jail, and a fire department.

9 // San Francisco, CA Today we will be joined by another **step-on guide**, this time to spend the day in **Salinas Valley**. We will tour local area farms and learn about the agriculture of this part

of California. After a yummy **lunch** we will drive to **Pebble Beach** to look at the scenery and maybe even catch a glimpse of the local marine wildlife.

10 // San Francisco, CA Once a civil war fort, a military prison, and one of the most notorious federal penitentiaries in the US, today we visit the famed **Alcatraz Island**. A **self-guided audio tour** will let you go at your own pace as you explore this 'escape-proof' island prison. This afternoon a **step-on guide** will show us around **San Francisco**, the City by the Bay. Cruise up and down the rolling streets and see if you can recognize any of the iconic sights. We will end our day with **free time** on our own to check out the famous **Fisherman's Wharf**. Shopping, dining, activities, and more are all at your disposal this evening, just a short walk from our hotel tonight.

11 // Sacramento, CA No visit to California would be complete without checking out a **Napa**

Valley winery. The **Castello Di Amorosa** is a 14th century Tuscan inspired castle, completed in 2007. Over 8,000 tons of hand-chiseled local stone and 200 containers of materials and furnishings were brought in from Europe to furnish this expansive castle, including the moat, drawbridge, armory, and torture chamber. Following a **guided tour**, we will partake of a **wine sampling** this morning. This afternoon we will jump forward in time from the 14th century to the 1860's as we visit the **California State Railroad Museum**. The museum is home to 225,000 square-feet of exhibits and beautifully restored railroad cars and locomotives which illustrate railroad history in California and the West.

12 // Carson City, NV **Lake Tahoe** is the 3rd deepest lake in North America, and is known for its beaches and ski resorts. The highlight of our day will be our lunchtime **boat cruise** as we journey over the crystal clear lake water. This afternoon will find us at the **Nevada State**

Museum. This small but powerful museum is a tribute to the early settlers, miners, and Native Americans who settled in the West and made it their home.

13 // Home Historic **Virginia City** had its heyday when the Comstock Lode silver vein was discovered and sent people flocking to the small town. Our **step-on guide** will show us around and give us the history of the area and the roll it played in the development of the West. We will have some **free time** to pick up the last few souvenirs from our fabulous trip before we head over to the airport to check in for our **flights** home. There is so much to see and do in California and we've only touched on some of it. On the flight home you will have time to reflect on which parts were your favorite, and which ones you'll have to come back to visit again.

