

YOSEMITE/DEATH VALLEY TOUR ITINERARY – 2006

Sept. 15 (Fri)

7:00 – 9:00 pm – Registration at the Hampton Inn Tropicana, Las Vegas, Nevada
4976 S. Dean Martin Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89118

Sept. 16 (Sat)

7:00 am – Registration at the Hampton Inn Tropicana, Las Vegas, NV (702) 948-8100
(located in the lobby of the Conference Center, a separate building located to the left as you face the hotel)

8:00 am – Breakfast *(is included with room and located in the “Lodge” room in the middle of the hotel)*

9:00 am – Orientation *(located in the Conference Center)*

11:00 am – Lunch (ICR Host)

12:00 pm – Board buses for drive to Frenchman Mountain (Lake Mead Dr.)

1:00 pm – Observe Frenchman Mountain

2:00 pm – Observe outcrop of Monte Cristo Limestone on west side of Spring Mountains

3:00 pm – Calico Hills overlook and short hike in Red Rocks–(close up view of cross bedding-lesson objective is Keystone fault)

5:30 pm – Return to Hampton Inn Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas – (702) 948-8100

6:30 pm – Dinner in the Conference Center (ICR Host)

Sept. 17 (Sunday)

7:00 am – Take luggage out to bus and load personal items

8:00 am – Worship service at hotel *(located in the Conference Center)*

9:00 am – Depart from hotel for Pahrump, NV

10:30 am – Rest stop in town of Pahrump NV

11:00 am – Observe road cut on Hwy 178 east of Shoshone, CA

12:30 pm – Box lunch stop at Jubilee Pass (Hwy 178 west of Shoshone)

1:30 pm – Observe Sheep Canyon alluvial fan

2:00 pm – Arrive Badwater (if open –sometimes closed when there’s flooding)

3:00 pm – Depart for Furnace Creek

5:00 pm – Arrive Furnace Creek Inn & Ranch Resort (760) 786-3353

Sept. 18 (Monday)

6:30 am – Place luggage outside your room *(place personal items on bus)*

8:00 am – Depart Furnace Creek Inn & Ranch Resort

8:30 am – Arrive at Zabriskie Point

9:00 am – Depart Zabriskie Point

9:30 am – Arrive at Stovepipe Wells rest stop

11:00 am – Arrive at Emigrant Canyon geology stop

12:00 pm – Arrive in Panamint Springs for lunch stop *(sandwich buffet at Panamint Springs Resort)*

1:30 pm – Arrive Father Crowley Point

2:15 pm – Arrive Interagency Visitor Center south of Lone Pine CA

- 3:00 pm – Depart Visitor Center
- 4:00 pm – Arrive at Whitney Portal & stop to view Owens Valley Overlook
- 4:45 pm – Arrive at Alabama Hills Fault Scarp – (*short hike*)
- 5:30 pm – Arrive at Comfort Inn & BW Frontier Hotel in Lone Pine, CA
 - Red bus stays at Comfort Inn (760) 876-8700
 - Blue bus at Frontier Hotel (760) 876-5571

Sept. 19 (Tuesday)

- 8:00 am – Depart Comfort Inn
- 10:30 am – Overlook at 9000 feet
- 11:00 am – Arrive Bristlecone Pine Visitor Center
- 12:00 pm – Box lunch, hike and viewing at Bristlecone Pine Visitor Center
- 2:00 pm – Depart Bristlecone Pine Visitor Center
- 3:00 pm – Arrive road cut of Bishop Tuff
- 3:30 pm – Arrive Tom’s Place and overlook of Long Valley Caldera and the Bishop Tuff
- 4:00 pm – Arrive Convict Lake and observe glacial cirque and terminal moraine.
- 5:30 pm – Arrive Holiday Inn at Mammoth, CA (760) 924-1234

Sept. 20 (Wednesday)

- 8:00 am – Depart for Mammoth Mountain Lodge parking lot
- 9:00 am – Ride gondola to top of Mammoth Mountain (11,030 feet)
- 11:30 am – Arrive at Nicely’s Restaurant in Lee Vining
- 1:00 pm – Depart for June Lake Loop & Mono Lake
- 3:00 pm – Visit Museum on Mono Lake
- 5:00 pm – Arrive Holiday Inn at Mammoth, CA

Sept. 21 (Thursday)

- 7:00 am – Place luggage outside your room (*place personal items on bus*)
- 8:00 am – Depart Holiday Inn
- 10:00 am – Arrive Tuolumne Meadows then stop at glacial and granite features & hike (1.5 miles)
- 12:00 pm – Box lunch at Tenaya Lake.
- 4:00 pm – Red bus arrives at Yosemite Valley for local sites (*stay one night at Yosemite Lodge*) (209) 372-1274
- 6:00 pm – Dinner in the “Cliff Room” (*included in tour*), hike to Yosemite Falls, view Half-Dome
- 4:00 pm – Blue bus arrives at Wawona Hotel (*stay one night*) (209) 375-6556
- 6:00 pm – Dinner in the “Sun Room” (*included in tour*), relax in the beautiful surroundings.

Sept. 22 (Friday)

- 7:00 am – Take your luggage out to the ICR bus (*personal items on the Yosemite park bus*)
- 8:00 am – Bus #1 from Yosemite Village garage will pick up guests at Yosemite Lodge

- 8:00 am – Bus #2 from village garage will pick up guests at Wawona Hotel
- 9:00 am – Both buses arrive at Glacier Point
- 9:15 am – (*group picture at amphitheater*)
- 11:00 am – Both buses depart Glacier Point for Mariposa Grove
- 12:30 pm – Arrive at Mariposa Grove
- 12:30 – 1:30 pm – Box lunches
- 1:30 – 3:30 pm – Mariposa Grove – Big Trees Tour (TBA)
- 3:30 pm – Both buses depart Mariposa Grove
- 4:00 pm – Bus #1 arrives at Wawona Lodge – guests on Red bus who previously stayed at Yosemite Lodge will spend one night at Wawona.
- 6:00 pm – Dinner in the “Sun Room” (*included in tour price*) and relax in the beautiful surroundings
- 5:00 pm – Bus #2 arrives at Yosemite – guests on Blue bus who previously stayed at the Wawona Lodge will spend one night at Yosemite Lodge
- 6:00 pm – Dinner in the “Cliff Room” (*included in tour price*), hike to Yosemite Falls, view Half-Dome.

Sept. 23 (Saturday)

- 7:00 am – Place luggage outside room (*Personal items on bus*)
- 8:00 am – Depart Yosemite Valley for Sheraton Gateway Hotel (San Francisco)
- 11:15 am – Box lunch before Manteca or Oakdale Crystal Springs Reservoir (Hwy 280) to view the San Andreas Fault
- 4:00 pm – Arrive at Sheraton Gateway Hotel in San Francisco (650) 340-8500
- 6:00 pm – Fellowship dinner in hotel

Sept. 24 (Sunday)

Tour ends