

INTRO HIGH CHAPARRAL

This tour is packed with fun action besides being the most scenic one to choose.

Arriving in Phoenix, Arizona this ride takes you North West into beautiful Sedona after which you'll pay extensive visits to the National Parks of Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon and Zion. An exciting first adventure excursion by 4-wheel and foot is waiting for you in Page.

Via Grand Staircase Escalante you zigzag through Capitol Reef National Park to reach Moab as your next destination. The extra day at this first class outdoor fun community gives you ample time to live the adventure you've always dreamt of.

After an action packed day you will head south and enter the land of the Navajo Indians and their most spectacular vista, the iconic Monument Valley.

You will conclude this amazing trip with a ride through Apache National Forest; a very special Highway which will leave you breathless and as you return to Phoenix you will have visited at least 5 National Parks and carry home a fully loaded bag of memories.

DAY 1: Arrival Phoenix

Welcome to Phoenix Arizona! This is the official arrival day. After you pass the exit doors take a deep breath of warm, dry and comfortable desert air and catch one of the complimentary airport shuttles which will transfer you to your hotel. After that you'll have time to enjoy a dip in the beautiful hotel pool, grab a bite to eat and have a drink. Get a good night's rest because tomorrow you begin the first part of an exciting journey.

If you're getting in a day or two early, we definitely suggest you pay a visit to Taliesin West, the home and museum campus of Frank Lloyd Wright, "Americas Architect". It's just a few minutes away, the views alone are breathtaking and Frank Lloyd Wright's concepts and ideas about incorporating surrounding nature elements into his architecture are truly fascinating. Enjoy!

DAY 2: Phoenix – Sedona**165 miles**

Take a look out the window and savor the amazing sunrise that signals the beginning of a new day. You start it with a good American breakfast and then pack your gear to get ready for the transfer to your motorcycle. A few signatures later you're sitting in the saddle of your favorite motorcycle, off to Hwy 87 and the Tonto National Forest. On beautiful wide sweeping roads you observe classic Arizona vistas while once in a while you pass the sign that we all so love: the snake with the arrow head denoting "curvy road ahead!"

As you're chasing the sunlight to Sedona you get to awe-inspiring red rock country – Snoopy Rock, Bell Rock, Cathedral Rock, formations, shapes and vegetation seem on fire. You reach Sedona in an absolute relaxed state of mind and check into your hotel.

Uptown Sedona is the place to be. It has plenty of old town charm and is a "must see" stop for all who come to visit. Its charming main street is a vibrant pedestrian-friendly destination that embraces the beauty of the surrounding red rocks and creates a unique experience for all to enjoy. With that plenty of restaurants, shops, art galleries it's about time you go out to explore. Back at the hotel you look out over red rock country and you imagine Big John Cannon and his family running their High Chaparral Ranch in the 1870's.

DAY 3: Sedona – Grand Canyon**170 miles plus add. travel to vista points**

Before you head out of Sedona take a little detour of "Red Rock Loop Road". There is a part of the road which is unpaved but nothing to worry about and the surface consists of only small gravel. It rewards you with stunning views of Sedona and its surrounding rock formations. You stop, turn off your engine and find it a place of total tranquility. As the road connects back to the main road you are riding your bike up the hills and into "Americas Most Vertical City" and largest ghost town. Located high on top of Cleopatra Hill (5,200 feet) between Prescott and Sedona is the historic copper mining town of Jerome. Once known as the wickedest town in the west, Jerome was a copper mining camp, growing from a settlement of tents to a roaring mining community. It's an enchanting town, and a photographer's paradise. From its external appearances it hasn't changed much in nearly 100 years. Many of the buildings used by present-day business folks are those built after the fires of 1894 and 1899.

After this visit you're now passing Prescott and head north toward Williams for lunch. You have another 60 miles until you reach one of the new Wonders of the World, the Grand Canyon. You'll have enough time to explore, stop at vista points, take in the unbelievable views and even get on board a helicopter to complete the Grand Canyon experience from above – a thrill that compares to nothing else.

Your hotel is just steps away from the entrance booth and the adjacent IMAX show gives you an amazing impression of the Canyon and the Colorado River from a different point of view, a location you're unfortunately not able to see in reality; at least not on this trip: the bottom of the Grand Canyon.

DAY 4: Grand Canyon – Page**140 miles**

You will need to rise early today as you have adventures to master! Along the South Rim you cruise your iron horse to Page Arizona where an excursion is waiting for you.

At the hotel you will be picked up by a Hummer and brought to several slot canyons in the area. A slot canyon is a narrow canyon, formed by the wear of water rushing through rock. It is significantly deeper than it is wide. Some slot canyons can measure less than one meter (3 ft) across at the top but drop more than 30 m (100 ft) to the floor of the canyon.

Off road the driver of the Hummer spins and drifts and slides the 4-wheeler so that the word fun attains a new meaning. But this is not all; you'll get off the vehicle and hike, climb and rappel into the canyon where the sun – now at its highest point – delivers a magnificent lightshow and a bizarre array of colors onto the steep walls of the slot. This is 1000% more exciting than a pure visit to Antelope Canyon (the most frequented slot canyon by tourists) can ever be and on top all that your tour is completely private!

After all the adrenaline rush the drivers get you back to the hotel where you refresh in the pool and enjoy a couple of nice cool drinks.

DAY 5: Page – Zion**146 miles**

Again you start your trip early – there is more exciting scenery and activities on the plan for today. First you pay a short visit to Glen Canyon Dam, the second largest dam at the Colorado River and then cross the river and ride north-west to Zion National Park. A great scenic road takes you through Kanab and you veer west to your next destination. As you enter the gates of the ranch you know that there's more to this place than just a bed and a restaurant. This place is stuffed with outdoor action possibilities. Would you like to grab an ATV/Quad and explore the area, or would you rather like to ride a horse across thousands of acres of private land that's all at your disposal? Maybe you'd like to hike to a hidden lookout point that presents you vistas of the Zion Canyon that no visitor inside the park will ever get.

Of course you can also take your bike and ride through the bottom of the canyon to Springdale, stop at the visitor centre and catch the free Zion Park Shuttle, which brings you further into the park where no private vehicles are allowed anymore. This was another day, packed with impressions you won't ever forget. As you rest your head in your comfortable bed you fall asleep quickly.

DAY 6: Zion - Torrey**176 miles**

The short ride from Zion leaves you with enough time to explore the beauty of Bryce Canyon and to visit several lookout points inside the park. To get to Rainbow Point, the last vista point, it's about 19 miles so it will take several hours to complete the entire park including the scenic views. One of the first viewpoints is Sunrise Point which offers a hike down into the canyon. It is a great trail, about 2 miles in total, but watch out, the air is pretty thin at almost 9,000 feet elevation and the climb back up is fairly strenuous. In return you're rewarded by amazing vistas and you're presented a view from a totally different angle when you stroll the bottom of the canyon. Take plenty of water, wear good shoes and take breaks every now and then to make this the hike of a lifetime.

As you get back on your bike you experience cool mountain air while you're riding past luscious meadows and pine tree forests. A little creek that sends out sparkling reflections from its clean mountain water accompanies you for a while. You are on Hwy 12 in Southern Utah, a highway that equals a rollercoaster ride for motorcycles. When you come out at the other end you are in Torrey which portrays the day's final destination. Make sure to dine at Café Diablo!

DAY 7: Torrey - Moab**156 miles**

The scenic views are breathtaking this morning as you get higher into Capitol Reef National Park and you're partially riding along the rim with 1,000 feet drops on both sides. This is one truly incredible part of the tour, both from the riding as well as the countryside point of view. High on top of the mountain you're riding through pine and later birch forests before you drop down into the valley again. Now the curves become wide sweepers and the trees are replaced by bizarre rock formations. There are several sights along the way; among these are petroglyphs and an over 100 year old school house. You sway from left curve to right curve, all wide and visible so you don't get surprised by oncoming traffic.

The quaint little town of Hanksville waits for you with tasty buffalo burgers. Back in the saddle; from here the road becomes more straight but still picturesque and with only little traffic. Even Interstate 70 – a freeway that leads from Western Utah all the way to the East Coast into Washington D.C. – is a scenic ride for the next 30 miles. Another 30 miles and you're reaching Moab, Utah's No.1 adventure city, located right at the Colorado River. If you have left Torrey early enough you will have enough time to ride into Arches NP or Canyonlands NP.

DAY 8: Moab – Chinle

240 miles

You're leaving Moab with the sweetest memories and make your way south to one of the most iconic places in the U.S. – Monument Valley. As you ride around a corner the road straightens and as a single line drops down into Navajo land, seemingly disappearing somewhere between the red monuments. Here is a perfect stop for one of the best pictures you can take on this tour and you might even remember this spot from the movie Forest Gump. You ride closer to the monuments and after a few turns make your way up to the tribal park. Now you're right in front of a formation that reminds you oh so well of certain western movies and Marlboro commercials – it seems you've been here before. Before you continue your ride further south you shoot one last selfie and look out in the far distance where John Wayne's silhouette disappears between the monuments. Just a few yards down the road you're entering Arizona again and some 95 miles later you reach Chinle and another fantastic park called Canyon de Chelly. Your hotel is located right in front of it and you will have enough time to ride into the park and take the scenic drive White House Ruin Trail to several vista points.

The park's distinctive geologic feature is *Spider Rock*, a sandstone spire that rises 800 feet (240 m) from the canyon floor at the junction of Canyon de Chelly and Monument Canyon. Spider Rock can be seen from South Rim Drive. It has served as the scene of a number of television commercials. According to traditional Navajo beliefs the taller of the two spires is the home of spider woman.

DAY 9: Chinle – Show Low

155 miles

As you're riding south this morning you're slowly leaving the Navajo and Hopi Indian Reservation. If you stay on Hwy 191 you can add an optional visit to Petrified Forest. Just take I-40 West which has been paved right atop historic Route 66 and exit to the park. It's a beautiful ride with awe-inspiring vistas and brings you out just south-east of Holbrook. Along the business section of Route 66, on W. Hopi Drive you can find the Wigwam Motel – 28 feet high teepees are waiting to get their photo taken. From here Hwy 77 will take you right into Show Low.

DAY 10: Show Low - Phoenix

210 miles

Today will be another unforgettable day on roads that seem to be made in motorcycle heaven. There are long and wild swings in altitude and attitude and what you think is the sound of an airplane is actually the song of the wind through the trees. Other than that there is only silence. You see an Eagle circling, looking for his afternoon snack and when the wind stills all you hear is the sound of no sound at all.

You head south and west, passing Globe and continue to be amazed about the scenery. Just on one side, from the foreground to the far distance, there are flat lands, mesa formations with perfectly flat-level surfaces, and jagged peaks serving as a backdrop. You stop for early lunch at the Apache Gold Casino and Resort.

You turn towards Phoenix and your last stops before returning your bike are Superstition Saloon and Goldfield, a commercial ghost town.

You're not all too happy that this trip is already over and you may have to be dragged away from the bike that has carried you reliably over the past 10 days.

DAY 11: Departure Phoenix

Today is the day to pack your bags, filled with the experiences and memories of a fantastic tour of Arizona and Utah; it's time to head home. Have a safe journey and we hope to see you back for another motorcycling Sunride through the United States, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand or Europe. Bon Voyage, Auf Wiedersehen, Adios, Arrivederci and See Ya!

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1	1	1	\$3895
2	1	1	\$1997
2	2	2	\$2758

Tour package includes motorcycle rental, unlimited miles, accommodation, all taxes and surcharges, helmets for rider and passenger (limited in number and sizes), basic liability insurance. Optional insurance and additional hotel night before or after the tour are available upon request.