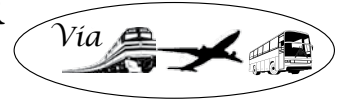




BLACK HILLS & BADLANDS

SINGLE-HOTEL STAY FEATURING MT. RUSHMORE, BADLANDS, CUSTER STATE PARK & CRAZY HORSE

AUGUST 23-28, 2013 ~ 6 DAY TOUR



TOUR PACE Leisurely On the Go ACTIVITY LEVEL Low High

~DAY BY DAY ITINERARY~

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Visit Mount Rushmore National Memorial
- ◆ Visit Wall Drug and Badlands National Park
- ◆ Visit the Crazy Horse Memorial – eventually to be the largest statue in the world
- ◆ Visit Custer State Park for a buffalo safari jeep ride and dinner at the State Game Lodge
- ◆ Ride on a steam train through the Black Hills
- ◆ Guided tours of the Black Hills Mining Museum and Black Hills Gold Factory
- ◆ Visit Deadwood –the historic mining town

Embark on a journey highlighting some of the West's most famous sites and monuments. Wonder at the magnificent Mt. Rushmore and Crazy Horse memorials. Enjoy the Wild West atmosphere of Deadwood, and marvel at the spectacular landscape at Badlands National Park. All-the-while, unpack once and enjoy a single-hotel stay in the heart of Rapid City.



Custer State Park Buffalo Safari

◆**DAY 2 ~ BLACK HILLS, MT. RUSHMORE**◆
 Following an included breakfast at our hotel, we'll join our local guide for sightseeing that will include many of the most well-known and well-liked highlights of the area. A visit to the **Journey Museum** takes you on an incredible trek through time, from the violent upheaval that formed the mystical **Black Hills** over 2.5 billion years ago to the continuing saga of the Western Frontier. When your journey is complete, you will fully understand the legacy of the land and its people. Following, we travel to **Mount Rushmore National Memorial** and set our eyes a thousand feet up where you'll see four presidential faces carved into solid granite stone. Take a stroll along the **Presidential Trail** for more intimate views of the 60-foot faces. The Visitor Center and Museum houses photos and artifacts related to the Memorial. The "**Avenue of Flags**" features flags of all fifty states and U.S. territories and leads to the Grandview Terrace – the Memorial's main viewing area. This afternoon, visit the delightful **Bear Country USA**, a drive-through wildlife park where you will see wildlife up-close. As you drive through several enclosures we'll see black bear, elk, reindeer, cougars, bighorn sheep and buffalo. Next, a visit to the **Chapel in the Hills** – a replica of the famous 850-year-old Stavkirke in Borgund, Norway. Upon arrival, you'll be met by hostesses in Norwegian costumes and have an opportunity to create your own memories of one of Rapid City's most photographed landmarks. This evening is free for you to unwind and prepare for a full day of sightseeing tomorrow. (Breakfast)

FINE HOTELS / GREAT LOCATIONS

- ◆ Night 1-5 **Adoba Eco (formerly Radisson)** Rapid City, South Dakota

TOUR INCLUSIONS

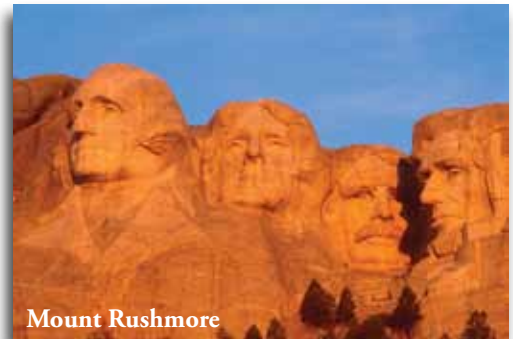
- ◆ 5 Nights deluxe hotel accommodations
- ◆ 8 Meals – 3 dinners, 5 breakfasts
- ◆ Services of a professional tour director
- ◆ Comprehensive sightseeing with a local guide
- ◆ Sightseeing and admissions per itinerary
- ◆ Roundtrip airport-hotel transfers (with purchase of group air)
- ◆ Transportation on a deluxe motorcoach
- ◆ Luggage handling throughout the tour
- ◆ Applicable taxes, fees and most gratuities

◆DAY 1 ~ ARRIVE RAPID CITY◆

Start with optional transfers from home or our departure points this morning to LAX for our flight to **Rapid City, South Dakota**. Our deluxe motorcoach will be waiting and shortly we'll be off on a driving tour of the city with our local guide including the **Presidential statues** downtown, **Skyline Drive** and **Dinosaur Hill**. Meet your fellow travelers this evening at the **Flying T Chuckwagon Western Show and Supper**. Enjoy a hearty western meal with all the trimmings followed by entertainment of old time music including cowboy ballads, country swing and bluegrass favorites. This evening, we check in to our Rapid City hotel for a relaxing five night stay. Rapid City serves as our gateway as we make our way to some of America's most fascinating sights over the next few days. Your hotel is centrally-located in the heart of Rapid City near a variety of restaurants. (Dinner)

PER PERSON PRICES

Double \$1,299 / Single \$1,659 • Deposit \$250
 Roundtrip group airfare available from \$595 p.p.
 Travel Protection Plan – see reverse

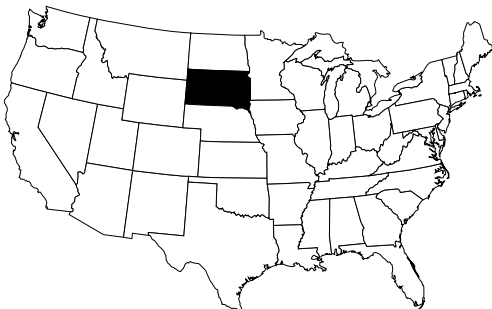


Mount Rushmore



South Dakota's Black Hills

◆**DAY 3 ~ BLACK HILLS, DEADWOOD**◆
 After an included breakfast this morning at our hotel, we join our local guide and turn-back the



Maximum elevation on this tour is 6,000 feet.

RESERVATIONS

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PAYMENT INFORMATION

♦ Deposit due at time of booking to the address above (*Good Times Travel* will contact you for the travel protection and air option)

♦ *Good Times Travel* will invoice you for the balance payment 6-8 weeks prior

TRAVEL PROTECTION / CANCELLATION

Travel protection/cancellation insurance is highly recommended for all multi-day tours. If travel protection has not been purchased, only recoverable funds less a cancellation charge of \$50 will be reimbursed once payment has been made. Amount of reimbursement depends on the date of cancellation.

If travel protection has been purchased and you must cancel prior to departure or leave the tour enroute for a reason approved by the insurance company, you will receive a full refund (or partial if enroute), minus the cost of the premium. Other benefits of travel protection include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, and lost/stolen/damaged luggage. Pre-existing medical conditions are only covered if protection is purchased at the time of deposit. See travel protection plan for full details and exclusions.

DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Roundtrip airport transfers are available as follows:

From one of our departure points: \$69 p.p.

Fountain Valley - Good Times Travel office
Long Beach - City College - Lot "O"

From home: \$159 and higher (contact us for quote)

Exact departure times are provided 2 weeks prior

SINGLE SHARE PROGRAM

Should a single traveler wish to take advantage of the double price, tell us when making your reservation that you wish to have a roommate. We will provide the contact information to others requesting a roommate and the two parties can determine if they would be a good fit and the price will be adjusted.

FURTHER INFORMATION / TERMS

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clock to Dakota territorial days as we take a ride aboard an **1880s steam train** from **Hill City** to **Keystone**. This vintage steam train will ramble through Black Hills back-country and climb several "I-think-I-can" grades. After time for lunch and browsing in Keystone we continue on to the mile-high town of **Lead** and take a guided tour of the **Black Hills Mining Museum**. The museum's experienced and knowledgeable guides will lead you on a fascinating and informative tour of a simulated underground gold mine. Get a comprehensive look at early-day and modern underground mining in the Black Hills. This afternoon, visit **Tatanka**, "**Story of the Bison**," and experience the richness of the Lakota people and Plains Indian buffalo culture. Next, we travel to the Old West town of **Deadwood** – the historic mining town and focus of the hit HBO series by the same name. Here on "Boot Hill", Wild Bill Hickok played his last hand of poker – with aces and eights, which have been known since as the "dead man's hand." Enjoy time at leisure and an included dinner in Deadwood, prior to returning to Rapid City. (Breakfast, Dinner)



1880s Steam Train to Hill City

♦ **DAY 4 ~ CRAZY HORSE, CUSTER PARK** ♦ Following an included breakfast at the hotel, this morning we are joined by our local guide and head for a guided tour of the **Black Hills Gold Factory**. Rapid City is where eight different jewelry manufacturing companies create the world's supply of Black Hills Gold Jewelry. At this factory you will see how the jewelry is created and have an opportunity to purchase a "reminder" of your visit to the Black Hills. After time at leisure for lunch in Hill City, we visit the **Crazy Horse Memorial** – the sculpture and museum dedicated to the spirit of the fearless Sioux Indian Chief Crazy Horse, whose fame is derived from the Battle of Little Bighorn. The face, now complete, is 88 feet high. Once finished, the memorial will ascend 563 feet and extend 641 feet, making this the largest sculpture in the world. Originally carved from the granite top of Thunderhead Mountain by Korczak Ziolkowski, the monument has now been taken over by the late artist's wife and children. On-site is the **Indian Museum** which houses the sculptor's home and workshop and one of the most comprehensive collections of Indian artifacts and artwork in the region. This afternoon we travel to **Custer State Park**. With 73,000 acres

of granite spires, ponderosa pines, and alpine lakes, Custer State Park is the jewel in South Dakota's crown. At the Park, board a jeep for a **buffalo "safari"**. Get an up-close view of some of the Park's 1,400 free-roaming buffalo, as well as possible sightings of elk, wild burros, and golden eagles. An included dinner at the **Historic State Game Lodge** – the summer White House for Calvin Coolidge. Return to Rapid City this evening. (Breakfast, Dinner)



Crazy Horse Memorial

♦ DAY 5 ~ BADLANDS NAT'L PARK ♦

Following an included breakfast this morning, we join our local guide and begin the day with a visit to the **Prairie Edge Gallery** of Lakota Indian art and culture. We then set out for another much anticipated part of our tour, **Badlands National Park**. First we stop in Wall and visit the **Wall Drug Store** – famous for their "Free Ice Water." Time at your leisure to explore this fascinating complex of shops, art galleries, and restaurants. This afternoon, as we drive into the plains where the landscape changes from rolling grassland to ragged ridges, ravaged gullies, spires, and knobs formed over the ages by wind and water erosion. Welcome to **Badlands National Park** – a study in contrast of nature's chaos and wild beauty. We'll take advantage of several photo opportunities and visit the Visitors Center in the Park before returning to Rapid City with the balance of the evening at your leisure. (Breakfast)



Badlands National Park

♦ **DAY 6 ~ RAPID CITY, JOURNEY HOME** ♦ After an included breakfast and a leisurely morning, we head to the airport and our mid-day flight back to Southern California. The memorable experiences, sights and good times had in South Dakota will remain long after our return home. (Breakfast)