

# Wyoming – Yellowstone & Grand Teton



## Trip Summary

Have you ever come eye-to-eye with a 1,500-pound bull moose? Biked under the shadow of the Grand Teton Mountain Range? Plunged into the cool waters of a secret swimming hole off of Jackson Lake? Have you ever followed in the footsteps of John Colter along Yellowstone's Geyser Basin, the world around you much as it was when Colter first traversed it 200 years ago? Tackled the class II & III rapids of the Snake River? If you've been on Austin Adventure's Yellowstone & Grand Teton Adventure, chances are your answers are yes.

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Grand Teton / Yellowstone

We'll meet in Jackson and get right to it • Take a pleasant bike ride through Grand Teton National Park getting your first views of the iconic mountain range close up • We'll break for a picnic lunch before driving up to Yellowstone National Park through its south entrance • This afternoon we venture off onto a picturesque hike above Lake Yellowstone • Dinner tonight is in the restaurant at Grant Village • *Overnight Grant Village (L, D)*

### Day 2: Upper Geyser Basin / Old Faithful

This morning we'll begin with a stroll alongside bubbling hot springs leading to the boardwalks around Upper Geyser Basin, where we'll of course watch an eruption of the famous Old Faithful geyser • After a picnic lunch, we'll continue exploration of this area including walks around Geyser Hill, Old Faithful Inn and the Visitor Center • Shuttle to Canyon Lodge for dinner and overnight • *Overnight Canyon Lodge (B, L, D)*

### Day 3: Grand Canyon of Yellowstone / Grand Teton

Fortify yourself with a breakfast at Canyon Lodge before embarking on a backcountry hike full of surprises that include spectacular views high above the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone • After lunch, drive south towards Grand Teton National Park and take in the spectacular views on the way to your accommodation for the night, Jackson Lake Lodge • This lodge overlooks the skyline of the Tetons and has a fantastic view of Mount Moran • Dinner tonight will be at The Mural Room at the Lodge • *Overnight Jackson Lake Lodge (B, L, D)*

### Day 4: Jackson Lake / Moose / Jackson

Meet up for a hearty breakfast before heading out on a beautiful kayaking adventure via Colter Bay • Enjoy a picnic lunch with sensational mountain views in the background • Discover just how heavy a bull elk's antler weighs at the Moose Visitor Center before whisking off on a bike ride overlooking the National Elk Refuge • The evening is yours to explore and enjoy on your own; you may want to check out the Jackson Hole Rodeo which takes place every Wednesday night throughout the summer! • *Overnight Rustic Inn (B, L)*

### Day 5: Jackson / Snake River Canyon

This morning, take a scenic bike ride from Teton Village to your rafting base • Picnic lunch • Get ready to get wet rafting some of Wyoming's finest whitewater through the scenic Snake River Canyon • Tonight's farewell dinner is at a local favorite! • *Overnight Rustic Inn (B, L, D)*



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## Day 6: Grand Teton / Jackson

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast and a ride up the Jackson Hole Tram to take in views of Grand Teton National Park from high up before drop-off at the airport or your post-trip hotel • (B)

*\*Trip itineraries are subject to change without notice due to road, weather and other factors outside of our control, for the safety and enjoyment of our guests, as deemed necessary and appropriate by Austin Adventures.*

## Activities

**Hiking:** 1 – 3 miles per hike, easy to moderate terrain, multiple hikes may be done in a day

**Biking:** 12 to 15 miles per ride, easy to moderate terrain

**Whitewater rafting:** Class II - III rapids, no experience necessary

**Kayaking/Canoeing:** No experience necessary, guides will provide instruction

**Discovery:** Learn the geological differences between Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks. Hear both sides of the debate concerning the migration patterns of bison from Yellowstone Park. Walk the towering six story lobby of the largest log lodge in the world, the Old Faithful Inn, built under the watchful eyes of 29-year-old architect, Robert Reamer over 100 years ago! Soak up the beauty of the massive granite Teton Range and its famous Cathedral Group: Nez Perce, Middle Teton, Grand Teton, Mount Owen, and Teewinot. Take in the grandeur of North America's largest high alpine lake, Lake Yellowstone, with a backdrop of the jagged Absaroka Mountain Range. Keep on the lookout for bears, bison, elk and wolves as you cruise through scenic Hayden Valley in Yellowstone National Park. Listen to the wind whistle through Yellowstone's lodgepole pine forests as you witness the comeback the tall young trees have made after the wildfires of 1988. Search for the countless varieties of wildflowers in the open meadows: lupine, columbine, arrowleaf balsamroot, and Indian paintbrush are just a few of the beauties you'll find trailside. Come discover for yourself the fun to be had in the Cowboy State with the experts in adventure travel!

Austin Adventures guides are experienced facilitators and regional experts. They will take the time to explain the details of each activity, answer any questions, and demonstrate the use of all equipment. Each activity has been carefully planned to include options for all levels. Most importantly, your guides will help you select the distance that's right for you.

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## Distinctive Accommodations

### Night 1: Grant Village

The 6 two-story buildings of Grant Village, named after Ulysses S. Grant, overlook the West Thumb of Yellowstone Lake and are sure to charm. The complex houses a laid back lakeside restaurant featuring a casual menu, a gift store, and a comfortable lounge perfect for relaxing after a rewarding day of travel to swap stories with fellow travelers. Located in the southernmost corner of Yellowstone, Grant Village will allow for quick access to Grand Teton National Park and you'll cherish the peace and quiet the secluded lodgings provide.

### Night 2: Canyon Lodge and Cabins

Featuring five lodge buildings built in 2016, Canyon Lodge is situated in the center of the park a short distance away from the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River. The rustic accommodations allow for the opportunity to step back from technology and embrace lodging in the country's oldest national park. Located on site, you'll find several restaurant options, a general store and a visitor center for those looking to explore this sprawling accommodation.

### Night 3: Jackson Lake Lodge

Imagine looking out your window to a wide expanse of fields surrounding a blue mountain lake, with moose, elk, and bison wandering close by. Then rising above this scene is one of the most photographed mountain ranges in the world—the Grand Teton Range. All of it so close, you feel like you can touch it. This is the thrill you can expect from the historical Jackson Lake Lodge in Grand Teton National Park. When it comes to Grand Teton National Park lodging, Jackson Lake Lodge is the largest of all the eco-friendly resorts. The lobby is where it all begins, with 60-foot panoramic windows that frame the Teton Range and Jackson Lake. The rest of the property is well worth exploring and the beauty of the area will leave you wanting to come back for more.

### Nights 4 & 5: Rustic Inn at Jackson Hole

This luxury lodge is everything but 'rustic.' Located on seven lush acres adjacent to the National Elk Refuge and just a few blocks from Jackson's lively town square, the Rustic Inn Creekside Resort & Spa welcomes guests with warm Western hospitality. Outdoor enthusiasts and hedonists alike indulge in the lavishly appointed historic lodging accommodations and luxury log cabins, state of the art resort amenities, revitalizing spa, innovative cuisine, year-round Wyoming activities and an idyllic setting. Relax in the outdoor heated pool, Jacuzzi and sauna, or take a walk along the beautifully landscaped trails beside Flat Creek.

### Meals

The hallmark of an Austin Adventures vacation is our exceptional dining. All meals: breakfasts, lunches, snacks, dinners, refreshments and receptions – except one dinner on your own – are included as indicated by itinerary. (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner). Alcoholic beverages and related gratuities are not included in the trip price.



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## Arrival & Departures

Please plan on arriving at least one day prior to your trip departure. Day one of your itinerary starts at 8:00 or 8:15 am, depending on your hotel. Your trip ends with a drop off at either the Jackson airport (12:00 pm) or your Jackson hotel (12:30 pm).

## Trip Price

\$3,298 (\$680 single supplement)

## Trip Length

6 days/5 nights

## 2020 Dates

June 7 – 12

June 14 – 19

July 5 – 10

August 23 – 28

## Host City

Jackson, Wyoming  
Airport code: JAC

## Reservations & Availability

1-800-575-1540

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a week in the iconic American West*

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## Trip Reservations

### Reservations, Deposits and Balances Due

To make a reservation, contact Austin Adventures with your choice of trip and dates. A \$500 per person deposit is required to confirm your reservation. **Some Custom and International programs may require additional deposits.** Full payment is required at the time of booking if your trip departs within 90 days. Choose one of the following contact methods:

**Toll free:** 800-575-1540

**Phone:** 406-655-4591

**Online:** [austinadventures.com](http://austinadventures.com)

**Email:** [reservations@austinadventures.com](mailto:reservations@austinadventures.com)

**Mail:** Austin Adventures, P.O. Box 81025, Billings, MT 59108

\* You may also book your Austin Adventure with your preferred travel professional.

\*\* We accept most major credit cards and personal checks (U.S. funds made payable to Austin Adventures). Please do not send cash.

### Included in the Trip Price

- Double occupancy rooms with private baths.
- All meals: breakfasts, lunches, snacks, dinners, refreshments and receptions.
- Fully trained, first-aid certified professional guides and knowledgeable local partners.
- Bikes, helmets and other necessary equipment – all safe and well maintained.
- Vehicle support and land transportation during the trip.
- Austin Adventures T-shirt, water bottle, luggage tags and luggage service.
- Pre-departure and packing information.
- Incidental expenses such as taxes, dining and housekeeping gratuities, local partner and expert gratuities and national park entrance and permit fees.

### Not Included in the Trip Price

- Gratuities to Austin Adventures guides.
- Alcoholic beverages and related gratuities.
- One dinner on your own.
- Pre-and post-trip accommodations and associated expenses.
- Air and land transportation to/from host cities.
- All types of personal insurance.
- Personal expenses.

### Pre-departure Information

After receiving your reservation and deposit, we'll send you a pre-trip planner with general information about the area you'll be visiting, a packing list, exercise guidelines, a guest information questionnaire and a liability release agreement for you to sign and return within 10 days.



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## **Private Custom Trips**

Maybe your vacation schedule doesn't fit our list of trips and dates. Or perhaps you'd prefer a slightly different itinerary or level of luxury and activity. A Custom Adventure is the perfect answer. You pick the date and destination and brief us on the size of your group, what activities you want, your "must haves" and just how you like to relax and unwind. No detail is too small, no idea too outrageous. Our staff of experts will help create a tailor-made vacation that's just right for you and your group. In short, if you can dream it, we can make it happen.

## **Room Occupancy, Single Supplements, and Shared Room Assignments**

All trip prices are based on double occupancy. Single rooms are available for an additional charge, referred to as a "single supplement." If you're traveling alone and wish to share a room, make the request at the time of booking. Austin Adventures will attempt to find a suitable roommate for you. If you book 90 days before the trip and we cannot find you a suitable roommate, we will take care of the single supplement. *\*some restrictions may apply*

## **Minimum Age**

The minimum age on our non-family designated adult and teen adventures is sixteen years old.

## **Cancellations and Refunds**

The following cancellation policies and cancellation fees are in effect:

\*\*\*As with deposits on some international and custom programs, refund schedule may vary, speak with your Adventure Consultant for details.

**Cancellation 91 days or more before trip departure** – Full trip payment refunded less a \$300 per person administration fee

**Cancellation 61-90 days before trip departure** – Full trip payment less 25% per person is refunded

**Cancellation 31-60 days before trip departure** – 50% of the trip payment is refunded

**Cancellation 0-30 days before trip departure** – No refund is given

## **Our Guarantee**

Exceeding your expectations is our number one priority. In the unlikely event that you are dissatisfied with something during your trip, immediately notify your guide(s). If he or she is unable to resolve the issue, call our main office and give us the details of the problem, and a chance to correct it. We will do our best to find a resolution. If we are unable to do so during your trip, we will work with you upon your return home to arrive at a fair and equitable solution, including up to a full refund.