

Yellowstone to Grand Teton Luxury – Bozeman to Jackson



Trip Summary

Get the best of two magnificent and iconic national parks on this vacation that offers loads of adventure and stunning landscapes. Bike under the shadow of the Grand Teton Mountain Range. Hike among Mammoth Hot Springs' steaming thermal terraces. Ooh and ahh over an Old Faithful eruption in the Upper Geyser Basin. Tackle the class II & III rapids of the Snake River. And after you're done getting your fill of the wild natural world, settle down in luxurious lodgings each night just beyond the borders of Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks.

Itinerary

Day 1: Bozeman / Mammoth Hot Springs / Paradise Valley

Morning pick-ups at your Bozeman hotel • Take a drive to Mammoth Hot Springs, passing through the north entrance of Yellowstone National Park in Gardiner, Montana • Hike around the steaming hot springs that look like an inside-out-cave with yellow and orange terraced features • A beautiful drive back through renowned and peaceful Paradise Valley will bring us to where you'll be staying for the first two nights • Dinner will be served at your accommodation • *Overnight Sage Lodge (L, D)*

Day 2: Lamar Valley / Paradise Valley

This morning we'll begin with a drive to Yellowstone's famed Lamar Valley, known as the 'Serengeti of the West', to search for wildlife as the sun rises • Here you have the opportunity to spot animals like bears, bison, deer, elk, pronghorn, and wolves roaming the wilderness • Once we've had our fill of drinking in Lamar's beauty, we'll sit down to a picnic lunch • We make our way back to Sage Lodge where you may opt to head out on a guided afternoon hike or enjoy the relaxing amenities and views • Tonight, we dine together in the lodge's dining room • *Overnight Sage Lodge (B, L, D)*

Day 3: Grand Canyon of Yellowstone / West Yellowstone

After breakfast, we take a morning drive to the Canyon area of Yellowstone National Park • The Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River, about 20 miles long, expresses the park's complex geologic history in dramatic colors and shapes • Immerse yourself in the landscape as you trek the Wapiti Trail through wildflower meadows, lodgepole pine forests, and eventually a steaming backcountry geyser basin • Ultimately, we'll end our wonderful hike at Artist Point with a classic view of the Lower Falls of the Yellowstone River • Following a trailside picnic lunch, we drive to West Yellowstone to check into our accommodation • Later we'll chow down on a barbeque feast • *Overnight Explorer Cabins (B, L, D)*

Day 4: Old Faithful / Jackson

Today we'll get to witness some of the most renowned sites in our world's first national park • After finishing breakfast in West Yellowstone, we'll head to the Upper Geyser Basin where you'll explore steaming hot spring pools ranging in color from sky blue to neon orange • Your hot springs exploration will take you to the iconic Old Faithful geyser where you'll see the famed feature erupt • Have a picnic lunch with your guides • Transfer to Jackson Hole where you'll have your first peek at the Grand Tetons on your way down to your accommodation in the town of Jackson • Enjoy dinner tonight in town on your own • *Overnight Rustic Inn (B, L)*



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Day 5: Grand Teton National Park / Snake River

Begin the day with a scenic bike ride through the stunning Grand Teton National Park • Your paved trail will lead you past the famous craggy snow-peaked mountains that have graced many a photographer's viewfinders • After lunch, gear up for a thrilling whitewater rafting adventure down the Snake River • The Snake River Canyon is rich in geological history and your guide will point out some of the features that make this canyon unique as you paddle down rapids with names like Lunch Counter and Big Kahuna • Toast to a wonderful trip with your group and guides at one of Jackson's many wonderful restaurants tonight • *Overnight Rustic Inn (B, L, D)*

Day 6: Jackson Hole

Our final activity of the trip features a tram ride to the top of Jackson Hole Ski Resort • From here, you can get a bird's eye view of Grand Teton National Park and its many geological features • Around noon, your guides will drop you off at the airport or your post-trip hotel • *No overnight (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 miles per ride, easy pedaling along a paved bike path

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

Discovery: Learn the geological differences between Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks as you travel through both. 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. Ride along the sagebrush fields and pine forests that frame the Teton landscape. Find out more about the prismatic hot springs that make up the Upper Geyser Basin. Get up close and personal with the Mammoth Hot Springs that look like an inside-out cave. Keep on the lookout for bears, bison, elk and wolves as you cruise through scenic Lamar Valley and Paradise Valley. 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

Nights 1 & 2: Sage Lodge

Sage Lodge welcomes guests to paradise. Quite literally. This stunning lodge is nestled in Montana's Paradise Valley, surrounded by idyllic mountain views in every direction. This accommodation provides travelers both adventure and comfort when indoors or outdoors. When not venturing in the wilderness, an indoor fitness center, library, full-service spa, gift shop, outdoor hot tub, firepits, and cozy rooms await to provide your relaxation needs. This lodge, beautifully framed by the Absaroka Mountains, boasts a gorgeous A-frame entrance full of windows. Guests will be impressed by the authenticity of this luxurious, remote property.

Night 3: Explorer Cabins at Yellowstone

Enjoy your privacy in this rustic community of luxurious cabins in West Yellowstone just outside Yellowstone National Park. This cabin lodging offers plenty of living room, pleasing decorations, comfortable linens, a TV and kitchenette to use at your convenience. An outdoor fire pit allows guests to enjoy each other's company all toasty around the warm campfire. These stylish accommodations allow easy access to Yellowstone National Park and Old Faithful.

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 in Bozeman 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

\$4,398 (\$680 Single Supplement)

Trip Length

6 days/5 nights

2021 Dates

July 5 – 10

July 12 – 17**

** Runs in reverse from Jackson to Bozeman. Please ask your Adventure Consultant for details.

Host City

Begin: Bozeman, Montana (Airport Code: BZN)

End: Jackson, Wyoming (Airport Code: JAC)

Reservations & Availability

1-800-575-1540

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iconic features of the 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

Email: 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.

Solo Travelers

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. We at Austin Adventures will do our best to match you with a suitable roommate of the same gender before departure. If you book 90 days or more before the trip and we cannot find you a roommate, 50% of the private room cost will be due at final payment time. If you book within 90 days of departure and we cannot find you a roommate, the full private room charge will be applied. If we do find you a roommate between final payment and before the trip departs, we will refund the single supplement amount paid. Some exceptions 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.