

6 Day Rocky Mountaineer Train with Arches & Canyonlands

Saturday, September 7 – Thursday, September 12, 2024

Hosted by:
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Special Features

- Journey from Denver to Moab onboard the Rocky Mountaineer Train and admire the stunning scenery
- Experience Arches National Park, with over 2,000 natural stone arches and soaring pinnacles
- Visit spectacular Canyonlands National Park set in over 300,000 acres of rugged terrain



RAIL TOUR PACKAGE PRICE:

~~\$3799.00~~ per person based on double occupancy

\$3499 per person when booked and deposited by December 14, 2023

\$650 Single Supplement

OPTIONAL TRAVEL PACKAGE – LOCAL TRANSFERS & FLIGHTS:

Information will be provided on the package when available. Package will include the local transfer from Salem/Centralia to the STL airport, the flights St. Louis to Denver & Salt Lake City to St. Louis, and airport to hotel to airport transfers in Denver and Salt Lake City.

Estimated cost \$750 per person.

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Itinerary

DAY 1, Saturday - Arrive in Denver

Arrive in Denver, the capital of Colorado. Transfer independently to the hotel. Your tour will begin with an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager at approximately 7 PM, followed by dinner. We recommend that you select flights which arrive no later than 5 PM.

Overnight: Denver Meals: Dinner

DAY 2, Sunday - Rocky Mountaineer Train to Glenwood Springs

Board the Rocky Mountaineer train, to Glenwood Springs and begin your journey alongside the Colorado River through a series of canyons and rugged landscapes. Take in the scenic views of the Gross Reservoir Dam. Built in 1954. The route slowly gains elevation before reaching the Continental Divide. Here you'll pass through the historic Moffat Tunnel and appear on the western side of the Continental Divide. Savor a three-course lunch onboard, as you travel along the Colorado River through a series of enthralling canyons, including Byers Canyon and Gore Canyon. Keep an eye out for pronghorns, deer, and eagles. The journey ends in the historic town of Glenwood Springs. Check into your hotel and spend the evening at leisure.

Overnight: Glenwood Springs. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 3, Monday - Rocky Mountaineer Train to Moab, Arches National Park

In the morning, board the train for another day of stunning scenery as you head past mountain vistas, desert cliffs, and vibrant sandstone mountains. Pass by Parachute Creek and Mount Logan towards De Beque Canyon. Continuing west, view Mount Garfield (6,765 feet) the highest point of the Book Cliffs. These sandstone mountains stretch nearly 200 miles from west to east. The route continues to follow the Colorado River as you approach the splendid red sandstone cliffs of Ruby Canyon. After crossing over the Colorado-Utah state line, look out for Mount Peale. It's the highest point of the La Sal Mountains at 12,726 feet. On arrival in Moab, journey to Arches National Park. Here, see the densest concentration of natural stone arches. View various sites, including The Windows Section and Delicate Arch Viewpoint. Afterward, return to Moab and check into your hotel. Tonight, dinner is at a local restaurant.

Overnight: Moab. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 4, Tuesday - Canyonlands National Park

Begin the day with a visit to Canyonlands National Park. At Grand View Point, the southernmost spot on the high mesa, view markers for the Totem Pole, the confluence of the rivers and White Rim Road. Return to Moab and spend the balance of the day at leisure. Later, join the optional Evening Boat Tour on the Colorado River with dinner, a truly memorable experience.

Overnight: Moab Meals: Breakfast

Optional tour Evening Boat Tour on the Colorado River with dinner \$109 per person

Experience a memorable evening complete with a cowboy-style dinner and boat tour on the Colorado River. Begin your evening by enjoying dinner while overlooking the Colorado River. Afterwards, embark on a flat-bottomed boat as you travel upriver. Once darkness settles in, the formal part of the evening begins with 40,000 watts of natural light illuminating the canyon walls. Lights, shadows, music, and narration make the stories of the canyon's formation, creation, and history come to life on the walls above the river. Learn about the storied history from the early settlers of the area (the Catholic conquistadors, Native Americans, and Mormon pioneers). The approximate tour duration is 4 hours including transfers from your hotel. Details to be advised locally.

DAY 5, Wednesday - Travel to Salt Lake City

Today, depart Moab and travel to Salt Lake City, Utah. Arrive in the afternoon and check into the hotel with free time to explore Salt Lake City on your own. Tonight, at dinner, bid farewell to your Tour Manager

Overnight: Salt Lake City. Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 6, Thursday - Return Home

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

Meals: Breakfast

Packing List: Rockies to the Red Rocks

On our Rockies to the Red Rocks route, we travel between desert landscapes and the Colorado Rocky Mountains at an elevation of up to 1,750 m / 5,741 ft. Moab in September can be between 31°F and 78 °F. While in the Colorado Rocky Mountains weather can change dramatically in a short period of time.

We've put together a recommended packing list to help you prepare for your American Southwest adventure.

- Warm and cool, quick-dry layers
- Comfortable shoes with good tread for sightseeing
- Casual sneakers and sandals
- A good book
- Swimsuit
- Camera
- Midweight fleece or wool sweater
- A hat, sunglasses, and sunscreen
- A small backpack or daypack
- Bandana/scarf
- Lightweight, waterproof, and breathable jacket or windbreaker
- If hiking: hiking shoes or boots, wool socks, bug spray and water bottle

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Rail Tour Includes:

- 5 nights accommodations in 3 & 4 star hotels
 - 1 night Denver – Springhill Suites by Marriott Downtown
 - 1 night Glenwood Springs – Glenwood Springs Hotel, Hotel Denver, Hotel Colorado, or Courtyard
 - 2 nights Moab – Hampton Inn Moab or Homewood Suites by Hilton Moab
 - 1 night Salt Lake City – Little America Hotel
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges
- Hotel portorage for one suitcase not to exceed 50 pounds
- Train Denver-Glenwood Springs, Glenwood Springs-Moab
- 10 meals: 5 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Services of English-speaking local guides
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring

Not Included:

- Meals unless specified, transfers, optional tours ,gratuities, and anything not mentioned in the package includes section
- Optional transfer and flight package from St. Louis
- Optional Gate 1 Travel Protection

What you need to know...

To qualify for the discount, deposits must be paid by December 14, 2023.

Passenger Deposits & Information: \$500 per passenger/seat required to confirm

Full payment: 100 days prior to departure

Late Payment: If there is any outstanding balance by the Final Payment Due date listed on your invoice, all travel services will be subject to automatic cancellation and cancellation fees will apply.

Cancel penalty - Per passenger/seat: All cancellations must be received in writing.

Up to 91 days prior to departure: \$350 per person

90 to 31 days prior to departure: 55%

30 to 2 days prior to departure: 95%

1 day or less prior to departure: 100%

Tour Cancellation and Interruption Insurance is available from Gate 1 for \$259 per person and will be offered when booking your trip.

Vaccines and Health Safety Update: Covid vaccinations are not required at this time. Health and safety protocols are subject to change and are at the discretion of the tour operator and governments.

Travelers with Disabilities: Tour participants requiring any form of assistance are required to notify the agency in writing at the time of making reservation and must be accompanied by an individual responsible for providing those services. Tour managers, guides, drivers, escorts and/or hotels are not able to provide such assistance. Escorted tours are fast-paced, often requiring lengthy walks over uneven terrain. Due to physical constraints and space limitations, wheelchairs, walkers and motorized scooters may not be taken aboard motor- coaches, nor are these devices suitable for touring. Clients with special needs will be better served independently; the agency can suggest touring options based on your needs.

These arrangements are offered in good faith by Gate 1 Travel and Salem Travel Bureau. While traveling, modifications may need to be made due to unexpected occurrences.

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