



Grand Sierras

August 19 – 23, 2018

Mammoth Lakes,
Yosemite, Toulumne Meadows,
Kings Canyon & Sequoia National Park



5 Days & 4 Nights

\$999.00 Per Person, Double Occupancy
\$1,399.00 Per Person, Single Occupancy

Itinerary

Day 1 Journey along Highway 395 along the eastern side of the Sierra Mountains. We will visit the towns known for its history of supplying necessities to local miners, and it's current day Hollywood connection to Western movie productions. We will also catch a glimpse of Mt. Whitney, the highest peak in the contiguous United States. We will have dinner in **Bishop**, which offers a hometown atmosphere where strolling in and out of the town's shops is a must. We end our day in **Mammoth Lakes**, appreciating its majestic views, and surrounded by the most geologically active areas in California. D

Day 2 We spend the morning exploring **Devils Postpile National Monument**. We will take a short hike (0.4 miles) to the base of the large columns of columnar basalt, and see the changes millions of years have made to the lava lake. You will have time to smell the various wildflowers in the monument's surrounding 800 acres. We will also explore the **Mammoth Lakes Earthquake Fault**. This deep fissure, located in Inyo National Forest, is encircled by trees known to be around 160 years old. We then spend the afternoon exploring **Mammoth Lakes City**. B

Sightseeing Highlights:

- Mammoth Lakes
- Devils Post Pile National Monument
- Mammoth Lake Earthquake Fault
- Mono Lake
- Bodie State Historic Park
- Tuolumne Meadows, Yosemite
- Kings Canyon
- Sequoia National Park



Tour Price Includes:

- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
- Hotel Accommodations
- 3 Nights in Mammoth — Sierra Nevada Inn
- 1 Night in Fresno — Wyndam Hotel
- Luggage Handling
- Meals included: 4 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner

Activity Level

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The activity level of this trip means that you must be able to walk at least 1 mile with various slope grades at 8,000ft.

Day 3 We travel North to **Mono Lake**. This salt water lake is 2 1/2 times more salty than seawater, holds tiny brine shrimp, alkali flies and beautiful tufa towers. Next we will drive up to Bridgeport, CA. This quaint town with its array of comfortable eating establishments to choose from for lunch on your own. In the afternoon we will explore **Bodie State Historic Park**. This park boasts an actual ghost town where we can explore this once booming mining city. You will have a chance to see the remains of the interior of standing structures with goods still left on store shelves and items left on the ground, throughout the town. B

Day 4 Today, we experience the beauty of the **Tioga Pass**, as we travel through **Tuolumne Meadows** in Yosemite National Park. There is no better place to reflect and gain serenity than in the great Sierras Mountains. The Tioga Pass capture sights of the Tuolumne River and the river bridge, Lembert Dome, Cathedral Peak and other picturesque views; and is one of the most breathtaking scenic routes in the park. B

Day 5 On our final day, enjoy your time viewing some of the world's largest trees in **Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks**. Here is where you will find the groves of Sequoias, the world's most massive trees. Be sure to view the **General Grant Tree**, the second largest sequoia in the world. Lunch today will be at Lodge Wuksa. As we return home, reminisce on the epic forces of nature located in the Sierras. B, L

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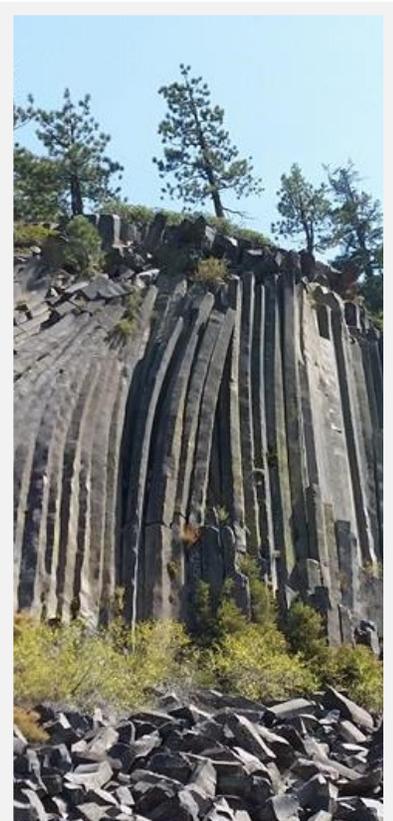
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