

Grand Canyon

Rim & Raft Tour Itinerary: Aug 8-11, 2024 (v 1.0)



Please arrive at the bus at least

10 MINUTES

before all departure times!

THU (AUG 8)
ARRIVAL DAY

BY PLANE:

Arrive at Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX) – Phoenix, AZ (by 5:00 PM).

FREE AIRPORT SHUTTLE: Once you have your bags, call the Drury Inn Phoenix Airport location to have their free shuttle pick you up: **(602) 437-8400**. Tell them you are with the Creation Grand Canyon Trip.

BY CAR:

Drive to the Drury Inn Phoenix Airport, 3333 E University Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85040 **(602) 437-8400**

➤ **HOTEL CHECK-IN: standard 3:00 PM or later on Thursday** ◀

- 5:30 – 7:00 PM Optional: Informal casual dinner in hotel lobby (included with our tour).
- 7:00 – 7:45 PM **Official Start of Tour:** Orientation meeting w/Jay Seegert in the dining area.

FRI (AUG 9)
SOUTH RIM TOUR









6:00 AM	–	6:45 AM	Breakfast at hotel (anytime during this period)	
6:45 AM	–	6:55 AM	Load luggage on bus and get seated promptly	
7:00 AM	–	8:55 AM	DEPART hotel, travel to rest stop	
8:55 AM	–	9:10 AM	McGireville Rest Stop (15 minutes)	
9:15 AM	–	11:45 AM	DEPART for Grand Canyon (Eat box lunches on bus just before arriving)	
11:45 AM	–	11:50 AM	Arrive at Grand Canyon (South Rim/Mather Point)	
11:50 AM	–	12:10 PM	Bathrooms + Group picture by Grand Canyon sign (15 min)	
12:15 PM	–	12:35 PM	Amphitheatre (10 min for pictures & 10 min for <i>On-the Rim</i> talk)	
12:35 PM	–	12:55 PM	Mather Point Lookout - one of the best viewpoints! (20 min)	
1:05 PM	–	1:15 PM	DEPART on bus to Bright Angel Lodge (10 min ride)	
1:15 PM	–	2:10 PM	Free time @ lodge (55 min)... Hike, ice cream, shop, photos, rest, etc.	
2:20 PM	–	3:05 PM	DEPART on bus for Desert View	
3:10 PM	–	4:15 PM	Desert View, free time (45 min) + On-the Rim-Talk (20 min)	
4:25 PM	–	5:15 PM	DEPART Desert View/Grand Canyon, drive to Historic Cameron Trading Post	
5:25 PM	–	6:55 PM	Dinner at Historic Cameron Trading Post + shopping in massive gift shop!	
7:05 PM	–	8:35 PM	DEPART Cameron, drive to Page, AZ (check-in hotel: Country Inn & Suites)	

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SAT (AUG 10) RAFTING/ANTELOPE CANYON/HORSESHOE BEND

6:30 AM	–	6:55 AM	Breakfast in hotel (LEAVE LUGGAGE IN YOUR ROOM - DO NOT check out)
6:55 AM	–	7:00 AM	Take seats on bus (no luggage, just what you want/need on the raft trip)
7:00 AM	–	8:00 AM	DEPART for Lee's Ferry (restrooms are available before heading to river)
8:30 AM	–	11:00 AM	Amazing Raft Adventure! (Port-a-Johns available ½ way thru rafting) 
11:00 AM	–	11:20 AM	End of rafting. Use bathrooms @ Lee's Ferry
11:20 AM	–	11:30 AM	DEPART Lee's Ferry (to Balanced Rock)
11:30 AM	–	11:45 AM	Group Photo: Balanced Rock (quick 15-minute picture stop)
11:45 AM	–	12:50 PM	DEPART on bus back to Page (pick up lunches and head to Glen Canyon Dam)
12:50 PM	–	2:00 PM	Eat lunches/visit Glen Canyon Dam (bathrooms, overlook, etc.)
2:00 PM	–	2:30 PM	DEPART - Load bus, drive to Antelope Canyon (<i>early arrival required</i>) 
2:30 PM	–	3:10 PM	Free time before tour (gift shop, rest, bathrooms, etc.)
3:15 PM	–	4:15 PM	Lower Antelope Canyon tour (1 hour)
4:30 PM	–	4:45 PM	DEPART back to hotel on bus (15 min ride)
4:45 PM	–	5:25 PM	Free time at hotel!  
5:25 PM	–	6:25 PM	Dinner at hotel (Pizza & salads) + Free time  
6:30 PM	–	6:35 PM	Load buses (no luggage required)
6:35 PM	–	6:50 PM	DEPART hotel, drive to Horseshoe Bend 
6:50 PM	–	7:10 PM	Arrive at Horseshoe Bend & walk to rim 
7:10 PM	–	8:00 PM	Pictures/exploring top of Horseshoe Bend + watch sunset @ 7:22 PM!
8:25 PM	–	8:35 PM	DEPART on buses, drive back to hotel in Page
8:40 PM	–	8:40 PM	Arrive back at Page hotel (Country Inn & Suites)

SUN (AUG 11) DINOSAUR TRACKS & DEPARTURE DAY

6:10 AM	–	6:30 AM	Load all luggage on bus (but do not board until after breakfast)
6:30 AM	–	6:50 AM	Quick breakfast at hotel (<i>breakfast nook doesn't open until 6:30</i>)
6:50 AM	–	6:55 AM	Get seated promptly on bus
7:00 AM	–	8:25 AM	DEPART on bus for Moenave Dinosaur tracks! 
8:25 AM	–	8:45 AM	View real dinosaur footprints!  
8:50 AM	–	10:05 AM	DEPART on bus to Flagstaff for rest stop & pick up lunches
10:05 AM	–	11:00 AM	Rest Stop (Little America) + pick up lunches to eat on bus
11:05 AM	–	1:50 PM	Travel to Sky Harbor International Airport (Phoenix) 
1:50 PM	–	2:10 PM	Drop-off passengers who are flying home... End of tour! 😊
2:10 PM	–	2:30 PM	OPTIONAL: Take free shuttle back to Drury Inn Phoenix (orig. hotel) 

😊 **Great trip... Thanks for being part of our tour!** 😊