

Grand Canyon

Rim & Raft Tour Itinerary - June 2023 (v 1.0)



 Please arrive at the bus at least **10 MINUTES** before all departure times! 

THU (JUN 29) – ARRIVAL DAY

BY PLANE:

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


FREE AIRPORT SHUTTLE: If arriving at the airport, 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**

- 6:00 – 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 (JUN 30) – 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	–	12:40 PM	Amphitheatre (20 min for pictures & 5 min for On-the Rim-Talk)	
12:40 PM	–	1:00 PM	Mather Point Lookout - one of the best viewpoints! (20 min)	
1:10 PM	–	1:20 PM	DEPART on bus to Bright Angel Lodge (10 min ride)	
1:20 PM	–	2:20 PM	Free time @ lodge (1 hour). Hike, ice cream, shop, photos, rest, etc.	
2:30 PM	–	3:15 PM	DEPART on bus for Desert View	
3:20 PM	–	4:10 PM	Desert View, free time (30 min) + On-the Rim-Talk (20 min)	
4:20 PM	–	5:10 PM	DEPART Desert View/Grand Canyon, drive to Historic Cameron Trading Post	
5:20 PM	–	6:50 PM	Dinner at Historic Cameron Trading Post + shopping in massive gift shop!	
7:00 PM	–	8:30 PM	DEPART Cameron, drive to Page, AZ (check-in hotel: Country Inn & Suites)	

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SAT (JUL 1) – RAFTING/ANTELOPE CANYON/HORSESHOE BEND

- 6:00 AM – 7:00 AM Breakfast in hotel lobby (**LEAVE LUGGAGE IN YOUR ROOM - DO NOT** check out)
- 7:05 AM – 7:15 AM Take seats on bus (**no luggage**, just what you want/need on the raft trip)
- 7:20 AM** – 7:25 AM **DEPART** for Raft Company (restrooms are available before heading to river)
- 7:30 AM – 11:25 AM Amazing Raft Adventure! (Port-a-Johns available half-way through rafting)
- 11:25 AM – 11:45 AM End of rafting. Use bathrooms @ Lee's Ferry, then board our bus
- 11:45 AM** – 11:55 AM **DEPART** Lee's Ferry (to Balanced Rock)
- 11:55 AM – 12:15 PM Group Photo: Balanced Rock (quick 10-minute picture stop)
- 12:15 PM – 1:40 PM Lunch on bus enroute back to Page
- 1:40 PM – 1:45 PM Arrive at Lower Antelope Canyon
- 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM Lower Antelope Canyon tour (1 hour)
- 3:30 PM – 3:45 PM Return to hotel on bus (15 min ride)
- 3:45 PM – 5:15 PM Free time at hotel! 
- 5:15 PM – 6:35 PM Dinner at hotel (Pizza & salads) + Free time 
- 6:40 PM – 6:45 PM Load buses (no luggage required)
- 6:45 PM** – 7:00 PM **DEPART** hotel, drive to Horseshoe Bend 
- 7:00 PM – 7:20 PM Arrive at Horseshoe Bend & walk to rim
- 7:20 PM – 8:10 PM Pictures/exploring top of Horseshoe Bend + watch sunset (7:50 PM)!
- 8:35 PM** – 8:45 PM **DEPART** on buses, drive back to hotel in Page
- 8:50 PM – 8:50 PM Arrive back at Page hotel (Country Inn & Suites)



SUN (JUL 2) – DINO FOOTPRINTS & DEPARTURE DAY

- 6:00 AM – 6:45 AM Breakfast at hotel
- 6:45 AM – 6:55 AM Load all luggage on bus and get seated
- 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 
- 1:50 PM – 2:10 PM Drop-off passengers who are flying home...
- 2:10 PM** – 2:30 PM **OPTIONAL:** Take free shuttle back to Drury Inn Phoenix (orig. hotel) 

SAMPLE



Great trip!!! Thanks for being part of our tour!

