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Spotlight on South Dakota

featuring Mount Rushmore & The Badlands

September 15 — September 21, 2023 • 7 Days • 9 Meals

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Highlights

Pricing



Crazy Horse Memorial, Mount Rushmore, Badlands National Park, Wall Drug, Deadwood, Choice on Tour, High Plains Heritage Center, Off-Road Jeep Safari at Custer State Park, Devils Tower National Monument

Itinerary at a Glance

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<p>Day 1 – 6</p>	<p>Residence Inn Rapid City Marriott, Rapid City, South Dakota</p>
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On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change based on air inclusive package from BOI

Day-by-Day Itinerary

DAY

1

Sep 15, 2023: Rapid City, South Dakota - Tour Begins

Welcome to the West. Your tour opens in Rapid City, long known as the gateway to the Black Hills. Tonight, you and your fellow travelers gather for a welcome dinner featuring a Native American chronicler who shares stories about the Lakota and Sioux way of life.

🍴 Included Meals

Dinner

DAY

2

Sep 16, 2023: Rapid City - Crazy Horse - Mt. Rushmore - Rapid City

Learn the history of enterprising Westerners at the Chapel in the Hills. Visit Crazy Horse Memorial and delve into the story of the largest, still-in-progress mountain sculpture. Visit the Indian Museum of North America, the Native American Cultural Center, the sculptor's studio, orientation center and theaters. Continue to Mount Rushmore. Spend time with the epic figures of Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt, and Lincoln as you stroll along the Presidential Trail, offering the closest view of this iconic sculpture. This evening, return to Mount Rushmore for the nighttime lighting ceremony.*

🍴 Included Meals

Breakfast

DAY

3

Sep 17, 2023: Rapid City - Badlands - Wall - Rapid City

Embrace the allure of wide-open spaces and explore the larger-than-life Badlands National Park. At the visitor center, the stage is set for your adventure, with informative exhibits, displays and video to introduce you to the area. Travel the Badlands Loop Road, home to vibrant colors and rock formations created by mineral deposits. Visit the legendary Wall Drug, a store barely changed since 1936. Do a little browsing, have a seat at the soda fountain, and perhaps grab a bite for lunch.

🍴 Included Meals

Breakfast

DAY

4

Sep 18, 2023: Rapid City - Deadwood - Rapid City

Get ready for Deadwood, where gold, gambling, and gunpowder were once the order of the day. This morning, **it's your choice!** Take a guided tour of the Adams Museum, dedicated to preserving Deadwood's history **-OR-** visit Kevin Costner's *Tatanka: Story of the Bison*, sculptures depicting the relationship between bison and the Lakota. This afternoon, this National Historic Landmark comes alive as if you've stepped onto the set of an old-fashioned Western. A local guide shows you the town, including where Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane are buried. This evening, enjoy a dinner and Western show at the High Plains Heritage Center.

Included Meals

Breakfast

Dinner

DAY

5

Sep 19, 2023: Rapid City - Custer - Rapid City

Head to Custer State Park and keep your eyes peeled for bighorn sheep or wandering elk. Take in the lush landscape, rocky outcrops, and grazing animals as you make your way through South Dakota's first state park. Venture off road with an exciting Buffalo Safari, cruising deep into the park in an open-air jeep and searching for herds of roaming buffalo.

Included Meals

Breakfast

DAY

6

Sep 20, 2023: Rapid City - Devils Tower National Monument, Wyoming - Rapid City

Get your bearings at the Geographic Center of the Nation, marking the middle of the US. Cross into Wyoming and view the first national monument - Devils Tower. Stand in awe before this lofty monolith, perhaps hiking the 1.3-mile Tower Trail around the base. Although famous as the backdrop in *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, the tower is also sacred to many local tribes. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner as the end of your South Dakota adventure draws near.

Included Meals

Breakfast

Dinner

DAY

7

Sep 21, 2023: Rapid City - Tour Ends

Say goodbye to Rapid City as your tour comes to a close today.

🍴 Included Meals

Breakfast

Worry-Free Cancellation

Our industry-leading cancellation waiver offers travellers a full cash refund for the price of the tour, right up to the day prior to departure, minus the small cost of the waiver. Travel worry-free knowing if anything changes, you're protected.

Plus, you're covered on tour.

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Travel Protection is just \$349 per person.

Transportation



Please Note

Book Now rates valid until Mar 15, 2023, valid on air inclusive packages only.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

*Mount Rushmore Lighting Ceremony is available May 26 - September 30, 2023.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

When reserving a triple room, please note it will have two double beds. Due to fire safety regulations, a rollaway bed cannot be brought into the room.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

IDENTIFICATION Travel within USA For travel completed by May 6, 2025, all airlines will ask for identification when you check in. It is recommended that you carry a passport if you have one. A driver's license (with a photo I.D.) is also acceptable for domestic flights. Effective for travel May 7, 2025 forward, the REAL ID Act standards for identification while travelling will be in effect. This means a standard issued driver's license used as a form of identification will no longer be accepted for domestic air travel within the United States. Instead, a Real ID compliant form of identification must be presented both at the time of booking air travel with Collette and upon checking in at the airport to board any flight. Any fees associated with changing a reservation resulting from a non-compliant identification will be the responsibility of the guest. For more information on Real ID, please visit the Department of Homeland Security website: <https://www.dhs.gov/real-id>

This tour is Activity Level 2. You like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

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