



Cactus Blossoms Palm Springs, Las Vegas

April 2-14 - 13 Days Guided by Bob and Teresa Marshall

Time to warm up after the chills of the winter and take in the desert heat of California and Nevada. This is a relaxing itinerary with just enough site seeing and the perfect amount of rest and relaxation. Highlights include: Las Vegas for two nights, Palm Springs for 3 nights, Death Valley. Book by **Feb 2** and save \$50 per person! Come and find out why we have so much fun! All passengers must be fully vaccinated.

Day 1 - April 2-Surrey to Salem, OR

Home pick up and duty free stop. Seattle area mall for lunch. I-5 south to Salem, Oregon. Holiday Inn Express.

Day 2 - April 3-Corning, CA (B)

A leisurely drive today through the State of Oregon. Cross over the majestic Siskiyou Mountains with a stop to admire the prominent Northern California landmark, Mt. Shasta. Try your luck at the Rolling Hills Casino when you stay at the Lodge in Corning, the olive capital of California.

Day 3 - April 4-Bakersfield, CA (B)

Following Hwy 99 you see the agricultural center of California with groves of Almonds, Olives, Oranges, Grapefruit and Lemons. There is a unique stop at Bravo Farms in Kettleman City before you arrive in Bakersfield.



Day 4 April 5-Palm Springs, CA (B)

Stop at the largest open pit Borax mine in the world in Boron, California. The Desert Hills outlet bargains tempt you this afternoon before you arrive in Palm Springs ready to soak up some of the warmth of the California sun. Hotel: Palm Mountain Resort.

Day 5-April 6: Palm Springs, CA (B/D)

After a hot breakfast, Ed, a local guide will tell you about Palm Springs' rich history and show you many of the highlights of this exciting desert city. A stop at the Shield's Date farm as well as the wind farm. Late afternoon you head out for a covered wagon tour. A naturalist is there to explain all about the geology and wildlife. A western BBQ and entertainment await on your return.



Day 6-April 7:Palm Springs (B)

Experience the cacti in bloom this morning as we head out for a tour of the Summerlands Gardens. 600 acres of art in the form of plants. The afternoon is yours to relax by the pool or browse the unique shops of Palm Springs. Stroll over to the Thursday night street festival of food and admire the works of local artisans. Not to be missed.

Day 7- April 8: Las Vegas, NV (B)

Taste samples at the Ethel M Chocolate Factory and stroll through its amazing cactus garden. Your hotel stay is at the newly renovated Tropicana Hotel next to the MGM Grand.

Day 8 - April 9: Las Vegas, NV (B)

Today is yours to explore the many lobbies of the mega casino hotels on the strip or hop on the local transit with Teresa for an optional trip to the factory outlet stores. You may also want to book one of the many acts and shows available; Terry Fator, Cirque de Soleil!, The Blue Man group.

Day 9- April 10: Tonopah, NV (B/L)

Head North through Death Valley, home to more than 1000 species of plants including 50 of those found nowhere else in the world. We stop at the Furnace Creek Oasis for a group western buffet lunch. Hotel: Best Western.

Day 10 - April 11: Reno, NV (B)

Step back in time as you explore the 19th century mining town of Virginia City. Re-discover the biggest little city of the world, Reno, and try your luck at one of the many casinos while staying downtown at the Silver Legacy.

Day 11 - April 12: Bend, OR (B)

Admire the excellent scenery North along Hwy 97 and into the friendly town of Bend, Oregon.

Day 12-April 13:Clackamas, OR (B/D)

Your morning starts with time in the unique town of Sisters, Oregon. Browse the unique artisan stores. Spend the afternoon shopping the Woodburn Factory outlet before getting into Clackamas for your last night. Enjoy your last group dinner with your new friends and share your special memories. Hotel: Monarch Hotel.

Day 13-April 14 - Home (B)

North on the I-5 with a lunch stop at Alderwood Mall. Duty free store. Home Returns

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