# Desert Canyons

Arizona & Utah, Featuring: Grand, Bryce, Arches, & Zion Canyons

October 14 - 24

### 10 nights | 11 days | 22 meals

### Highlights:

Zion National Park • Bryce Canyon National Park • Moab • Arches National Park • Monument Valley Jeep Tour • Glen Canyon National Recreation Area • Lake Powell Cruise • Grand Canyon • Grand Canyon National Park Lodge • Oak Creek Canyon • Sedona • Old Town Scottsdale • Scottsdale

#### Tour includes:

Round trip airfare with Air Canada
Ten nights accommodation
Ten breakfasts
Five lunches
Seven dinners
Meal gratuities
Canyon dinner cruise
Glen Canyon boat cruise
All side tours and entrance fees
Park Ranger / step-on guides
Local guide gratuities

### Accommodation:

ZionHoliday Inn Express SpringdaleBryceBryce Canyon ResortMoabHyatt Place MoabPageLake Powell ResortGrand CanyonSquire Resort at Grand<br/>CanyonScottsdaleHilton Garden Inn

AGELESS PEACE OF MIND: \$385

PRICE PER PERSON including all taxes

Double or Twin: **\$8,167**Single: **\$11,268** 

Medical Insurance Recommended
Passport Required



**Warning!** Altitudes exceeding 8,000-9,000 ft (2,700m). Possible unstable or uneven ground.



#### DAY ONE: VANCOUVER - SPRINGDALE, UTAH Meals: D

This tour of the Canyons features some of the most spectacular scenery in the U.S., it includes overnight accommodation at Bryce Canyon and Grand Canyon National Park Lodges, and the Lake Powell Resort, all of which are located in the heart of this amazing scenery. The tour includes Park rangers / step-on guides at all National Parks. Arrive early afternoon in Springdale, Utah (a 10 minute drive from Zion National Park).

#### DAY TWO: ZION NATIONAL PARK Meals: B

Arrive mid morning at Zion National Park Lodge located on the floor of the canyon. Board a private Zion Canyon Shuttle with live commentary and experience the scenic highlights of the park. There will be time to have lunch and explore the park on your own before departing for Springdale.

#### DAY THREE: ZION NATIONAL PARK – BRYCE NATIONAL PARK Meals: B, L, D

Climb from the Zion Canyon floor by coach for Bryce Canyon National Park. This afternoon our step-on guide will take us to Bryce Canyon's most famous viewpoints, dizzying in scope, including Fairyland, Sunrise, Bryce, and Inspiration Points. Thousands of delicately carved spires rise in brilliant colour from the amphitheatres of Bryce Canyon National Park. Overnight at the Bryce Canyon Resort for a one night stay. You are just a two minute walk from the hoodoos. Tonight join the group for dinner in the resort's dining room.

#### DAY FOUR: BRYCE NATIONAL PARK – MOAB Meals: B, L, D

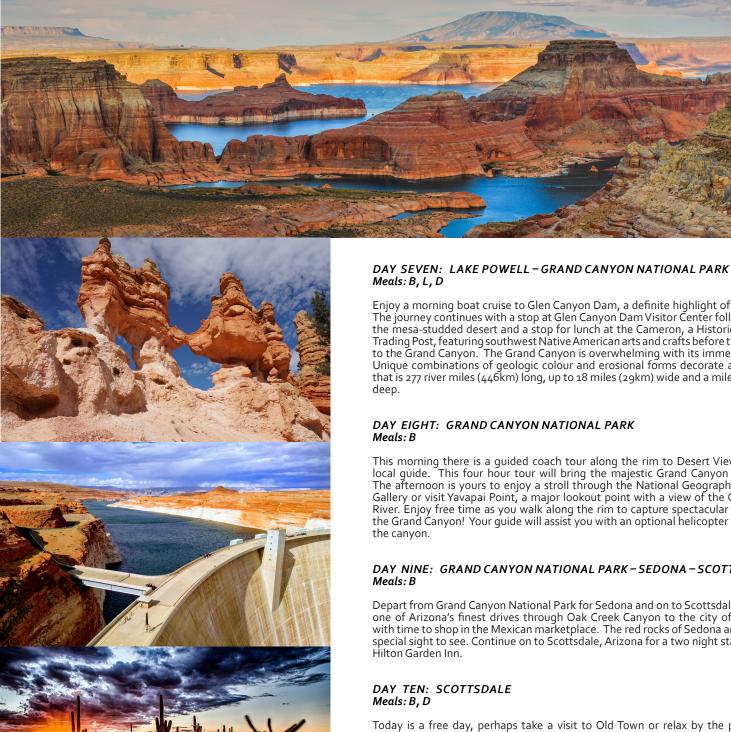
Depart from Bryce Canyon for Moab via the magnificent scenery of the Grand Staircase Escalante. Upon arrival in Moab enjoy a two night stay at the Hyatt Place Moab.

# DAY FIVE: MOAB – ARCHES NATIONAL PARK – MOAB Meals: B, L, D

Explore Arches National Park with a local guide. View an impressive array of spires, pinnacles, balanced rocks, and the highest concentration of natural sandstone arches in the world. After spending time at the park travel back to Moab to enjoy the scenic beauty of the area and the amenities of the hotel which include a heated outdoor pool. Relax and reflect on the amazing scenery on your journey so far. Tonight enjoy a Canyon Cruise and dinner.

# DAY SIX: MOAB - MONUMENT VALLEY - LAKE POWELL Meals: B, L, D

Today you will experience some of the most striking and recognizable landscapes in the entire Southwest in Monument Valley. A jeep tour takes you halfway into "the valley", with additional driving photo stops, driving the entire 17 mile loop road, to see the most celebrated sandstone buttes, spires, mesas, and panoramic views from different angles. Late afternoon arrive at the Lake Powell Resort, the only hotel that overlooks the lake. Relax and enjoy the amenities of this amazing resort.



# Enjoy a morning boat cruise to Glen Canyon Dam, a definite highlight of the day.

The journey continues with a stop at Glen Canyon Dam Visitor Center followed by the mesa-studded desert and a stop for lunch at the Cameron, a Historic Navajo Trading Post, featuring southwest Native American arts and crafts before travelling to the Grand Canyon. The Grand Canyon is overwhelming with its immense size. Unique combinations of geologic colour and erosional forms decorate a canyon that is 277 river miles (446km) long, up to 18 miles (29km) wide and a mile (1.6km)

This morning there is a guided coach tour along the rim to Desert View with a local guide. This four hour tour will bring the majestic Grand Canyon to light. The afternoon is yours to enjoy a stroll through the National Geographic Photo Gallery or visit Yavapai Point, a major lookout point with a view of the Colorado River. Enjoy free time as you walk along the rim to capture spectacular views of the Grand Canyon! Your guide will assist you with an optional helicopter trip over

### DAY NINE: GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK-SEDONA-SCOTTSDALE

Depart from Grand Canyon National Park for Sedona and on to Scottsdale. Enjoy one of Arizona's finest drives through Oak Creek Canyon to the city of Sedona with time to shop in the Mexican marketplace. The red rocks of Sedona are truly a special sight to see. Continue on to Scottsdale, Arizona for a two night stay at the

Today is a free day, perhaps take a visit to Old Town or relax by the pool and reminisce about your Canyon adventures with friends. Join the group for a farewell dinner at a local eatery.

#### DAY ELEVEN: SCOTTSDALE-VANCOUVER Meals: B

Depart early afternoon with memories of your spectacular canyon tour.

