

World of Travel
Presents



**Sedona and
Great Trains
featuring
Grand Canyon**

**Spring / Summer / Fall
2010 / 2011
7 Days / 6 Nights**

\$2,399.00

per person double occupancy

\$3,099.00
Single rate

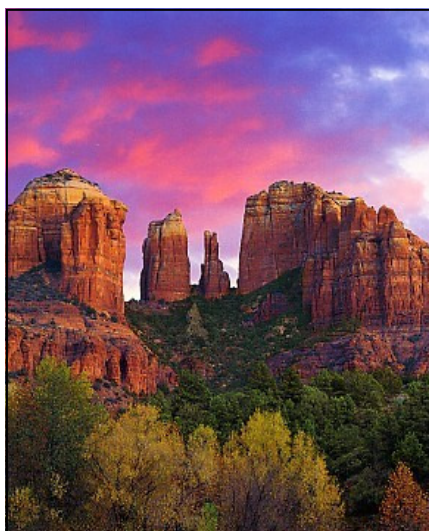
Included Features:

- Roundtrip airfare from selected cities
- Five nights accommodations in Sedona
- One night accommodations at Grand Canyon Railway hotel in Williams, Arizona
- Enjoy an exciting rail journey on the Grand Canyon Railway
- Visit to Montezuma National Park and Montezuma Well
- Discover the breathtaking scenery on the Verde Canyon Railroad
- Private trolley tour of Sedona
- Breakfast daily and four dinners
- World of Travel tour director
- All luggage handling, taxes and gratuities on included items



Visit some of the best sights in the West. Stay in magnificent Sedona and enjoy "The Best of the West."

Itinerary:



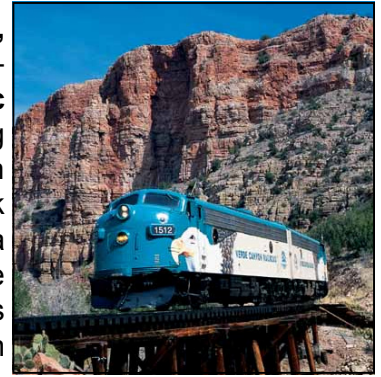
Day One - Fly to Phoenix and then transfer to Sedona.

The city of Sedona, one of Arizona's premier tourism, recreation, resort, retirement and art centers, was incorporated in 1988. Historically, it was a rural ranching community located far off the beaten path, but its unsurpassed natural beauty became nationally known through the motion picture industry. Today, commercials and television shows still are filmed in the unsettled areas surrounding this city, which annually attracts more than 4 million tourists from around the world.

The average age of Sedona's population, which totals approximately 10,000 within its incorporated limits, is 50 and the elevation generally is considered to be 4,500 feet, though well-known red-rock formations extend to more than a mile-high elevation. Enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day Two - Today you will enjoy a privately chartered **two-hour trolley tour** of area. This afternoon is at leisure. Group dinner included. (B, D)

Day Three - This morning we will take a ride on the **Verde Canyon Railroad**, which is often referred to as the finest train ride in Arizona and acclaimed as Arizona's longest-running nature show. Passengers enjoy this **four-hour scenic train ride** in style aboard renovated passenger coaches and open-air viewing cars pulled by vintage locomotives. The remote wilderness of the Verde Canyon located west of Sedona and below Jerome, is renowned for its towering red rock pinnacles and clean, green waters. The train rolls past Indian ruins, through a 680-foot man-made tunnel, over old-fashioned trestles and under clear azure skies. This picturesque setting is further enhanced by the variety of indigenous flora and fauna and the many migrating waterfowl. Over thirty bald and golden eagles winter in this riparian respite each year.



This afternoon is at your leisure, spend time browsing Sedona's shops, read, swim, relax or drink in the magnificent beauty of the magical red rocks. Dinner at leisure and on your own. (B)

Day Four - Today you will visit **Montezuma National Park**. Gaze through the windows of the past into one of the best-preserved cliff dwellings in North America. This 20 room high-rise apartment, nestled into a towering limestone cliff, tells a 1,000 year-old story of ingenuity and survival in an unforgiving desert landscape. Marveling at this enduring legacy of the Sinagua culture reveals a people surprisingly similar to ourselves.



Also, today is a stop to see **Montezuma Well**. Montezuma Well is a detached unit of **Montezuma Castle National Monument**. There is a one-third mile loop trail that is not recommended for wheelchair use. Montezuma Well is a limestone sink hole formed long ago by the collapse of an immense underground cavern. Over one and a half million gallons of water a day flow continuously, providing a lush, verdant oasis in the midst of surrounding desert grassland. The waters of the well contain several forms of plant and animal life not found in any other waters of the world. This unique habitat is perhaps due to the constant input of large quantities of warm water that enter through underground springs, keeping the environment within the well very stable.

Prehistoric Hohokam and Sinaguan cultures took advantage of this source of water by irrigating crops of corn, beans, squash and cotton. The rich riparian and surrounding uplands provided wildlife and native plants to supplement the agricultural products. Visitors to the site can still see traces of ancient lime encrusted irrigation ditches from past farming activity.

We will make a stop in the **town of Jerome**, once a virtual ghost town, now restored with shops, museums and art galleries.

Located in Arizona's high desert under the towering southwestern rim of the vast Colorado Plateau is spectacular **Oak Creek Canyon**. Characterized by massive red-rock formations is magnificent and ethereal. Group dinner included this evening. (B,D)

Day Five - Day at your leisure. A shuttle will be available to visit Tlaquepaque for local shopping. Our unforgettable Sedona experience must include spending time at internationally renowned Tlaquepaque (pronounced Tla-keh-pah-keh), Sedona Arizona's Arts & Crafts Village. Nestled beneath the shade of the sycamores on the banks of beautiful Oak Creek in Sedona, Tlaquepaque is the most distinctive shopping experience to be found in the Southwest. Authentically fashioned after a traditional Mexican village, Tlaquepaque, meaning the "best of everything," has been a Sedona landmark since the 1970's. Its vine covered stucco walls, cobble-stoned walkways and magnificent arched entryways give you the feeling that Tlaquepaque has been here for centuries. Tasteful galleries and unique shops live in harmony with its lush natural environment where giant sycamore trees stand in testimony to the care taken in preserving the timeless beauty of the Tlaquepaque grounds. It would be hard to find more beautiful surroundings anywhere to create a shopping experience like no other. Dinner at your leisure and on your own. (B)



Day Six - Motorcoach to Grand Canyon. Tour the Canyon and spend some free time. After lunch take the Grand Canyon Railway to Williams, Arizona for a spectacular train adventure. The trip is not only to America's most recognized spectacle, but is a trip back in time. Grand Canyon Railway made its first journey to the Grand Canyon in 1901. With the arrival of the train, people could get to the legendary canyon with ease and comfort. Long before there were Grand Canyon helicopter tours, air tours, white water rafting tours or even Grand Canyon mule tours, there was the Grand Canyon's train. Before paved roads, Grand Canyon hotels and restaurants, and even before the canyon was made a national park or Arizona made a state, let alone the "Grand Canyon State", the Grand Canyon Railway brought interested travelers from all over the world to stand on the rim and ponder the feeling that touches all of humanity in a similar manner when they gaze upon



the canyon. Grand Canyon Railway was the lifeline to Grand Canyon National Park in the early 20th century. It was the railroad, along with the Fred Harvey Company, that commissioned and built most of the historic structures that still exist along the South Rim. The historic train almost faded into history itself when passenger service to Grand Canyon National Park stopped in 1968 as train travel gave way to the popularity of automobile travel. But like any legend it refused to die.

As fate would have it, Grand Canyon Railway was reborn in 1989 when entrepreneurs Max & Thelma Biegert brought the Grand Canyon's train back to life. Today, Grand Canyon Railway carries more than 230,000 people by rail to Grand Canyon National Park each year. Accommodations and dinner tonight are at the Grand Canyon, Williams Arizona hotel. (B, D)

Day Seven - Depart Williams for Phoenix and return home. (B)

Optional Tours:

Pink Jeep Tour in Sedona (\$70.00 per person) - Explore the rugged canyons and soaring spires for which Sedona is famous. Take in the awe-inspiring beauty of these unique canyons as your knowledgeable guide acquaints you with rock formations that seem to appear from nowhere.



It may happen when the Jeep "walks" an upsweep of rock to Chicken Point. It may happen during the steep but smooth ride down the "Road of No Return". But sooner or later your thoughts will stray from the beauty of the surroundings, drift away from your guide's informational talk, and suddenly you realize there is a lot more to this Pink Jeep than meets the eye.

The Jeeps carry water; however, it is only accessible when the Jeeps are stopped. We do recommend bringing bottled water, which can be purchased at the Pink Jeep Store. Jeeps hold a maximum of 6-7 passengers.

Balloon Ride (\$200.00 per person)

- A scenic drive to the main launch site. (Allow 4 hours for this adventure)
- Enjoy the colorful spectacle of inflating the balloon
- Experience the exhilaration of lift-off
- Feel the dream like sensation of floating through the air
- Listen as the pilot gives commentary
- Soar for 1 to 1 ½ hours
- Enjoy a traditional champagne picnic upon landing
- Commemorative certificate of your adventure
- 8-14 passengers per balloon, \$200.00 per person (reservations must be made by 8/3/10)

