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Monthly Membership meetings are on the third Wednesday of every month  
from 10am to 11am at Atomic Bowl, 624 Wellsian Way, Richland

## SEPTEMBER, 2026 NEWSLETTER

### ELECTED OFFICERS

Marsha Hathcox: President

Lucy Budde: Vice President

Secretary: Lynne Brown

Treasurer: Claudia Theroff

### ELECTED DIRECTORS

Diane Beckmann

Dortha Backer, 509-539-4920

Karen Crawford

### APPOINTED POSITIONS

Trip Coordinator: Lorrie Pope, 220-6779,  
[pope.lorrie@gmail.com](mailto:pope.lorrie@gmail.com)

Social Coordinator: Vel Wright, 521-7710

Member Connections Coordinator: Claire Schneck,  
943-9249

Office Manager: Margaret Ault, 308-6892

### OTHER

Attendance: Sharon Warren

Greeter: Barbara Strait

Membership Specialist: Karen Crawford

Website Specialist: Larry Smith, 539-1142

Newsletter Editor: Pat Fleming, 539-5459

| SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS |             |    | HAPPY BIRTHDAY                  |
|---------------------|-------------|----|---------------------------------|
| Sophie              | Calvey      | 1  | Pink Cadillac Day               |
| Kathryn             | Larson      | 3  | Nat'l Skyscraper Day            |
| Van                 | Rickard     | 3  | Yogurt Day                      |
| Patricia            | Adams       | 7  | Neither Snow Nor Rain Day       |
| Dale                | Havens      | 7  | Nat'l Acorn Squash Day          |
| Rodney              | Parham      | 7  | Nat'l Salami Day                |
| Fred                | Phillips    | 8  | Star Trek Day                   |
| Janet               | Becker      | 13 | Internat'l Chocolate day        |
| Patrick             | Fleming     | 13 | Nat'l Positive Thinking Day     |
| Judy                | Harper      | 13 | Nat'l Defy Superstition Day     |
| Lorrie              | Pope        | 13 | Nat'l Scooby Doo Day            |
| Donna               | Ryan        | 13 | Nat'l Pet Memorial Day          |
| Paul                | Beaudet     | 15 | Nat'l Double Cheeseburger Day   |
| Kristina            | Kennedy     | 15 | Internat'l Dot Day              |
| Kathv               | Terpenning  | 17 | Internat'l Country Music Day    |
| Margie              | Allan       | 18 | Nat'l First Love Day            |
| Dawn                | Gerken      | 19 | Nat'l Dance Day                 |
| Denise              | Hohimer     | 19 | Batman Day                      |
| Debra               | Knight      | 19 | Love and Friendship Day         |
| Joanne              | Dimond      | 22 | Nat'l Elephant Appreciation Day |
| Ida                 | Mains       | 24 | Nat'l Cherries Jubilee Day      |
| Dixie               | Blankenship | 25 | German Butterbrot Day           |
| Steve               | Brown       | 25 | Hug A Vegetarian Day            |
| Louise              | Mason       | 25 | Nat'l One Hit Wonder Day        |
| Cathy               | Riddle      | 25 | Nat'l Doodle Day                |
| Gerald              | Suminski    | 25 | Nat'l Tune Up Day               |
| Carol               | Berry       | 26 | Nat'l Johnny Appleseed Day      |
| Karen               | Don         | 26 | Save Your Photos Day            |
| Lori                | Meyer       | 26 | Love Note Day                   |
| Pat                 | Johnstone   | 27 | Nat'l No Excuses Day            |
| Cindy               | Taylor      | 27 | World Rivers Day                |
| Ron                 | Meyer       | 28 | Nat'l Drink a Beer Day          |
| Kim                 | Saenz       | 30 | Nat'l Strawberry Cream Pie Day  |

**Verna Bond Reports:** RR is an awesome group of people! Food total for August was 315 lbs and Martha's Cupboard was 60 lbs. The Food Bank was so excited about the 75 boxes of cereal! Yearly total is 2028 lbs. Thank you Rovers!

### **New Members: Margie Allan (welcome!)**

Members who knew Natalie Meeks may be interested in her Celebration of Life on 9/19 at 1pm at the TriCities Readiness Cntr, 2655 1<sup>st</sup> St, Richland. Natalie died on 4/16 at 76 years old. She was born in Arcata CA and was an elementary school teacher. She joined Rambling Rovers in 2018. Everyone is welcome. We sure miss her. If you plan to attend, can you please RSVP with a call or text Nathan Meeks at (805)404-2421 or Amanda Clements at (509) 985-5267 so the family can get an idea of how many are attending.



**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2026**

**2:00 PM**

**Capitol Theatre in Yakima**

**Includes Dinner at the Powerhouse Grill**

**\$175.00**

Pickup times

**FRED MEYERS**

Drop off times

**KENNEWICK 11:15 AM**

**RICHLAND 8:00 PM**

**RICHLAND 11:50 AM**

**KENNEWICK 8:30 PM**

Trip Coordinator - Lorrie Pope 220-6779 & Damian Signorelli



## Grand Canyon & Las Vegas Excitement

**\$100 Early Booking  
Discount before Apr 30, 2026**

**October 04-09, 2026  
6 days, 5 nights  
\$3,299 - double occ  
\$3,999 - single occ**

### **Tour Includes:**

Round Trip Airfare  
Deluxe Motorcoach  
Professional Tour Director  
Grand Canyon National Park  
Sedona  
The Sphere – WIZARD OF OZ  
Hoover Dam  
Valley of Fire  
Mob Museum  
Grand Canyon RR Hotel 3 nights  
MGM Grand Hotel\* 2 nights  
3 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners  
\*Or similar



Day 1 – Flights into the area and drive to Williams AZ to check into the Grand Canyon Railway Hotel for 3 nights. Mingle with your fellow travelers at a delicious Welcome Dinner D

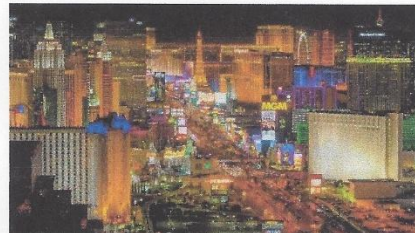
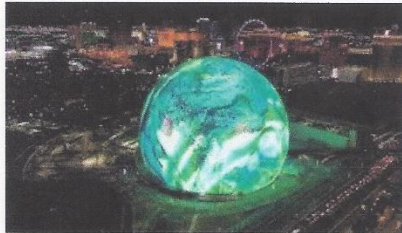
Day 2 – Today is all about exploring the Grand Canyon National Park. It's sheer scale, colors and sense of timelessness leave visitors speechless. Layers of red, orange, pink and purple rock stack endlessly downward, carved by the Colorado River over millions of years. We will have more time and see more by driving into the park and having more options on how to spend your time. B, D

Day 3 – Breathtaking, colorful and inspiring, Sedona is today's destination. The red rock formations, mysterious vortexes and Chapel of the Cross sights have earned this city the nickname, "A Spiritual Disneyland". From upscale art galleries, Native American wares, psychics and gems, there is something for everyone. B

Day 4 – Heading to the Neon lights of Las Vegas, we stop for a very interesting and informative guided tour of the Hoover Dam. Catching some samples of world famous Ethel's Chocolates brings a sweet touch to the afternoon, before checking into the MGM hotel\* on the strip. Tonight is free to do as you choose. B

Day 5 – Visiting the Valley of Fire, we again are treated to the magnificence of Mother Nature's rock

creations with shapes, layouts and towering formations that are fabulous photo opportunities. After lunch prepare to be dazzled and entertained at the Sphere as we become entranced by their headlining show, "The Wizard of Oz". Topping off the day is the Mob Museum with it's amazing history and stories of the Mafia family's presence in Las Vegas.



Day 6-. It's time to say goodbye to new friends, sharing photos of this memorable trip and making plans for future trips together as we board our flights for home.



**DEPOSIT:** \$200.00 due now to hold your place. Final payment is due Aug 04, 2026. If paying by credit card add \$100 on doubles and \$120 on singles.

**CANCELLATION:** Last day to cancel for a full refund is Aug 04 2026.

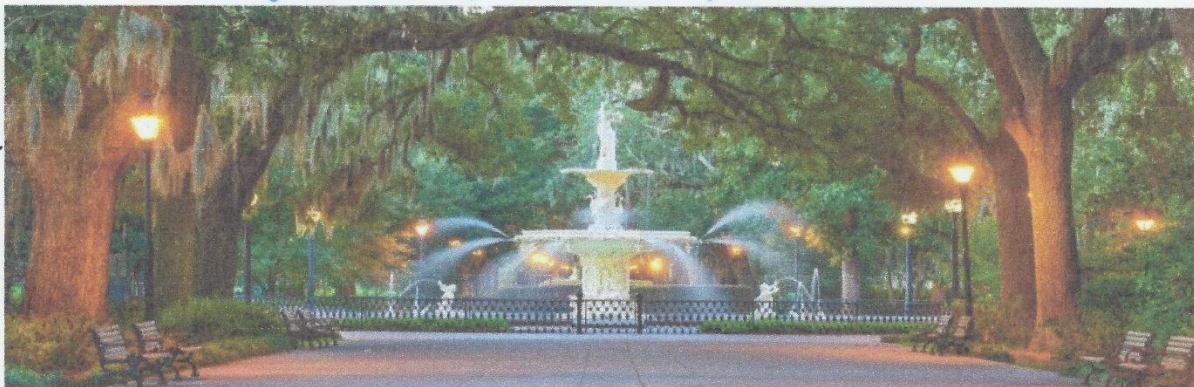
**TRAVEL INSURANCE** is highly recommended for Trip Cancellation, Accident, Life, and Luggage coverage during the tour. You can use the travel insurance company of your choice.

**FOR INFORMATION:** Contact Alan Mindell at [solanabeachalan@yahoo.com](mailto:solanabeachalan@yahoo.com) / 310-560-5137 or Bobbi Lona at [bobbilona@yahoo.com](mailto:bobbilona@yahoo.com) / 760-889-2687

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**Tour Operated by Majestic Adventures, 5277 Milton Road, Carlsbad, CA 92008**  
**California Seller of Travel # 2158680-40**

## Southern Delight: Jekyll Island, Savannah, & Charleston



**February 27—March 5, 2027**  
7 Days & 6 Nights

\$4,299.00 Per Person, Double Occupancy

\$5,099.00 Single Occupancy

### Sightseeing Highlights

- Charleston Tour
  - Drayton Hall Tour & Boone Hall Plantation
  - Charleston City Market
- Boone Hall Plantation
- Beaufort—Guided Carriage Tour
- Savannah City Tour
- Savannah Riverboat Cruise Savannah's World
- Jekyll Island Club House Hotel (2 Nights)
  - Jekyll Island Tram Tour - Historic District
  - Sea Turtle Center
  - St. Simons Island—Simons Lighthouse Museum and World War II Home Front Museum

### Itinerary

**Day 1** Begin the day with our flight to Charleston, South Carolina. Upon arrival you will be transferred to your hotel, where we stay for 2 nights.

**Day 2** After breakfast, we begin our sightseeing adventure in **Charleston**. You will have a first-hand experience of Charleston life, past to present day, as you walk through the city. Charleston is the birth place of the Civil War and a vibrant city of the New South. Next, we visit **Charleston City Market**, one of the nation's oldest public markets and the cultural heart of Charleston, where there are more than 300 entrepreneurs and vendors to experience. We then take a tour of **Drayton Hall**, founded in 1738, known as the nation's earliest example of fully executed Palladian architecture and the oldest preserved plantation house in America. We will also visit **Boone Hall Plantation**, which is a "living history" and an active agricultural facility, known to be the most photographed plantation in America. End the evening with a group welcome dinner. B,D



### Tour Price Includes:

- Roundtrip Airfare 
- Spokane Airport
- Round Trip Transfers
- Professional Tour Director
- Deluxe Motorcoach
- Local Experts Guides

### Hotel Accommodations:

- 2 Nights: Hampton Inn Charleston— Historic District
- 2 Nights: Jekyll Island Club Hotel
- 2 Nights: Savannah, GA Double Tree Hotel Historic District
- Meals: 6 Breakfasts  
3 Dinners



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Tour ID: **T525**

**Day 3** Today, we visit **Beaufort** and take a guided carriage ride through the historic downtown streets. See the restored historic mansions built by the wealthy families before the Civil War as they are a cultural treasure of this antebellum town. Next we travel to **Jekyll Island**. Before World War II, famous and rich Americans came to Jekyll Island as a retreat. Some of the recognizable family names include the Rockefellers, Morgan's, Macys, Pulitzers, Goodyear's and Vanderbilt's. The state of Georgia purchased the island, which is 10 miles of Atlantic beaches, waterways, and marshes. The interior land of forests is full of pines, magnolias, and live oak trees. Wildlife of egrets, pelicans, herons and sandpipers skim the gentle surf. 2 Nights at the Historic **Jekyll Island Club Hotel**. B,D

**Day 4** This morning you will enjoy a **tram tour** of Jekyll Island's National Historic District includes a 240-acre entry into Indian Mound Cottage and the Mosaic Gallery and Faith Chapel. Then we visit the **Georgia Sea Turtle Center** where experts rescue several hundred sea turtles a year to be rehabilitated and released back to their ocean habitat. Enjoy a free afternoon exploring this beautiful island on your own. B

**Day 5** Explore near by **St. Simon Island** with a visit to the **St. Simons Lighthouse Museum** and **World War II Home Front Museum**. We continue on to **Savannah**, often called the "Belle of the South", and check into our hotel. In the heart of the city next to the **City Market** and the **Riverside District**. We will stay 2 nights in Savannah. B

**Day 6** Tour **Downtown Savannah's National Landmark Historic District** with a local guide. Then we board the **Savannah Riverboat Cruise**. The cruise captain provides a narration, along the scenic Savannah River, giving us a unique perspective of this historic city. You will have free time to enjoy Savannah. Everyone will have the opportunity to explore shops, art galleries, and café's scattered throughout this walkable city and our hotel. Enjoy an dinner at the Savannah's World Famous **Pirates House**, a common place where sailors and pirates regularly hung out in the 1700's. B, D

**Day 7** Today we to board the flight home. Relax and remember your experiences with the culture and history of the southern states. B

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**DEPOSIT: \$200 due** now to hold your place. Final payment is due on **November 10, 2026**.

**CANCELLATION:** No refund will be given after **November 10, 2026**.



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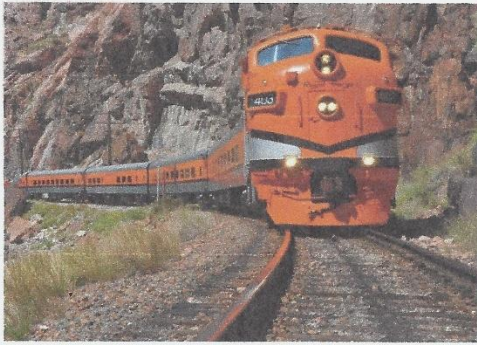
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## MAJESTIC ADVENTURES PRESENTS

**Colorado Rockies &**

**Roaring Trains**

**June 6 - 12, 2027**

**7 Days / 6 Nights**

**PRELIMINARY DRAFT - \$3,799 per person  
double. \$4,560 for single.**

**Email Lorrie Pope at [pope.lorrie@gmail.com](mailto:pope.lorrie@gmail.com) to have her send you a flyer  
and the registration forms needed.**

### **Tour Price Includes:**

Roundtrip Airfare  
Deluxe Motorcoach  
Professional Tour Guide  
Royal Gorge Route Railway  
Durango-Silverton Railroad  
Pike's Peak Cog Railway  
Air Force Academy  
Garden of the Gods  
Mesa Verde National Park

### **Itinerary**

Day 1—We fly into Denver to start our amazing adventure. Our hotel for the next 3 nights will be in Colorado Springs, CO. Get to know your fellow travelers at a welcome dinner.

Day 2— Today's agenda is jam-packed with exciting venues. Included is a visit to the beautiful Garden of the Gods park, the Air Force Academy, Manitou Springs and the Broadmoor Manitou and Pikes Peak Cog Railway. This "train" takes us up 14,115 feet in altitude to the top of Pikes Peak for breathtaking 360 degree views. B

Day 3 — A very inspiring and exciting tour of the USAF Academy before making our way to the Royal Gorge Railroad for an incredibly scenic train ride.

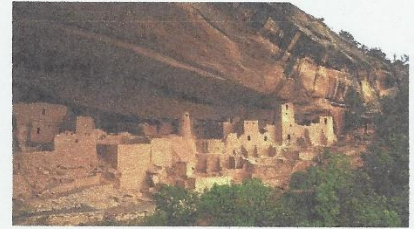
Day 4— Driving through the hills of Colorado we venture to Grand Junction with a group dinner tonight.



Day 5— The thrills continue on this tour as we ride along the fabulous Million Dollar Highway which winds and clings to the mountain providing dramatic “million dollar” views at every turn. It is considered one of the best scenic drives in the U. S. We arrive in Silverton, an old mining town with time for lunch on our own before we board the historic Durango / Silverton narrow gauge railroad train for another scenic adventure. Hear the train whistle announcing our arrival in the western town of Durango where we will spend the night. Both Silverton and Durango have unique western flavor history.

Day 6— A change of scenery today as we visit Mesa Verde National Park. This incredible place with multi-storied Native American Pueblos tells the story of inhabitants long gone. Our farewell dinner tonight is the perfect opportunity to share photos and compare notes.

Day 7—Returning home we reflect on our experiences on this trip, why not plan your next trip with your new friends, going to some adventurous destinations.



**Preliminary Draft – \$3,799 per person for double. \$4,560 for single**

**CALIFORNIA MISSIONS TOUR**

**October 10 -16, 2027**

**7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS**

**Tour Includes:**

Round Trip Airfare

Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation

Luggage Handling

Professional Tour Director

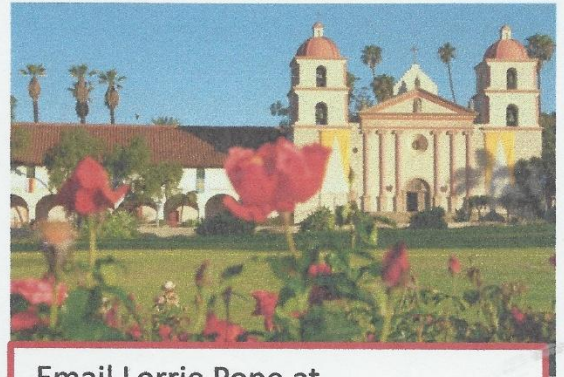
11 Missions: Basilica San Diego de Alcala, San Luis Rey, San Juan Capistrano, San Gabriel, Santa Barbara, Santa Ines, La Purisima Concepcion, San Luis Obispo, San Carlos Borromeo de Carmelo, San Francisco de Asis, San Francisco Solano

Wine Tasting in Sonoma area

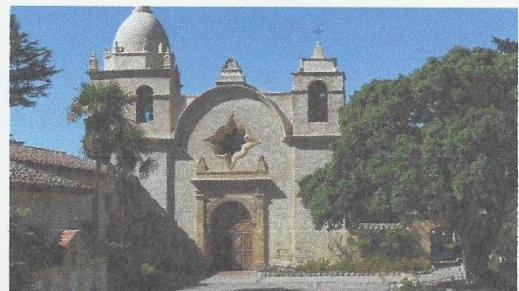
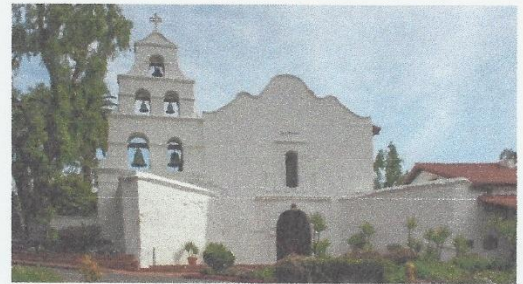
**Day 1** Our destination today is the beautiful city of San Diego the birthplace of the Alta California Missions with a visit to the San Diego de Alcala Mission. Known as the "Mother of the Missions" founded by Father Junipero Serra in 1769, it was the first of the 21 missions.

**Day 2** Today we head to Oceanside to see the San Luis Rey Mission. This church was known as the "King of the Missions." Traveling north along the El Camino Real, "The Royal Highway" of the 21 missions we visit the San Juan Capistrano Mission. Founded in 1771, it was nicknamed the "Jewel of the Missions" because of its beauty. Famous for the annual return of the migrating swallows every March 19th, the small chapel here is the only chapel still standing where Father Serra celebrated Mass.

**Day 3** Our highlight today is the San Gabriel Mission, known as the "Godmother of the Pueblo of Los Angeles." It was founded in 1771 and was pivotal to the development of L.A. Then see



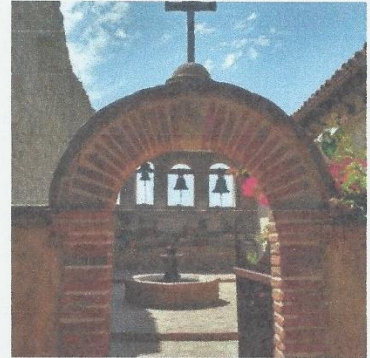
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the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels with a sweeping edifice comprised only of obtuse and acute angles. Tonight we stay in Santa Barbara.

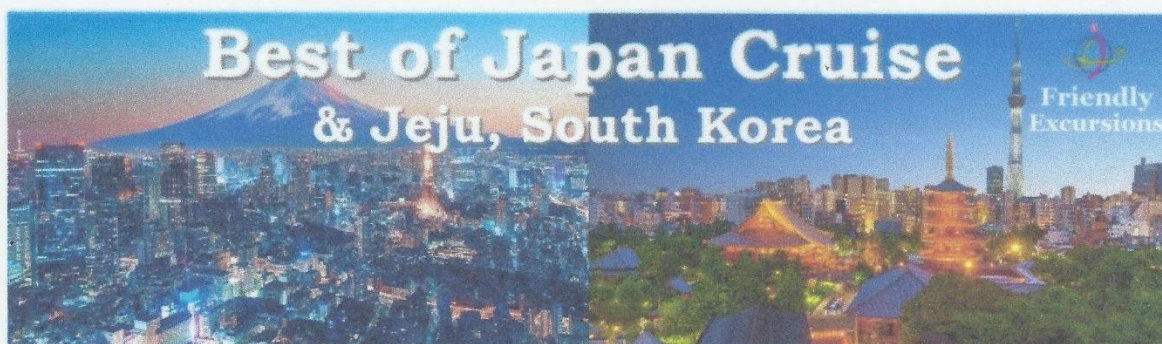
**Day 4** Have your cameras ready as we approach the majestic Santa Barbara Mission, the Queen of the Missions. Noted for its Roman temple façade and magnificent views, her history is fascinating and will keep you spell bound. Then relax on a scenic drive around Cachuma Lake, heading to Solvang a jewel of a town with a Danish heritage, known for its delicious pastries. We'll visit the Santa Ines Mission, a pleasant mix of charming simplicity and wandering hillsides. Enjoy the drive by some majestic horse breeding farms enroute to the La Purisima Concepcion Mission, in Lompoc. As a 966 acre State Historic Park, La Purisima has been restored to present a genuine look at a "working mission", complete with animals, tallow works, weavery, and even an olive crusher. We will be staying overnight in Santa Maria.

**Day 5** Today we journey to the San Luis Obispo Mission. This was the first mission to make fire resistant red clay roof tiles, a common sight all over California now and is the halfway point in the entire chain of missions. A special highlight is the San Carlos Borromeo de Carmelo Mission, believed by many to be the most beautiful of all missions, and noted as the most authentic restoration. You will have time to shop and browse in the quaint city of Monterey and Clint Eastwood's hometown of Carmel.



**Day 6** A wonderful combination of old history and newer beautiful architecture awaits you at the San Francisco de Asis Mission, also known as Mission Dolores. In the heart of the city, it is the oldest surviving building in San Francisco. They have a museum, cemetery and gardens to visit. We drive north to Sonoma CA for the San Francisco de Solano Mission and wine tasting in this area.

**Day 7** Heading home with wonderful memories and making plans with new friends for future trips.



**November 15 - 29, 2027**

### Highlights Includes

Tokyo City Tour  
Asakusa  
Tokyo Skytree  
Sumo Wrestling lunch show

### Price Includes

- Round Trip Airfare
- Round Trip Transfers
- 2 Nights in Tokyo
- City Tour of Tokyo
- Welcome Dinner
- Professional Tour Director
- Port Charges & Taxes
- Cabin Gratuities
- 11 Day Cruise
- Alcohol Drink Package
- Private cocktail Party
- Meals
  - Welcome Dinner
  - 1 Lunch Show
  - 2 Breakfasts
  - All included meals on the ship
  - 3 ship specialty restaurant dinners



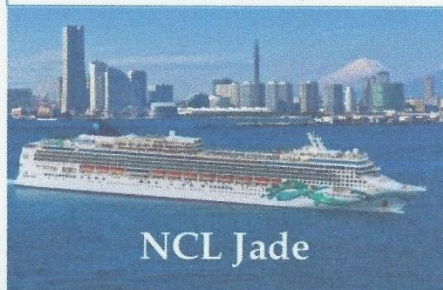
Prices are Per Person, Double Occupancy

**Inside Cabin** \$8,589  
Deck 12-16 Forward/Aft

**Oceanview** \$8,889  
Deck 10-11, Mid/Aft  
+ 150 Minutes Wifi and \$50 shore excursion credit for 1 Person

**Outside Balcony** \$10,489  
Deck 12-16, Forward/Mid/Aft  
+150 Minutes Wifi and \$50 shore excursion credit for 1 Person

Limited Availability



**NCL Jade**



| Day   | Date  | Cruise Ports (15 Days & 14 Nights)        | Arrival | Departure |
|-------|-------|-------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Mon   | 11/15 | Fly to Tokyo Japan                        |         |           |
| Tues  | 11/16 | Arrive in Tokyo Japan (2 Nights in Tokyo) |         |           |
| Wed   | 11/17 | Tokyo City Tour                           |         |           |
| Thurs | 11/18 | Depart on Cruise                          |         | 4:00 pm   |
| Fri   | 11/19 | Mount Fuji (Shimizu), Japan               | 7:00 am | 5:00 pm   |
| Sat   | 11/20 | Nagoya, Japan                             | 7:00 am | 4:00 pm   |
| Sun   | 11/21 | Kyoto (Osaka), Japan                      | 8:00 am | 8:00pm    |
| Mon   | 11/22 | Kochi, Japan                              | 7:00 am | 4:00 pm   |
| Tues  | 11/23 | Hiroshima, Japan                          | 7:00 am | 4:00 pm   |
| Wed   | 11/24 | Kanmon Strait / Hakata (Fukuoka), Japan   | 9:00 am | 5:00 pm   |
| Thurs | 11/25 | Nagasaki, Japan                           | 7:00 am | 5:00 pm   |
| Fri   | 11/26 | Jeju, South Korea                         | 7:00 am | 5:00 pm   |
| Sat   | 11/27 | Sasebo, Japan                             | 7:30 am | 3:00 pm   |
| Sun   | 11/28 | At Sea                                    |         |           |
| Mon   | 11/29 | Disembark: Tokyo, Japan                   | 8:00 am |           |

\*Times and ports subject to change



Balcony



Inside

**Day 1- Fly to Tokyo, Japan:** Your exciting journey begins as you depart for Japan on an international flight. Relax and prepare for an unforgettable adventure through Japan and South Korea.

**Day 2- Arrive in Tokyo, Japan (2 Nights in Tokyo):** Upon arrival in Tokyo, transfer to your hotel and settle in. The remainder of the day is yours to rest or explore the surrounding area. This evening, meet your fellow travelers at a special Welcome Dinner.

**Day 3- Tokyo City Tour:** Explore Tokyo with a visit to the **Tokyo Skytree** for panoramic city views, followed by a **sumo-themed lunch** and cultural experience. Continue with a **guided tour of historic Asakusa**, known for its temples and traditional shopping streets. Evening is at leisure to explore Tokyo on your own.

**Day 4-14 Cruise:** Enjoy some of the best cities Japan has to offer. Also enjoy **Jeju, South Korea** Known for volcanic landscapes, waterfalls, coastal scenery, and rich local culture. The island is recognized for its natural beauty and unique traditions.

**Day 15 - Tokyo, Japan:** Disembark your cruise in Tokyo transferring to the airport for your journey home, bringing unforgettable memories of Japan and South Korea with you.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

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**Visa:** It is your responsibility to verify all visa and passport, and traveling ID requirements necessary for your vacation. You are responsible for obtaining independently and paying for all visas and entry documents, for meeting all health and other requirements, and for any documents required by the laws, regulations, orders, and/or requirements of the countries you will visit. All visa information listed on the website, in documents, or in the brochure is for U.S. citizens only. Non-U.S. citizens must consult with appropriate consulates to determine if any visas or other documents are needed. You must have a passport to travel internationally. Most countries require that the passport be valid for at least six (6) months beyond the conclusion of your trip. It is recommended you have a minimum of three blank pages in your passport when traveling. Multiple-entry visas are required for some vacations. The process of obtaining a visa and/or passport can take up to three months or more.

**Deposit of \$300.00 per person due upon sign up to hold your place.**

**Final Payment Due on July 1, 2027.**

**Cancellation & Refund Policy:** No refunds after July 1, 2027.

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**Travel Documentation :**  
Passport is required  
Valid 6 months after Nov 30, 2027



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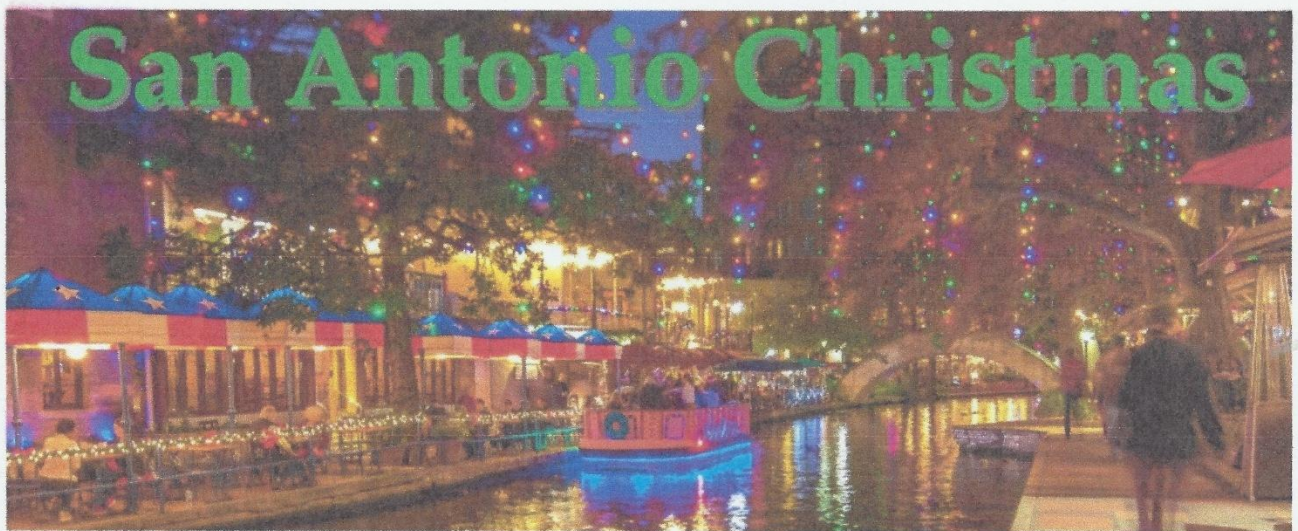
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**December 6 -10, 2027**  
**5 Days & 4 Nights**

**Sightseeing Highlights:**

- San Antonio
  - River Walk Cruise & Hotel
  - Fiesta de las Luminarias
  - City Tour
  - The Alamo
  - San José Mission
- Austin
  - LBJ Presidential Library
  - Texas State Capitol
- Fredericksburg
  - National Museum of the Pacific War
  - Texas Wine Tasting

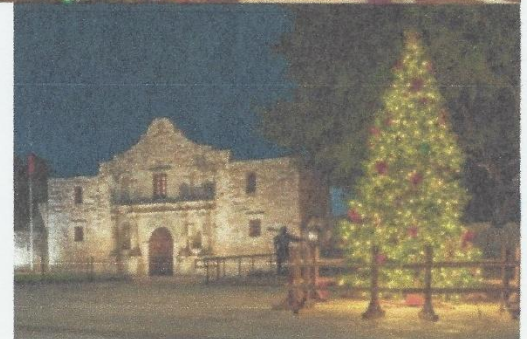
**Itinerary**

**Day 1 – Welcome to the Holiday Magic of San Antonio**

Fly to vibrant **San Antonio**, where your Friendly Excursions Tour Director will welcome you to the heart of the city's famous **River Walk**. Check into your hotel for a four-night stay and soak in the festive holiday atmosphere as twinkling lights, cheerful music, and beautifully decorated walkways create the perfect start to your Texas Christmas adventure.

**Day 2 – History, Heritage & the River Walk**

Step back in time as you discover San Antonio's rich Spanish heritage on a **guided city tour**. Visit the magnificent **San José Mission**, known as the "Queen of the Missions," and stand where history was made at the legendary **Alamo**. This afternoon, relax aboard a **River Walk cruise**, gliding beneath colorful bridges and past charming restaurants and festive holiday decorations lining the river.



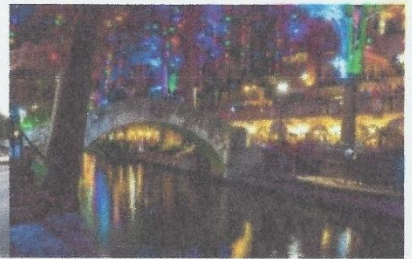
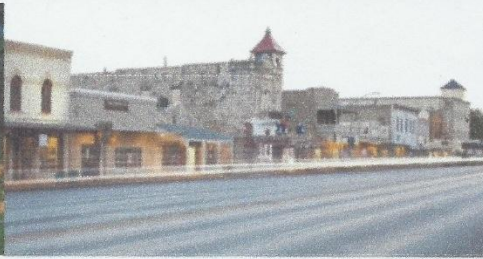
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**\$3,199.00** Per Person, Double Occupancy  
**\$3,899.00** Single Occupancy

**Tour Price Includes:**

- Round Trip Airfare
- Deluxe Motorcoach
- Professional Tour Director
- 4 Nights' Accommodations:  
 Drury Plaza Hotel San Antonio Riverwalk
- Meals:
  - 4 Breakfasts
  - 1 Dinner

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### Day 3 – The Best of Austin

Travel to the exciting capital city of **Austin** for a day filled with Texas history and culture. Enjoy a guided tour of this vibrant city before visiting the magnificent **Texas State Capitol**, an architectural masterpiece larger than the U.S. Capitol. Continue to the fascinating **LBJ Presidential Library & Museum**, where interactive exhibits bring the remarkable life and presidency of Lyndon B. Johnson to life. Return to San Antonio to enjoy another evening on the beautifully decorated River Walk.

### Day 4 – Fredericksburg & a Texas Christmas Celebration

Experience the charm of **Fredericksburg**, a picturesque German-inspired town dressed in its holiday finest. Explore the acclaimed **National Museum of the Pacific War**, then raise a glass during a delightful **Texas wine tasting**. Celebrate your unforgettable journey with a special farewell dinner before returning to San Antonio for the breathtaking **Fiesta de las Luminarias**. Thousands of glowing luminarias line the River Walk, reflecting off the water and creating one of the most enchanting Christmas displays in the Southwest.

### Day 5 – Home with Wonderful Holiday Memories

After five unforgettable days of Texas hospitality, fascinating history, festive celebrations, and holiday cheer, transfer to the airport for your flight home, taking with you lasting memories of an unforgettable Christmas along San Antonio's magical River Walk.

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**DEPOSIT: \$200.00 per person due now to hold your place.** Final payment is to be mailed to Friendly Excursions. **Final payment is due on September 9, 2027. No refund after September 9, 2027.**

**CANCELLATION:** Last day to cancel for a full refund is **September 9, 2027.**

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