

Redstone Goes Trips & Tours Presents...

The Grand Circle Tour

September 18 – 27,
2025

This Fall will bring the biggest adventure yet for Redstone Goes! We will depart Murrysville, PA on Thursday 9/18 in a

motorcoach bound for the Pittsburgh Airport. From there we will fly on Southwest Airlines to Salt Lake City. Upon arrival in Salt Lake we will settle in to our downtown hotel, and enjoy an evening dinner as a group get acquainted activity.

On Friday 9/19 a step on guide will join our bus for a morning tour of Salt Lake. We will end our time at the Tabernacle to enjoy the short daily organ recital. After a lunch stop on your own we will begin making our way to Moab, our home for the next two nights. On the way we will stop at the Utah State University Eastern Prehistoric Museum to enjoy their collection of artifacts of the region. Dinner that evening will be on your own with several restaurants within walking distance of our hotel.

Saturday 9/20 will be a spectacular day. We will spend our time exploring Canyonlands National Park, the largest park in Utah, and Arches National Park, boasting the largest concentration of sandstone arches on earth. We will explore highlights by motorcoach, stopping at scenic vistas, and those who wish will be able to participate in a gentle walk/hike of about 1 mile in each park. The evening will bring a unique dinner experience as we enjoy a Cowboy-style Dutch Oven dinner and a slow-moving evening boat ride on the Colorado River. 40,000 watts of light will

illuminate the canyon walls and bring them to life as we float along. Stories about the formation, creation and history of the area are illustrated with cowboy tales. The show is choreographed with lights, sounds, music and narration as you drift back to the dock. Some call it cheesy, but most reviewers say it is a highlight of a stay in Moab.



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UTAH'S MIGHTY 5 NATIONAL PARKS + THE GRAND CANYON



Sunday 9/21 we will start our day with a visit to Dead Horse Point State Park, where a combination of breathtaking scenery and easy accessibility has made it a must-see for visitors to the Moab area. From there we will make our way west to Capitol Reef National Park, arguably the most stunningly beautiful park in the state. The scenic drive provides breathtaking viewpoints and we'll be sure to stop for some photos. We will then continue on to enjoy a group dinner before our overnight in Bryce.

Monday 9/22 We will spend today exploring Bryce Canyon National Park, an alpine forest with as many red rock hoodoos as trees. We will explore the sites by motorcoach, and there will again be time for a gentle hike. In the afternoon we will make a visit to see the spectacular red sand dunes at the Coral Pink Sand Dunes State Park. We'll enjoy a group dinner before our overnight in Hurricane Utah.

Tuesday 9/23 Today will be spent exploring Zion National Park. Zion — with its striking red-rock walls and sheer canyons — thought to be a sanctuary, a desert oasis created over many years by the power of water and wind. We will explore the scenic vantage points, and again have time for a gentle hike. We will leave the park mid-afternoon and make our way to Page, Arizona where we will enjoy the Red Heritage Dinner Experience. This Native American dinner theater show is run by the Navajo, who share their customs and history through music, dance, and storytelling. We will overnight in Page, AZ.

Wednesday 9/24 As we get on the road we will visit one of the publicly accessible red slot canyons that define this area. Those who wish will also be able to do a 1.5 mile hike to see the Horseshoe Bend of the Colorado River. From there we will make our way to the Grand Canyon Village. We will enjoy a group dinner there in the Village.

Thursday 9/25 Today is yours to enjoy the wonders of the Grand Canyon. The public shuttle provides transportation from the Village area where we are staying, and our coach bus will also make several drop offs and pick ups at the visitor center. Use the shuttle busses to explore Canyon sites, enjoy a meal in one of the park's restaurants, make a reservation to ride a mule down into the canyon, book a helicopter flight to see it all – today is yours! A variety of opportunities you might wish to enjoy will be presented to you in preparation for the trip. Dinner tonight will be on your own in a park restaurant or in the Village.



Friday 9/26 This morning we will begin making our way back towards Las Vegas for our journey home. We'll make a stop at the viewing area for the Hoover Dam en route. Our hotel for the night is one block off of the Vegas Strip, so you will have this evening free to enjoy

dinner on your own, see a show, or win a fortune. The hotel also has a spectacular pool so some relaxing time is possible, too.

Saturday 9/27 Today our adventure ends and we will enjoy breakfast and then depart for the Las Vegas Airport and our flight home on Southwest Airlines. We're due to arrive at 8:20 pm, and a shuttle bus will return us to our parking area in Murrysville.

Trip price includes shuttle to Pittsburgh Airport, flight on Southwest Airlines, luggage (up to 2 bags per person), motorcoach out west, driver fees and gratuities, 8 nights hotel, 8 breakfasts, six dinners, and all tours and park visits as described. Note that all lunches are on your own, along with three dinners. Gratuities are not included and may be expected at the Float Trip Dinner, and the Red Heritage Dinner. Hotels are all rated three stars or better by TripAdvisor, and most are of the Choice Hotels brand through their group booking program. The following prices may have minimal fluctuation due to increase in gas price fees levied by the bus company, changes in park prices, etc.

One person in single room: \$3600

Per person in a double room: \$2700 (King or two bedded rooms available in most locations)

Per person in a triple room: \$2400 (Two bedded room)

Per person in a quad room: \$2275 (Two bedded room)

We strongly recommend that each traveler purchases trip insurance to protect themselves in case they need to cancel due to their own illness or illness of an immediate family member. When purchasing insurance at the time of the initial deposit, insurance for a 72-year-old will run about \$200. Insurance prices vary based on age. If you wish to purchase trip insurance, we will work with you to do that using your credit card. We will also assist you if you need to file a claim due to a cancellation situation. Valid claims must be due to a documented change in health status, work requirements, or a death in the immediate family. Cancel for any reason policies are available at a significantly higher price point if that is of interest to you. If you do not purchase trip insurance, we will try to refund as much as possible to you, but please know that the 1/3 of the trip price which is due by May 1 will not be refundable after that time. Remember, we are a club not a large travel agency so we don't build in a lot of extra overhead to cover cancellations.

A \$100 deposit will hold your spot for this trip. If you would like us to keep your credit card on file, we can make EZ payments for meeting the following required payment schedule:

May 1: 1/3 of final trip price due

July 1: 2/3 of final trip price due

August 18: Trip must be paid in full.

Who is this trip for? As always, this trip is designed for those who are 55 or better, like those who call Redstone their home. All ages are welcome, however. Redstone Goes is a travel club program of Redstone Presbyterian SeniorCare. Trips are designed for Redstone residents, employees, and friends from the external community. We strive to help active seniors stay adventurous while introducing others to the joyful lifestyle experienced by those who live and work at Redstone.

While most days on this trip will allow opportunities for a gentle hike, many of the sites will be viewable from viewing platforms not far from the bus. Participants must be able to board and depart the motorcoach (averaging 4 -5 steps) with minimal assistance. Participants need to be able to handle their own luggage at hotel stops. Luggage assistant may be available but we cannot guarantee that. Please note that due to the nature of this trip we will be moving from hotel to hotel, frequently. Assistive mobility devices are welcome and can be stored under the bus. One passenger per motorcoach is permitted to bring oxygen on the bus, so please consult us if you have this need.

Weather is anticipated to be in the 70's and 80's so please consider your ability to handle heat in selecting this trip. It is suggested that you bring a jacket for lower evening temperatures.

Solo travelers are welcome and will find that they are traveling with friendly fellow adventurers. Price for a solo traveler, however, is higher due to the fact that hotel rooms are not being shared. Please let us know if you would like to find a roommate because there may be others also looking.

For questions or to hold your spot, call Justin at 724-832-8401 X 3378. Stay Adventurous!

