

Cruise to the Red Cliffs of Utah

August 20-25, 2020

The VOA AZ region is putting on what we hope will be a multi-state, multi-region cruise event to Bryce Canyon and Zion National Parks and surrounding areas in Utah. We had a great time doing a shared event with the CA clubs last year and hope to expand to even more regions with this event. We start from Phoenix on Thursday August 20 and head home either on Monday August 24th, or for those party hard folks in the group there is an optional drive to Vegas on the 24th with people heading home Tuesday the 25th or whenever the fun (or money) runs out.

There will be a \$75 charge per car to register for the event. That fee includes a commemorative T-shirt, one per car. If folks prefer not to have the T-shirt that will be accommodated on the registration page and the fee dropped to \$50 per car. For anyone who would like an additional shirt or two at \$25 each that will also be accommodated on the registration page. Registration will be open on the AZ region club page www.azvipersclub.com shortly and will remain open through June 1.

Itinerary details:

Day	Time	Activity	Comments
Day 1 Aug 20 Drive to Bryce	8:00 AM	Meet up	- Chevron gas station on CareFree Highway and I-17 - Get gas - Have heavy breakfast at home - lunch is not till 1pm
	8:30 AM	Cruise begins	- Head north on I-17 - Exit 340A to I-40 E Albuquerque - Exit 201 to US-89 N Page
	10:30 AM	Gas and bio break	- 76 gas station on US-89 N and Cummings St - This is soon after we get on US-89 N - Starbucks across the street
	11:00 AM	Continue cruise	- US-89 N to Page
	12:30 PM	Gas and bio break	- Shell gas station on US-89 N and Haul road - This is on the right as you enter Page - Quick stop before lunch

	12:45 PM	Lunch - State 49	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - US-89 N from gas station - Right on Lake Powell road - Right on Navajo drive - Left into Dam Plaza, restaurant in strip mall next to Boston's Ace
	2:30 PM	Continue cruise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - US-89 N - UT-12 E
	4:30 PM	Arrive at Bryce Canyon - Checkin	<p>Best Western Plus Bryce Canyon Grand Hotel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - there are two best western plus hotels across from each other. We will be staying at the Grand Hotel not the Ruby Inn
	6:30 PM	Dinner	Ruby's Cowboy Café - known for steaks
	9:00 PM	Relax by pool/hot tub	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hotel does not have a bar - Most places only sell Beer and Wine - BYOB from home if you have a preference. Closest full liquor store is 2 hours away in Panguitch

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Day 2 Aug 21 Bryce Canyon	7:30 AM	Breakfast	At hotel
	8:00 AM - Noon	Hikes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Take shuttle from hotel into Bryce Canyon national park to various hikes - Multiple drop off and pick up points - Get list of hikes at hotel and decide which suits you best - Peekaboo trail is known to be best in the morning - may need an earlier start - 5 miles total hike
	8:00 AM - Noon	Drive through National Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drive your car through national park - 36 miles loop - \$35 entrance fee - Stop at various pull-overs for views - Bryce Canyon Amphitheatre is a must. 5 min walk from parking lot - Expect to spend 2 hours to loop the park, or longer if you take the mini hikes
	12:30 PM	Lunch - options listed - pick and choose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IDK BBQ. Best among the options available. 10 min drive from hotel. Quick lunch. - Valhalla Pizza. Inside the national park, part of the Bryce lodge. If you didn't drive through national park, meaning you didn't pay the park fee, you will need to pay the \$35 to eat here
	2:00 PM	Highway 12 - A journey through time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meet at hotel at 2 PM - Get gas - Gas station to the left of hotel - Drive the famous Route 12 from Bryce to Boulder and back - Stop over for views as you wish, turn around in Boulder - Must do drive. Expect 3 hrs round trip. Perhaps more with traffic

	6:30 PM	Dinner	Stone Hearth Grill
	9:00 PM	Relax by pool/hot tub	- Hotel does not have a bar - Most places only sell Beer and Wine - BYOB from home if you have a preference. Closest full liquor store is 2 hours away in Panguitch

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Day 3 Aug 22 Drive to Zion	7:30 AM	Breakfast, Checkout and gas up	- At hotel - Lunch is not till 1pm
	8:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Red Canyon	- UT-12 W to Red Canyon - Views and Photo opp
		Cedar Breaks Monument	- UT-12 W to US-89 N to US-143 N - Views and Photo opp
		Gas and Bio break	- US-143 W from Cedar Breaks to Kolob - Left on E 200 S [small street] to get on I-15S - Phillips 66 gas station on E 200 S and I-15 S
		Kolob Canyon	- I-15 S to Exit 40 - Left into Kolob Canyon - Views and Photo opp - Need to get park pass here for \$35. This same pass can be used for Zion. Bryce Canyon Pass will not work here
		Zion	- I-15 S to Exit 27 UT-17S - Left onto UT-9 E
	1:00 PM	Lunch	Rosita's SantaFe Kitchen - just before you enter Springdale on UT-9 E
	2:30 PM	Check-in	TBD - Flanigans - Desert Pearl - Hampton Inn - Springhill Suites
	3:00 PM	Relax, walk around Springdale	
	6:30 PM	Dinner	Bit and Spur Saloon
9:00 PM	Relax by pool/hot tub	- Hotel does not have a bar - Liquor store near Springhill suites	

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Day 4 Aug 23 Zion	7:30 AM	Breakfast options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At hotel - Meme's café - Oscar's café
	8:30 AM - Noon	Hikes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parus Trail - Easy - 2 hrs - Paved - Watchman Trail - Moderate - 2 hrs - Canyon Overlook Trail - Moderate - 1 hr - Narrows - Hard/Wet - 2 hrs or 5 hours long route - Angels landing - Strenuous - 5 hrs - not for anyone fearful of heights
		Drives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use same park pass you purchased at Kolob - Zion Mt Carmel Scenic Drive - 12 miles - 1-2 hrs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - You will drive through the Mt Carmel tunnel here. Loud and side exhausts? Lets hear them - Stop at Checkerboard mesa pull over - Zion National Canyon Drive - Some car, some shuttle [note, some portions of park are closed for cars during peak season - shuttle only on Zion Canyon Scenic Drive] - Kolob Terrace Road - Lava Point Overlook
	12:30 PM	Lunch	<p>TBD</p> <p>Zion national park lodge - red rock or castle dome</p> <p>Kingslanding</p>
	Afternoon	Explore on your own	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hikes - full list available at hotel - Drives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For those going to Vegas, you will miss the drive to Vermillion Cliffs on Day 5. You can do this drive at this time, great views and massive cliffs. Expect 4 hours round trip to Vermillion Cliffs and back. Plan to leave early to be back in time for dinner - Walk around Springdale - Shopping? - Take shuttle to various viewing points
	6:30 PM	Dinner	<p>TBD</p> <p>Spotted Dog</p> <p>Kingslanding</p>
9:00 PM	Relax by pool/hot tub	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hotel does not have a bar - Liquor store near Springhill suites 	

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Day 5 Aug 24 Drive Home [BOO..]	8:00 AM	Breakfast options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At hotel - Meme's café - Oscar's café - Lunch is not till 2pm
	9:00 AM	Checkout and head out	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drive through Kaibab National Forest - UT-9 E through Zion - US-89 S - US-89A S at Kanab
	10:00 AM	Bio break	Take a bio break in Kanab. Get gas if you need to, no gas station or rest area for next 2 hours
	10:10 AM	Continue cruise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Head down US-89A S - Enjoy the straight roads, get some pics if there is no traffic
	11:30 AM	Vermillion Cliffs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Just as you exit Kaibab National Forest, you will see the massive Vermillion Cliffs. There is a large pull-over to take pics - You cannot get close to the vermilion cliffs in vipers, unpaved road - You will continue on US-89A S driving parallel to the cliffs for some time
	Noon	Gas and bio break	Chevron station in Marble Canyon, you will see this as you enter Marble Canyon
12:30 PM	Continue cruise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - US-89A S - Immediately after Marble Canyon, there is a bridge over Colorado River with a pull over after bridge to left. Check out the views from pedestrian bridge - US-89 S - Turns to Old Route 66 as you enter Flagstaff 	

	2:00 PM	Lunch in Flagstaff - options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fat Olives - on the right after you pass 4th street - If you decide to go here, get Gas at 76 gas station at Cummings street, same gas station we stopped at on way to Bryce - Stachmo's - turn right on 4th, at intersection of 4th and 7th. There is a Shell gas station at same intersection
	3:00 PM	Home Sweet Home	2 hours to PHX

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Day 5 Aug 24 Drive to Vegas [YEAH..]	8:00 AM	Breakfast options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At hotel - Meme's café - Oscar's café
	9:00 AM	Checkout and drive to Vegas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UT-9 W - I-15 S
	11:30 AM	Park at Venetian	- Free parking
	Noon	Explore and figure out lunch	
	3:00 PM	Check-in to Venetian	
	6:30 PM	Dinner	Bazaar Meats
	9:00 PM	What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas	
Day 6 Aug 25 Drive Home	10:00 AM	Breakfast and checkout	Hang out longer to have lunch and leave or leave after breakfast