



## **AMERICA'S COWBOY COUNTRY**

**September 20 – 27, 2021**

**8 days / 7 nights**

**\$3579**

**This Collette Tour is an exciting look at our West that takes you to 4 of our great National Parks: Grand Teton, Yellowstone, Mount Rushmore and the Badlands. Visit the cities of Jackson Hole, Cody, Deadwood, and Rapid City.**

### **ITINERARY**

#### **Day 1 - INDEPENDENCE/NEWARK/WILMINGTON/JACKSON HOLE**

Morning transfer to PHL airport to board your flight to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, America's most famous cowboy town. Find yourself amid its rare blend of elegance and Western charm.

**SPRINGHILL SUITES MARRIOTT**

#### **Day 2 - JACKSON HOLE**

Wind through Grand Teton National Park, home to the youngest peaks in the Rockies. Keep your camera handy - there are plenty of opportunities to take photos. Afterwards, enjoy free time to explore trendy downtown Jackson. Look for the Antler Arch at the entrance to the historic town square. Get your first taste of the Old West at your welcome dinner where your ride in a covered wagon takes you past the Cache Creek Canyon for a night of Western hospitality at a chuck wagon dinner with entertainment. Meals: B, D

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#### **Day 3 - JACKSON HOLE/YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK/CODY, WYOMING**

Visit Yellowstone National Park, the world's first national park. Famous for its geysers, hot springs and incredible wildlife - including free-ranging herds of buffalo - Yellowstone lives up to its reputation. No visit to the park would be complete without seeing its most renowned attraction: Old Faithful. Watch in awe as the geyser sends a fountain of steam more than 130 feet in the air. Travel over the Sylvan Pass and see Yellowstone Lake on the way to Cody, your home for the evening. Meals: B, D

**BUFFALO BILL VILLAGE HOLIDAY INN**

#### **Day 4 - CODY**

This morning, it's your choice! Visit the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, a tribute to one of the most well-known figures of the Old West -OR- spend time at the Heart Mountain Interpretive Center, a museum dedicated to preserving the stories of the WWII Japanese Americans who were unjustly incarcerated. This afternoon, make your way through the Bighorn Mountains and cross through the territory of the Great Sioux Nation before turning in for the night in Sheridan. Meals: B

**HOLIDAY INN SHERIDAN**

#### **Day 5 - SHERIDAN/DEADWOOD/RAPID CITY**

Stop in Deadwood, a rambling Western town and a National Historic Landmark. Recreations of turn-of-the-century street lamps light the way through the restored architecture. A local guide introduces you to the history of the city, where gold, gambling and gunpowder were once the order of the day. Visit Mount Moriah Cemetery, final resting place of Wild Bill Hickok, Calamity Jane, and other figures from the Wild West. Continue on to Kevin Costner's

Tatanka: "Story of the Bison." This interpretive center features large, awe-inspiring sculptures depicting the relationship of bison and the Lakota Native Americans. Your day ends in Rapid City. Meals:B

**ALEX JOHNSON HOTEL**

**Day 6 – RAPID CITY/CUSTER STATE PARK/CRAZY HORSE/MT. RUSHMORE/RAPID CITY**

Travel to Custer State Park and search for a herd of over 1,000 roaming bison. Your guide will fill you in on the park's wildlife history and facts. Next, prepare to be amazed by the Crazy Horse Memorial, the world's largest mountain sculpture still in progress. The memorial includes the Indian Museum of North America, Native American Cultural Center, the sculptor's studio, an orientation center and theaters. Many Native American artists and craftspeople practice their art at the memorial and are on hand to discuss the influence their culture has on their work. Later, see Mount Rushmore, one of the country's most famous landmarks. Meals:B

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**Day 7 – RAPID CITY/BADLANDS//RAPID CITY**

Visit rugged Badlands National Park. Upon arrival at the visitor center, view its informative exhibits and displays and watch a film that introduces you to the area. Follow the Badlands Loop Road, a wonder of rock formations and vibrant colors caused by mineral deposits. Stop at Wall Drug, a classic store from 1936, where there is time for lunch and browsing. This evening, a Lakota Native American will join you before your farewell dinner to discuss his dedication to his community and the Native American way of life, past and present. Meals:B, D

**ALEX JOHNSON HOTEL**

**Day 8 – RAPID CITY/HOME**

Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories of your trip. We'll board our flight to PHL where transportation will be waiting to take you home. Meals:B

**TOUR INCLUSIONS: Roundtrip transportation from Independence, Newark and Wilmington to PHL\* airfare from Philadelphia to Jackson Hole \* airfare from Rapid City to Philadelphia \* air taxes and fees (subject to change until ticketed) \* accommodations for 7 hotel nights based on double \* sightseeing daily as per itinerary \* meals include 7 breakfasts and 3 dinners \* taxes and gratuities for hotel and included meals \* luggage handling at the hotel \* services of Collette Tour Manager.**

**Conditions: A deposit of \$600 per person is due with each reservation no later than March 12, 2021. After March 12, 2021 reservations are subject to availability. TRIP INTERRUPTION/CANCELLATION INSURANCE is highly recommended. Purchase of the insurance guarantees full refund of all payments including deposits, except the cost of the insurance. Call for details. INSURANCE MUST BE PURCHASED AT THE TIME OF DEPOSIT.**

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