NATIONAL PARKS & LODGES OF THE OLD WEST

JULY 14-22, 2022
with optional
JACKSON HOLE
POST-TOUR

9 DAYS OF SPECTACULAR SCENERY & LODGES

100% REFUND GUARANTEE
See reservation panel for details.
NATIONAL PARKS & lodges of THE OLD WEST
Dear Hardin-Simmons Alumni and Friends,

Join the Traveling Range Riders on a journey that celebrates the American West’s magnificent National Parks, tracing legends and storied monuments along the way.

From Mount Rushmore to Old Faithful and from Spearfish Canyon to the Snake River, you will see the best of the Old West, and traverse its beautiful vistas in style and comfort. Wonderfully historic hotels and lodges are a highlight of this program, including landmark lodging within the parks themselves.

Indulge in the geological phenomena of hot springs in South Dakota, and journey through Badlands National Park, known as nature’s surreal masterpiece, where impressive herds of bison roam, and dazzling, dramatic pinnacles rise over the largest undisturbed mixed-grass prairie in the United States.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than $600 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly, so be certain to secure your spot today.

Reserve today online at hsutx.orbridge.com, by phone at 866-639-0079, by returning the enclosed reservation form, or by contacting me directly.

Cordially,

Britt (Yates) Jones ’84
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P.S. Don’t miss this exceptional opportunity to explore these remarkable National Parks and historic Lodges. Call today to confirm your reservation!

All members of HSU’s community—alumni, families, friends—and like-minded travelers are welcome to explore the world with HSU’s Traveling Range Riders.

As we embark on this new world of group travel, the health and well-being of our guests, our team, and the communities we visit remain our top priority. For a detailed listing of the enhanced safety measures and hygiene protocols specific to our tours, please visit orbridge.com/wellness.

Orbridge takes seriously the responsibility to minimize our global environmental impact. Each year we plant 100,000 trees in U.S. State Forests with afforestation needs as an on-going initiative among our evolving sustainability efforts. Learn more at orbridge.com/going-green.
Trace the legends and natural splendors of the American West—an awe-inspiring expanse filled with beautiful scenery, abundant wildlife, hiking, storytelling, and incredible historic lodges you’ll write home about.
Your 9-Day Itinerary  (subject to change)

Day 1:  Arrive in Rapid City, SD  (D)
Settle in, welcome dinner
Overnight: Hotel Alex Johnson

Day 2:  Rapid City / Badlands National Park / Custer State Park (B,D)
Park exploration, buffalo safari
Overnight: Custer State Game Lodge

Day 3:  Custer / Hot Springs / Custer (B,D)
Mammoth dig site, Crazy Horse Memorial
Overnight: Custer State Game Lodge

Day 4:  Custer / Mount Rushmore / Spearfish Canyon (B,D)
Monument exploration, leisure time
Overnight: Spearfish Canyon Lodge

Day 5:  Spearfish Canyon / Cody, WY (B)
Scenic drive and stops, Bighorn Mountains
Overnight: Holiday Inn Cody-At Buffalo Bill Village

Day 6:  Cody / Yellowstone National Park (B,D)
Buffalo Bill, Old West, Old Faithful
Overnight: Yellowstone Lodging

Day 7:  Yellowstone National Park (B,D)
Geothermal highlights, park sightseeing
Overnight: Yellowstone Lodging

Day 8:  Yellowstone National Park / Grand Teton National Park / Jackson (B,D)
Scenic drive: western plains and mountains
Overnight: Rustic Inn at Jackson Hole Creekside Resort and Spa

Day 9:  Jackson / Idaho Falls / Depart (B)

(B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)

Activity Level: The majority of the program’s activities will take place outdoors and a fair amount of walking on varying terrain is to be expected. Many of the parks have dirt trails, but they are usually fairly smooth for walking, some do have paved pathways and boardwalks. It is our expectation that guests on this program are able to walk a mile at a moderate pace, get in and out of a motor coach, and walk up a flight of stairs without assistance. Also keep in mind that you will experience varying altitudes, rising up to 9,000 feet, to which you may not be accustomed.
Program Highlights

• Experience the diverse wonders of our national parks accompanied by an Orbridge Expedition Leader.

• Overnight in landmark lodges that are national treasures themselves.

• Enjoy a Jeep safari tour at Custer State Park—a wildlife reserve with scenic lakes, dramatic granite spires, and lush grasslands where bison herds roam.

• Visit the world’s largest mammoth site, where scientists are excavating remains of Columbian and woolly mammoths from 26,000 years ago.

• Marvel at the grandeur of Mount Rushmore and Crazy Horse Memorial.

• See the dramatic effects of Yellowstone’s volcanically active caldera and visit otherworldly geothermal sites, including Old Faithful Geyser.

• Explore Grand Teton National Park—host to flora and fauna that date back to prehistoric times.

What’s Included

• 8 nights hotel and lodge accommodations

• 8 breakfasts and 7 dinners, including special welcome and farewell dinners

• Full guiding services of an Orbridge Expedition Leader

• All activities as described in the 9-day itinerary

• Admission and park fees

• Private deluxe motor coach with air conditioning and comfortable seating

• Luggage porterage

• Gratuities to Orbridge Expedition Leader, local guides, drivers, porters, and wait staff for included meals

• Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times
Your Expedition Leader:
From identifying a wildflower to recalling details about Mt. Rushmore’s making, the company and keen eyes of an expert Orbridge Expedition Leader will make all the difference in your educational experience. Enriched by their wealth of expertise, you’ll bring home a deeper understanding of the flora, fauna, natural history, and cultural narrative of the Old West.

Accommodations (subject to change)

HOTEL ALEX JOHNSON
Located in downtown Rapid City, this historic hotel features a casual Irish pub, fitness center, and rooftop bar overlooking town. Built in 1927 when Rapid City was a railroad town, many presidents and celebrities have stayed at the property over the years.

CUSTER STATE GAME LODGE
Set in a beautiful mountain valley in Custer State Park, it served as the “Summer White House” for President Calvin Coolidge and was visited by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

SPEARFISH CANYON LODGE
Nestled alongside lofty pines and spectacular limestone cliffs, this property features heavy log walls and a 40-foot stone fireplace. Follow hiking trails that meander through the forest to a Black Hills waterfall or the canyon rim.

HOLIDAY INN CODY-AT BUFFALO BILL VILLAGE
Near the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, Old Trail Town, and other local attractions, this hotel offers well-appointed rooms with all the comforts of home as well as an outdoor pool, bar/restaurant, and lounge.

YELLOWSTONE LODGING
Confirmed by the National Park Service, you’ll stay at one of the following Yellowstone properties: Old Faithful Inn, Old Faithful Snow Lodge, Canyon Lodge & Cabins or Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel. Each offers comfortable lodging and modern amenities.

RUSTIC INN AT JACKSON HOLE
This resort offers the finest Western accommodations amidst 12 lush acres adjacent to the National Elk Refufe and in close proximity to Jackson’s downtown scene.
With two additional days in Jackson Hole, enjoy the area’s vibrant cultural offerings, jaw-dropping scenery, abundant wildlife, and outdoor activities.

**Post-Tour Itinerary** *(subject to change)*

**Day 9:** Jackson  
National Museum of Wildlife Art  
Overnight: Rustic Inn at Jackson Hole Creekside Resort & Spa

**Day 10:** Jackson  
Snake River float trip, wildlife viewing, and photography opportunities  
Overnight: Rustic Inn at Jackson Hole Creekside Resort & Spa

**Day 11:** Jackson / Idaho Falls / Depart

**What’s Included**

- Two nights accommodations at Rustic Inn at Jackson Hole Creekside Resort & Spa (shown below) or similar, with breakfast each morning
- Admission to the National Museum of Wildlife Art, including a docent-led tour, and transfers to and from the hotel
- A half-day scenic Snake River float trip, including transportation to and from the hotel
- Luggage porterage
- Airport transfers for guests departing during the suggested times
**Reserve by Credit Card:**

Online: hsutx.orbridge.com  
Phone: 866-639-0079  
Fax: 206-452-5655

**Reserve by Check:**

Made payable to Orbridge, LLC  
Mail to: Orbridge, P.O. Box 10339  
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**GUEST INFORMATION:**

Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation):  
Email:  
Home Phone:  
Address:  
City:  
State:  
Zip:  
Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation):  
Email:  
Home Phone:  
Address:  
City:  
State:  
Zip:  

**DEPOSIT PAYMENT:**

☐ Check  
☐ ACH (Automated Clearing House)  
☐ MasterCard/Visa  
☐ American Express  
☐ Discover  
Card #:  
Exp. Date:  
CVV:  

Name (as printed on card):  
Billing Address (if different from above):  
City:  
State:  
Zip:  

**DEPOSIT:**

# guests joining program ($850/person) +  
# guests joining post-tour ($500/person) = TOTAL DEPOSIT: $  

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What Guests Are Saying...

We had never seen this part of the country before and were amazed at the scenery and wildlife. The tour leaders were excellent, the lectures were great and we found our traveling companions congenial and interesting.

~Michael F., Portsmouth, RI

This was a fantastic trip that was better than expected. Very well planned. We had a wonderful group of people on the tour. Our Expedition Leader was an excellent guide—extremely informative and great fun.

~Diane B., Richardson, TX

This was our first experience with group travel. Now we are firm believers! It was wonderful—a great value. Our guides were exceptional in so many ways.

~Lynn S., Marietta, GA