

## NEW MEXICO BUS TOUR AUG. 10 - 14, 2015

NOTE: EXCEPT FOR THE COMPLIMENTARY BREAKFAST AT HOTELS IN LORDSBURG, ROSEWELL & SANTA FE, ALL MEALS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE PRICE.

<b><u>DAY 1:</u></b>	Leave Sun City Anthem	6:00 AM
	Lunch @ Tucson, AZ	1:30 PM (local Time)
	Board bus for Lordsburg, AZ	2:30 PM
	Arrive in Lordsburg, NM Hotel check-in	4:50 PM (Local Time)
	Spend 1 night @ Lordsburg, NM	
<b><u>DAY 2:</u></b>	Breakfast @ Lordsburg, NM	6:00 AM
	Arrive at CARLSBAD Visitors Center	1:30 PM Lunch @ Visitors Center
	Do Self-guided tour of Big Room Cavern	2 to 3 hrs.
	SEE TOUR HIGHLIGHT (BELOW) FOR MORE DETAIL	
	Leave Carlsbad Caverns	4:30 PM
	Arrive in Rosewell, NM Hotel check-in	6:00 PM
	Spend 1 night @ Rosewell, NM	
<b><u>DAY 3:</u></b>	Breakfast	6:00 AM
	Leave Rosewell, NM	7:00 AM
	Arrive in Santa Fe, NM	10:10 AM
	Bus drops passengers at Plaza area in Sta. Fe to do self-guided foot tour.	
	Lunch at Plaza area.	
	SEE TOUR HIGHLIGHT (BELOW) FOR MORE DETAIL	
	Board bus for hotel check-in	5:00 PM
	Spend 1st night in Santa Fe	
<b><u>DAY 4:</u></b>	Breakfast	6:00 AM
	Board bus for Chimayo	7:30 AM
	Arrive in Chimayo	8:15 AM
	Bus drops passengers at Chimayo for self-guided foot tour	
	Lunch at Chimayo Restaurant	
	SEE TOUR HIGHLIGHT (BELOW) FOR MORE DETAIL	
	Board bus for Taos	12:00 Noon
	Arrive in Taos and drop passengers at Taos visitors Ctr.	1:15 PM
	SEE TOUR HIGHLIGHT (BELOW) FOR MORE DETAIL	
	Board bus for Taos Pueblo and Taos Gorge	3:00 PM
	Return to Santa Fe	5:00 PM
	Spend 2nd night in Santa Fe	
<b><u>DAY 5:</u></b>	Breakfast	6:00 AM
	Check-out and board bus	7:00 AM
	Arrive at Painted Desert Visitor Ctr.	10:52 AM
	Visit Painted Desert/ Petrified Forest	45 min.
	SEE TOUR HIGHLIGHT (BELOW) FOR MORE DETAIL	
	Arrive @ Flagstaff, AZ	1:00 PM
	Lunch @ McDonald Rest. (or similar) @ Flagstaff, AZ	
	Board bus for Sun City Anthem, Henderson	1:45 PM
	Arrive at Sun City Anthem	5:30 PM (Local Time)

## HOTEL INFORMATION:

### **DAY 1:** LORDSBURG, NM

COMFORT INN & SUITES

400 W. Wabash St. Lordsburg, NM

(575) 542-3355 CONTACT: LINA

On US 10, exit 170 turn L to Wabash, turn L to address

### **DAY 2:** ROSEWELL, NM

BEST WESTERN SALLY PORT Rosewell

2000 N. Main St. Rosewell, NM 88201

(575) 622-6430 CONTACT: AMIE MORALES

From Carlsbad Cavern, take I 285. At Rosewell, I 285 turns to I 70 at intersection with E 2nd St. Stay on I70 and cross I9th St.

Best Western Sally Port is after intersection, Breakfast; 1 comp Room for driver + free parking

### **Days 3 & 4:** SANTA FE, NM

Best Western Plus of Sta. Fe

3650 Cerrillos Rd Sta. Fe, NM 87505

(505) 438-3822 CONTACT: JOHN NYGAARD

From Roswell, take I 285 which turns to I 84 in Sta. Fe. Then take US 25 W (Canam Hwy) to Cerrillos Rd.

(I-14). Hotel is on the right. Breakfast and 1 comp Room for driver+ free parking. tax

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

**CARLSBAD CAVERN:** The Big Room is a Self-Guided Tour. It is the largest single chamber cave in North America. It is about 8.2 acres in size and roughly 6.2 football fields would fit. At the Visitor Center, access (and egress) to the trail level is by elevator. The trail is relatively level and well-lit. It is roughly 1.2 mile circuit and should take about 1.5 hrs. to complete. Temperature inside is fairly cool. Wear pants & light sweater or warmer. You'll see: Bottomless Pit, Giant Dome, Rock of Ages, & the Painted Grotto. Fee is \$ 10, free with Golden Age Pass, obtained from any National park like Red Rock Canyon (\$10 for lifetime pass good for all National Parks & Recreation). A card can be use for 3 other adults.

**STA FE:** The Plaza Area is an easy self-guided walking tour. Visit the following: Loretto Chapel (Miraculous Spiral Staircase)- \$3 fee, St. Francis of Assisi Basilica, Bataan Memorial/Museum, Oldest House, to name a few. There are a lot of shops for Indian arts & crafts, jewelry and other items for the ladies. This will be a visit done at your own pace, maybe even eat at one of restaurants to sample local/authentic cuisine.

**CHIMAYO:** Visit the Santuario de Chimayo, famous for its miraculous dirt. Shop for the famous Chimayo handwoven blankets and rugs. Visit Rancho de Chimayo and have lunch at the Restaurant.

**TAOS:** Self-guided tour of Taos Plaza. More shopping for those looking for collectible items like blankets, rugs, jewelry etc. Visit Taos Pueblo and the Gorge by bus.

**PAINTED DESERT/PETRIFIED FOREST:** The bus will take the group inside the park following the scenic road, with short stops at viewpoints. You'll see colored sand and rocks and the petrified wood.