

EDventures Fall 2009

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Majestic Canyon Edventure: Zion, Bryce and Grand Canyon North Rim #090811 Sept. 8-11, 2009

Explore some of the jewels of the southwest, Bryce Canyon, Zion National Park and the Grand Canyon's North Rim at the beginning of the fall season. Experience amazing geological formations, animal and plant life and stunning vistas on driving and light hiking tours. Don't forget to bring your cameras – you'll get photo opportunities that you'll never forget. *Includes light hiking over some uneven terrain.*
**\$629 per person double occupancy/\$80 single occupancy supplement
(Includes ground transportation, 3 nights lodging in Kanab, UT, breakfast each day & lunches on day 3 and 4, instruction and all permit/admission fees.)
Departs 7:00AM from Prescott Campus. ****

Crown King & the Southern Bradshaws #091209 Sept. 12, 2009

Crown King, the terminus of the Bradshaw Mountain Railway, lies at 6,000 feet in the mountains south of Prescott. Travel the route of historic roads and railroads of the Bradshaws, experience climbing the railroad switchbacks, engineering marvels of their time, as they top out at the summit and view the historic mines that dot the surrounding hillsides along the way. *Includes driving over some bumpy roads.*
\$109 per person (Includes ground transportation, box lunch, instruction and all permit/admission fees.) Departs 8:00AM from Prescott Campus.

Flagstaff Historical Tour #091909 Sept. 19, 2009

Explore fascinating Flagstaff through visits to historical Riordan House, the Museum of Northern Arizona and the Flagstaff Pioneer Museum. Includes transportation, instruction and all entrance fees. Bring sack lunch and wear comfortable walking shoes. *There will be light walking on this trip. Accommodations can be made for participants with mobility restrictions or hearing/vision impairment.*
\$119 per person (Includes ground transportation, box lunch, instruction and all permit/admission fees.) Departs 8:00AM from Prescott Campus.**

Carlsbad Caverns #092109 Sept. 21-24, 2009

As you pass through the Chihuahuan Desert and Guadalupe Mountains of southeastern New Mexico—filled with prickly pear, chollas, sotols and agaves—you might never guess there are more than 300 known caves beneath the surface. Carlsbad Caverns National Park contains 113 of these caves, formed when sulfuric acid dissolved the surrounding limestone, creating some of the largest caves in North America. Tour several of these vast, ancient caves including the unique Left Hand Tunnel and the 8.2-acre Big Room and see the amazing bat exodus from the

mouth of the main entrance at dusk. *There will be walking over some uneven and steep terrain. Big Room is partially wheelchair accessible.*

**\$629 per person double occupancy/\$80 single occupancy supplement
(Includes ground transportation, 3 nights lodging, breakfast each day & lunch on day 2, instruction and all excursion/admission fees.)
Departs 7:00AM from Prescott Campus.***

Canyon de Chelley Adventure #092509 Sept. 25-26, 2009

Step into the past and experience Canyon de Chelly, the heartland of Navajo beauty, with native guides. Visit Ganado and Hubbell's Trading Post and explore Homolovi Ruins. Includes 4X4 tour to view amazing geological formations, animal and plant life and the beautiful pueblo cliff dwellings.

**\$359 per person double occupancy/\$40 single occupancy supplement
(Includes ground transportation, 1 night lodging, breakfast each day, instruction, 4x4 tour and all excursion/admission fees.)
Departs 7:00AM from Prescott Campus.****

Hike the Mogollon Rim #092609 Sept. 26, 2009

Visit Rim Country! The Mogollon Rim is a rugged escarpment that forms the southern limit of the Colorado Plateau. The view from the edge of the Mogollon Rim extends across the entire forest and provides excellent views within Plateau Country and Desert Canyon Country as well. Dropping as much as 2,000 feet in some areas, the Rim provides some of the most far-reaching scenery in Arizona. Views stretch from its rocky precipice to Four Peaks of the Mazatzals northeast of Phoenix. *Includes moderate hiking on trails over mostly even terrain with occasional inclines.*

\$99 per person (Includes ground transportation, instruction and all permit/admission fees. Bring sack lunch.) Departs 8:00AM from Prescott Campus.**

Walnut Canyon, Wupatki, & Meteor Crater #092809 Sept. 28-29, 2009

Experience the extraordinary natural history, archaeological sites and geological formations surrounding the charming mountain town of Flagstaff. On day one, visit Meteor Crater, the best-preserved and first proven meteor collision site in the world, and explore Walnut Canyon, site of beautiful geological formations and Sinagua Indian cliff dwellings said to look like a small scale Mesa Verde. Enjoy dinner and a show at Black Bart's Steakhouse, Saloon and Musical Review. On day two, explore Sunset Crater Volcano, born in a series of eruptions sometime between 1040 and 1100 AD, and Wupatki National Monument, an 800 year-old pueblo (the largest in its time) that once flourished as a meeting place for many different cultures on the Colorado Plateau. *Includes light hiking on mostly paved trails with some uneven terrain and occasional inclines.*

**\$329 per person double occupancy/\$40 single supplement (Includes ground transportation, 1 night lodging in Flagstaff, breakfast each day & one steak dinner show, instruction, and all excursion/admission fees.)
Departs 8:00AM from Prescott Campus.****

Grand Canyon East Rim: Shoshone Point Hike #100209 Oct. 2, 2009

Hike out to a narrow promontory on the canyon's east rim where you will enjoy 180° views in near seclusion. Trail is approximately 1.5 miles (20 min) over level terrain through ponderosa forest.

\$99 per person (includes transportation, permit/admission fees, instruction/trail guide) Departs 7AM from Prescott Campus**

SF Peaks: From Forest Floor to Mountain Top #100309 Oct. 3, 2009

See the gorgeous colors that light up the San Francisco Peaks in the fall! The summit of Mount Humphries, in the San Francisco Peaks of northern Arizona, is the highest point in the state at 12,600 feet in elevation. Rising from the ponderosa pine and aspen forests, which surround its base, the peaks rise to the alpine life zone above tree level. Visits to the Flagstaff Arboretum, the Snow Bowl and an aerial lift ride to above the tree line. Lunch at Beaver Street Brewing Company (home of famous wood-fired pizzas, microbrews and Apple-Ginger Stout Cake) on your own. *Please be aware that some people may be sensitive to high elevations if not previously acclimated.*

\$119 per person (includes transportation, instruction and excursion fees.)
Bring camera and additional drinking water, if desired.
Departs 7AM from Prescott Campus.**

Riding the Rails/Colorado Color #100509 Oct. 5-8, 2009

Experience stunning fall color by rail! Don't miss this unique opportunity to see Colorado ablaze with the deep yellows, oranges and reds of autumn from the steam engines of the Durango-Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad that has carried passengers continuously along the beautiful Animas River for 127 years. Next tour the 100 Mine, spend the night in a quaint Victorian Inn in the mountain town of Ouray, visit Telluride Museum and Tramway and finish out your trip with a visit to the Anasazi Heritage Center in Cortez. *Participants should be prepared for high elevations above 10,000 feet and cooler weather. Please alert us of any mobility restrictions prior to departure.*

\$895 per person double occupancy/\$90 single supplement (Includes ground transportation, 3 nights lodging, rail ticket, 1 sack lunch, instruction, all admission/excursion fees.) Departs 7AM from Prescott Campus.**

Grand Canyon West: Hualapai Skywalk #101009 Oct. 10, 2009

Visit the Hualapai Indian tribe's headquarters at Peach Springs and experience the breathtaking views from the Skywalk at the Grand Canyon's West Rim. The Skywalk, built by the Hualapai tribe, is a horseshoe-shaped steel frame with glass floor and sides that projects about 70 feet (21 m) from the canyon rim.

\$169 per person (includes transportation, instruction, permit fees and excursion fees.)

Bring sack lunch, camera and additional drinking water, if desired.
Departs 8AM from Prescott Campus.

Bagdad Mine Tour #101709 Oct. 17, 2009

The Bagdad Mine west of Prescott was started in the 1880s and is a leader in mining technology, cost efficiency and environmental protection. Get a guided tour of this open pit copper mine and learn the steps involved in mining and processing of copper. Stop for lunch at a local Bagdad restaurant.

\$99 per person (includes transportation, mine tour, instruction) Departs 8AM from Prescott Campus.

Drive to the Bottom of the Grand Canyon

#102409 Oct 24, 2009

#110609 Nov 6, 2009

#111109 Nov 11, 2009

#112109 Nov 21, 2009

Peach Springs Canyon and Diamond Creek provide the only road access to the bottom of the Grand Canyon. Travel down to the banks of the Colorado River and have lunch. Optional walk the last mile to the river through a narrow canyon with flowing stream.

\$119 per person (Includes transportation, box lunch, permit/admission fees, instructor/field guide.) Departs 8AM from Prescott Campus.

Haunted Jerome #102909 Oct 29, 2009

Spend the night in the historic Jerome Grand hotel and participate in a ghost-hunting tour. You will be provided with a Tour Guide, EMF meter, IR thermometer and digital camera. Once the tour is complete you will be able to use the equipment for the night. All the pictures you take on the tour will be put onto a CD for you to take home and enjoy. You will also visit Douglas Mansion and Museum, tour the Ghost Town and Mine, see a working saw mill and take a walking tour of historic downtown Jerome. Enjoy lunch at one of Jerome's great local haunts and dinner at the award-winning Asylum Restaurant in the Jerome Grand Hotel. *Trip includes a moderate amount of walking over some uneven ground and up inclines and stairs at an elevation of approx. 5,000 ft.*

\$259 per person double occupancy/\$50 single supplement (Includes transportation, lodging, ghost hunt tour, admission fees to listed attractions, instructor/field guide.) Departs 8AM from Prescott Campus.**

Perry Mesa/Agua Fria National Monument #110709 Nov 7, 2009

Perry Mesa is a mountain summit in Yavapai County north of Phoenix that climbs to 3,944 feet and offers several beautiful hiking trails. On this trip, see the Agua Fria National Monument and get some hiking in on beautiful Agua Fria Trail where you are likely to spot various wildlife such as javelina and deer. *Moderate trail is 3.5 miles round trip over some uneven terrain.*

\$109 per person (Includes transportation, box lunch, permit fees, trail guide.) Departs Prescott Campus at 7AM.*

Fossil Creek: A Restored Wild Stream Nov 12, 2009 #111209

Fossil Creek is a little known gem within the mountains of central Arizona. For decades the creek was diverted into a flume in many places to provide water at the

Irving power plant, but it has recently been allowed to flow free, providing an important and interesting riparian environment. Led by an experienced naturalist. **\$99 per person (Includes transportation, permit fees, instructor/trail guide.) Bring sack lunch. Departs Prescott Campus at 7AM.****

Verde Valley Railroad – Autumn in the Verde Canyon Nov 13, 2009 #111309

Home a bounty of birds, wildlife and gorgeous fall colors, the Verde Canyon is accessible only by rail. A ride on Verde Canyon Railroad's historic route from Clarkdale to the ghost ranch of Perkinsville and back into Arizona's other grand canyon is an unforgettable experience. Expert narration and open-air gondola guides leave passengers with a sense of history, archaeology, geology, wildlife and the Indian lore of the Verde Canyon. Original music also is an integral part of the excursion that takes passengers through Arizona's longest-running nature show. **\$169 per person. (Includes ground transportation, train fare w/box lunch, admission/permit fees, instructor/field guide.) Departs Prescott at 9AM.****

Sedona Meditation Retreat Nov 14, 2009 #111409

Take a day for yourself in the inspiring red rocks of Sedona. Journey inward through the practice of meditation at a private retreat setting then venture outdoors for a hike into the red rock wilderness where you'll be guided in mindful exercises that you can incorporate into your life. Learn basic meditation and simple relaxation techniques from expert meditation instructor, Sarah McLean, the former Program Director for Dr. Deepak Chopra and current Director of the Sedona Meditation Training & Retreat Company. Find out the best time and place to meditate, what to expect, and how to create your own personal practice. Discover the physical, mental, and emotional benefits, such as stress reduction, that many people have experienced with regular meditation practice. *Light hiking on a trail for up to 30 minutes over uneven terrain.*

\$119 per person. (Includes ground transportation, permit/admission fees, instructor/field guide.) Departs from Prescott Campus at 8AM.**

Biosphere 2 & Casa Grande November 16-18, 2009

#111609

Opened in 1991 to the public, Biosphere 2 is a center for research, outreach, teaching and life-long learning about Earth, its living systems, and its place in the universe. The 3.14-acre facility contains an ocean with a coral reef, mangrove wetlands, a tropical rainforest, savannah grassland and a fog desert! Join us for a once-in-a-lifetime tour you will never forget. Includes visit to Casa Grande National Monument.

\$295 per person (Includes transportation, lodging, box lunch on day 1 and full breakfast on day 2, guided tour, admission/permit fees and instructor.) Departs Prescott Campus at 7AM.*

Steam boating Canyon Lake November 20, 2009 #112009

This "Junior Grand Canyon" tour is consistently rated one of the "Best Things to Do in Arizona" and is a premier Arizona attraction for locals and tourists alike. Cruise secluded waterways and relax while you admire the breathtaking flora and fauna of the lower Sonoran desert. Along the way, your captain will recount the legends and lore of the Superstition Mountains. Bring your camera and binoculars; bighorn sheep, coyote, deer, bobcats and mountain lions may all be seen, along with bald eagles, hawks, vultures and many other native avian species. Includes box lunch and nature hike in the afternoon.

\$129 per person (Includes transportation, box lunch, boat cruise, instructor/trail guide, admission/permit fees.) Departs from Prescott Campus at 8AM.*

Out Wickenburg Way Nov 28, 2009 #112809

Henry Wickenburg started a gold stampede to the desert area that now bears his name, a place where fortunes were made and dreams shattered. Later it became a ranching area, railroad center and the dude ranch capital of Arizona. Visit the famous Vulture Mine and the enchanting Desert Caballeros Museum.

\$109 per person (Includes transportation, admission fees, instructor/trail guide.) Departs Prescott Campus at 8AM.

Heard Museum & Pueblo Grande Dec 5, 2009 #120509

Visit the world famous Heard Museum in Phoenix and tour the exhibits on native peoples of the southwest before having lunch at the Heard Café and spending the afternoon at the Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park. It's a fun-filled day of learning for the whole family!

\$119 per person (Includes transportation, instructor/guide, admission fees.) Departs from Prescott Campus at 8AM.*

Sedona Festival of Lights Dec 12, 2009 #121209

Visit Tuzigoot National Monument, Montezuma's Castle and Montezuma's Well before spending a spectacular evening filled with holiday spirit at the Sedona Festival of Lights. The festival offers many activities for adults and children, so bring the whole family! Bring sack lunch, dinner on your own in Sedona.

\$119 per person (Includes transportation, instructor/guide, admission fees.) Departs 9AM from Prescott Campus.**

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10% off to OLLI members and 5% for seniors 65 and over!

One-day trips: Payment is due in full at registration.

Multi-day trips: 50% deposit required (non-refundable within 30 days of trip departure). Balance due 30 days prior to departure.

Please notify us of any mobility restrictions, dietary restrictions (for trips that include meals), and/or hearing/vision impairment prior to trip so that we may ensure your safe and enjoyable experience.

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GREECE by Land and Sea - OCTOBER 2009!

Join us for a 10-day tour some of the jewels of the Aegean. You've heard about Delphi, the Acropolis, Temple of Zeus, the Parthenon, Ephesus and many other locations like them in stories about Greek Mythology. Now experience them for yourself! Includes a 4-day cruise in the Greek Isles and an evening of Greek entertainment. Call Heather at 928-717-7638 for details.