

**NEW
ADVENTURE
SERIES!**

**Bryce Canyon
National Park**



Utah Adventure September 8 - 15, 2014

Highlights

Zion National Park

Hiking Angels Landing

Bryce Canyon National Park

A spectacular hike in the hoodoos

Arches National Park

*Two hiking opportunities to see
spectacular Arches NP*

Colorado River Rafting Adventure

Moab Hummer 4-Wheeling Adventure

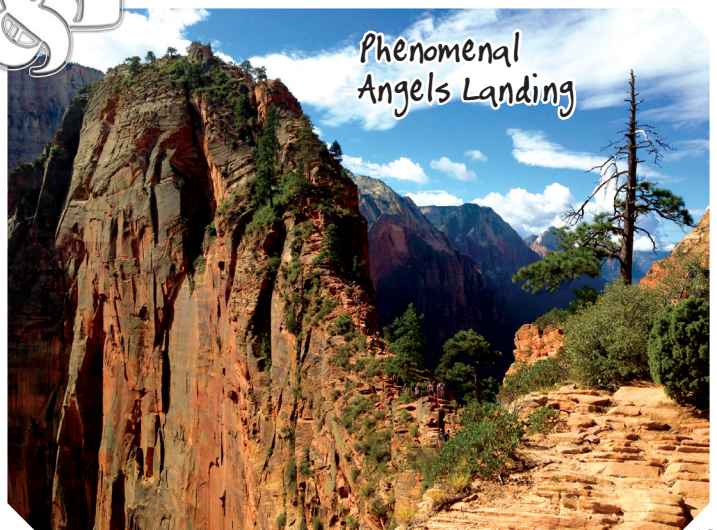
Eagle Bahn Gondola Ride



Map at a Glance



Eagle Bahn Gondola



**Phenomenal
Angels Landing**

Many of our R&J Travelers have asked for a tour experience that provides a bit more of an adventure. This "Utah Adventure" is our first in what we hope will be a yearly offering of Adventure Touring. These tours will offer the same great amenities that you are used to in traveling with R&J Tours but they will take you where no R&J Tour has gone before. That being said, we need to say that these tours may not be for everyone. Utah Adventure will be moderately strenuous. Hiking may be up to 5 miles a day and there will be climbing and descending on trails that could be as much as 1,500 feet on those hikes. This means there will be a bit more risk than usual, but we will always follow practices to keep all our travelers safe. We know it will be a trip, which if you are able to join, will be a tremendous experience. If you have any questions about this trip, please feel free to contact our office and talk to our Adventure Guide!

Day 1 - Home to Zion National Park

Today we board our plane headed for an Adventure unlike any R&J Tours has offered before. We will land in Las Vegas and grab a bite of lunch before we travel north into Utah for our two night stay at Zion Lodge in the center of the canyon at Zion National Park. Take in the majesty of Zion National Park as we drive into the canyon and the Court of the Patriarchs rises up to our west. To the east, the mountains rise thousands of feet above us. We will feel small in this canyon that awaits our exploration in the morning! We will settle into our lodging and enjoy a welcome dinner together tonight before we get much needed rest before our morning adventure.

Included Meals: Dinner

Hotel: Zion Lodge (2 Nights)

Day 2 - Zion National Park

This morning we rise early, filled with anticipation of the adventure that awaits us. Enjoy a hearty breakfast and lace up your hiking shoes, we are off on the hike of a lifetime. Our adventure will take us on the trail to "Angel's Landing." The hike will take our breathe away...because of its beauty and the wow factor of the sheer cliffs we will be hiking along, as well as the fact that we will be climbing almost 1,500 feet on this 4.5 mile roundtrip hike. We will take our time as we begin our ascent to the mouth of Refrigerator Canyon, where it will level off and we will enjoy the coolness of this inner recess in the cliff. We leave that canyon and begin a series of 21 switchbacks known as "Walter's Wiggles," which carry us higher to views that get even more breathtaking. Soon we will be on the West Rim Trail with a view that cannot be described, you have to experience it! As we continue on, there are times of walking on the razor's edge as cliffs fall 1,500 feet on both sides of us. Then it's our final ascent to Angels Landing where the summit commands a spectacular 360 degree panorama of this magnificent park. You've made it! Now it's time to savor this adventure before we make our way back down, but slowly, we want to enjoy this magnificent experience! Lunch will be entertaining as we recount our hiking adventures with

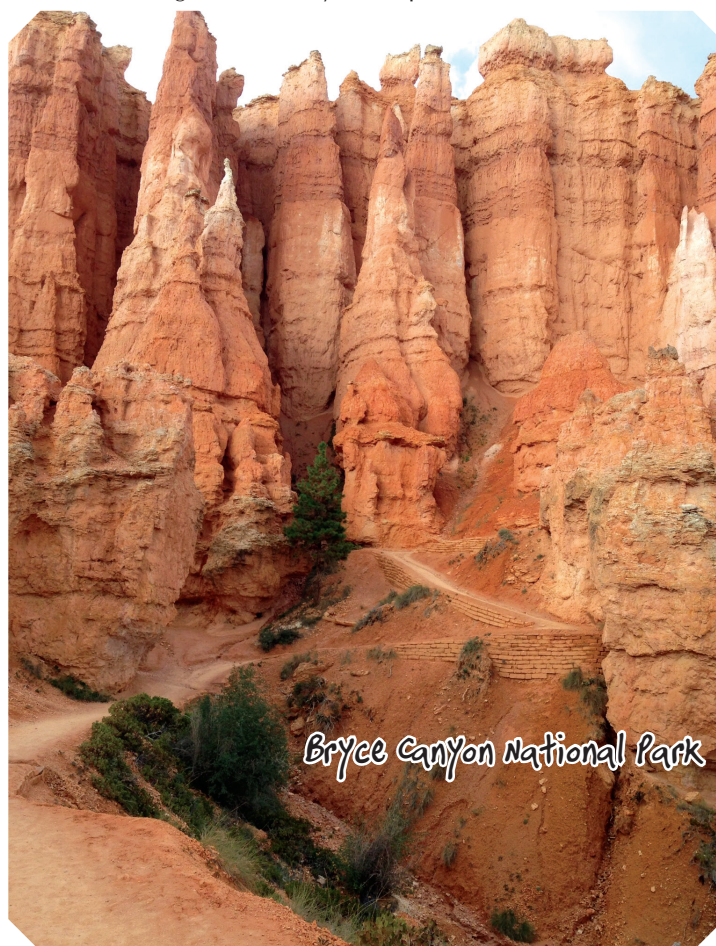


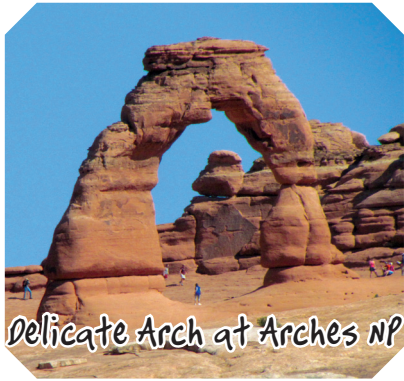
each other before heading out again on a couple more hiking opportunities in the park this afternoon. Dinner this evening is on your own then we're sure sleeping will come easy after all the hiking and fresh park air from the day! (If Angels Landing is not for you, there are other hiking options.)

Included Meals: Breakfast

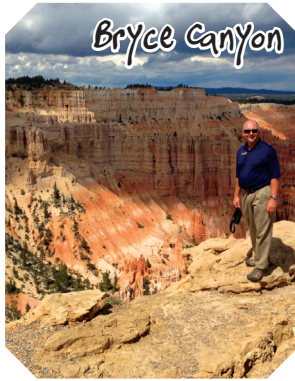
Day 3 - Zion NP to Bryce Canyon National Park

Are your muscles a bit sore as you rise out of bed this morning? Take a look outside again at that beautiful view...the muscle pain is surely worth it! Enjoy breakfast with our adventure companions and then board the motorcoach for a breathtaking ride out of Zion National Park and on to Bryce Canyon National Park. When we arrive at the entrance to Bryce Canyon National Park, we will stop for lunch before we travel into the park to enjoy the sights and get ready for another spectacular hike. This afternoon's hike will take us down into the hoodoos of Bryce Canyon. The Peekaboo Loop Trail will give us a great taste of Bryce Canyon National Park. It's a 5.5 mile hike that will take us past the "Wall of Windows," the "Three Wise-men," "The Organ," and many more spectacular Sandstone forma-





Delicate Arch at Arches NP



Bryce Canyon



On our way to Angels Landing

tions. Following our adventure we will check into Ruby's Inn and enjoy dinner together this evening. Maybe a soak in the hot tub will be in order tonight?

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Best Western Ruby's Inn

Day 4 - Bryce Canyon National Park to Moab

While today we have no planned "adventure" we will enjoy a beautiful drive through Utah. We will travel some of the most beautiful highways in the state as we drive past Grand Staircase Escalante National Park. We'll take in the views and the motorcoach adventure of traveling across the Hell's Backbone area. You'll wonder who ever thought of putting a road across this area! We'll enjoy some mountain vistas and then cross desert land with mesas rising in the distance as we travel into Moab. We'll arrive in Moab and for the next three days our adventures will continue in the area. Our hotel is right in downtown Moab, so there will be plenty of opportunities to find dinner this evening.

Included Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Best Western Plus Canyonlands Inn (3 Nights)

Day 5 - Arches National Park

This morning we will travel into Arches National Park. There are over 2,000 arches in this park, ranging in size from three feet to the longest at 306 feet. Most days in the park are beautiful and sun-filled, so it is hard to imagine the extreme weather and earth movement that formed this beautiful area. We will travel well into the park to the Devil's Garden area where our morning adventure awaits. Our hike will take us past Tunnel and Pine Tree Arches and continue to Landscape, Petition, and Navajo Arch before we return. It will be a lovely morning of hiking and enjoying the beauty of this area. We'll return to Moab for lunch. This afternoon we will board "Hummers" for a four wheeled adventure into the area known as "Hell's

Revenge." We will be weaving in and out of rock canyons, climbing sandstone hills, and taking time for photos of this awesome area. Then we return to Moab for a break before we head out to Arches Park once again for an evening hike to Delicate Arch. This three mile round-trip hike is well worth the view of this iconic arch. We'll enjoy some photo opportunities and arrive back at our coach before a sunset drive out of the park. Dinner this evening is on our own. A good night's rest sounds great tonight!

Included Meals: Breakfast

Day 6 - Colorado River Rafting

This morning after breakfast we will travel out of Moab along the Colorado River. Along the way we will stop for pictures as we travel along the Red Cliffs that rise up from the red colored Colorado River. This is a beautiful drive through the canyon. After lunch a mild (class I and II) rapid raft ride down the Colorado River awaits. With paddle in hand, we will enjoy the afternoon traveling through some spectacular scenery. Following our rafting adventure, we will offer another optional late afternoon/early evening hiking adventure.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 7 - Moab to Denver

This morning after breakfast we will board our motorcoach and begin our travels east. But don't think the adventure is over. Gaze at beautiful scenery along the way as we travel out of Utah and into Colorado and the striking Rocky Mountains. We'll stop in Vail and board the Eagle Bahn Gondola for a ride that will take us up over 10,000 feet. At the top of the mountain we will have lunch and some time to take in the spectacular views and maybe...if there isn't any snow...enjoy a hike on a mountain meadow. Ride back down the mountain in the gondola before we continue our travels into the Denver area for our stay this evening. Our hotel offers some beverages and a light meal, so let's gather together around the table and share stories about all the adventures we have experienced over the last week.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Drury Inn

Day 8 - Denver to Home

After breakfast this morning we will board our motorcoach for the short drive to the airport and our flight home. We will soar at 35,000 plus feet on this final leg of our Utah Adventure! In Minneapolis, our transportation will be waiting to take us home with memories of great travels and awesome adventures!

Included Meals: Breakfast

2014 DATES & PRICES		 
DATES:	September 8 - 15, 2014 (8 Days)	
PRICE PER PERSON:	\$2,749 Double \$2,599 Triple	\$3,399 Single \$2,449 Quad
PRICE INCLUDES:	Roundtrip Airfare including taxes, fuel surcharges, and baggage fees; 11 Included Meals, Hotels & Activities as stated in brochure, Luxury Motorcoach	
DEPOSIT DUE PER PERSON:	\$200 deposit per person at time of reservation. Full payment due 45 days prior to departure.	
OPTIONAL TRAVEL PROTECTION P/P:	\$200 Double per person	\$235 Single p/p
TRAVEL BUCKS:	\$40 Travel Bucks earned on this tour	
TOUR PACE:	Extensive Walking	