

# TRAVEL TO THE ..... GRAND CANYON.....





# GENERAL TRIP INFO



**BTM Trip Coordinator:** Cody Bliss

**Trip Coordinator:** Karman Berry

**Participants:** min: 8/max: 15

**Trip Length:** 4 nights/5 days

**Trip Dates:** March 9-13, 2020

**Cost:** \$1450 (*details below*)

**Cut-Off Date:** Nov 1, 2019  
(last day to get minimum)

**Last Day to Sign Up:** Dec 1, 2019







## ITINERARY OVERVIEW

**Day 1:** Fly to Flagstaff, AZ. Local museum or hike, Dinner & orientation.

**Day 2:** Grand Canyon National Park. South Rim hike, sightseeing, ranger program and sunset.

**Day 3:** Tonto Natural Bridge State Park hikes. Lowell Observatory.

**Day 4:** Grand Canyon float, Salt River white water rafting or Flagstaff rock climbing excursion.

**Day 5:** Depart from Flagstaff.

## Day 1: Welcome to Arizona!

Welcome to the Grand Canyon State! Arrive at Flagstaff airport where our private transportation and Beyond the Map guide will be waiting for you with snacks in hand. Our journey begins immediately as we venture towards a nearby hiking trail to discover local ecosystems and historical petroglyphs. Depending on the flight times, we will meander through the charming streets of Flagstaff before our first group dinner. After dinner and checking into our accommodations, our trip leader will present a brief orientation to the adventures ahead! Relax, you've made it!

## Day 2: Traveling Back in Time

"At about two billion years old – half of earth's total life span – the layer of Vishnu Schist at the bottom of the canyon is some of the oldest exposed rock on the planet. And the means by which it was exposed is, of course, the living, mighty Colorado River, which continues to carve its way 277 miles through the canyon as it has for the past six million years."

Today you will have the opportunity to discover the sheer cliffs and immensity of the canyon for yourself as we travel back in time, thousands of years with every step deeper into the canyon. During our hike, discover the changing rock layers, detailed desert adaptations and nearby big horn sheep scaling the cliff edges. After a full day of hiking, we will marvel at the shifting lights through the canyon while watching the sunset from a more secluded lookout.



# HANDS ON LEARNING





## Day 3: Natural Discoveries

While most visitors flock to the obvious Grand Canyon National Park, very few take the time to discover the other unique and diverse landscapes in the surrounding areas. Tonto Natural Bridge State Park is believed to be the largest natural travertine bridge in the world. The bridge stands 183 feet high over a 400-foot long tunnel that measures 150 feet at its widest point. Spend the afternoon following the river that carves through this landscapes while also learning about the local plants and wildlife that call this area home.

Once the sun dips below the horizon, journey to the outer reaches of our solar system at the Lowell Observatory. This national landmark is among one of the oldest observatories in the United States and was the location responsible for the discovery of Pluto. Marvel at distant stars in one of Arizona's dark-sky locations before ending the night.

## Day 4: Desert Adventures

Today we embark on an adventure of a lifetime! Choose from one of the many excursions including a flat-water float on the Colorado River between the sheer cliffs of the lower Grand Canyon; an adrenaline-inducing trip navigating white water rapids on the seldom visited Salt River or gain a new perspective as you scale towering rock formations while rock climbing. After a full day, enjoy our last group dinner while reflecting on the days gone by.

## Day 5: The End of the Journey

Today we pack our bags and head home- refreshed and inspired by the landscapes and experiences from the week!

\*Itinerary is subject to change under certain circumstances



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# TERMS & CONDITIONS



## Price Includes

All expenses outlined in itinerary, including:

- Pre-Trip Research, Planning & Logistics
- Accommodations (double occupancy of same gender)
- Private Local Transportation
- Roundtrip Airfare (up to \$400/person)
- Activity & Entrance Fees, Permits and Associated Tips
- All Meals, Breakfast, Lunch & Dinners
- Personal BTM Trip Director
- BTM Local Guide (CPR/Lifeguard/First Aid/WFR certified)
- 1 Complimentary Teacher
- Personalized Trip Webpage
- Catching the sunset over the Grand Canyon!!

## Price Does Not Include

- Items on the packing list
- Personal snacks, travel meals & souvenirs

## Participant Abilities

Fitness level: students will be required to walk moderate distances on several occasions with a few activities that require up-hill hiking and a good sense of adventure! Feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.



# PAYMENT DETAILS



## Trip Cost:

\$1450 per person (based on 10 students & 1 comped teacher)

## Deposits:

- \$300 deposit per person to reserve spot (non-refundable).
- Remaining balance can be made in payments until the start of the trip

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions approved in the contract.

## Trip Coordinator:

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Beyond the Map Trip Representative:

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





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## Details & Policies

### **Cancellations & Refunds:**

The traveler agrees to notify Beyond The Map (BTM) with written notice of cancellation **60** days prior to the trip date. Cancellations less than 60 days prior to the trip date will be charged the remaining balance of the trip. Any deposits paid prior to the cancellation are non-refundable.

### **Deposits**

Initial deposit is based on the contracted minimum and is required to secure trip dates. **All deposits are non-refundable.** A custom payment schedule will be determined by BTM and listed in the contract. If the deposit is not received by the due date noted in the contract, the trip dates will be released and the contract will be voided.

### **Weather & Uncontrollable Events:**

Many of our trips run regardless of the weather conditions; however, in the event of an extreme weather event or safety concern, BTM will determine if the trip cannot proceed. If this were to occur, the trip would be rescheduled and no refunds will be issued.

### **Release Forms & Other Documents:**

In many instances, release forms and other documents are required prior to the trip. BTM will be sure to provide ample time for delivery and return of these documents to each traveler. In the event that a traveler does not return the documents in the allotted amount of time, there is a chance that he/she may be denied access to an activity or experience.

### **Dietary Restrictions:**

Various BTM trips require prior meal planning for the group. BTM will be sure to provide ample time to request special dietary needs or restrictions prior to the trip. In the event that the traveler has failed to respond in the allotted amount of time, there is a chance that he/she will not have the appropriate rations during the trip and will be responsible for supplying their own if need be.

### **Accommodations:**

Most BTM trips require prior planning to determine room configurations. BTM will be sure to provide ample time to request special room configurations prior to the trip. This trip is double occupancy. At times, this trip contains accommodations that require group living areas.