

TUCSON, AZ

Feb. 25th – 29th, 2020

With 350 days of sunshine a year... Tucson is the place to vacation! A bit off the beaten path... Tucson's unique attractions beckon you to discover and explore... The beauty of the Sonoran Desert is what first pulls you in... then surprises you at how verdant and diverse a living desert can be, truly an oasis from the unoriginal and pretentious... Let Tucson inspire the free spirit in you!

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- ⌘ Motor coach transportation to PDX
- ⌘ Round trip air to Tucson 1 checked bag included
- ⌘ Personal services of your OregonWest Tour Director
- ⌘ 4 Nights deluxe accommodations
- ⌘ 4 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners
- ⌘ All tours and attractions as listed below
- ⌘ All Gratuities

Welcome to Tucson, a southwest oasis... Our **home for the next four nights is the Marriott University Park**, which is nestled next to the sprawling campus of the University of Arizona. You'll have time to get cozy in your room before our welcome dinner at the hotel

Meet our wonderful **step-on guide Terry** who will enlighten us on the history of the area...

Tucson's history dates back to 1775 when Spanish soldiers founded Presidio San Augustin del Tucson. Since then many different cultures have occupied the city. We will also **visit Mission San Xavier del Bac...** It was founded in 1692 by Padre Eusebio Kino in the center of a centuries-old Native American settlement of the Tohono O'odham located along the banks of the Santa Cruz River. The mission was named for Francis Xavier, a Christian missionary. Enjoy some **free time for lunch in Old Town** before our next adventure... **the Pima Air & Space Museum** it is one of the largest non-government funded aviation and space museums in the world! We'll start with a tram tour... the museum is the exclusive operator that tours a 2,600-acre "Aircraft Boneyard"/U.S. military and government aircraft storage facility. We will also take in the 3 hangers that feature over 350 historical aircrafts, from a Wright Flyer to a 787 Dreamliner. Tonight's dinner will be one to remember **at the Downtown Kitchen & Cocktails.**

We'll depart for Bisbee this morning... The community was founded in 1880, and quickly became a thriving urban center, driven by a booming mining industry that thrived on the rich reserves of copper and precious metals. Today, Bisbee's has an extraordinarily well-preserved early-twentieth century downtown. **We'll tour the town before we head to the mine for a tour. Lunch is at the historic Copper Queen Hotel...** Built in the late 1800's it was one of the most modern hotels in the American West. After lunch **we'll head to Tombstone... where we'll have a walking tour with historian Dr. Jay...** his animated and humorous way of spinning history into a wonderful story will transport you back in time to the **famous gunfight at the O.K. Corral.** It is generally regarded as the **most famous shootout in the history of the American Wild West.** We'll head back to Tucson where your evening is free to explore.

You're in for a real treat today as we visit the **Arizona-Sonoran Desert Museum...** Founded in 1952, the Arizona-Sonoran Desert Museum is widely recognized throughout the world as a model institution for innovative presentation and interpretation of native plants and animals featured together in ecological exhibits. The Museum is regularly listed as one of the top ten zoological parks in the world! **Your afternoon is free to soak up some sun or to explore more of Old Town.** Later this afternoon we will meet up for a **Jeep Tour** where we'll experience the desert first-hand! Their knowledgeable guides will lead us through the plants, animals, and history that makes the Sonoran Desert unique. **We'll top off our tour with a picnic dinner in the desert!**

We'll head home today but the fun isn't over yet! First stop, **Tohona Chul Park...** the mission of the Park is to enrich people's lives by connecting them with the wonders of nature, art and culture in the Sonoran Desert region and stewardship of the natural world. We'll enjoy a delicious lunch here before we head to the airport and home **with great memories of this desert oasis.**



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A \$100 deposit per person will hold space; balance is due by December 27th, 2019