

# TUCSON, ARIZONA & THE OLD WEST!

*Step back in time!*

STAY AT THE SAME HOTEL FOR 5 NIGHTS'!

March 19-24, 2023

\$1795.00 Per person based on 2 to a room.

**Highlights include:** Tucson • Mission San Xavier del Bac • Pima Air & Space Museum • Queen Mine Tour • Tombstone • The O.K. Corral • Saguaro National Park • Sonoran Desert Museum • Old Tucson Studios

## Day 1 – DEPART HOME FOR ARIZONA.

Transfer to Tucson and check into your resort for a five-night stay. The afternoon is at your leisure to settle into and explore the resort. Tonight's Welcome Dinner is included at the resort. (D)

**CASINO DEL SOL RESORT TUCSON – SPEND 5 NIGHTS HERE.**

## Day 2 - TUCSON SIGHTSEEING - MISSION SAN XAVIER DEL BAC - PIMA AIR & SPACE MUSEUM

This morning enjoy a Tucson Area City tour. Tour Barrio, the finest collection of adobe homes in the Southwest! Wander through other historic areas of downtown such as Snob Hollow. . Free time for lunch and shopping at the Old Town Artisans Tucson district. Located on the site of El Presidio San Augustin del Tucson, the fort built by the Spanish in 1775, the 150-year-old adobe building has six distinctive shops & galleries featuring fine arts & crafts from local and regional artists. Next visit the Pima Air & Space Museum. The museum can be explored as a self-guided tour of the numerous hangars and exhibits. Return to the resort for an evening on your own. (B)

## Day 3 - TUCSON - BISBEE - TOMBSTONE

Today we take a trip back to the Old West as we head this morning to historical Bisbee. Whimsical, colorful and perhaps a little haunted, Bisbee is anything but an ordinary destination. Following the discovery of gold, lead, zinc and copper in the nearby Mule Mountains, Bisbee grew to a population of 20,000 residents and the largest city between St. Louis and San Francisco in the early 1900's and voted as the "Best Historic Small Town in America". Upon arrival we will don hardhats and slickers and experience the "Queen Mine tour" 1500 feet below ground. Following the tour you will have time to explore the colorful and well preserved architecture, winding streets and alleys. Enjoy lunch on your own at one of the many local restaurants. Next travel to Tombstone, in its early days Tombstone was a rough and tumble silver-mining town made famous by the O.K. Corral gunfight. Today, you can walk where Wyatt Earp walked, see where the infamous Gunfight at the O.K. Corral took place, visit American Old West historical places such as the Tombstone Courthouse, Bird Cage Theatre, and more. 'Mosey' in to one of the many Old West-style saloons & restaurants for lunch. We will also stop at the historic Boothill Cemetery, just outside of Tombstone, before traveling back to Tucson. Dinner tonight

#### **Day 4 – SONORAN DESERT MUSEUM & OLD TUCSON STUDIOS**

**Today after breakfast we will visit the Sonoran Desert Museum** a 98-acre zoo, aquarium, botanical garden, natural history museum, publisher, and art gallery founded in 1952. Old Tucson Studios came to life in 1939 when Columbia Pictures chose a Pima County-owned site on which to build a replica of 1860's Tucson for the movie *Arizona*. The \$2.5 million film, starring William Holden and Jean Arthur, set a new standard of realism for Hollywood westerns, initiating the move away from studio backdrop movies to outdoor epics.

Local technicians and carpenters built the town from scratch, erecting more than 50 buildings in 40 days. Descendants of the Tohono O'odham, Arizona's first inhabitants formerly known as the Papago, assisted in the set production. Without the convenience of running water, they made more than 350,000 adobe bricks from the desert dirt to create authentic structures for the film. Many of those structures still stand today.

#### **Day 5- FREE DAY TO ENJOY THE RESORT OR DO SOME SHOPPING.**

Farewell dinner included this evening.

#### **Day 6- RETURN HOME WITH SOME WONDERFUL MEMORIES AND NEW FRIENDS!**

After breakfast we will return to Phoenix Airport for our flight home.

### **INCLUDES**

- **Airfare from home city\*closest major airport**
- **5 Nights First Class Hotels**
- **8 Meals: 5 Breakfasts & 3 Dinners,**
- **Tour Director**
- **Motorcoach Transportation**
- **Sightseeing per Itinerary**

#### **Exclusions in above prices:**

- Seat selection
- Personal items
- Optional Tours
- Meals unless listed in itinerary
- Airline baggage fees

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