

# Mount Rushmore & More!



## August 22-27, 2021



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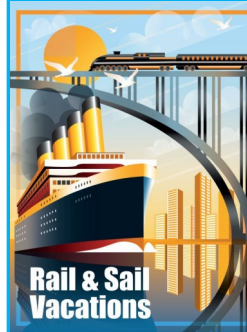
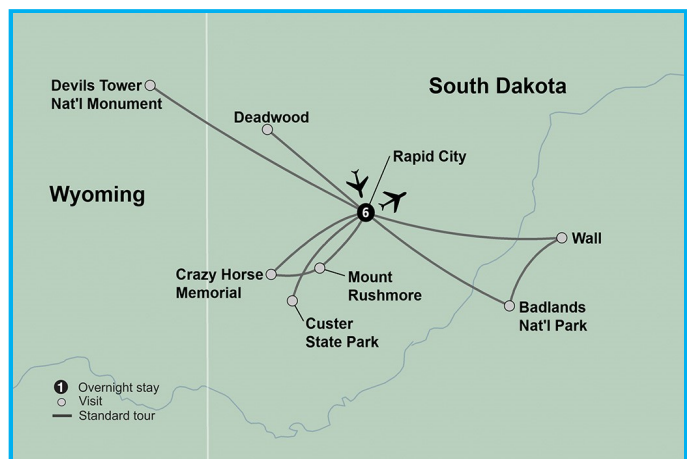
Howdy y'all! We are jumpstarting travel to some amazing places and great faces! Join us for an all-American holiday to some of our nation's greatest parks and attractions! From our home base in Rapid City we will stuff you silly with buffalo burgers and famous free ice water from Wall Drug! Each day we set out to explore the many national treasures in the area and return to our Rapid City base to feed and water and rest our ponies and ourselves! Call now to ensure the best air routing and seats, come get you some! Call (800) 576-4905 or sign up online at: [www.Railandsailvacations.com](http://www.Railandsailvacations.com)

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**Day 1— Sunday August 22 — Depart for South Dakota!** Make your way to your gateway airport. *We do our best to include as many convenient airports as possible. On this excursion you may choose to leave from Paine Field, Everett as well as our usual gateway cities!* Land in Rapid City and gather with your tour manager to transfer to our hotel to take a break before our welcome dinner. (welcome dinner)

**Day 2—Monday August 23 — Mount Rushmore & Crazy Horse** Well rested and ready? Have a great breakfast before we chase the herd up into the hills to see Mount Rushmore National Memorial, America's massive sculpture carved into the Black Hills region of South Dakota. Completed in 1941 under the direction of Gutzon Borglum and his son Lincoln, the sculpture's roughly 60-ft.-high granite faces depict U.S. presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln. If 60 foot tall faces are not enough, we will continue to the Crazy Horse Memorial. Construction continues on privately held land in the Black Hills, and will eventually depict the Oglala Lakota warrior, Crazy Horse, riding a horse and pointing to his tribal land. After a full day, return to home base for RnR (reminiscing near Rushmore) and another solid night of rest. (breakfast, big 'ol lunch).

**Day 3—Tuesday August 24 — Devil's Tower & Deadwood** Enjoy breakfast at our hotel. Do we all remember Richard Dreyfuss building his own tower of mash potatoes then earth inside his house? No guarantees of aliens but a beautiful day out to America's very first national monument, established on September 24, 1906, by President Theodore Roosevelt. Continue our day with a visit to Deadwood! The city had its heyday from 1876 to 1879, after gold deposits had been discovered there, leading to the Black Hills Gold Rush. At its height, the city had a population of 25,000, and attracted larger-than-life Old West figures including Wyatt Earp, Calamity Jane, and Wild Bill Hickok (who was killed there). (breakfast, big 'ol lunch)

**Day 4— Wednesday August 25 — Badlands National Park & Wall Drug** Good morning America with another great National Park! Badlands NP protects 242,756 acres of sharply eroded buttes and pinnacles, along with the largest undisturbed mixed grass prairie in the United States. The National Park Service manages the park, with the South Unit being co-managed with the Oglala Lakota tribe.<sup>[4]</sup>The Badlands Wilderness protects 64,144 acres (100.2 sq mi) of the park as a designated wilderness area, and is one site where the black-footed ferret, one of the most endangered mammals in the world, was reintroduced to the wild. The South Unit, or Stronghold District, includes sites of 1890s Ghost Dances, a former United States Air Force bomb and gunnery range, and Red Shirt Table, the park's highest point at 3,340 feet. In the afternoon, enjoy a stop for lunch and shopping at the famous "Wall Drug". Begun as a humble pharmacy in the middle of nowhere, Wall Drug came to fame as a tourist rest stop offering free ice water to parched travellers on their way to Mount Rushmore. Now a major tourist attraction watering up to 2 million visitors a year! (Breakfast, big 'ol lunch)

**Day 5— Thursday August 26 — Custer State Park** Today we visit South Dakota's largest and first state park, named after Lt. Colonel George Armstrong Custer. The park covers an area of over 71,000 acres of varied terrain including rolling prairie grasslands and rugged mountains. The park is home to a herd of 1,500 bison, elk, coyotes, mule deer, white tailed deer, mountain goats, prairie dogs, bighorn sheep, river otters, pronghorn, cougars, and feral burros also inhabit the park. The park is known for its scenery, its scenic drives (Needles Highway and the wildlife loop), with views of the bison herd and prairie dog towns. (breakfast, chuck wagon dinner show).

**Day 6 — Friday August 27 — Round 'em up and move 'em out!** Have a great breakfast before we pack up and head to the airport for our return flights home—check yours spurs and guns before security y'all! (breakfast).