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Montana

UNDER THE BIG SKY

A Wild West Adventure

August 4 - 13, 2026

Discover the wild beauty of Montana, from Yellowstone's geysers and Grand Canyon to Glacier National Park's stunning peaks. Cruise the Missouri River, raft the Flathead, and explore charming mountain towns along the way. Meet Kootenai descendants, learn the secrets of heroic Smokejumpers, and experience adventure, history, and Big Sky wonder like never before.



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10 DAYS, 9 NIGHTS
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ITINERARY:

DAY 1 - August 4, 2026 - Bozeman, Montana

We will meet the motorcoach in Bloomington and ride it together to Chicago O'Hare Int. Airport. Today, arrive in Bozeman, the jumping off point to explore the northern and southern loops of Yellowstone, America's first national park. As traveler's arrival times vary, there is no

DAY 2, August 5, 2026 - Bozeman, Yellowstone S. Loop & Gardiner

This morning, pass through Yellowstone's northern gate and venture into the Lower Loop, the road that encircles the entire lower half of the National Park. Your first stop will be at the Grand Prismatic Spring, where steaming azure-blue waters clash brilliantly with the bright orange of the clay earth surrounding it. Afterwards, head to Old Faithful, the legendary geyser that you can "set your watch to." Enjoy lunch on your own, walk the boardwalk trails surrounding Old Faithful, and check the time on the next eruption. (B, D)

DAY 3, August 6, 2026 - Gardiner, Yellowstone N. Loop & Gardiner

Today, explore Yellowstone's northern loop. Your first stop will be Mammoth Hot Springs. Here, bubbling pots of geothermal water trickle down the step-like terraces, creating incredible shapes and colors. Next, head to the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone lookout, where you'll find yourself standing over the massive, 20-mile-long canyon. Later today, return to your hotel in Gardiner. (B)

DAY 4, August 7, 2026 - Gardiner, Paradise Valley & Helena

This morning, head through the sweeping vistas of Montana's Paradise Valley. In the distance, you'll see the Absaroka Beartooth Mountains to the east, and the Gallatin Range of the Rocky Mountains to your west. You'll arrive in the capital of Montana, Helena, a city with rich gold rush history and beautiful Victorian era architecture. (B, D)

DAY 5, August 8, 2026 - Gates of the Mountains & Helena

Start your day today with a local guide showing you around the beautiful and welcoming mountain city of Helena on a narrated, train trolley tour. After exploring the city a bit, you'll have time on your own to enjoy the charm of downtown Helena before heading to the Gates of the Mountains. Climb aboard a boat and cruise these storied waters, follow the path Lewis and Clark took on their legendary journey across this vast wilderness, and take in the natural beauty. Tonight, return to Helena for an evening at leisure. (B)

DAY 6, August 9, 2026 - Vik - Helena, Great Falls & St. Mary

Today, venture to Great Falls, where the mighty Missouri River thunders down from the Rocky Mountains, over five waterfalls to the great plains below. Visit the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Center where you can learn about the trials of the legendary expedition -OR- explore the exhibits at the C.M. Russell Art Museum during a self-guided tour, where you'll see the art of Charles Russell, a cowboy-turned-artist from the turn of the century, as well as his original home and log studio. Afterwards, continue to St. Mary, the eastern entryway to Glacier National Park. (B, D)

DAY 7, August 10, 2026 - Glacier National Park, Sun Road & Whitefish

Head into Glacier National Park to board one of the 1930's vintage red buses and venture down one of the most breathtaking roads in North America, Going-to-the-Sun Road.* Sit back and admire the views of the valley as your "jammer," one of the experienced guides, drives you through this natural landscape. Relax and take in all the majestic sights, before heading to the town of Whitefish where forests, lakes, rivers, and mountains unfold in every direction. (B, L)

DAY 8, August 11, 2026 - Whitefish

This morning, enjoy some leisure time in the quaint, picturesque town of Whitefish. Always listed as one of America's 25 prettiest towns, indulge yourself with time to stroll around, do some shopping, or just relax. Your morning leads into an adventurous afternoon, because it's your choice! Grab a paddle and get ready for a white-water rafting adventure -OR- take the calmer, scenic route on a float down the Flathead River. Tonight, tell tales about your river escapades while sitting down for a mouth-watering barbeque dinner. (B, D)

DAY 9, August 12, 2026 - Whitefish, Flathead Lake & Missoula

Depart Whitefish and drive south, journeying along the western edge of beautiful Flathead Lake. Carved by the ancient glaciers that give Glacier National Park its name, Flathead Lake stretches almost 200 square miles. Encompassing most of the lake is the Flathead Reservation, home to the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Nation. Get a glimpse into their traditions when you meet a descendant of the last Kootenai chief, and learn about the importance of the land in native life. This evening, enjoy a memorable farewell dinner with your fellow travelers, where you can raise a glass and toast to a wildly fun Montana adventure. (B, D)

DAY 10, August 13, 2026 - Depart Missoula

Say goodbye to Big Sky Country and its beautiful sights as you head home. (B)

(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner

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Double Occupancy \$7,099 Single Occupancy \$9,099

PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Dedicated Tour Manager
- Hotel accommodations while on tour
- Round Trip Air from O'Hare Intl Airport
- Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges
- Hotel Transfers
- Round Trip Group Transfers Between Bloomington and Chicago
- All meals stated in itinerary
- All excursions stated itinerary

All prices are in US dollars unless otherwise indicated. A non-refundable deposit of \$698.00 per person is required to confirm your booking. Final payment is April 22, 2026. Please see website for full terms & conditions.

