



Big Bend Country & National Park

Thursday, October 22 - Wednesday, October 28, 2015

Attention Travelers from San Antonio's Del Webb Hill Country Retreat.
Our luxury motor coach will pick you up the morning of October 22 and return you the evening of October 28th. Specific time TBD.

Attention Wimberley Travelers

Our bus will depart from Brookshire Brothers parking lot at 9am. We will return to the same location the evening of October 28th.

Attention Houston Travelers

Call for round trip Houston/Wimberley/HOU transportation options

We suggest that you make plans to stay at a Wimberley motel or B&B the night before departure and the night after our return to Wimberley. It will be easier to be on the bus and ready for departure in the morning. We'll be happy to suggest several reasonable overnight accommodations at your request. We'll safely park our vehicles at no extra charge in the Wimberley Brookshire Brothers parking lot which is police-patrolled 24/7 at our request. We've done this for our trips over the past 10 years and have never experienced any problem with this arrangement. You may choose to carpool to Wimberley.



DAY 1 : Thursday, October 22 - Wimberley to Ft. Davis

Leave from Wimberley Brookshire Brothers Parking lot for Fort Davis State Park. Lunch on your own at the Hitching Post Steak House. Arrive at the historic Indian Lodge Resort, constructed in the 1930s by the Civilian Conservation Corps and featuring the original interiors and furnishings resembling a Southwestern Native-American-style, multilevel pueblo village. Indian Lodge was voted the #1 accommodation in Texas by readers of Texas Highways magazine. Welcome dinner at the Blue Mountain restaurant. After dinner, we can gather for a relaxing get together under the Big Sky.

Hotel: Indian Lodge

Meals: (D) Overnight: Ft. Davis





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DAY 2: Friday, October 23 Fort Davis Area

Breakfast. Tour historic Fort Davis, an interesting Indian Wars frontier military post 1854 to 1891. Lunch in town. Visit Chihuahuan Desert Nature Center (a desert botanical garden, 1400 sq. ft. cactus and succulent greenhouse, and interpretive exhibits). McDonald Observatory at night for our STARGAZING PARTY.

Observe the stars through high powered telescopes. You won't have seen this many stars since you were a kid! Dinner on your own at the StarDate Café at the observatory.



Hotel: Indian Lodge

Meals: (B) **Overnight:** Fort Davis

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DAY 3 : Saturday, October 24 Fort Davis, Terlingua

Breakfast. We'll drive south along a road with great open views to Presidio. Lunch at the El Patio Mexican restaurant in Presidio. Next it's on to FM 170, the River Road, rated the most scenic drive in all of Texas. On our way to Terlingua, we'll visit 1) Fort Leaton 2) The Goblin 3) The Hoodoos 4) Closed Canyon 5) Big Hill and 6) Contrabando Movie Set. Check in to the Big Bend Resort hotel. Dinner at Terlingua's famous Starlight Theatre restaurant. Enjoy an after-dinner beer or iced tea or just visit with the locals on The Porch, the heartbeat of the Ghost town. Storytelling, Tall Tales and Lies expected and welcome! Would someone please bring a guitar? Back to Hotel for a good night's sleep.

Hotel: Big Bend Resort

Meals: (B,L,D) **Overnight:** Terlingua

*Itineraries are subject to change: We pledge to make every effort to operate our tour as stated in our detailed brochures. However, we need to be flexible enough to take advantage of the best value and safest opportunities that come along so that TravelPhile Tours may provide you with the best and safest possible tour. Therefore, we reserve the right to alter or curtail the itinerary or substitute private guided tours, hotels and/or conveyances as decided necessary.





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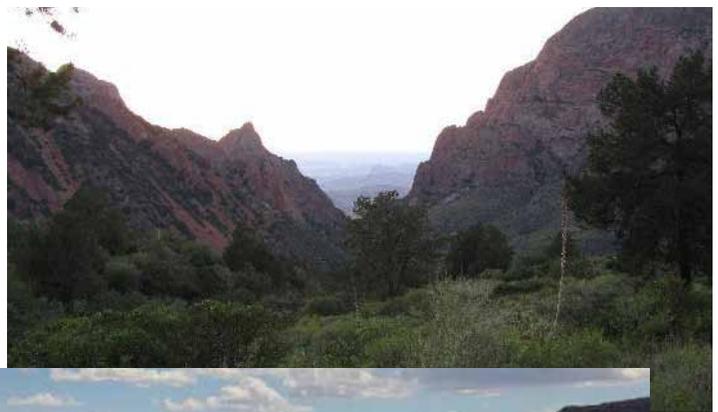
DAY 4 : Sunday, October 25

Terlingua to Big Bend National Park

Breakfast. Visit the Barton Warnock Environmental Center for an introduction to the history, geology, flora and fauna of the region. Then on to Terlingua for a tour of the town's graveyard and mining ruins. Lunch in Study Butte and then on to Big Bend National Park visitor center in the Chisos Mountain Basin. While there, browse the store, go to The Window overlook for photo opportunities and take a short trail for viewing the vistas of the park. We will then proceed to the Chisos Mountain Lodge the only lodge inside Big Bend National Park for check in. Dinner at the Chisos Mountain Lodge. Evening free under the stars. **NOTE: Big Bend is one the most unique environments for those who love birding.** Bring your binoculars!

Hotel: Chisos Mountain Lodge

Meals: (B) **Overnight:** Big Bend National Park



DAY 5 : Monday, October 26 Big Bend National Park

Breakfast at the lodge. We will then visit the Santa Elena Canyon. Hike the trail if you like! Put your toes into the Rio Grande. On the road back, we'll stop by the Sotol Vista and Mule Ears Peak overlooks. Then on to historic Castolon where we will have a bag lunch and ice cream dessert. From there we'll go to the Boquillas overlook. The last stop will be at Rio Grand Village, home of many species of birds, then back to the Chisos Mountain Lodge and dinner while watching an unforgettable sunset.

Hotel: Chisos Mountain Lodge

Meals: (B,L) **Overnight:** Big Bend National Park

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DAY 6 : Tuesday, October 27
Big Bend, Marfa & Alpine

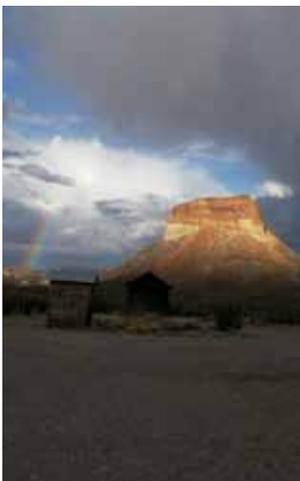
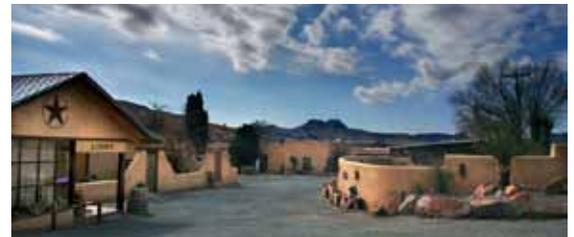
Breakfast at the lodge and depart for Alpine. Lunch at La Trattoria Italian restaurant. Board coach for Marfa. Visit to Donald Judd's world-class Chinati Foundation. Explore galleries, art exhibits and the famous El Paisano Hotel, a national historic landmark and headquarters for the cast and crew for the movie "Giant." Walk where Jimmy Dean, Elizabeth Taylor and Rock Hudson walked. Dinner in Marfa and a stop to watch for the famous Marfa Lights! Overnight at the Holland Hotel, an historic hotel built in 1928, featuring individually furnished guest rooms all inspired by the warm colors and artifacts found in Texas, Mexico, and the Big Bend area appointed with luxury amenities and expected conveniences.

Hotel: The Holland Hotel

Meals: (B)

Overnight: Alpine

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DAY 7 : Wednesday, October 28
Alpine to Wimberley

Return to Wimberley via U.S. 90 where we will visit Judge Roy Bean's Jersey Lilly Saloon in Langtry. Lunch in Del Rio. Travelers from San Antonio will be returned to Hill Country Retreat. Others can remain overnight in Wimberley departing Thursday.

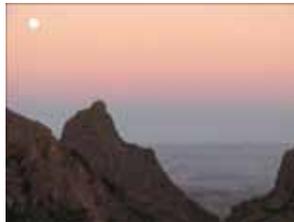
NOTE: bring along binoculars, camera, extra batteries and memory cards/film, hat/sunscreen, and sturdy shoes for this trip.

Meals: (B) Overnight: Wimberley

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PRICE IS PER PERSON (cash discount)

\$1685 Double \$2116 Single

Your Deposit of \$800 Saves Your Place

Final Payment Due July 20, 2015

(No Refunds after Final Payment Date)

Price Includes

- Round-trip luxury motorcoach transportation from Wimberley We drive....you look!!
- U.S. History adjunct professor Cynthia Marion and her artist husband Larry Fick will be your tour escorts and guides
- 6 nights lodging in very hard-to-book historic hotels
- 5 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 2 Dinners (inclusive of tax and gratuity)
- Minimum of 10 Private tours
- Entrance fees to all parks
- Stargazing Party Night at McDonald Observatory
- Sodas, water, beer, wine and snacks on bus

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY ALL OF YOUR RESERVATION INFORMATION BELOW:

Please mail this SIGNED form with your deposit

PASSENGER #1:

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

____ I plan to take out travel insurance by July 20, 2015

(I understand if travel insurance is not purchased by July 20, 2015 pre-existing conditions are not covered)

____ I have read and understand the refund policy. For questions, please call Cynthia at 214.497.4074

DIET RESTRICTIONS: _____

TYPE OF HOTEL BED (check one): KING _____ QUEEN _____ TWO BEDS REQUIRED - QUEEN/DOUBLE/SINGLE (depending on hotel) _____

Single occupied rooms will either have a king, queen, double or single bed depending on the hotel

DRINKS ON BUS: SOFT DRINK (diet/regular) _____ BEER (lite/regular) _____ WATER _____ WINE _____ (white wine only/bus restrictions)

I do not drink beer _____ I do not drink wine _____ I do not drink soft drinks _____

MOBILITY RESTRICTIONS: _____

OTHER PREFERENCES: (example: I prefer a room on lower floor) _____

SIGN HERE: _____

PASSENGER #2: (Sharing room with Passenger #1)

NAME: _____

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