



**ALUMNI
ASSOCIATION**

MAY 28 - JUNE 4, 2022

with optional post-tour:
MONTEREY TO
SANTA BARBARA

DEATH VALLEY, YOSEMITE *and the* GREAT PARKS OF CALIFORNIA

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**100%
REFUND
GUARANTEE**
See reservation
panel for details.
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8 DAYS OF EXTRAORDINARY NATURAL
PRESERVES AND FRONTIER HISTORY



The logo features a stylized 'K' with 'STATE' written inside the horizontal bar, followed by the words 'ALUMNI ASSOCIATION' in a bold, sans-serif font.

K-STATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Dear K-State Alumni and Friends,

Please join us on a transformative journey into the sublime, sprawling wilderness of California's national parks. With more national parks in the Golden State than anywhere in the nation, it's home to some of our most iconic natural wonders—the highest waterfalls, largest trees, and one of the deepest canyons.

Showcasing Death Valley, Yosemite, Sequoia, and Kings Canyon National Parks, this 8-day program celebrates the history, beauty, and culture of these magnificent public lands. Together we'll experience rich and diverse natural landscapes, opportunities to glimpse wildlife, a cosmic voyage of stargazing, and a palpable connection with nature.

After each rewarding day exploring the surreal geological formations at Death Valley, the picturesque panoramas at Yosemite, and the towering sequoia forests of Sequoia and Kings Canyon, we'll retire to well-regarded and comfortable resorts and lodges.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than \$800 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly, so be certain to reserve your spot today, and share this brochure with family and friends who may be interested in traveling with you.

Reserve today online at k-state.orbridge.com, by calling (785) 532-6260 or by returning the enclosed reservation form.


Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads 'Terin Walters'.

Terin Walters '05

Assistant Vice President of Development and Communications
K-State Alumni Association

As we embark on this new world of group travel, the health and well-being of our guests, our team, and the communities we visit remain our top priority. For a detailed listing of the enhanced safety measures and hygiene protocols specific to our tours, please visit orbridge.com/wellness.

 Orbridge takes seriously the responsibility to minimize our global environmental impact. Each year we plant 100,000 trees in U.S. State Forests with afforestation needs as an on-going initiative among our evolving sustainability efforts. Learn more at orbridge.com/going-green.



GENERAL SHERMAN

Your 8-Day Itinerary *(subject to change)*

Day 1: Arrive in Las Vegas, NV (R)
Welcome reception with travel companions and Expedition Leader
Overnight: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel and Spa

Day 2: Las Vegas / Death Valley National Park (B,D)
Badwater Basin, after-dark stargazing
Overnight: The Inn at Death Valley

Day 3: Death Valley National Park (B,D)
Park exploration of scenic and geologic treasures
Overnight: The Inn at Death Valley

Day 4: Death Valley National Park / Mammoth Lakes (B)
Devil's Postpile National Monument (seasonal activity), Manzanar National Historic Site
Overnight: Mammoth Mountain Inn

Day 5: Mammoth Lakes / Yosemite National Park (B,D)
Park exploration, nature hikes
Overnight: Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite

Day 6: Yosemite National Park (B,D)
Park exploration, open-air tram tour
Overnight: Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite

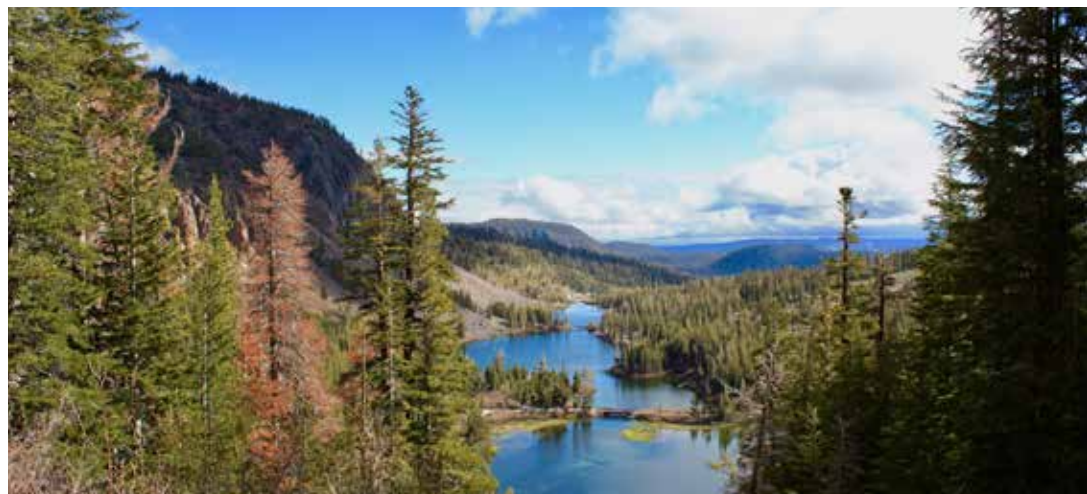
Day 7: Yosemite National Park / Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks (B,R)
Guided sightseeing, Grant Grove Village, Mariposa Grove, General Sherman tree
Overnight: Wuksachi Lodge

Day 8: Fresno / Depart Fresno (B)

(B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner, R = Reception)



Activity Level: The majority of the program's activities will take place outdoors and a fair amount of walking on varying terrain is to be expected. Many of the parks have dirt trails, but they are usually fairly smooth for walking, some do have paved pathways and boardwalks. It is our expectation that guests on this program are able to walk a mile at a moderate pace, get in and out of a motor coach, and walk up a flight of stairs without assistance. Also keep in mind that you will experience varying altitudes, rising up to 10,000 feet, to which you may not be accustomed.



Program Highlights

- Experience the diverse wonders of four West Coast national parks accompanied by an Orbridge Expedition Leader.
- Observe terrestrial and celestial spectacles in Death Valley National Park.
- Visit Badwater Basin, an otherworldly landscape of crinkly salt flats, and enjoy pristine views of thousands of stars in the nighttime sky.
- Honor and preserve the memory of thousands of Japanese Americans who faced internment during World War II at Manzanar National Historic Site.
- Delight in exploration of Yosemite National Park, a varied landscape supporting more than 400 species of amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals.
- Spend time at Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks that are teeming with endless natural features, including General Sherman—a giant sequoia tree soaring 275 feet into the blue Sierra sky.

What's Included

- 7 nights accommodations in inspiring hotels and lodges
- 7 breakfasts and 4 dinners, plus special welcome and farewell receptions
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Expedition Leader as well as expert local guides
- All activities as described in the 8-day itinerary
- Admission and park fees
- Private deluxe motor coach with air conditioning and comfortable seating
- Luggage portage
- Gratuities to Orbridge Expedition Leader, local guides, drivers, porters, and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times



Accommodations (subject to change)

THE WESTIN LAS VEGAS HOTEL & SPA

This stylish hotel—just off the Las Vegas Strip—features a non-smoking environment, modern guest rooms, outdoor heated pool, fitness studio, lobby lounge, and 24-hour bistro.



THE INN AT DEATH VALLEY

This jewel of a property offers guests the opportunity to relax near the spring-fed pool, stroll through date palm gardens, and retire to rooms where old-school ambience meets modern style and amenities.



MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN INN

Positioned at the base of the mountain, Mammoth Mountain Inn provides spectacular views, comfortable rooms, a hospitable staff, and close access to Mammoth's best activities and attractions.



TENAYA LODGE AT YOSEMITE

Located on 48 acres, the impressive Tenaya Lodge is nestled high among the pine and fir trees of Sierra National Forest, two miles from the southern entrance to Yosemite National Park.



WUKSACHI LODGE

Sequoia National Park's signature hotel, Wuksachi Lodge, is an alluring stone and cedar mountain property, offering striking views of the High Sierra mountains.



Your Expedition Leader:

Throughout this program, the company and keen eyes of an expert Orbridge Expedition Leader will make all the difference in your educational experience. Enriched by their wealth of expertise, you'll bring home a deeper understanding of the flora, fauna, natural history, and geography of the great parks and scenic coastline of California.

Optional Post-Tour Monterey to Santa Barbara



Extend your California adventure with this wondrously scenic tour, highlighting breathtaking views and points of interest. Cruise the panoramic coastline, discover wildlife and conservation inspiration at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, savor a wine tasting, and experience the history and grandeur of the Old Mission in Santa Barbara.

Post-Tour Itinerary *(subject to change)*

Day 8: Monterey

Guided panoramic sightseeing, Monterey Bay Aquarium, evening at leisure
Overnight: Asilomar Hotel

Day 9: Monterey / Cambria (B)

17-Mile Drive, Big Sur, Morro Bay
Overnight: FogCatcher Inn

Day 10: Cambria / Santa Barbara (B)

Old Mission tour, wine tasting event, leisure time
Overnight: Best Western Plus Santa Barbara

Day 11: Depart Santa Barbara (B)

What's Included

- 3 nights hotel accommodations with breakfast each morning
- Admission to the Monterey Bay Aquarium and Santa Barbara's Old Mission, including transportation
- Wine tasting event
- Luggage portage
- Gratuities to Orbridge Expedition Leader, local guides, drivers, porters, and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests departing during the suggested times



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Monterey to Santa Barbara Post-Tour: June 4-7, 2022

Standard
Rate:
~~\$4,799~~
\$6,399 Single

Special
Rate:
\$4,395*
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Monterey to Santa Barbara Post-Tour*
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Reserve by Credit Card:

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Mail to: K-State Alumni Association Traveling Wildcats

100 Alumni Center, 1720 Anderson Avenue

Manhattan, KS 66506-1001

GUEST INFORMATION:

Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation): _____

Email: _____ Class Year: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation): _____

Email: _____ Class Year: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

DEPOSIT PAYMENT:

☐ Check ☐ ACH (Automated Clearing House) ☐ MasterCard/Visa ☐ American Express ☐ Discover

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DEPOSIT:

_____ guests joining program (\$850/person) +

_____ guests joining post-tour (\$500/person) = **TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$** _____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Reservations, Deposits and Final Payment. To secure your reservation, deposits are due upon placing a reservation as follows: \$850 per person per program and \$500 per person for any pre-tour and/or post-tour. Deposits are payable by check, ACH, wire transfer or major credit card. Final payment, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, is payable by check, ACH, wire transfer or major credit card, and is due no later than 90 days prior to the program's scheduled departure date. If your reservation is made between the final payment due date and the program's scheduled departure date, the full cost of the program, plus any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, is due at the time of registration, payable by check, ACH, wire transfer or major credit card. If final payment is not received by Orbridge by the final payment due date, Orbridge may, at any time and with or without notice, cancel your reservation in its sole discretion with no right of refund. CST#2098750-40 WST#602828994

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