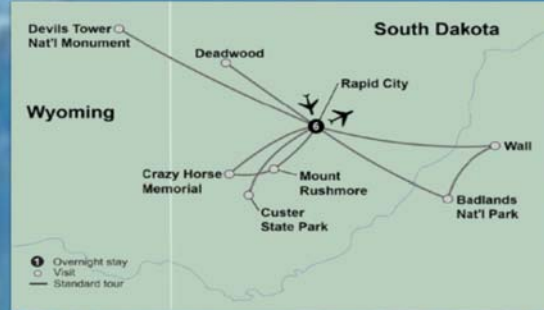


NATIONAL PARK SPECTACULAR!

July 9 - 15, 2021 7 days / 6 nts



** Stay on one hotel! Unpack only once....*

** Mount Rushmore - including nighttime lighting ceremony!*

*Badlands National Park * Crazy Horse Memorial*

** Devils Tower National Monument * Custer State Park * Deadwood*

Day 1: Fly Hartford/Bradley to Rapid City, SD. Welcome to Rapid City, long known as the gateway to the Black Hills. Welcome dinner featuring a Native American chronicler who shares stories about the Lakota & Sioux way of life. (D)

Day 2: Learn the history of some enterprising Westerners during a visit to the Chapel in the Hills. Then, **visit Crazy Horse Memorial** & learn the story behind the world's largest, still-in-progress mountain sculpture. The memorial includes the Indian Museum of North America, the Native American Cultural Center, the sculptor's studio, orientation center and theaters. Next, **head for mighty Mount Rushmore** to spend some time with the epic figures of Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt and Lincoln as you stroll along the Presidential Trail that offers the closest access to this iconic sculpture. This evening, return to Mount Rushmore to see the nighttime lighting ceremony. (based on weather) (B)

Day 3: Embrace the allure of wide-open spaces and explore the larger than-life **Badlands National Park**. At the visitor center, the stage is set for your adventure, with informative exhibits, displays and video to introduce you to the area. Travel the Badlands Loop Road, home to vibrant colors and rock formations created by mineral deposits. Visit the legendary Wall Drug, a store barely changed since 1936. Do a little browsing, have a seat at the soda fountain, and perhaps grab a bite for lunch. (B)

Day 4: Get ready for **Deadwood**, where gold, gambling, and gunpowder were once the order of the day. This National Historic

Landmark comes alive as if you've stepped onto the set of an old-fashioned Western. A local guide shows you to the city, including where Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane are buried. Enjoy free time before it's your choice! Take a guided tour of the Adams House, dedicated to preserving Deadwood's history -**OR-** visit Kevin Costner's Tatanka: Story of the Bison, sculptures depicting the relationship between bison and the Lakota. This evening, enjoy a dinner and Western show at the High Plains Heritage Center. (B, D)

Day 5: Head to **Custer State Park** and keep your eyes peeled for bighorn sheep or wandering elk. Take in the lush landscape, rocky outcrops, and grazing animals as you make your way through South Dakota's first state park. Venture off road with an exciting Buffalo Safari, cruising deep into the park in an open-air jeep and searching for herds of roaming buffalo. (B)

Day 6: Get your bearings at the Geographic Center of the Nation, marking the middle of the US. Cross into Wyoming and view the first national monument - **Devils Tower**. Stand in awe before this lofty monolith, perhaps hiking the 1.3 mile Tower Trail around the base. Although famous as the backdrop in Close Encounters of the Third Kind, the tower is also sacred to many local tribes. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner as the end of your South Dakota adventure draws near. (B, D)

Day 7: Return to airport for flight home! (B)

\$3199 pp double Including air from Hartford!



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