

# Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta

October 7 - October 12, 2021



## INCLUDED FEATURES

- Free parking with roundtrip transfers to Baltimore/Washington International Airport
- Roundtrip airfare from Baltimore, Maryland
- Roundtrip transfers - airport/hotel
- 5 night's hotel accommodations
- 5 Breakfasts and 2 Dinners
- Sightseeing as stated in itinerary by luxury coach
- Services of Professional AAA Member Choice Vacations driver/guide
- All admissions and fees as listed per itinerary
- Admission to the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta
- All local, taxes, hotel service charges & portorage for one suitcase per person
- Services of a Discoveries Journey Manager

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Santa Fe, New Mexico
- Santa Fe School of Cooking
- Turquoise Trail
- Albuquerque, New Mexico

## PRICING

Occupancy	Rate Per Person
Double	\$3,069
Single	\$3,759
Triple	\$3,039

**All non-members must add \$60 to the above rates.**

\*Single/Triple accommodations are limited

Rates are subject to availability at time of booking and include taxes, fees and fuel surcharges which are subject to change. All pricing and included features are based on a minimum of 15 passengers.

- Miraculous Staircase at the Loretto Chapel
- National Museum of Nuclear Science and History
- Indian Pueblo Cultural Center
- Iconic Route 66
- International Balloon Fiesta

## ITINERARY

### Thursday, October 7, 2021: Arrive in Albuquerque, New Mexico

Transfer by motorcoach to the Baltimore Washington International airport for your flight to Albuquerque, New Mexico. Welcome to a true "land of enchantment." As we explore Albuquerque and Santa Fe, a rich blend of multiculturalism, natural beauty and profound history await. Tonight, get to know your fellow travelers during a welcome dinner. Hotel: *Albuquerque Marriott*, Albuquerque (Dinner)

### Friday, October 8, 2021: Albuquerque, New Mexico

Today is sure to be one of the highlights of your trip as you attend Albuquerque's International Balloon Fiesta! Join in the excitement of this annual hot air ballooning extravaganza. Experience one of the world's most photographed events. Watch as the balloons launch in one of the most spectacular displays of sound and color in all of aviation. After your early morning, enjoy some time to relax. This afternoon, visit Old Town Albuquerque. Savor the unique fusion of Mexican, Native American and Spanish heritages. Experience a "must-do" as you embark on a bucket-list ride along the eclectic Route 66. Then enjoy some time in Old Town to explore the wonderful shops and restaurants. Tonight, return to the fiesta grounds to experience the grandeur of the Balloon Fiesta by moonlight. The breathtaking event of balloons lit from within at night is known as "Balloon Glow." There will be plenty of time to stroll the grounds, shop for memorable Balloon Fiesta souvenirs or grab a bite to eat. (Breakfast)

### Saturday, October 9, 2021: Albuquerque, New Mexico

Even before the Cold War, New Mexico has been known as a hub for covert military projects. Today, this fascinating history unfolds at the National Museum of Nuclear Science & History where a docent takes you on an intriguing journey that includes details of the Manhattan Project. Later this afternoon, visit the gateway to the 19 Pueblos of New Mexico at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center. See the ever-changing galleries that highlight local and national Native American artists. With a focus on Pueblo artists, the center strives to preserve their culture. (Breakfast)

### Sunday, October 10, 2021: Albuquerque-Santa Fe

Today we set out for Santa Fe. Traveling via the historic Turquoise Trail, you are sure to enjoy the stunning views. Prehistoric people made their homes here, Spanish missionaries explored the area, and many battles were fought over this land. Once in Santa Fe, a local guide joins us on an open-air tram as we tour the renowned Santa Fe Plaza and the surrounding city, including the Miraculous Staircase at the Loretto Chapel. Enjoy time to discover the many shops and numerous art museums that Santa Fe is known for. Tonight, enjoy a reception at the hotel. Hotel: *Drury Plaza Hotel Santa Fe*, Santa Fe (Breakfast)

### Monday, October 11, 2021: Santa Fe, New Mexico

Today is yours to explore Santa Fe independently. With so much to see and do in this Southwestern city, perhaps you will visit a museum or one of the many art galleries on Canyon Road. A special treat awaits at the Santa Fe School of Cooking. It's your favorite cooking show come to life as you watch an expert chef create a delicious meal before your eyes. Everything is made with a Southwest theme and is simply delightful. (Breakfast, Dinner)

### Tuesday, October 12, 2021: Santa Fe, New Mexico - Return to Central Pennsylvania

Your tour comes to an end with wonderful memories of the spectacular Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta. Transfer to the Albuquerque airport for your flight and transportation back to Central, PA. (Breakfast)

#### **Tour Activity Level: 3**

*This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces, should be expected.*

*Hotel and itinerary are subject to change at any time without notification and/or compensation.*

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Travel Documents

A government-issued photo I.D. that is REAL ID compliant, or a passport will be required for airport security.

## Payment

Deposit of \$600 per person will confirm your reservation. Final Payment is due to AAA by **July 24, 2021**.

**Solo Travelers Reward Club maximum voucher redemption: \$100**

## Cancellation/Penalties

Deposit date to day of departure \$25 per person, plus...

**From April 7-August 7, 2021-** \$600 per person, plus additional suppliers fees

**From August 8-September 21, 2021-** 30% per person, plus additional suppliers fees

**From September 22-October 6, 2021-** 50% per person, plus additional suppliers fees

**After October 7, 2021-** NON-REFUNDALBE

*\*Airfare is nonrefundable after final payment.*

## Insurance

For your protection AAA recommends travel insurance. Pre-existing medical conditions may be waived with proper coverage if travel insurance is purchased within 14 days of initial deposit only. Other conditions may apply; ask your travel agent. AAA recommends Allianz.

## Flight

Air arrangements are handled by the tour operator. Seat assignments cannot be confirmed until the tour operator releases names to the airline 30 days prior to departure. Specific seat requests cannot be guaranteed. Some flights schedules may contain code share agreements.

## Clothing/Climate

Temperatures for Albuquerque, New Mexico in October average in the lower 70s. Casual clothes that can be layered and comfortable walking shoes are recommended..

## Baggage

One suitcase per person will be allowed. You may also bring a carry-on bag small enough to fit under your seat. Baggage fees are not included in the price of the trip. Baggage fees and other charges may be directly assessed by airlines or airport.

## Travel Assistance

For personal comfort, group participants who need assistance are required to have a traveling companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the needed assistance.

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