WFSU presents... Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta

October 12 – 17, 2017



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6 Days • 8 Meals: 5 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

Per Person Rates^{*}:

Double \$2,699

Single \$3,299; Triple \$2,669

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Tallahassee Municipal, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$240 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

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- Embark on a bucket-list ride along the eclectic Route 66.
- Enjoy a docent-led tour of the National Museum of Nuclear Science & History.
- See the ever-changing art galleries at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center.
- Your favorite cooking show comes to life at the Santa Fe School of Cooking.
- Behold the dramatic Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta.
- Delight in the scenery and history of Albuquerque and Santa Fe.
- Marvel at the twists and turns of the famed Turquoise Trail.

Highlights: Balloon Fiesta, Old Town Albuquerque, National Museum of Nuclear Science & History, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, Turquoise Trail, Santa Fe, Santa Fe School of Cooking

Day 1: Thursday, October 12, 2017 Albuquerque, New Mexico - Tour Begins 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. (D)

Day 2: Friday, October 13, 2017 Albuquerque Today is sure to be one of the highlights of your trip...Albuquerque's International Balloon Fiesta. Join in the excitement of this annual hot air ballooning extravaganza. This is

your chance to experience one of the world's most photographed events. Watch as the balloons launch in two remarkable waves. It's one of the most spectacular displays of sound and color in all of aviation. After an early morning, enjoy some time to relax. Later this afternoon, set out on a tour of Old Town Albuquerque and the surrounding area. Savor the unique fusion of Mexican, Native American and Spanish heritages. Embark on a bucket-list ride along the eclectic Route 66. Take some time in Old Town to explore the wonderful shops and restaurants. (B)



Day 3: Saturday, October 14, 2017 Albuquerque Since 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. Next, 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. Later, experience the grandeur of the Balloon Fiesta by moonlight. There will be plenty of time to stroll the grounds, shop for a memorable Balloon Fiesta souvenir or grab a bite to eat. (B)

Day 4: Sunday, October 15, 2017 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 peoples made their homes here, Spanish missionaries explored the area and many battles were fought over this land. Next, we'll stop in the quaint old coal mining town of Madrid. Once in Santa Fe, a local guide joins us as we tour the renowned Santa Fe Plaza and the surrounding city. Enjoy time to discover the many shops and numerous art museums that Santa Fe is known for. (B, D)

Day 5: Monday, October 16, 2017 Santa Fe Today is yours to explore Santa Fe independently. There's so much to see and do in this southwestern city. Perhaps you will choose to visit an art studio or join an optional excursion. 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. (*B*, *D*)

Day 6: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 Santa Fe - Tour Ends Your tour comes to an end with wonderful memories of the spectacular Balloon Fiesta. (*B*)



Itinerary at a glance Days 1 – 3 Albuquerque Marriott, Albuquerque,New Mexico Days 4, 5 Drury Hotel, Santa Fe,New Mexico On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Experience It! The Balloon Fiesta

The Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta is a world-renowned attraction and destination. For more than four decades, the first week in October brings the smell of roasting chiles and the beautiful, magical moving picture show of hot air balloons sailing silently through the crisp fall air.

From its modest beginnings in 1972 with 13 balloons launching from a shopping mall parking lot, the Balloon Fiesta has grown to multiple events launching year-round at the custom-designed, 365-acre Balloon Fiesta Park. This signature event, with over 600 balloons, is the largest ballooning event on earth, the most photographed event on earth, and the largest annual international event held in the United States.

For important reservation information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/808836. You can also find this information on your tour documents. Please Note:

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

When reserving a triple room, please note that it will have two double beds. Due to fire safety regulations, a rollaway bed cannot be brought into the room.

Due to weather conditions the order of the Balloon Fiesta events may change.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at prescheduled times.

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.

This tour involves travelling at high altitudes (approximately 7,000 feet) and may not be suitable for some travelers. We suggest that you consult your doctor if you have any concerns. Our air passengers will depart from Albuquerque, NM airport. All of our transfers will depart from Santa Fe for Albuquerque airport.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until checkin at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Flights on departure day should depart after 10:00 a.m.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$500 per person is due upon reservation. If you purchase our Travel Protection Plan, the deposit is only \$250 per person plus the cost of the Insurance. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of April 05, 2017 are based upon availability. Final payment due by August 13, 2017. Deposits are refundable up until April 12, 2017.

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