



Experience Yellowstone and Grand Tetons

May 12-18, 2024

Tour information

Group Flight Information:

Sunday, May 12:

Delta Airlines #1532 – Departs Houston - Bush Airport @ 11:55am/arrives Salt Lake City @ 2:07pm (3-hour flight)

Saturday, May 18:

Delta Airlines #531 – Departs Salt Lake City @ 5:40pm/arrives Houston @ 9:42pm

If you flying with the group, you will not be able to check in ahead of time for your flight. On Sunday, May 12 by 9:45am, you will meet Jeff and Sarah at Bush Intercontinental airport, Terminal A at the Delta kiosk area to begin your check in process. You will present your driver's license to the ticket agent or a kiosk to check in and receive your boarding pass. If applicable, verify your TSA number and/or your Delta sky miles number with an agent to be sure it is linked to your ticket. Also, it is recommended to inquire about your seats for the flights. The airlines assign seats with groups and it is not always what was requested. Once you have tagged and dropped your checked bag and have seen Jeff or Sarah, you are free to proceed through security to the gate.

If you are not flying with the group – If your flight arrives within 30 minutes of the group flight, you are welcome to transfer to the hotel with the group. If your flight arrives at a different time, you will be responsible for your transfer to the hotel. There is a UTA Trax\City train from the airport to within 2 blocks of the hotel. From the airport, you can take the Green Line to North Temple Bridge Station and the hotel will be a 2-minute walk from the station. There are no group activities planned upon arrival. Upon arrival to the hotel, you will be able to check in by presenting your identification at the front desk and letting them know you are a part of the Prelude Tours group.

Hotel In Salt Lake City: the tour officially begins with the first night of hotel in Salt Lake City:

Hyatt Place – Salt Lake City Downtown\The Gateway

55 North 400 West

Salt Lake City, UT 84101

The hotel is centrally located in downtown Salt Lake City and is near [Temple Square](#), a national historic landmark and religious center owned by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. If you are interested, there are free tours available of the grounds and buildings and there are several restaurants within a short walk of the hotel.

Monday, May 13 – Breakfast will be served in the hotel lobby from 6:30am-8:00am. After breakfast @ approximately 8:00am, we will check out of the hotel and join our tour guide and board our motorcoach for the week.

Time and weather in May – The weather will be early “Spring-like” with average temperatures ranging from the mid 30’s – to low-60’s. The region is on MST which is 1 hour behind Houston time.

Luggage/Weight Restrictions – Each person is allowed one checked bag (up to 50lbs), one carry on bag, and one personal item. Be sure your checked bag is tagged with your name and contact number. It is recommended to carry all a change of clothes, valuables and medication in your carry on in case of lost luggage.

Recommended Dress - It is recommended to “dress like an onion” and wear different layers of clothing. As the day progresses, you can take off layers and then add them back as the day ends. No dress clothes are needed and very comfortable walking shoes are a must! There will be time for short hikes if you prefer to bring hiking boots.

Packing Suggestions – It is difficult to not overpack but we encourage you to “lighten your load” with your luggage. The weather will be cool and you can “recycle” your clothing a couple of times during the tour. Dry wicking clothing and Athleisure clothing are available at many stores and make for great travel clothes. It is not necessary to change clothes prior to dinner each evening and the main goal of a tourist is to “blend in” with the locals and not to stand out. Light jackets and rain jackets will be good to include in your packing.

Medications – Medications do not need to be carried in their original bottles. We do suggest that you have a list of your medication in your wallet or emailed to you in case of lost medication or an emergency.

Tipping and entrance fees – All gratuities and entrance fees as mentioned in the itinerary are included in your tour cost have been included in your tour cost.

Cameras\iPad\Laptops – You are encouraged to take photos throughout the tour to share with your friends and post to social media. We do not recommend packing valuable electronics in your checked baggage but rather in your carryon bag.

Emergency contact number while traveling - The **Prelude Tours office number 281.667.1057** will be forwarded to a cell phone and will be answered 24 hours a day while on tour in case of emergencies. The Prelude Tours email address, preludetours@gmail.com, will also be checked frequently during the tour.

Typical tour day – A typical day of touring begins with a 7:00am breakfast (usually buffet) in the hotel restaurant followed by a 8:00-9:00am departure for the day. The motor coach will stop every 75-90 minutes throughout the day for coffee breaks and rest stops. Lunch will be served between 11:00am -1:00pm depending on the tour schedule. It is recommended to have a back pack with you each day with a few snacks and an extra phone battery or charging cable for your phone. Some buses may be equipped with USB outlets and/or wi-fi. 2 complimentary bottles of water per person will be available each day on the bus.

Hairdryers – All hotels will provide hairdryers in the room. It is recommended to locate the hairdryer upon checking into your room and request one if it is not there.

Travel Insurance – If you have purchased travel insurance, it will be helpful to have your policy number accessible in case of emergency. If you have not purchased travel insurance, you can purchase up to 24 hours before departure. Travel insurance not only protects your tour in case of cancellation or interruption but also offers coverage for medical and dental expenses while traveling as well as lost and/or delayed bag coverage. Information for travel insurance can be found at www.preludetours.com/travel-insurance/.