



Join us for a Travel Show on Wednesday, March 22nd!  
3:00 pm at the Bethalto Senior Center  
100 E Central St. Bethalto, IL 62010



# Magnificent Montana

August 19 - 25, 2023



### **Saturday, August 19 (Dinner)**

This morning we board our flight bound for the heart of “Big Sky Country,” **Missoula, MT**. Upon arrival, we will check into the **Holiday Inn Express** for one night. Dinner is included at **The Montana Club** this evening.



### **Sunday, August 20 (Breakfast)**

After breakfast we will check out of our hotel and depart for the **Smokejumpers Museum** in Missoula. This fascinating museum will enlighten us about the procedures brave firefighters use when they parachute into blazing forest fires. Our guide will take us on a **tour of the Smokejumpers’ headquarters** and share with us some of his or her personal experiences. Driving northward from Missoula, we will make a stop at the **St. Ignatius Mission**, which was established by the Jesuits in 1854. Scenic **Flathead Lake** is our next stop where we will visit charming **Bigfork Village**. Here you can have lunch and shop in the many gift stores. Mid-afternoon we arrive in **Whitefish, MT** where we will check into the modern and cozy **Grouse Mountain Lodge** with its spectacular mountain views. This evening is free for you to relax and have dinner at one of the many restaurants in downtown Whitefish.



### **Monday, August 21 (Breakfast, Dinner)**

Today we depart Whitefish and travel to **Lake McDonald Lodge** in **Glacier National Park**. We will board the iconic **red buses** for a **narrated, scenic tour** along the amazing **Going-To-The-Sun Road**. As much of the park’s scenery is vertically oriented, the roll-back tops are perfect for providing full views of the stunning mountains, and the area’s signature Big Sky. We will watch for wildlife and stop at several points of interest during our 3-hour ride. Afterward, we depart for **Great Falls, MT** where we will check into the **Hampton Inn** for one night. Dinner is included this evening at **Black Bear Diner**.



### **Tuesday, August 22 (Breakfast, Box Lunch)**

Today we’ll drive southward to the **Gates of the Mountains Recreation Area** for a **cruise** along a picturesque stretch of the **Missouri River**. Mountain goats and other wildlife can usually be seen here along the rugged canyon walls. A box lunch is included. This afternoon enjoy a scenic drive through the Rocky Mountains to **Big Sky, MT** where we check into **The Wilson Hotel** for three nights. This fabulous hotel is located in the heart of Big Sky’s downtown, featuring dozens of nearby shops and restaurants with panoramic views of the area’s mountain tops. After settling in your comfortable room, take advantage of a relaxing evening at the hotel or get out and explore the area.



### **Wednesday, August 23 (Breakfast, Dinner)**

Start off with a hearty breakfast before your day of fun begins! This morning you have your choice between either a **guided horseback trail ride** through the National Forest or enjoying a **scenic chairlift ride to the top of Big Sky Resort**. This afternoon we travel south to West Yellowstone, where we'll have time to explore the many shops and lunch options. Our next stop is the **Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center**. All of the animals at the Center are unable to survive in the wild and serve as ambassadors for their wild counterparts. At the **Yellowstone IMAX Theatre** we take our seats to view *National Geographic's Yellowstone*. This evening we'll enjoy a **Chuck Wagon barbecue dinner** at the nearby **320 Guest Ranch** complete with live music and a lovely riverside setting. After returning to downtown Big Sky, you'll find lively activities all around our hotel.



### **Thursday, August 24 (Breakfast, Dinner)**

This morning enjoy breakfast before we depart for **Yellowstone National Park**. A short drive brings us to West Yellowstone, MT. Here we will meet our **local guide** and begin our tour of the southern portion of the park. You will see the **Norris Geyser Basin, Yellowstone Lake, the Upper & Lower Falls of the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone**, and Yellowstone's most famous attraction, **Old Faithful**. Take time to have lunch and shop at **Canyon Village**. By early evening we exit the park and will enjoy our last dinner as a group back in Big Sky.



### **Friday, August 25 (Breakfast)**

This morning after breakfast we head to the Bozeman airport for our flight home. We'll be taking with us wonderful memories of our **Magnificent Montana** vacation!



**Tour Cost per person:**      **Double \$3,759**      **Single \$4,699**      **Triple \$3,489**

#### **Tour Includes:**

- ✦ Roundtrip airfare
- ✦ Deluxe motor coach transportation
- ✦ Six nights of hotel accommodations
- ✦ Six breakfasts, one box lunch and four dinners
- ✦ All activities and admissions as listed in the itinerary
- ✦ Baggage handling at hotels (where available)
- ✦ All tour-related taxes and gratuities
- ✦ Services of a 1st MidAmerica Credit Union Representative
- ✦ Services of a Cruises and Tours Worldwide Tour Manager

**Not Included:** Airline baggage check fees, optional travel protection plan premium of **\$271** per person in double occupancy, **\$338** per person in single occupancy, and **\$251** per person in triple occupancy.



# Journey with us through Magnificent Montana!

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**Deposit: \$100 per person**

**Balance Due: May 2, 2023**

## RESERVATIONS

Please complete a reservation form and mail it with your **\$100 per person deposit** plus **travel protection premium**, if desired, to:

**1st MidAmerica Credit Union, Attn: Martha Morse**  
**731 E Bethalto Drive**  
**Bethalto, IL 62010**  
**Phone: 618-258-4557**  
**Email: [martha.morse@1stmidamerica.org](mailto:martha.morse@1stmidamerica.org)**

**Please make checks payable to 1st MidAmerica Credit Union.**

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