Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1

Oct 06, 2025: Monterey, California - Tour Begins

From the rugged coastline of the Pacific Ocean to Yosemite National Park, Lake Tahoe to Napa Valley, the scenery, history, and culture of northern California is unparalleled. Your tour opens in Monterey, a seaside city with a rich history and gorgeous scenery.

Day 2

Oct 07, 2025: Monterey

The morning is yours to relax or explore this charming city independently. Perhaps you'll visit the renowned Monterey Bay Aquarium* or walk along Monterey's Path of History – a self-guided tour of the city's historic landmarks. This afternoon, the scenery of your dreams comes alive as you travel along the famed 17-Mile Drive to Carmel. See the Lone Cypress Tree, Seal Rock, and prestigious Pebble Beach Golf Course before relaxing over dinner at a local restaurant.

Included Meals

- Breakfast
- Dinner

Day 3

Oct 08, 2025: Monterey - Modesto

Travel northeast toward California's Central Valley to Modesto, your base for visiting Yosemite and home for two nights. While Modesto is a city, it has a small-town atmosphere. Once you get there, visit a family-owned olive oil producer for an informative presentation, olive oil tasting, and lunch. Afterwards, meet a local farmer and visit an almond orchard. Tonight, sit down with your fellow travelers for dinner and continue to savor those local flavors.

Included Meals

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Dinner

Day 4

Oct 09, 2025: Modesto - Yosemite National Park - Modesto

Dramatic waterfalls to soaring granite peaks, Yosemite will leave you in awe. Enjoy a scenic drive to the gates of the national park, where you'll travel by coach through Yosemite's unrivaled landscapes with an expert guide. Natural wonders abound as you stand before El Capitan, and take in breathtaking vistas including Half Dome, Tunnel View and Yosemite Falls.

Included Meals

Breakfast

Day 5

Oct 10, 2025: Modesto - Sacramento

Arrive in Sacramento, enjoying time on your own for lunch in Old Sacramento – a historic Gold Rush-era neighborhood filled with over 60 restored buildings, wooden sidewalks, and antique gas lamps. Then, **it's your choice!** Visit the California State Railroad Museum and explore the detailed exhibits with a guide **-OR-** peruse a collection of Californian art and European master drawings on a guided tour of the Crocker Art Museum. Dinner is included tonight at a local restaurant.

Included Meals

- Breakfast
- Dinner

Day 6

Oct 11, 2025: Sacramento - Lake Tahoe - Sacramento

Travel over the Sierra Nevada Mountains to the resort town of Lake Tahoe. Board a classic yacht-style vessel for a narrated cruise of Lake Tahoe's pristine waters. Discover the history of the area and explore the enclosed and open-air decks for ideal places to snap photos of the dynamic landscape and breathe in the fresh air.

Included Meals

Breakfast

Day 7

Oct 12, 2025: Sacramento - Napa Valley - San Francisco

The iconic rolling vineyards of Napa Valley welcome you today. Tour the grounds of a vineyard while learning about the wine-making process before enjoying a private tasting and a delicious farewell lunch. Raise a glass of locally produced wine and toast to your California adventure. Tonight, enjoy an evening to explore San Francisco as you please.

Included Meals

- Breakfast
- Lunch

Day 8

Oct 13, 2025: San Francisco - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories.

Included Meals

Breakfast