
GEEO ITINERARY

Utah and Arizona 6/21/2027

Day 1: Las Vegas / Zion National Park Meet your group for a welcome meeting at 1 p.m. at the Claim Jumper restaurant in the Golden Nugget hotel, then drive from Las Vegas to our hotel near Zion National Park. Get settled into your hotel and opt to explore the area a bit or enjoy dinner at your leisure.

Unlike most GEEO programs, Day 1 is a travel day for this program; while the adventure begins in Las Vegas, the group will not be staying there overnight. The program begins with a welcome meeting at 1 p.m. at the Claim Jumper restaurant in the Golden Nugget hotel. Please eat lunch before this meeting, and if you are arriving in Las Vegas today, make sure your flight arrives by 11:00 a.m. at the latest. The nearest airport is **Harry Reid International Airport (LAS)**.

After our meeting, the group will depart for our hotel near Zion National Park. After getting settled into our hotel, you can opt to explore the area a bit or enjoy dinner at your leisure.

Consider arriving 1–2 days early to explore the city, adjust to any time zone change, and buffer against flight delays. We can request up to one pre-trip hotel night for you; any additional nights will need to be arranged directly with the Golden Nugget or a different hotel of your choice.

Joining Instructions

Uber/Lyft/Taxi: (25-35 USD | 15-25 min) Uber and Lyft are both great options in Las Vegas. Taxis are also available.

Bus: (4 USD | 50 min+) If you prefer public transport, it is possible to travel by public bus. Please check [Google Maps](#) for the latest route information.

Approximate travel time: 2.5 hrs total by private vehicle

Day 2: Zion National Park Take the shuttle into Zion National Park and spend the day exploring and hiking with your fellow travelers.

It's all about Zion today as you get a chance to wander this beautiful national park in Southwest Utah. Take the shuttle into the park and spend the day exploring and hiking with your fellow travelers. Admire monumental sandstone cliffs of cream, pink, and red that tower into the sky. Experience diverse plant and animal life, and wade through water in a narrow slot canyon as the park transitions from desert to forest. Gaze at the awe-inspiring beauty of the high plateaus, striking towers, temples, mesas, and the earth's tallest-known sheer sandstone walls.

The hike most travelers opt for is the Narrows. Another option is Angels Landing, which is not included in this itinerary, but is available to be done independently. If you're interested in continuing to the top, you must apply ahead of time for a permit via the National Park's lottery system at this website: <https://www.nps.gov/zion/planyourvisit/angels-landing-hiking-permits.htm>.

Remember, it is up to you whether to participate in the hikes throughout our program. For hikes like the Narrows, you can also choose to turn around early.

In the evening, relax at your hotel as you reflect on your day in this wonderful piece of paradise.

Meals included: Breakfast | Lunch

Day 3: Zion National Park / Bryce Canyon National Park Depart Zion in the

morning and travel with the group to Bryce Canyon National Park with an included lunch along the way. Once in Bryce, enjoy free time to hike through the wild and weird rock formations fondly known as hoodoos.

We will depart Zion in the morning and travel to Bryce Canyon National Park. The group will enjoy an included lunch along the way. Once in the park, you will have free time to hike through the wild and weird rock formations fondly known as hoodoos. Opt to hike the Queen's Garden and Navajo loop trails or take in the incredible view with a walk along the rim.

We'll head back to the park after dinner for sunset. At night, look up and see the magic of the stars in a place designated an International Dark Sky Park.

Approximate travel time: 2 hrs by private vehicle

Meals included: Breakfast | Lunch

Day 4: Bryce Canyon to Monument Valley Drive to Page, Arizona, where you will have the option of visiting Antelope Canyon, followed by a hike at Horseshoe bend. Then drive to Monument Valley.

This morning we will leave Utah and cross the border into Arizona. We will drive to a town called Page, which is the gateway to the famous Antelope Canyon and Horseshoe Bend. Here, travelers can choose to join a local Navajo guide and explore Antelope Canyon on an optional tour. This stunning natural sandstone slot canyon is located on tribal lands and once inside, you can admire the blue sky above from the bottom of the canyon.

Afterward, visit Horseshoe Bend for a short hike to stand atop the steep cliffs overlooking the natural bend in the Colorado River.

We will then drive to Monument Valley, where you will have time to relax and unwind after a busy day of sightseeing.

Approximate travel time: 5 hrs by private vehicle

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 5: Monument Valley / Grand Canyon National Park Enjoy a sunrise Navajo guided jeep tour of Monument Valley. Then drive to the Grand Canyon with a stop for lunch at Cameron Trading Post along the way.

This morning you'll be treated to a sunrise Navajo-guided jeep tour of Monument Valley. See magnificent colors, miles of mesas, buttes, and pinnacles that make Monument Valley a truly wondrous experience.

We'll then head toward the Grand Canyon, with a stop for lunch en route at Cameron Trading Post. Located in the Navajo Nation and over a century old, the Cameron Trading Post was originally a place where Navajo and Hopi people met for bartering goods.

Later, arrive at the awe-inspiring Grand Canyon just in time for a spectacular sunset. Point your camera in any direction and capture memorable shots as the shifting light plays off the layers of red, yellow, and brown rock. This is truly one of the great wonders. Enjoy the moment.

Approximate travel time: 3.5 hrs by private vehicle

Meals included: Breakfast | Lunch

Day 6: Grand Canyon National Park Spend a full day exploring and hiking from

the South Rim of the Grand Canyon. Choose whichever trail you wish or do short bursts of multiple hikes.

Marvel at the out-of-this-world views as you get up close and personal with the Grand Canyon today. Spend a full day exploring and hiking from the South Rim. There are a variety of hikes to choose from that will take you deeper into the canyon, where you can really appreciate the size and depth of this national park. Choose whichever trail you wish or do short bursts of multiple hikes; just make sure you bring plenty of water and take your time.

If you wish to see this natural wonder from a bird's eye view with an experience you'll never forget, opt to book the Grand Canyon helicopter tour.

Day 7: Grand Canyon National Park / Las Vegas Say farewell to Grand Canyon NP and travel back to Las Vegas along the famous Route 66, driving past the Hoover Dam along the way. Your flight home must depart no earlier than 5 PM.

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Approximate travel time: 6 hrs by private vehicle

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