

9 DAYS • 13 MEALS • SAN FRANCISCO > RENO

RAILS, SAILS AND REDWOODS OF THE SIERRA NEVADA

featuring Two Rail Excursions, Two Boat Cruises and Yosemite National Park

Tour Dates: September 25-October 3, 2027

Tour San Francisco, drive the beautiful Pacific Coast and experience the majestic Redwood and Sequoia trees of California. Ride the Roaring Camp Forest Train through Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park and the historic Yosemite Mountain Sugar Pine Railroad with included lunch. Take a narrated Valley Floor Tour of Yosemite National Park and cruise on the turquoise waters of Lake Tahoe. Visit the historic towns of Carson and Virginia Cities.

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Tour Yosemite National Park Valley Floor

DAY 1 Arrive in California
Arrive in San Francisco today and transfer to your lodging in San Francisco's Fisherman's Wharf area. Meet your Tour Manager in the hotel lobby at 6:00 p.m. for dining suggestions.

DAY 2 San Francisco Touring and Bay Cruise
Embark on a guided tour of San Francisco and see many of the landmarks that made the city known throughout the world. See Union Square, Twin Peaks, Golden Gate Park, Chinatown and the world's most crooked street, Lombard Street. In the afternoon, set sail on a narrated San Francisco Bay cruise, taking in the city's waterfront, Fort Mason, the Presidio, Alcatraz and the Golden Gate Bridge. Tonight, dinner is at Fisherman's Wharf capping off a memorable day. Meals: B, D



Narrated San Francisco bay cruise

DAY 3 Roaring Camp Forest Train and Henry Cowell Redwoods
Depart this morning and follow the beautiful Pacific Coast past rugged cliffs and scenic coves. The Roaring Camp Forest Train offers a nostalgic train ride through the stunning redwoods forests of Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park. Hear stories of the Roaring Camp during the logging era and enjoy the breathtaking views of these towering redwoods and surrounding landscape. Tonight, enjoy dinner on your own in the quaint seaside town of Santa Cruz. Meals: B, L

DAY 4 Yosemite Mountain Sugar Pine Railroad
Today you will travel past the rambling hills of the San Joaquin Valley. Begin your ascent into the Sierra Nevada Mountains for your next destination, the Yosemite Mountain Sugar Pine Railroad. Climb aboard an official logger steam train for a narrated ride through the stunning landscape where lumberjacks once felled these mighty trees. Enjoy an included lunch and take in the railroad's stunning landscape. Later, visit Mariposa Grove, home to the Giant Sequoia trees which have stood here for up to 3,000 years. Learn the history of these magnificent trees and wonder at this ancient and beautiful grove. Meals: B, L

DAY 5 Yosemite National Park Valley Floor Tour
After breakfast, your Yosemite National Park visit begins with a tour of the Yosemite Valley Floor to see the park's grandeur and natural treasures in all their glory. See *El Capitan*, a one-mile-thick granite mountain and the thundering Yosemite Falls, the tallest waterfall in North America. This land is sacred to Native Americans, a land of broken dreams for many a prospector and a favorite subject of landscape photographer Ansel Adams. The park harbors a grand collection of waterfalls, meadows and forests that include groves of giant sequoias. Meal: B


Grindstone Winery



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- 13 Meals: 8 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 3 dinners
- Round trip airport transfers
- Spend two nights in San Francisco with narrated city tour
- Narrated bay cruise to see Alcatraz and the Golden Gate Bridge
- Pass the rugged cliffs and scenic coves of the Pacific coastline
- Ride the Roaring Camp Forest Train through the stunning redwoods forests of Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park
- Ride the Yosemite Mountain Sugar Pine Railroad, and official logger steam train
- Tour the California Capitol Building and visit the California State Railroad Museum
- Wine tasting and tour at Grindstone Winey in the Dunnigan Hills
- Take a leisurely narrated cruise on the turquoise waters of Lake Tahoe aboard the *MS Dixie II*
- See the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City
- Trolley tour of Virginia City and visit The Way it Was Museum
- Tour Reno's National Automobile Museum
- Farewell dinner at Louis' Basque Corner

DAY 6 Sacramento Touring and California Wine

Begin the day at the California Capitol Building where a tour shows you its extensive collection of statues, paintings and portraits. In Old Sacramento, a National Historic Landmark District, sits the California State Railroad Museum. Here, learn the importance the "iron horse" played in connecting California with the rest of the nation. Then visit Grindstone Winery set in the beautiful Dunnigan Hills. This family-owned winery features wines of exceptional quality with unique flavors and complex aromas. Meals: B, D

DAY 7 Lake Tahoe Cruise and Nevada State Railroad Museum

Cross into Nevada this morning and come to South Lake Tahoe. View the magnificent scenery while cruising on the turquoise waters of Lake Tahoe, the largest and second deepest Alpine lake in North America. From the deck of the *MS Dixie II*, view castles and mansions tucked between inlets and picturesque points. En route to Reno stop at the Nevada State Railroad Museum whose collection of steam locomotives helped shaped the development of the American West. Meal: B

DAY 8 Virginia City and Reno

Begin the day in Virginia City, once a thriving, vibrant metropolis of 25,000 residents. In 1859 the Comstock Lode, a rich deposit of silver ore was discovered here. Enjoy a narrated trolley tour to learn the history of the area. At The Way it Was Museum get a unique look at the region's rich Western history. Have lunch on your own in Virginia City before heading back to Reno. An afternoon stop is made at the National Automobile Museum which features the cars of Paul Newman, Frank Sinatra and Elvis Presley. Dinner tonight is at Louis' Basque Corner, home of the famous Pichon Punch. Meals: B, D

DAY 9 Return Home

Your journey ends today with a group transfer to the Reno-Tahoe International Airport for flights out after 11:00 a.m. Meal: B

Itinerary subject to change.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1 and 2 – Radisson Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco, California
Day 3 – Holiday Inn Express, Santa Cruz, California
Day 4 – Yosemite View Lodge, El Portal, California
Days 5 and 6 – Holiday Inn, Sacramento, California
Days 7 and 8 – Silver Legacy Resort Casino, Reno, Nevada

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Narrated cruise of Lake Tahoe aboard the *MS Dixie II*

Rails, Sails and Redwoods of the Sierra Nevada		Tour Code 377SN
2027 Departure Date	**Per Person Twin**	**Single Room add**
September 25	$4,999	+ $1,699

Pricing includes local Newton pickup (with 10 passengers), roundtrip DSM airfare, land package, hotel baggage handling, 13 meals, gratuities to guides and drivers and Hosted by Mary!

Deposit: $200 per person

Final payment date: June 18, 2027

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

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EASY ENERGETIC

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group and may not be available until airport check-in. Seat changes can only be attempted at the airport and may not be possible. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend booking air on your own rather than booking air with the group.

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- 44 to 15 day prior: 30% of tour cost
- 14 to 1 day prior: 50% of tour cost
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