ROAD TRIP · UNITED STATES

The Grand Circle

Las Vegas and the great national parks of Utah and Arizona in one loop.

Length	15 days, 14 nights
Distance	1,970 km, 9 driving days
Behind the wheel	25 h 40 min
Travellers	2, 1 room, 1 car
Hotels	Comfort: a good hotel (3 stars)
Flights	Amsterdam – Las Vegas (LAS), Las Vegas (LAS) – Amsterdam

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Grand Canyon Village	Days 12–13	**20**
Las Vegas	Day 14	**22**

Day by day

DAY	DATE	NIGHT	KM	DRIVE	°C
1		Las Vegas	20	50 min	
2		Las Vegas			
3		Springdale	250	3 h 10 min	
4		Springdale			
5		Bryce Canyon City	130	2 h 10 min	
6		Moab	440	5 h	
7		Moab			
8		Moab			
9		Monument Valley	230	3 h	
10		Page	200	2 h 30 min	
11		Page			
12		Grand Canyon Village	220	3 h	
13		Grand Canyon Village			
14		Las Vegas	440	5 h 20 min	
15		Flight home from LAS	20	50 min	

1,970 km · 25 h 40 min behind the wheel · on average 220 km a driving day

Kilometres and drive times by road (OSRM, OpenStreetMap), without stops: plan generously.

The route



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ON THE ROAD

Day 1	Land at Las Vegas (LAS), drive to Las Vegas · About 20 km (10 mi), 50 min
Day 3	Las Vegas, drive to Springdale · About 250 km (160 mi), 3 h 10 min
Day 5	Springdale, drive to Bryce Canyon City · About 130 km (80 mi), 2 h 10 min
Day 6	Bryce Canyon City, drive to Moab · About 440 km (270 mi), 5 h
Day 9	Moab, drive to Monument Valley · About 230 km (150 mi), 3 h
Day 10	Monument Valley, drive to Page · About 200 km (120 mi), 2 h 30 min
Day 12	Page, drive to Grand Canyon Village · About 220 km (140 mi), 3 h
Day 14	Grand Canyon Village, drive to Las Vegas · About 440 km (270 mi), 5 h 20 min
Day 15	Las Vegas to Las Vegas airport (LAS), fly home to Amsterdam · About 20 km (10 mi), 50 min

Well prepared

ESTA

Dutch and Belgian travellers need no visa for a holiday of up to 90 days, but do need an approved ESTA before boarding. It costs about $40, is valid for two years (or until your passport expires) and is applied for online. Apply at least 72 hours before you fly, and only on the official site.

esta.cbp.dhs.gov

Passport

An electronic passport (with the chip symbol), valid for the whole stay. Children need their own passport and ESTA.

nl.usembassy.gov

Driving licence

Your Dutch driving licence is accepted for renting and driving a car as a visitor. An international driving permit next to it helps with police and some rental desks.

anwb.nl

Renting a car

The renter is the main driver and pays with a credit card in their own name (no debit or prepaid card); the deposit is held on it. Usually from 21, and from 21 to 24 you pay a young-driver fee of about $25 a day. Book from home with insurance included (CDW/LDW and extra liability, SLI) and an extra driver if you want to take turns. Returning the car elsewhere (a one-way trip) costs extra. Fuel is sold by the gallon (3.8 litres); fill it up yourself before you bring it back.

Driving in the USA

Keep right; speeds are in miles an hour (65 mph is 105 km/h). Turning right on red is allowed after stopping, unless a sign says no. At a 4-way stop, whoever stopped first goes first. For a stopped yellow school bus with flashing lights you stop in both directions. Toll roads are often electronic only: ask your rental company about its toll pass. On remote stretches (parks, desert) there's little signal and a long way to the next pump: fill up at half and download the map.

Renting an RV

You can rent an RV from about 21 with an ordinary car licence. On top of the rent, count on mileage (often per mile), a kit with bedding and kitchen things, cleaning and the campsite: in the popular parks you book those months ahead on recreation.gov. Big RVs aren't allowed on every park road. Take photos of the RV when you pick it up: damage and missing items are the most heard complaint.

recreation.gov

National parks

Most big parks charge per car. Visitors from abroad pay $100 a person extra at 11 popular parks; the annual pass for non-residents is $250. Some parks need a timed-entry reservation in high season.

nps.gov

Money and tipping

Prices are without sales tax, which is added at the till. In restaurants a tip of 15 to 20% is usual. Cards are accepted almost everywhere; at the pump you may be asked for a ZIP code, so pay inside.

Travel insurance and health

Care in the USA is very expensive: take travel insurance with worldwide medical cover, and check whether your health insurance covers the USA. Cancellation insurance covers the trip if you can't go; insure the rental car with the rental company (see Renting a car). Take medicines in their original packaging, with a prescription in English. Emergency number: 911.

Power, phone and time

110 volt with flat two-pin plugs (type A/B): bring an adapter. A US eSIM is cheaper than roaming. The mainland has four time zones, Arizona mostly without daylight saving time.

Customs

Fresh food, meat and fruit may not be brought in. Declare food you carry.

Packing list

- [ ] Passport (valid for the whole trip)
- [ ] ESTA, printed
- [ ] Driving licence (and an international one)
- [ ] Credit card in the driver's name
- [ ] Travel and cancellation insurance
- [ ] Confirmations: flights, car, hotels
- [ ] America the Beautiful pass for the parks
- [ ] Plug adapter for type A/B (110 volt)
- [ ] Car charger and phone holder
- [ ] eSIM or offline maps
- [ ] Sunscreen, sunglasses and a cap
- [ ] Water bottles for the desert
- [ ] Hiking shoes
- [ ] Layers: the coast and the nights get cold
- [ ] Medicines, in your hand luggage
- [ ] A pen, for this booklet

DON'T FORGET

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DAYS 1–2

Las Vegas NV

The Strip

Land at Las Vegas (LAS), drive to Las Vegas: about 20 km (10 mi), 50 min

2 nights

LAS VEGAS · DAYS 1–2

HOTEL

- ☐ South Point Hotel, Casino, and Spa · 3★ — roughly €60
  9777 Las Vegas Blvd S
- ☐ Hilton Vacation Club Desert Retreat Las Vegas · 3★ — roughly €240
  5165 S Decatur Blvd
- ☐ Silverton Casino Lodge · 3★ — roughly €100
  3333 Blue Diamond Rd
- ☐ Home2 Suites By Hilton Las Vegas Northwest · 3★ — roughly €130
  8906 W Deer Springs Way
- ☐ Hilton Grand Vacations Club Paradise Las Vegas · 3★ — roughly €70
  455 Karen Avenue

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DAYS 3–4

Springdale UT

Zion National Park

Las Vegas, drive to Springdale: about 250 km (160 mi), 3 h 10 min

2 nights

SPRINGDALE · DAYS 3–4

HOTEL

- [ ] Best Western Plus Zion Canyon Inn & Suites · 3★ — roughly €170
  668 Zion Park Blvd
- [ ] Desert Pearl Inn · 3★
  707 Zion Park Blvd.
- [ ] Canyon Vista Lodge · 3★
  2175 Zion Park Boulevard
- [ ] Cable Mountain Lodge · 3★ — roughly €180
  147 Zion Park Blvd.
- [ ] Hampton Inn & Suites Springdale/Zion National Park · 3★ — roughly €200
  1127 Zion Park Blvd

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DAY 5

Bryce Canyon City UT

Bryce Canyon's hoodoos

Springdale, drive to Bryce Canyon City: about 130 km (80 mi), 2 h 10 min

1 night

BRYCE CANYON CITY · DAY 5

HOTEL

Name, address, confirmation number:

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DAYS 6–8

Moab UT

Arches and Canyonlands

Bryce Canyon City, drive to Moab: about 440 km (270 mi), 5 h

3 nights

MOAB · DAYS 6–8

HOTEL

- [ ] Downtown Cozy Home Base - Purple Sage 3 · 3★
  East 100 South 338
- [ ] Downtown Cozy Home Base - Purple Sage 6 · 3★
  East 100 South 338
- [ ] Downtown Kokopelli West 5 - Newly Remodeled Stylish Studio · 3★
  North 100 West 236
- [ ] Moab Springs Ranch · 3★
  1266 US HIGHWAY 191
- [ ] Wildhorse Canyon #14A3 · 3★
  3862 South Desert Willow Circle

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DAY 9

Monument Valley UT

The buttes at sunrise

Moab, drive to Monument Valley: about 230 km (150 mi), 3 h

1 night

MONUMENT VALLEY · DAY 9

HOTEL

☐ Goulding's Lodge · 3★ — roughly €130
1000 Main Street

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DAYS 10–11

Page AZ

Antelope Canyon and Horseshoe Bend

Monument Valley, drive to Page: about 200 km (120 mi), 2 h 30 min

2 nights

PAGE · DAYS 10–11

HOTEL

- [ ] 1 Mi to Canyon Tours: Vibrant Page Paradise! · 3★
  13 14th Ave
- [ ] 3 Mi to Lake Powell: Home w/ Patio & Waterfall · 3★
  8 18th Ave
- [ ] 3 Mi to Lake Powell: Pet-friendly Page Home · 3★
  192 Schoppman Lane
- [ ] 4 Mi to Lake Powell: Retreat w/ Game Room! · 3★
- [ ] Fire Pit & Mountain Views: Horseshoe Bend Retreat · 3★
  861 Heron Drive

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DAYS 12–13

Grand Canyon Village AZ

The South Rim

Page, drive to Grand Canyon Village: about 220 km (140 mi), 3 h

2 nights

GRAND CANYON VILLAGE · DAYS 12–13

HOTEL

Name, address, confirmation number:

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DAY 14

Las Vegas NV

A last night on the Strip

Grand Canyon Village, drive to Las Vegas: about 440 km (270 mi), 5 h 20 min

1 night

HOTEL

- [ ] South Point Hotel, Casino, and Spa · 3★ — roughly €60
  9777 Las Vegas Blvd S
- [ ] Hilton Vacation Club Desert Retreat Las Vegas · 3★ — roughly €240
  5165 S Decatur Blvd
- [ ] Silverton Casino Lodge · 3★ — roughly €100
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  8906 W Deer Springs Way
- [ ] Hilton Grand Vacations Club Paradise Las Vegas · 3★ — roughly €70
  455 Karen Avenue

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What it costs

DAY	PLACE	HOTEL	TOURS	CAR	TOTAL
1	Las Vegas	€160	–	€60	**€220**
2	Las Vegas	€160	–	€60	**€220**
3	Springdale	€160	–	€60	**€220**
4	Springdale	€160	–	€60	**€220**
5	Bryce Canyon City	€160	–	€60	**€220**
6	Moab	€160	–	€60	**€220**
7	Moab	€160	–	€60	**€220**
8	Moab	€160	–	€60	**€220**
9	Monument Valley	€160	–	€60	**€220**
10	Page	€160	–	€60	**€220**
11	Page	€160	–	€60	**€220**
12	Grand Canyon Village	€160	–	€60	**€220**
13	Grand Canyon Village	€160	–	€60	**€220**
14	Las Vegas	€160	–	€60	**€220**
15	Flight home from LAS	–	–	€60	**€60**

Flights	€1,700
Hotels	€2,240
Excursions	€0
Car hire	€900
Total	**€4,840**
	€2,420 a person

An estimate to plan with (prices of 2026-10): hotels, the ticked excursions, car hire and flights. No fuel or meals.

Notes

About this booklet

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