

Oxford Township Parks & Recreation *presents...*

Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta

October 4 – 9, 2022



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6 Days • 7 Meals: 5 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Balloon Fiesta, Old Town Albuquerque, National Museum of Nuclear Science & History, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, Turquoise Trail, Santa Fe, Open-Air Tram Tour, Loretto Chapel, Santa Fe School of Cooking

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Days 1 – 3 Albuquerque Marriott, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Days 4, 5 Drury Plaza Hotel Santa Fe, Santa Fe, New Mexico
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Collette's Flagship: Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.

Day 1: Tuesday, October 4, 2022 Albuquerque, New Mexico - Tour Begins Welcome to a true "land of enchantment." As we explore Albuquerque and Santa Fe, a rich blend of multiculturalism, natural beauty and profound history await. Tonight, get to know your fellow travelers during a welcome dinner. (D)

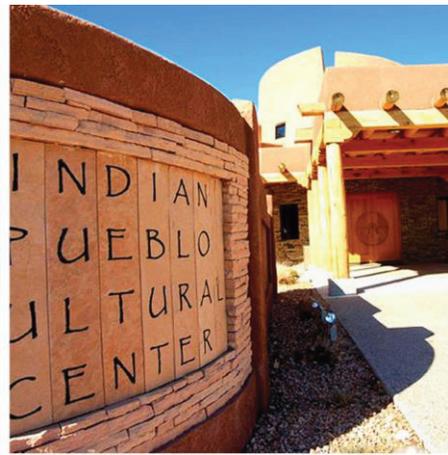
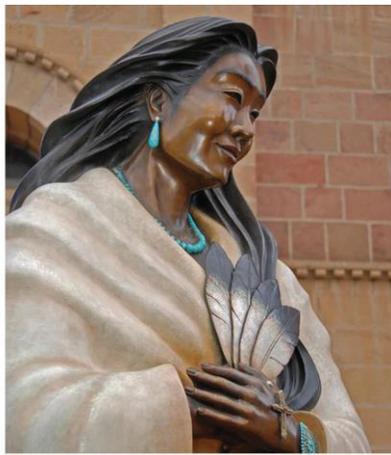
Day 2: Wednesday, October 5, 2022 Albuquerque Today is sure to be one of the highlights of your trip...Albuquerque's International Balloon Fiesta. Join in the excitement of this annual hot air ballooning extravaganza. This is your chance to experience one of the world's most photographed events. Watch as the balloons launch in one of the most spectacular displays of sound and color in all of aviation. After your early morning, enjoy some time to relax. This afternoon, visit Old Town Albuquerque. Savor the unique fusion of Mexican, Native American and Spanish heritages. Experience a "must-do" as you embark on a bucket-list ride along the eclectic Route 66. Then enjoy some time in Old Town to explore the wonderful shops and restaurants. Tonight, return to the fiesta grounds to experience the grandeur of the Balloon Fiesta by moonlight. The breathtaking event of balloons lit from within at night is known as "Balloon Glow." There will be plenty of time to stroll the grounds, shop for a memorable Balloon Fiesta souvenir or grab a bite to eat. (B)

Day 3: Thursday, October 6, 2022 Albuquerque Since before the Cold War, New Mexico has been known as a hub for covert military projects. Today, this fascinating history unfolds at the National Museum of Nuclear Science & History where a docent takes you on an intriguing journey that includes details of the Manhattan Project. Later this afternoon, visit the gateway to the 19 Pueblos of New Mexico at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center. See the ever-changing galleries that highlight local and national Native American artists. With a focus on Pueblo artists, the center strives to preserve their culture. (B)

Day 4: Friday, October 7, 2022 Albuquerque - Santa Fe Today we set out for Santa Fe. Traveling via the historic Turquoise Trail, you are sure to enjoy the stunning views. Prehistoric peoples made their homes here, Spanish missionaries explored the area, and many battles were fought over this land. Once in Santa Fe, a local guide joins us on an open-air tram as we tour the renowned Santa Fe Plaza and the surrounding city, including the Miraculous Staircase at the Loretto Chapel. Enjoy time to discover the many shops and numerous art museums that Santa Fe is known for. Tonight, enjoy a reception at the hotel. (B)

Day 5: Saturday, October 8, 2022 Santa Fe Today is yours to explore Santa Fe independently. With so much to see and do in this Southwestern city, perhaps you will visit a museum or one of the many art galleries on Canyon Road. A special treat awaits at the Santa Fe School of Cooking. It's your favorite cooking show come to life as you watch an expert chef create a delicious meal before your eyes. Everything is made with a Southwest theme and is simply delightful. (B, D)

Day 6: Sunday, October 9, 2022 Santa Fe - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close with wonderful memories of the spectacular Balloon Fiesta. (B)



Per Person Rates*:

Double \$2,699; Single \$3,399; Triple \$2,669

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Detroit Metro Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$299 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

PLEASE NOTE:

IDENTIFICATION

Travel within USA

For travel completed by September 30, 2021, all airlines will ask for identification when you check in. It is recommended that you carry a passport if you have one. A driver's license (with a photo I.D.) is also acceptable for domestic flights.

Effective for travel October 1, 2021 forward, the REAL ID Act standards for identification while travelling will be in effect. This means a standard issued driver's license used as a form of identification will no longer be accepted for domestic air travel within the United States. Instead, a Real ID compliant form of identification must be presented both at the time of booking air travel with Collette and upon checking in at the airport to board any flight. Any fees associated with changing a reservation resulting from a non-compliant identification will be the responsibility of the guest. For more information on Real ID, please visit the Department of Homeland Security website: <https://www.dhs.gov/real-id>

Effective immediately and until further notice, all guests will be required to bring one of the following: **proof of vaccination** (official vaccination certificate in paper or electronic form), **proof of recovery from COVID-19** or a **negative test result** (FDA Approved diagnostic) for a test performed 72-hours or less from the start date of the tour with you on tour to verify information you will be providing to Collette when filling out the Wellness Declaration upon arrival.

Due to weather conditions the order of the Balloon Fiesta events may change.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

When reserving a triple room, please note that it will have two double beds. Due to fire safety regulations, a rollaway bed cannot be brought into the room.

This tour involves travelling at high altitudes (approximately 7,000 feet/2133 meters) and may not be suitable for some travelers. We suggest that you consult your doctor if you have any concerns.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure.

Our air passengers will depart from Albuquerque airport. All of our transfers will depart from Santa Fe for Albuquerque airport.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Due to tour scheduling, return flights should be booked after 10:00 a.m.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of March 28, 2022 are based upon availability. Final payment due by August 05, 2022. Deposits are refundable up until April 04, 2022.

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Experience It! The Balloon Fiesta

The Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta is a world-renowned attraction and destination. For more than four decades, the first week in October brings the smell of roasting chiles and the beautiful, magical moving picture show of hot air balloons sailing silently through the crisp fall air.

From its modest beginnings in 1972 with 13 balloons launching from a shopping mall parking lot, the Balloon Fiesta has grown to multiple events launching year-round at the custom-designed, 365-acre Balloon Fiesta Park. This signature event, with over 600 balloons, is the largest ballooning event on earth, the most photographed event on earth, and one of the largest annual international events held in the United States.

For more information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1057124>

