



Grand Tour of California:

San Francisco to Los Angeles

June 12 - 22, 2020

Registration Opens
Tuesday, June 25, 2019

- * Walk-in registration begins at 8:30 a.m.
- * Telephone registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

Added Bonus!

Registration Day Only

If you register for this trip on June 25, Go Ahead Travel will add The Warner Bros. Studio optional excursion on Day 10, to your registration without charge!

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute



SAGINAW VALLEY
STATE UNIVERSITY

Experience California on a sweeping, scenic tour . . .

From San Francisco's Painted Ladies and Yosemite National Park to Monterey's Cannery Row and star-studded Los Angeles, there's plenty to love about California. Marvel at the Golden Gate Bridge. Visit the vineyards of Napa Valley. Drive along the stunning coastline of Big Sur, and see what makes the Golden State one of a kind.

Pre-Trip Dinner at SVSU

We will offer a pre-trip dinner about two weeks prior to departure. This is a great opportunity for you to meet OLLI members that you will be traveling with. You will receive your travel documents, enjoy a nice meal, and we will go over trip logistics.

Travel Providers

This educational travel experience is offered by the SVSU Osher Lifelong Learning Institute in conjunction with Go Ahead Tours. Founded in 1990, Go Ahead Tours offers over 85 itineraries to 60 countries across the globe. They are part of Education First, the world's largest private education company whose mission is "to break down the barriers of language, culture, and geography that divide us." Go Ahead was the travel provider for our Tuscany, Canadian Rockies, Charleston to Savannah, Germany, Spain, Iceland, Ontario to Quebec, and the American South Nashville to New Orleans trips.

About Our Lodging

We will stay in first class accommodations hand-picked to ensure quality and comfort. Specific hotel details will be given at the pre-trip dinner.

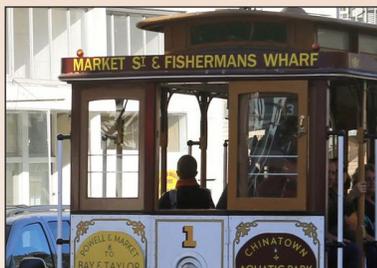
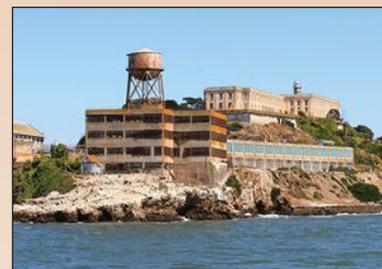
How to Register:

- 8:30 a.m. Walk-in registrations
OLLI office, C-111
This is the preferred method of registration for anyone wanting to register for this trip.
- 9:30 a.m. Call OLLI office, 989-964-4475
- Bring valid driver's license



This Eleven - Day Trip Includes:

- Round-trip air transportation from Detroit, and ground transportation from SVSU to the Detroit airport and from DTW back to SVSU on the return.
- Ten nights lodging in hand-picked hotels
- Ten breakfasts, and 4 dinners with beer or wine.
- Guided sightseeing tours with expert tour director & local guides as outlined in brochure. Tour highlights include: Golden Gate Bridge, Bridalveil Fall, Half Dome and El Capitan, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Big Sur, Hearst Castle, the Hollywood Sign, Old Mission Santa Barbara, and Alcatraz.
- Pre-trip dinner at SVSU approximately two weeks prior to departure.
- Post-trip gathering to share photos and memories approximately two weeks following the trip.





Trip Itinerary

■ Day 1: Friday, June 12 (San Francisco)

We'll depart SVSU as a group by motorcoach to Detroit airport for our flight to San Francisco. This evening we'll gather for a welcome dinner. (D)

■ Day 2: Saturday, June 13 (San Francisco)

Our guided tour scheduled for this day will introduce us to the sights and tastes of San Francisco, "the City by the Bay." Visit Golden Gate Park and enjoy stunning views of the Golden Gate Bridge and see the Palace of Fine Arts, as well as the Pacific Heights and Nob Hill neighborhoods. We'll drive through North Beach and see the iconic Coit Tower atop Telegraph Hill, then take a stroll through Chinatown, the largest outside of Asia, where we'll stop at the bakery that's credited with inventing the fortune cookie and watch a demonstration to learn how the cookie is created. We'll end in Ghirardelli Square and enter the factory store to sample some of the decadent chocolate. After lunch on our own, this afternoon we'll embark on a short ferry ride for an up-close look at the infamous federal penitentiary at Alcatraz Island. (B)

■ Day 3: Sunday, June 14 (San Francisco)

Spend a free day exploring San Francisco at your leisure, or add the optional excursion - the Sonoma & Napa Valley Wine Tasting tour. (B) *(Details about this optional excursion will be given at registration)*

■ Day 4: Monday, June 15 (Yosemite National Park)

Today we'll visit Muir Woods National Monument to see the towering redwood trees. Then, travel through the Central Valley, taking in the scenery on the way to Yosemite. Tonight's dinner is included. (B,D)

■ Day 5: Tuesday, June 16 (Yosemite Valley)

Today we'll learn about the Yosemite Valley's history and geology on a guided sightseeing tour with a park ranger. We'll view Bridalveil Fall, named for the ethereal mists that surround the cataract and drive up Inspiration Point for phenomenal photos of Half Dome and El Capitan, icons of the Yosemite Valley. We'll take in the sights at the historic Tunnel View overlook, offering one of the most famous views of the park. We'll also have some free time to explore the park's many natural wonders, including the breathtaking Giant Sequoia trees of the Mariposa Grove (B)

■ Day 6: Wednesday, June 17 (Transfer to Monterey)

Following breakfast we'll enjoy a drive from Yosemite to Monterey, a coastal city brimming with rich history and cultural diversity. We'll drive through the scenic areas of Pebble Beach and Carmel-By-The-Sea. In the afternoon we'll have some free time to explore Cannery Row, a waterfront street made famous by author John Steinbeck and visit the Monterey Bay Aquarium (B)

■ Day 7: Thursday, June 18 (Santa Barbara region)

Today we'll take in the views as we drive down the Pacific Coast Highway and along the scenic Big Sur coastline, stopping to visit Hearst Castle. Here, we'll take a guided tour of the storied hilltop mansion of publishing magnate William Randolph Hearst. Then, continue on to the Santa Barbara region. This evening we'll enjoy an included dinner. (B,D)

■ Day 8: Friday, June 19 (Santa Barbara Region)

This morning, we'll get to know the city of Santa Barbara, "The American Riviera." We'll visit the Old Mission Santa Barbara, a Franciscan mission established in 1786; then visit Stearns Wharf, an iconic wooden pier in the Santa Barbara Harbor. We'll pass the historic County Courthouse, a Greek Revival-style building decorated with beautiful interior murals. In the afternoon we'll view El Presidio, a former Spanish military outpost in downtown Santa Barbara, and have some free time to explore Santa Barbara, or add an excursion to the Santa Barbara Wine Country. *(Details about this optional excursion will be given at registration)* (B)

■ Day 9: Saturday, June 20 (Transfer to Los Angeles)

After breakfast we'll continue on the Pacific Coast Highway as we travel to Los Angeles, stopping to enjoy free time for lunch at a West Hollywood farmers' market. This afternoon, we'll enjoy lively L.A. on a guided sightseeing tour. We'll see Rodeo Drive as you make your way through glamorous Beverly Hills, and stroll through Hollywood, passing Grauman's Chinese Theatre and the star-studded Walk of Fame. We'll also view the iconic Hollywood Sign from the Hollywood and Highland Center, a bustling entertainment complex. (B)

■ Day 10: Sunday, June 21 (Los Angeles)

Today we'll spend a free day exploring Los Angeles, or add an optional excursion to visit the Warner Bros. Studio.* On this tour we'll get a behind-the-scenes look at backlots and soundstages that serve as the backdrops for classic films and today's hit TV shows - and you may even see actual filming! You'll also have the chance to explore the Picture Car Vault and The Archive, which holds a massive collection of props, cars, and costumes from past movies and shows. Here, you'll see everything from the writer's lounge to the Legacy Room, learning more about the different components of the entertainment production process as you go. Tonight, we'll celebrate your trip with fellow travelers at a farewell dinner. (B,D)

* *This tour will be added on to your registration without cost on registration day, June 25, 2019 only! After this date cost is \$75.*

■ Day 11: Monday, June 22

Today we leave California to travel home. After breakfast we will transfer to the airport for our flight home. We will be transferred from Detroit to SVSU by motorcoach. (B)

General Information

Tour Activity Level

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, walking up to two hours per day, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestone streets. Travelers should be healthy enough to participate in all included walks without assistance. Adding optional excursions may increase the total amount of walking on your tour. You should feel comfortable managing your own baggage at all times. If you have any mobility concerns or physical restrictions, please contact our OLLI office for additional information.

Trip Insurance

Go Ahead's trip protection will be included in the price of this trip and must be paid at the time of deposit upon registration. The "Trip protection" package has pre-existing condition coverage. Details about the travel protection package terms and conditions may be found on their website at: goaheadtours.com/about/travel-protection. If you choose not to include Go Ahead's travel protection plan, you must provide our office with a signature stating that you are declining the travel insurance for this trip. Please note that insurance fees are not refundable.

Cancellation

All cancellations must be made in writing to the OLLI office and are subject to a cancellation fee of \$50. Go Ahead's cancellation policies will prevail.

Air Details

Our package includes round-trip air from Detroit, air taxes and fees/surcharges. Specific flight information will be provided at a later date. If our flight is scheduled early, we may stay the night prior to departure in Detroit. If this is the case, there will be an added cost per person and these details will be forwarded to you closer to departure.

Weather Projection

Daytime temperatures should range between 50-75 degrees in these regions during this time of the year.

Waitlist & Roommates Needed

If you are looking for a roommate please contact our office by June 21, and we can share names of others looking for roommates. Our office will also maintain a wait-list if this trip fills to capacity.

Information and Reservations

Call the SVSU-OLLI at (989) 964-4475 or come in the OLLI office C-111, for further information or to Make your deposit. Registration for trip begins on:

Tuesday, June 25, 2019

Walk-in registration begins at 8:30 a.m.
Telephone registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

Grand Tour of California: Registration

Title: Mr./Ms./Mrs. _____ Gender: M/F

Name: _____
(as it appears on your drivers license)

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell _____

Date of Birth: _____ Email _____

Roommate: _____

Trip Cost:

- \$4,857 SVSU-OLLI Members*** (double occupancy)
**This cost includes trip protection insurance of \$399*
- \$4,917 Non-Members*** (double occupancy)
**This cost includes trip protection insurance of \$399 and an OLLI membership, expiring 8/31/2020*
- \$6,087 SVSU-OLLI Single*** (limited singles available)
**This cost includes trip protection insurance of \$429 and \$1,200 single supplement fee*
- \$6,147 Non-Member Single*** (limited singles available)
**This cost includes trip protection insurance of \$429, \$1,200 single supplement fee and an OLLI membership, expiring 8/31/2020*

* This cost also includes the Alcatraz Island excursion in your trip cost.

- Optional Excursions:**
- \$99 Sonoma & Napa Valley Wine Tasting
 - \$69 Santa Barbara Wine Country
 - \$75 Warner Bros. Studio Tour
(Included in cost on June 25, 2019 only)

Travel Protection:

- () Yes, I understand trip protection is included in my trip cost \$399/ \$429
() No, I decline the trip protection offered for this trip

Signature: _____

Details about the travel protection package terms & conditions can be found on their website at: goaheadtours.com/about/travel-protection

Deposit & Payment Method:

- \$849 per person OLLI members (double occupancy, includes insurance)
- \$909 per person non-members (double occupancy, insurance & membership)
- \$879 OLLI members (single occupancy includes insurance)
- \$939 non-member/single occupancy (includes insurance & membership)
- Check (payable to Go Ahead) Amount Enclosed _____

Credit Card: MasterCard Visa Discover American Express

Card Number _____

Cardholder's Name _____

Expiration Date _____ Security Code _____

Will you be using any Go Ahead Travel vouchers? _____

*** The final balance is due by March 4, 2020. You will receive a letter with your final balance details approximately one month prior to due date.**