

## **SPRING INTO YELLOWSTONE PACKAGE**

## **Springtime Adventure**

Spring is one of the most dynamic times of year in Yellowstone. As the park begins to turn green and the days grow longer, the landscape changes almost daily. Rivers run high, snow lingers in the mountains, and baby animals speckle the landscape. On this package you'll experience the splendor of the Northern Range, hot spots of the geyser basins, and the grandeur of the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone.



#### **ADVENTURE OVERVIEW**

#### 4 NIGHTS / 5 DAYS

Activity Level – Hikes are moderate Meals - Mix of restaurant & field meals Transportation - Modern passenger vehicle

4 Nights Lodging: Old Faithful Snow Lodge

All meals

Certified interpretive guide

In-park transportation

One welcome gift per adult

# DAY **01**

## **YOUR ADVENTURE BEGINS**

Welcome to the Old Faithful Old Faithful Snow Lodge and thank you for selecting the Spring into Yellowstone Package!

Please check in between 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm for your overnight stay.

This evening you will dine in the Obsidian Dining Room. Reservations are not required, and the Snow Lodge Front Desk Staff will provide you with a coupon that will cover the cost of your meal as well as the gratuity.

At 7:00 pm you will meet your Adventure Guide and fellow participants for a package orientation and Q&A session in the Snow Lodge. The Front Desk will provide directions to your designated meeting place.

LODGING: Old Faithful Snow Lodge

MEALS: Dinner



# DAY

#### **FULL STEAM AHEAD**

Today marks the start of your Yellowstone Adventure!

On this day you will enjoy breakfast in the Obsidian Dining Room. The focus is Yellowstone's amazing geologic story! We'll travel along the west side of the park, with stops and walks in the geyser basins where we'll have an in-depth glimpse into the steaming magnificence of each of the four types of thermal features found in Yellowstone. We will then return to the Old Faithful area for a tour of the historic Old Faithful Inn and lunch in the Inn's dining room.

This afternoon, you will tour additional geyser basins north of the Old Faithful area. Tonight, you will dine in the Obsidian Dining Room. Since reservations are not required, please be sure to check with the host stand for seating availability.

LODGING: Old Faithful Snow Lodge MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# DAY

### **NORTHERN EXPOSURE**

This morning you will meet your guide for an early morning departure. Today will be spent searching for and (hopefully!) observing wildlife while exploring and learning about Yellowstone's magnificent Northern Range ecological processes and what makes it such fantastic wildlife habitat! Stops will be based on wildlife activity, weather conditions, and group interests, but will include time in the famed Lamar Valley.

Boxed breakfasts, hot beverages, & boxed lunches are included. You will return to Old Faithful Snow Lodge in time to freshen up before having dinner in the Obsidian Dining room.

LODGING: Old Faithful Snow Lodge MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# **DAY 04**

### **WATER AND WONDER**

The Obsidian Dining Room is your location for today's breakfast.

While today's direction of travel may vary, we'll visit Yellowstone Lake, the Hayden Valley, and the breathtaking Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River, including views of both the 109-foot (33-meter) Upper Falls and 308-foot (93-meter) Lower Falls. Our route will fluctuate based on weather conditions and seasonal road closures.

A boxed lunch will be enjoyed in the field. As tonight is the last evening of your package, your guide will join you for dinner at the Old Faithful Inn Dining Room. This is the perfect opportunity to share your favorite things about your adventure with your fellow travelers and new friends you've made along the way.

LODGING: Old Faithful Snow Lodge MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

# DAY HAPPY TRAILS

If you are not staying at the Old Faithful Snow Lodge tonight (\*see below), please check out with the Hotel Front Desk before the scheduled departure and place your luggage in your private vehicle. The Obsidian Dining Room is your location for today's breakfast.

We'll spend our last day together with some quiet time and group reflection of our Yellowstone adventure before we part ways!

This day will be flexible based on recent wildlife sightings, weather conditions and group interests and may include a walking tour of the Upper Geyser Basin. Breakfast and lunch at the Old Faithful Inn dining room are included.

Upon return to Old Faithful Snow Lodge you will bid fond farewells to your Adventure Guide and new friends. We would like to sincerely thank you for entrusting us to host your Yellowstone experience and hope you will visit us again in this awesome place we call home!

#### MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch

\*If you wish to extend your stay, rooms may be available at Old Faithful Snow Lodge or other Park location beyond the package dates. Please consult with our booking specialist.



#### **WHAT TO BRING**

The below list of suggested items is not intended to be an all-inclusive list so please bring any other items you may need.

1 piece of luggage with 50-lb wt. limit is allowed per person.

- Daypack/Small Backpack
- · Reusable Water Bottle
- Sunscreen & SPF lip protection
- Sunglasses
- Comfortable, broken-in walking shoes or hiking boots with ankle support
- Socks that prevent hot spots or blistering with moisture wicking properties
- Camera with extra batteries and/or charger plus memory cards
- · Optics for wildlife and scenic viewing
- Snacks
- Clothing layers with UV protection providing thermal insulation from cold and wind as well as relief from the warmer portions of the day. Mountain mornings and evenings are often much cooler with the afternoons being much warmer.
- Hat that provides sun protection
- Bear Spray (if desired, may be sourced locally, but cannot be carried on commercial airlines)
- Full lightweight rain gear or a rain jacket/ poncho at a minimum
- Medication
- Insect repellent
- Downloading Yellowstone apps on your preferred electronic device related to flora, fauna, night skies and park geysers may enhance your experience.

Itineraries are subject to change. Unforeseen cancellations of Program activities due to inclement weather or mechanical difficulties will be supplemented with extended touring routes or alternative activities. Refunds will not be issued for canceled activities.

Rates include taxes, fees and gratuity with the exception of the NPS Entrance fee which must be paid upon entering the National Park. Rates, taxes and fees subject to change and based on approved local, state, and NPS fees at the time of the session date.

YellowstoneNationalParkLodges.com