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Ridin' the Rails

July 14 - 19, 2010

Featuring the storytelling & music of Michael Martin Murphey along the way!



"I'm looking forward to riding along with you and Village Tours to one of my favorite places in the world, Colorado. I hope you can join us!"
- Michael Martin Murphey



Day 1 Pueblo, CO

Spend a few days this summer exploring the glorious natural beauty, rich history and memorable highlights of Colorado and New Mexico. A special guest will be joining us on this tour, it is none other than **Michael Martin Murphey!** Begin with a stop along the mountain branch of the Santa Fe Trail where fur traders, trappers and Plains Indians once met to peacefully trade in an 1840's adobe fur trading post. **Bent's Old Fort** is both a historic and living glimpse into the heart of the Great American West full of the authentic sights, sounds, and a guided tour that will make you feel as if you'd traveled back in time. This evening, check in for the first of two nights in Pueblo.

Day 2 B, L, D Pueblo, CO

Begin a Colorado morning with an unforgettable ride on the **Royal Gorge Railroad** through magnificent geological features, spectacular natural landscapes and exciting wildlife sightings. Established in 1879, this route combines Colorado history with a 24-mile journey into the heart of the Royal Gorge. Next, enjoy lunch and a **private performance** with our special guest on the pastoral and serene grounds of **The Abbey**, nestled against the beautiful backdrop of the Wet Mountains. Later, visit a mansion built in 1893 that still contains nearly all of the family's original furnishings, artwork and accessories. See why the **Rosemont Museum** has been called 'Colorado's Crown Jewel' and why it was selected for showing on A & E's America's Castles! Enjoy an old fashioned dinner in the historic adjacent Carriage House Restaurant, an original building once serving as the property's stables, carriage room and hayloft.



Day 4 CB Taos, NM

Take a ride on the narrow gauge **Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad** and experience a living museum originally constructed in 1880 as part of the Rio Grande's San Juan Extension, serving the booming silver-mining industry of this culturally rich and diverse region. Learn the history of the line and the train as you journey through 64 miles of breathtaking mountains, valleys, bridges, trestles and the famous Windy Point. Spend the first of two nights in restful Taos and let the rich spirit of the Southwest help you relax and unwind.

Day 5 B, L Taos, NM

Experience the richly diverse and peaceful city of Taos this morning on a **City Tour** through scenic streets including the picturesque Taos Plaza and 700-year old Taos pueblo. For lunch, experience authentic New Mexican cuisine at the famous **Rancho de Chimayo Restaurant**. In the afternoon, visit the **Kit Carson House and Museum** and explore over 175 years of history documented in this important cultural center. Learn about the legacy of the legendary Mountain Man, Army General and Masonic Lodge member and tour the art, architecture and finishes of this historic gem.

Day 6 B Home

Stretch out and relax as we enjoy the scenic drive through the landscapes of the West into the flat, prairie lands of home.

Wichita & OKC Departures

\$849 - PER PERSON DOUBLE

\$1069 - SINGLE

\$799 - PER PERSON TRIPLE

\$759 - PER PERSON QUAD

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