

**Peoples Bank VitoP Club presents *The Heart of New Mexico*
With the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta Oct 10-15, 2019**

Thursday Oct 10th Arrive in Albuquerque from Nashville. Check in to the Courtyard by Marriott, Journal Center. Bienvenido! Welcome! Clay gives an evening introduction to a portion of Route 66 and a dinner worthy of Guy Fieri at the Standard Diner. **(D)**

Friday Oct 11th Today, a visit to Old Town Albuquerque and the Albuquerque Museum. Lunch in Old Town and then a City Tour of Albuquerque with Clay. Rest up! This evening you will attend the largest balloon festival in the world, the annual Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta's®, the Special Shape Glowdeo™, followed by a Laser Light Show and an AfterGlow™ Fireworks Show. **B, L**



Saturday Oct 12th Up *extra* early to have breakfast on the Balloon Field in the Chaser's Club and partake of the morning Mass Ascension. Then, back to the hotel for a rest. Lunch at Indian Pueblo Cultural Center and tour their Museum, then a visit to the International Balloon Museum. This evening, Clay hosts the group at his home. **B, L, D**



Sunday Oct 13th Depart Albuquerque with Clay for Santa Fe via the Turquoise Trail. The Turquoise Trail National Scenic Byway encompasses 15,000 square miles in the heart of central New Mexico, linking Albuquerque and Santa Fe. The drive is approximately 50 miles along Highway 14. Drive back into history through the mining towns of Golden, Madrid, and Cerrillos, which are now alive with art, crafts, theater, music, museums, and restaurants. The city of Santa Fe, founded by Spanish colonists in 1610, is the oldest city in the state and the oldest state capital city in the United States. Touring Santa Fe, there will be time on the Plaza to see the Palace of Governors and the New Mexico Museum of Art. La Fonda, the only Santa Fe hotel situated on the historic Santa Fe Plaza, is home for two nights. **B, D**



Monday Oct 14th Today, touring Taos – a town in northern New Mexico's high desert, bounded by the Sangre de Cristo



Mountains. It's known for historic adobe buildings. Nearby is the Taos Pueblo. The pueblos are considered to be one of the oldest continuously inhabited communities in the United States. The Taos Pueblo has also been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Taos Pueblo is a member of the Eight Northern Pueblos and the community is known for being one of the most private, secretive, and conservative pueblos. A reservation of 95,000 acres is attached to the pueblo, and about 4,500 people live in this area. Taos also offers many galleries

and museums showcasing regional artwork



Also visit El Santuario de Chimayó; a Roman Catholic Church in Chimayó. This shrine, a National Historic Landmark, is famous for the story of its founding and as a contemporary pilgrimage site. It receives almost 300,000 visitors per year and has been called "no doubt the most important Catholic pilgrimage center in the United States". Tonight's dinner will be local cuisine and the wait staff will have a very important question. New Mexico is the first state to have a state question: "Red or Green"? This refers to the question always asked as to whether one prefers red or green chile when ordering New Mexican cuisine. New Mexico adopted this to signify the importance that the chile industry's positive economic impact. . **B, L, D**



Tuesday Oct 15th This is the last day in Santa Fe to be able to see desert and mountains in the heart of New Mexico. Then, depart for the Albuquerque airport to catch the flight to Nashville. **B**

Price includes:

- Transfer to and from Nashville airport
- Roundtrip air (estimated pricing at this time)
- 5 nights lodging with luggage handling
- 5 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 4 dinners
- All admissions to listed attractions
- Deluxe Motorcoach with Professional Driver
- All taxes and gratuities for included meals, skycaps, drivers, guides, and tour director
- Tour Director, Clay Benard
- Two Peoples Bank escorts



Travel Protection: Travel Insured International, Travel Protection Plan.

Peoples Bank has purchased travel protection on behalf of all travelers. A description of coverage will be provided with a reservation form at time of deposit.

TRIP COST PER MEMBER:


Double: \$ 2994 Single: \$3846 Triple: \$2844 Guest Fee: \$30

Deposit to secure space: \$200

FINAL PAYMENT DATE: June 25, 2019

Cancellation Policy: The deposit is fully refundable before the final payment date of June 25, 2019. After that date, payments are non-refundable. Catherine will assist with any travel protection claims.

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