



# ALBUQUERQUE'S INTERNATIONAL BALLOON FIESTA

September 30-October 4, 2016

*Up, up and away! Picture a connect-the-dots rainbow of mammoth balloons filling the sky creating a desert kaleidoscope of color for your eyes to feast. Join us to see these amazing displays, plus explore the culturally rich cities Albuquerque and Santa Fe.*

## Daily Itinerary

**Day 1, Friday, September 30:** Arrive in Albuquerque today and check into a local hotel. Enjoy a festive welcome dinner at a local restaurant known for the finest in traditional New Mexican cooking and true Southwestern warmth and hospitality. (D)

**Day 2, Saturday, October 1:** This morning it is up, up, and away bright and early to **Balloon Fiesta Park** and the **Mass Ascension**. Next stop will be at the **Turquoise Museum** for an informative talk on how to buy turquoise. You will then have a guided tour of historic **Old Town**, and enjoy a group lunch. There will be time to shop and explore on your own before watching the Native American dancers at the **Indian Pueblo Cultural Center**. (B/L)

**Day 3, Sunday, October 2:** Today you travel the **Turquoise Trail Scenic Byway** past former ghost towns to historic **Santa Fe**, the state capital. Once in Santa Fe you can take a guided walking tour of the historic district. The streets are lined with buildings of distinctive design, adobe houses, interesting shops and beautiful churches. We'll visit the world renowned **Loretto Chapel** famous for its miraculous floating staircase and the **Palace of the Governors**. A hosted lunch is included at a local restaurant. Then we will head for the evening's **Balloon Glow** and a buffet dinner at the **Gondola Club**. The Balloon Glow happens when all the balloons fire their burners at the same time creating a spectacular moment. **Fireworks** top off this amazing day. (B/L/D)

**Day 4, Monday, October 3:** Take a 'flight' on the **Sandia Peak Aerial Tramway** to the top of Sandia Crest. Marvel at the thousands of square miles of breathtaking scenery and panoramic views in all directions. It is then west to **Acoma "Sky City" Pueblo** – the oldest continually inhabited settlement in The United States. Return to Albuquerque for a fun farewell dinner. (B/L/D)







**Space is Limited  
Sign Up Today!  
Call: 912-434-3088**

### Daily Itinerary Continued:

**Day 5, Tuesday, October 4:** After breakfast transfer to the Albuquerque Sunport Airport for your return flight home with amazing memories of your Balloon Fiesta Adventure. Adios Amigos! (B)

B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner

### Highlights & Tour Inclusions:

- Deluxe Motor Coach Transportation in New Mexico
- 4 Nights' Accommodations in Albuquerque
- 10 Meals: 4 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches & 3 Dinners
- Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta Mass Ascension & Chasers Club
- Balloon Glow & AfterGlow Fireworks Show with Gondola Club
- Tour & Free Time in Old Town Albuquerque
- Turquoise Museum Presentation
- Sandia Peak Aerial Tram
- Indian Pueblo Cultural Center
- Walking tour of historic Santa Fe with Loretto Chapel and San Miguel Mission
- Acoma Pueblo
- Professional Tour Guide
- Welcome Gift, Water & Snacks on the Motor Coach
- All taxes, Hotel Portorage and Meal Gratuities
- Brilliant Adventures Luggage Tags

### Not Included:

- Airfare to/from Albuquerque, NM - available for a fee
- Driver, Escort and local guide gratuities

**Tour Cost per Person: Double Occupancy - \$1,568.00      Single - \$1,998.00**

Deposit: \$250 due upon reservation • Balance: Final payment is due no later than September 1, 2016

Trip Cancellation Protection is available for purchase

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Cancellation Policy: All payments are fully refundable for cancellations received by July 29, 2016. July 30-September 15, 2016 incurs a \$250 cancellation penalty. Thereafter the entire tour is subject to 100% cancellation penalty. Trip cancellation insurance is encouraged and available.

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