



Moostash Joe
TOURS

6
day tour



Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta

#1: October 5 - 10, 2023

#2: October 9 - 14, 2023

Discover the wonder



★ **Book by August 1, 2023 and receive \$100 off the tour price!**

Only \$1,449

per person double occupancy, *round trip deluxe motorcoach transportation*

The perfect time to witness the largest hot-air balloon event in the world! This must-see event attracts hundreds of thousands of people each and every year! Discover an enchanted world of special-shaped balloons and balloon glows filling the crystal blue autumn skies with vibrant color and creative imagination. There is no doubt our tour will give you the absolute best experience at the Balloon Fiesta!

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Day 1 – Welcome / Colorado Springs, CO

Welcome to your Moostash Joe Tour! Meet us at one of our many convenient pick-up points as we head west. Today's travels take us to Colorado Springs where we'll enjoy a "Kickback" style meal together and settle in for the night. **(D)**

Day 2 – Santa Fe Plaza / 66 Diner

Travel this morning to Santa Fe, NM and the Santa Fe Plaza, where you'll have free time to enjoy lunch and to explore "The Heart of Santa Fe" on your own. Also here, take a few moments to witness the fascinating Loretto Chapel and its miraculous staircase! Later, take the short drive to Albuquerque where you'll be greeted by a delicious dinner at the authentic 66 Diner. Get some rest tonight because tomorrow morning is our first Fiesta event! **(B, D)**

Day 3 – Morning Mass Ascension / Evening Balloon Glow

Wake up early this morning for our first Balloon Fiesta event, the Morning Mass Ascension! The Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta is the world's largest hot-air balloon event and attracts over 500 balloons and hundreds of thousands of visitors from all over the world. Imagine 54 football fields, all put together – that's the size of the Balloon Fiesta Park's 78-acre launch field! During the Morning Mass Ascension, witness hundreds of prismatic balloons lift off and fill the horizon during the clear skies of Albuquerque's brisk autumn mornings. An excellent photo opportunity, we'll experience the drama and serenity of ballooning during this amazing two-hour event! After the event we'll explore the nearby Anderson Abruzzo International Balloon Museum for an in-depth look at the history and science behind ballooning. For lunch, we'll head to an Albuquerque local favorite spot. After a bit of down time this afternoon, we head back to the Balloon Fiesta for our evening event! The Balloon Glow is among the most widely anticipated events in all of the Fiesta. At twilight, the burners of tethered balloons are ignited, illuminating the area with amazing color! Also, following the Balloon Glow the night blooms with the most spectacular firework show in the state! The perfect way to cap off a day you're sure to remember for a lifetime! **(B, L)**

Day 4 – Morning Mass Ascension / Sandia Peak Aerial Tramway

Another great opportunity this morning to capture the perfect photo or just stand in awe of hundreds of balloons taking off at once into the crystal blue Albuquerque sky during the Morning Mass Ascension! After the event we'll take the Sandia Peak Aerial Tramway, the world's longest double reversible bi-cable aerial tramway! Traverse 2.7 miles from the base of the foothills northeast of Albuquerque to the top of the 10,400 – foot Sandia Peak for amazing panoramic views. For lunch and free time we visit historic Old Town Albuquerque, offering over 100 shops, art galleries, restaurants and authentic American Indian crafts before our tour of the Popcorn Cannery, Albuquerque's local popcorn maker. This evening is free for you to relax and rest from your busy couple of days at Drury's great "Kickback" – where complimentary food and drinks are available. **(B, D)**

Day 5 – Dodge City, KS

Today we begin our way back home, traveling through rugged rural New Mexico and the Texas/Oklahoma Panhandle. This evening finds us in the cowboy town of Dodge City, KS where we'll be overnight and enjoy an evening meal together. **(B, D)**

Day 6 – Return Home

Spend one last day reminiscing with your newly made friends about your tour to the world's largest hot-air balloon event, the incredible Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta! Say goodbye as you arrive back at your initial pick-up points later today. **(B)**

MEALS INCLUDED:

(B) – Breakfast
(L) – Lunch
(D) – Dinner

ACCOMMODATIONS

Night One – (#1) Radisson Hotel or (#2) Drury Inn & Suites, Colorado Springs, CO

Nights Two, Three & Four – Drury Inn & Suites, Albuquerque, NM
Night Five – Hampton Inn & Suites, Dodge City, KS

Departs: Norfolk, Fremont, Lincoln, Omaha & York, NE

**Due to the tentative Balloon Fiesta schedule, some events may be during a different day or time than stated in our itinerary.*



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Single Occupancy Price:
\$1,949

Deposit Due:
\$100 per person

Travel Protection Price:
\$105 per person, double occupancy
\$137 per person, single occupancy

Cancellation Penalties:
Up until August 31, 2023: Full Refund
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