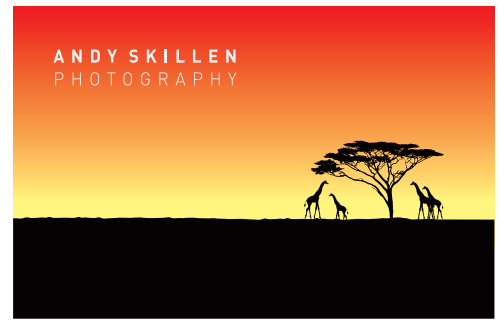


YELLOWSTONE & THE TETONS IN SPRING

**Departures: 25 May - 6 June 2019
7 June - 19 June 2019**



A **13 DAY, 12 NIGHT PHOTOGRAPHIC AND WILDLIFE VIEWING ADVENTURE TO THE SPECTACULAR GRAND TETON AND YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARKS. THIS TRIP IS ESCORTED THROUGHOUT BY ANDY SKILLEN AND IS GEARED TO GIVE YOU A SUPERIOR PHOTOGRAPHIC EXPERIENCE IN SOME OF THE MOST INSPIRING COUNTRY IN NORTH AMERICA.**

WITH A GROUP SIZE OF JUST 6, YOU ARE GUARANTEED PLENTY OF TUITION TIME, AND ALSO MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY IN TERMS OF PROGRAMME.

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- **SMALL GROUP SIZE OF JUST 6 GUESTS**
- **15 SEATER VEHICLE – GIVING PLENTY OF SPACE FOR GEAR, AT OUR CONSTANT DISPOSAL**
- **13 DAYS AND 12 NIGHTS IN A PRIME TIME FOR WILDLIFE VIEWING AS SPRING TAKES HOLD**
- **2 NIGHTS IN BEAUTIFUL JACKSON HOLE AT THE START OF THE TRIP**
- **11 NIGHTS IN ACCOMMODATION THROUGH THE TWO NATIONAL PARKS:**
- **NO WASTED TIME COMMUTING INTO THE PARK FROM SETTLEMENTS OUTSIDE**
- **COMPLETE FLEXIBILITY IN TIME: WE GET OUT EARLY, WE CAN STAY OUT LATE...IT'S OUR CHOICE!**
- **ESCORTED THROUGHOUT BY ANDY SKILLEN,**
- **AS MUCH, OR AS LITTLE, PHOTOGRAPHIC TUITION AS NEEDED!**



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Day 1-2 Arrive Jackson Hole... (2 nights)

After your flight to Jackson Hole – most likely arriving late afternoon - you will be collected and transferred to a comfortable mid-range hotel in the beautiful town of Jackson Hole for two nights. The town is packed full of things to do and see, and is a photographer's delight. You will have two nights here, allowing you a full day to get out and explore after your long flights and stretch your legs. There is a fantastic Wildlife Art Museum on the outskirts of town, and we can arrange a transfer to/from there for you if you wish to see it. On your second evening, we will take a wildlife spotting trip through part of Teton National Park, particularly on the look-out for beavers, elk and moose, and, if lucky, grizzlies.

Day 3: Signal Mountain – Grand Teton National Park

A very early start from our Jackson Hole accommodation as we head north through the Tetons to some truly spectacular sunrise locations and the chance to capture some iconic shots. We will spend the rest of the day exploring Teton National Park, including some of the lesser known routes and taking in some of the beautiful vistas that present themselves. After a full day's viewing and photography, we will end up at our lakeside cabins for the night.

Days 4-6 Old Faithful (3 nights) - Yellowstone

After breakfast, we will depart the Tetons and keep heading north and on into Yellowstone National Park. The southern sector of the park is crammed full of waterfalls, river views, gorges and thermal features, and we will take the opportunity to stop and get our images as we travel. It is the idea to spend as much time out of the vehicle as possible, and on occasion we will take short walks to some of the more beautiful views in geyser basins en route. We should arrive at Old Faithful by late afternoon – sightings permitting! – and after check-in there will be the chance to explore some of the most famous geyser features on earth! The next 2 days will be focused on getting out and about in the geyser basins of this spectacular part of the park, on foot and by vehicle. Please note, we will limit walks to a maximum of 3km, but the option for longer hikes can be entertained. The vast majority of our walks will be on level trails, designed to showcase some of the major sights, but on occasion, they might require a degree of slight incline. You will not need to be an Olympian, but a degree of fitness will help you enjoy this trip to the full. The Old Faithful area is also home to many bison, and I have even seen bears here before. We will keep doing our best to look for the best possible picture opportunities!

Days 7-9 Canyon Lodge (3 nights) - Yellowstone

We keep heading north, past Yellowstone Lake (where we will ensure we have time to search some of the more likely bear areas) and head to the middle of the park where Canyon Lodge, as its name suggests, gives us excellent access to the Grand

spectacular viewing points, as well as easily accessible sunrise and sunset vistas. We will also spend considerable time scouting the Hayden Valley for bison, bear, coyote, otter, osprey, eagle and wolf.

Days 10-12 Roosevelt Cabins (3 nights) - Yellowstone

Our final stop in the park, for the last three nights, will be at the beautiful Roosevelt Cabins in the far north. This is prime wildlife territory, giving us access to the Tower region and also the Lamar Valley. We will use this base to spend as much time as possible out in the field searching for wildlife amidst some of the wildest and most spectacular country that North America has to offer.

Days 13 Depart for Bozeman - Yellowstone

Today our adventure comes to an end, and we will continue to wend our way north to tie up with outbound flights from Bozeman Airport (offering connections to Denver). However, we won't be rushing! We'll ensure we get up in good time to give us one last chance of spotting wildlife in the morning light, as well as searching for elk, bears and even bighorn sheep on the way to the north. If time and sightings permit, we will stop in at Mammoth Hot Spring on the way for a walk around the – now largely extinct – thermal features there also.

*** Please note, prices do not include any meals or drinks or flights to/from the start/finish destinations**

