

Carson City, Lake Tahoe and Truckee Tour with Picnic Lunch

DURATION: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm
DATE: Friday, June 15, 2018

Guests will be transported from Reno along US 395 to Carson City. Guests will enjoy learning about the rich history of Northern Nevada as they travel through Washoe Valley into the State Capitol, Carson City. Our Convention Activities guide will narrate and point out interesting sights along the way.

Guests will hear about the ‘Nevada State Museum’ built originally as a U.S. Mint, which operated from 1870 to 1895. Today the museum is known for exhibits ranging from Washoe Indian baskets to Nevada natural history to western mining techniques.

It’s on to Highway 50 over Spooner Summit to **explore Lake Tahoe!**

There will be short stops along the shore of Lake Tahoe going up Highway 28 to enjoy taking pictures and looking at the scenery. Lake Tahoe is a large freshwater lake in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. It is located along the border between California and Nevada, west of Carson City. Lake Tahoe is the largest alpine lake in the United States. Covering 191 square miles it is one of the world’s largest Alpine Lakes. The lake is known for the clarity of its water and the panorama of surrounding mountains on all sides. It has a maximum depth of 1,640 feet, trailing only to Oregon’s Crater Lake.



Guests will stop for a picnic style lunch along the shores of Lake Tahoe, enjoying a variety of sandwiches, chips, cookies and fruit along with non-alcoholic beverages. After a quick bite, guests will have a bit of time to look around and our guide will be available to walk guests down to the lake shore.

Then it’s on to Highway 267 to **discover the Famous Donner Party!**



The memorial statue at Donner Summit is a great way to learn more of the infamous Donner Party. They were one of the early wagon trains coming across the country attempting to reach California. They ran into severe weather conditions and spent a desperate winter on the shores of Donner Lake.

Then it’s off to **see Truckee!** Featured in America’s history of westward expansion, many early pioneers followed the Emigrant Trail through Truckee. Later, as the California gold rush hit a fever pitch, fortune seekers poured into the area. By 1868, the Central Pacific Railroad had reached Truckee, which had grown into a bustling, bawdy town known for its major ice harvest and lumber industries. Today, Truckee retains much of its Old West flavor and historic charm. Nostalgic Commercial Row, lined with quaint shops, offers the visitor a glimpse into history.

Guests will return to Reno via Interstate 80. The entire tour will be fully narrated by our Convention Activities guide.