

DEPARTS FROM > SEATTLE or PORTLAND

DURATION > 13 DAYS

DISTANCE > 1,935 MILES



Buffalo in Yellowstone NP



Red barn with Mount Hood in the distance

Day 9 > Just over 200 miles or three hours will bring you to Idaho's State Capital today. At first you'll be following the Snake River on your right; then on your left. The freeway continues to Boise but you might want to turn off just after Glens Ferry and continue through the Snake River Birds of Prey Natural Area, rejoining the freeway just north of Meridian where you will have to head south for a couple of miles to reach your campground just outside of Boise. 📍 210 miles to Boise
★ Visit the glittering cascades at Thousand Springs, just past Twin Falls and then Bruneau Dunes south of Mountain Home

🌐 www.nwfamilyrvresorts.com/bm_topborder_frameset.html

Day 10 > Heading west back towards the Pacific Ocean your route soon takes you into the state of Oregon. The suggested overnight stop is near the town of Le Grande which was the phrase an early French settler used to describe this area's beauty. Dominated by Mount Emily, the vast area you'll drive through is the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest. 📍 160 miles to La Grande
★ Visit Baker City for the primary visitor centre and interpretive museums along the historic Oregon Trail resort of Jackson. It's home to celebrities and visiting 'beautiful people'

🌐 www.eagleshotlakerv.com/about.html

Day 11 > Much of the drive today will be alongside the mighty Columbia River which separates Oregon from the state of Washington on its northern bank. You should break your journey first at Pendleton for the fine local woollen goods and then at Fort Dalles which originated as a US Army outpost deep in 'Indian Country' and on the Oregon Trail. The name, in Canadian French, refers to the very strong rapids just outside the town. Maybe you've heard that the city of Portland, Oregon, has been named by 'Money' magazine as North America's "Best Big City". One visit will explain why. The gardens, museums, zoo and fine dining will maybe be a welcome contrast to the outdoors life of the last few days. Much can be accessed via the region's convenient and eco-friendly light rail system. We are recommending the Portland Fairview RV Park in a peaceful setting just eight miles east of downtown.

📍 150 miles to Portland

★ Visit Panorama Point for the



Mount Rainer National Forest

Photo: Lewis County Convention & Visitor Bureau/Loren Lane

dramatic view of Mount Hood, Oregon's probably - but not necessarily - dormant volcano 🌐 www.portlandfairviewrv.com

Day 12 > Having enjoyed the city, it's off once again to a National Park - your last before sadly returning to Everett. After seventy or so freeway miles, turn off on Route 12 toward the park. Mount St Helens rises on your right and, in fact, you may be tempted to come off the freeway and 'cut the corner' by driving right past the Mount St Helens National Volcanic Monument. It's three miles shorter but will take a lot longer due to the windy roads. Mount Rainier National Park was established in 1899. Elevations range from 1,610' to 14,410' above sea level and the 'mountain' is actually an active volcano encased in over 35 square miles of snow and ice, surrounded by old growth forest and stunning wildflower meadows. There are three or four Forest Service campgrounds to choose from on Routes 12 and 410. Take a look at the appropriate websites to find one you like. 📍 180 miles to Mt Rainier National Park
★ Visit the seven areas of the park - or as many as you can. Each has trailheads and facilities; some more rustic than others.

🌐 www.nps.gov/mora/planyourvisit/camping.htm



Day 13 > 📍 110 miles to Everett to Drop off your Motor Home.

For ease and comfort on this itinerary we would recommend you purchase the Early Bird Departure Special which allows you to return up to 3pm. It's not a long drive back but being relaxed is the key to ending a great holiday!

