

Silver Sierra Adventures and Sparks Travel Club present:

CASTROVILLE
ARTICHOKE
Food & Wine
FESTIVAL

NEW DATES: May 29-31, 2020

We hope that you'll join us as we head to Monterey to enjoy the 61st annual Castroville Artichoke Festival. Today, more than nine decades later, nearly 100 percent of America's fresh artichoke supply is grown in California and nearly two-thirds is grown in the small town of Castroville. The annual Castroville Artichoke Food & Wine Festival began in 1959 as a harvest festival to celebrate the iconic artichoke and the region known as the "Artichoke Center of the World." Over the years, the festival became a primary source of funding for local non-profit groups that depend upon a successful event for their viability. Norma Jean Mortenson, better known as Marilyn Monroe, was named California's first honorary Artichoke Queen in 1948. The official festival started eleven years later and continues to grow, appealing to visitors from near and far.

Also included for our guests, a field tour during the festival to engage, inform and excite everyone about the unique qualities of artichokes including farming, harvest, preparation, eating and to demonstrate how the artichoke industry has influenced the history of Monterey County.

Our adventure also includes two nights in Monterey at the wonderful Victorian Inn, located just a block above the world-famous Cannery Row. Along with its great location they include afternoon wine & cheese reception and morning breakfasts. Also included is a visit to Old Fisherman's Wharf in Monterey and a tour of the National Steinbeck Centre in Salinas.

Tour Cost

As low as \$785.00 per person!

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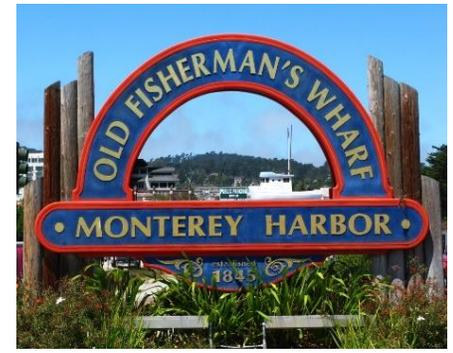
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Friday: May 29, 2020

Departures from Reno & Carson City are scheduled this morning. A continental breakfast, coffee & juice are included this morning on the coach (as are refreshments throughout the tour). We will travel on over to the Victorian Inn for our two-night stay. The hotel is within easy walking distance of Cannery Row and features afternoon wine & cheese as well as breakfast daily. Early this evening we will take guests to the historic Old Fisherman's Wharf, where you will have time for shopping, sightseeing and dinner on your own at your choice of one of their many restaurants.



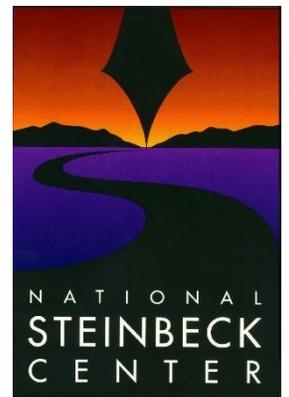
Saturday: May 30, 2020



Enjoy a complimentary breakfast at the hotel this morning. Our touring today will include the 61st Castroville Artichoke Festival where Artichoke Experts will take you on a guided tour of Castroville's Artichoke fields for a personalized educational experience about what it takes to grow this unique vegetable (which is actually an un-bloomed flower.) You'll have plenty of time to enjoy the festival with everything artichoke from art competitions, to food demos, to farmers market. Space on the coach is provided as well as coolers for fresh artichoke purchases. We'll return to the hotel early this afternoon allowing you the balance of the evening to explore Cannery Row at leisure.

Sunday: May 31, 2020

You'll have the morning to enjoy your complimentary breakfast, then we'll board our coach and travel to Salinas to tour the National Steinbeck Center a museum & memorial dedicated to the author John Steinbeck. Paying tribute to his life and lasting impact on American letters and identity you can explore his ecological vision, his commitment to social engagement, and his many stories about the working class- all of which ensure his work is deeply relevant today.



Following our visit to the Steinbeck Center we'll board our coach for a short journey to Los Banos. Built in the 1890's Wool Growers has served the community for over 100 years. With its white exterior and neon sign with the traditional red, white and blue of France, bota bag and martini glass, Wool Growers may seem ordinary but it is anything but. After lunch we'll proceed home with arrival back to Sparks/Reno scheduled for early evening.

OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE:

While in Monterey, should you prefer to take in the Monterey Bay Aquarium, you may do so instead of the Artichoke Festival. **ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED AT TIME OF SIGN UP.**

Today, more than 30 years after opening, the Monterey Bay Aquarium is a showcase for the habitats and sea life of one of the world's richest marine regions. More than 35,000 creatures representing over 550 species fill 34 major galleries. With nearly 200 exhibits in all, the Aquarium is a window to the wonders of the ocean. The mission of the nonprofit Monterey Bay Aquarium is to inspire conservation of the ocean.



Our Tour Package Includes:

Cannery Row, Old Fishermans Wharf, Two nights at the Victorian Inn, Breakfast and Wine & Cheese daily at the hotel. Entrance & Field Tour at the Artichoke Festival; Entrance to the Steinbeck Center; Hosted Basque Lunch at WoolGrowers; Round trip Motorcoach Transportation; continental breakfast & refreshments throughout the tour on the coach; all taxes, admissions and gratuities for included features; driver gratuity & baggage handling; Escorted by the Frontier Travel & Tours team!

Special Pricing Offer -- for this tour only!

Pay in full at time of sign up (Extended to November 1, 2019) and take an additional 10% discount off your total tour cost!

Should you have to cancel, only our standard cancellation policy applies.

Tour Cost:

\$785.00 per person, double occupancy

\$235.00 additional single supplement

\$20 additional for non-members travelling with group

For guests not taking advantage of the 10% Discount on this tour:

Deposit of \$150 per person due upon sign up.

Final payment due April 3, 2020

Visa, MasterCard & Discover accepted for deposit and/or final payment

