

## Semi-Guided: Western Dream Ride (M-ID: 2564)

<https://www.motourismo.com/en/listings/2564-semi-guided-western-dream-ride>



**from €4,995.00**

Dates and duration (days)

On request

12 days

04/07/2024 - 04/18/2024 12 days

### Do you want to explore the breathtaking, beautiful southwest of the USA all the way deep into Arizona on a Harley®? Then the Western Dream Ride Tour is for you.

This tour will be an unforgettable experience for you.

It takes you from Las Vegas via Route 66 to the Grand Canyon, to the Sonora Desert in the south of the USA, very close to the Mexican border, and via Joshua Tree N.P. and Death Valley N.P. back to Las Vegas.

At your own pace, you will get to know the contrasts of the country. Your luggage will be transported for you from hotel to hotel.

The contrasts between western romanticism and the glittering world of the big cities change. You are up close and personal!!! You will be thrilled by the grandiose and seemingly endless landscapes.

**Tour - Info:** This is a semi-guided tour. A semi-guided Tour is basically a guided tour that gives the tour participants free space. You ride either behind or in front of our experienced guide who sits in the escort vehicle and guides you, or you ride the tour according to your own ideas and your luggage is being transported for you. In case of emergency, you will have a contact person on site.

This tour can be booked with Harley-Davidson® as well as with BMW® motorcycles (extra charge).

Tour itinerary:

Day 01: Germany - Las Vegas

Welcome to fabulous Las Vegas. The arrival is individual. If you have entrusted us with the organization of your flights and transfers, we will be waiting for you at the airport. Otherwise, we will meet later at the hotel. In the evening, the first meeting for all participants with the tour guide will

take place at the first tour hotel. After the "welcome drink", we will have a subsequent discussion of the tour schedule. Afterward, the rest of the evening is at your leisure. Overnight stay in Las Vegas.

**TIP:** If you would like to arrive one or two days in advance so that you can explore this wonderful city at your leisure, we can help you book flights, transfers, or additional nights at the hotel of your choice.

Day 02: Motorcycle Pickup - Las Vegas - Hoover Dam - Laughlin

First thing in the morning is the first briefing of the group. Afterward, we organize the transfer to the motorcycle rental station to pick up the bike. Now the adventure can begin. We recommend you to visit the famous Hoover Dam. Afterward, you will cruise in the southern direction towards your destination Laughlin, at the border of Arizona. Tour length approx. 250 kilometers.

Day 03: Laughlin - Oatman - Seligman - Williams

This day is completely dedicated to the old Route 66, which we cruise to Williams. On the way, we pass through Oatman, Kingman, Peach Springs, Huckberry, and Seligman. In the afternoon we reach the destination of today's stage, Williams. Here the "Western Feeling" awaits us in the evening with great bars, live music, and restaurants. Tour length approx. 305 kilometers.

Day 04: Williams - Sedona - Jerome - Phoenix/Scottsdale

Today we leave Williams in the southern direction. We ride through Sedona before the motorcycle hearts will beat high waves. The route via Jerome is one of the most beautiful

routes in the southwestern USA. Our destination for the day is the Phoenix/Scottsdale area. Tour length approx. 335 kilometers

#### Day 05: Phoenix/Scottsdale - Saguaro N.P. - Tucson

After breakfast, we head south first through Scottsdale. Later we ride through the Saguaro National Park, which is famous for its typical giant cacti, the Saguaros. We spend the night in the Tucson area (pronounced 'tu:san'). Depending on the arrival time at the hotel, a visit to the Pima Air & Space Museum, which claims to be the largest aviation museum, is possible for those interested in aviation (optional - takes some time). Tour length approx. 275 km.

#### Day 06: Tucson - Tombstone - Tucson

Today we visit the former boom western town of Tombstone. Tombstone was the scene of several famous gunfights around 1880. The most famous of these was at the O. K. Corral with the Earp brothers and Doc Holliday on October 26, 1881. Boot Hill Cemetery contains the graves of well-known and lesser-known victims of those times. Visit the shops and saloons of this town, ride in a carriage or see one of the gunfight re-enactments that take place there. In the afternoon we return to Tucson. Tour length approx. 280 km

#### Day 07: Tucson - Yuma

Today's stage is the longest of our tour. Due to the very good roads, we reach our destination quickly. Via Ajo and Gila Bend, we ride through the Sonora Desert, following the American/Mexican border area, again and again, reaching historic Yuma in the late afternoon. Overnight stay in Yuma. Tour length approx. 475 kilometers.

#### Day 08: Yuma - Joshua Tree N.P. - Twentynine Palms

Today we ride in the northern direction. First, we pass the Salton Sea and ride through the Joshua Tree National Park, which owes its name to a special type of cactus that reminds us of the figure of the Mormon preaching prophet Joshua. Our destination for the day is Twentynine Palms, right at the exit of the park. Tour length approx. 365 km.

#### Day 09: Twentynine Palms - Ridgecrest

Today's stage takes us through the Mojave Desert (pronounced: m:ha:vi). In Barstow, we will meet an old acquaintance, Route 66, where we will stop for lunch before heading to our overnight destination, Ridgecrest. Tour length approx. 325 km.

#### Day 10: Ridgecrest - Badwater Basin - Death Valley N.P.

Ridgecrest is also called the gateway to "Death Valley". Today we cruise the whole day through Death Valley. Of course, we will also visit the lowest point in North America (86 m above sea level), Badwater Basin, before we approach our destination for the day. Overnight stay in the park. Tour length approx. 255 km.

#### Day 11: Death Valley - Las Vegas - Motorcycle return

Today on the way back to Las Vegas we visit more interesting points in Death Valley. In the early afternoon, we

reach Las Vegas where we first return our bikes to the rental station. Afterward - transfer to the hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure. Please let us know if you would like to book a prolongation or an additional program in Sin City. Tour length approx. 270 kilometers.

#### Day 12: Return flight or individual extension

Today you either fly back or you start your individual prolongation. We can guarantee to put together a program that will totally inspire you. Just ask us at the time of booking.

- Itinerary/accommodations/services are subject to change.-

Countries	USA / United States of America
Category	Motorcycle Tour
Terrain	Onroad
Vehicle	motorcycle rent incl.
Tourguide / Coach	optional
Accommodation	Hotel / B&B or similar
Flight to / from	no, not incl. on request
Ferry	no, not incl.
Support vehicle (luggage/service)	yes
Level of difficulty	medium
Customer payment protection	yes
* PRICING	Minimal without optional extras, see pricing

## Pricing

Prices for the date 07.04.2024 - 18.04.2024:

per rider in shared twin/double room	€4,995.00
per pillion passenger in shared twin/double room (pillion passengers cannot book without an accompanying rider)	€3,395.00
per person single room	€5,995.00
Surcharge for Grand Touring class motorcycles	€220.00

## Included

Welcome drink

12 overnight stays in motels/hotels as per itinerary

Breakfast, if offered by the hotels (A frank word on the subject of breakfast in the USA: We would like to point out that breakfast as an included service in American or Canadian hotels is not a matter of course. There are all different varieties of breakfast. Some hotels offer coffee and some kind of roll, toast or a piece of cake, plus maybe some jam. If one is lucky, there is some fruit or dairy products. Some accommodations only offer coffee with a coffee maker in the room. Other hotels offer a varied breakfast. Many hotels decide in the middle of the season to launch this service, to abolish it or even to change it. There is generally everywhere a possibility to buy breakfast for little money. We write in the services "Partial breakfast", because we can not guarantee which hotel all of a sudden decides for it or against it).

11 days motorcycle rental for the indicated period (surcharge of 220 € per motorcycle ONLY for the Grand Touring Class)

All free miles

Legally required liability insurance

ZERO (fully comprehensive insurance)

Local taxes

Saddlebags and locks

TOP PROTECTION: Deductible 0.00 EUR (Explanation for the reduction of the deductible to 0,- USD: In case of damage you have no excess. The deductible in case of theft is a maximum of 1000 US \$ on site and must first be paid by the customer in case of damage (theft). After the tour, the damage will be submitted and after inspection, the costs will be reimbursed by our German insurer. Please note: in order to avoid much higher costs, you must present the motorcycle key and a police report at the rental station in the event of theft, among other things.)

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TOP PROTECTION: Flat tyre protection (Our Flat Tyre Protection includes 100% tyre repair/working time. Any recovery/towing costs are covered up to a maximum of 100 USD. Costs above this are to be paid by yourself! An additional emergency towing service coverage is included in your tour price. Therefore these additional costs are not applicable for you).

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Concierge on site for your extra wishes

Support vehicle during the entire motorcycle tour. Depending on the size of the group, an additional escort vehicle may be used.

Extensive information and road maps

Road atlas and guidebook per rider

## **Not included**

Flights

Airport transfers

Personal expenses

Travel cancellation costs, international health insurance

Petrol

Entrance fees for the attractions or National, State and Navajo Parks

Costs for optional excursions

Tips

Everything that is not specified under services

Additionally bookable services:

Flights (we will be happy to provide you with a daily offer)

On request, the motorcycle model warranty can be booked for an additional charge (105 EUR).

Surcharge of 220 € for the models in the Grand Touring Class.

Airport transfers - upon request (from 30 EUR per person and route). 50% discount/advantage if you book the flights through us.

## More details

Duration: 12 days

Total distance: 2950 km

Minimum number of participants: 12 persons (including pillion riders). We have not yet had to do this, but: if the minimum number of participants is not reached, we reserve the right to cancel the tour up to four weeks before the start of the tour. Alternatively, the tour can be carried out with only one tour guide in the escort vehicle in order to avoid a tour cancellation (if it is calculable for us).

Maximum number of participants: 18 persons (including pillion riders)

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Motorcycles on this tour:

Please note: Not all types are available at all motorcycle stations. As we are not the direct service provider for the motorcycles, we cannot guarantee for the "first motorcycle wish".

So that everything is clear in advance: Our partner requires the specification of a substitute desired machine mandatory at the time of booking and gives us a MOTORCYCLE CLASS GUARANTEE. This means that we will confirm your initial request (if available on the day of booking) and as an alternative a guarantee within the booked / requested category.

Class mix in booking is not allowed.

OPTIONAL MOTORCYCLE MODEL GUARANTEE: If the desired model is available, our partner will confirm the booking for the desired model, however, he reserves the right to offer an alternative model from the same category, if your desired model is not available. This can happen, for example, if the previous renter returned the motorcycle with damage. If choosing a specific model is very important to you, then this model will be guaranteed to you for an extra charge of 105 EUR per rental.

In the unlikely event that this service does not work out on the spot, you will get a motorcycle from the same category and the fee will immediately be returned to you.

Motorcycles at our partner - the motorcycles in the overview sorted by classes:

GRAND TOURING CLASS: These Harley-Davidson® models are best equipped for longer rides or multi-day trips. All Touring Class machines are equipped with very comfortable seat backs for the pillion passenger. These American motorcycles are very well balanced and easy to ride for an experienced rider. They offer plenty of space in the saddlebags and top case. Please note: the models of this class can be booked with an extra charge for the rider. You will find the exact amount in the inclusive services of your tour:

Harley-Davidson® Electra Glide® Ultra

Harley-Davidson® Street Glide® Grand Touring

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TOURING CLASS: These Harley-Davidson® models are also equipped for longer rides or multi-day trips. All Touring Class machines are equipped with comfortable seat backs for the passenger, but without the top case and touring seats. These American motorcycles are very well balanced and easy to ride for an experienced rider. They offer plenty of space in the saddlebags:

Harley-Davidson® Street Glide®

Harley-Davidson® Road Glide®

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CLASSIC CLASS: The quintessence of American bikes. These models have become famous through movies and enthusiasts around the world. Very easy to ride for people who are used to a smaller machine, sport or sport-touring at home. Almost all models available with pillion backrest and windscreen. Excellent for long rides and tours, weekend rides, day trips and city rides:

Harley-Davidson® Road King®

Harley-Davidson® Heritage Softail®

TRIKE CLASS: Some tours can also be ridden on a HARLEY DAVIDSON® TRI-GLIDE® ULTRA for an additional charge (depending on the station from 120 EUR/rental day). Appropriate experience is a basic requirement. Very limited availability of maximum 1-2 trikes per station. Not available everywhere. Please send us your request:

Harley-Davidson® TRI-Glide® Ultra

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POLARIS® SLINGSHOT® CLASS: This is the perfect alternative if you either do not have a motorcycle license or if you have no experience with an HD® TRI-Glide® Ultra motorcycle. You are allowed to ride a Polaris® Slingshot® with your car driving license. It has an H-shift with clutch, probably like your car at home. The Polaris® Slingshot® will still be categorized as a motorcycle. We ONLY get these types of vehicles in Las Vegas and they can be rented on almost all other guided tours from/to Las Vegas for an additional fee (starting at 135 EUR/rental day) except for "The American Dream" and "Silver & Golden State" tours. These vehicles are a lot of fun and can keep up with the motorcycles very well since they have approx. 173 HP.

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Important to know:

A valid credit card (VISA / MASTERCARD or American Express) is required for the motorcycle pick-up. Deposit: 100 USD. The deposit can only be paid by credit card.

Entry requirements: Please pay attention to the current applicable entry regulations in the USA.

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Info about flights and airport transfers:

Over time, the general travel conditions have changed. More individuality and flexibility is demanded. For us, this is not a problem, because being a small company we always have short decision-making processes and can adapt perfectly to different requirements. The airfare market has become quite confusing and you have to be very careful what and when you book your flights. Cheap can be very expensive - for example, if you have to cancel or change your flight. Another example - there are also direct flights from other airports than just Frankfurt, but on other days. For these reasons we have decided to take the flights and transfers out of the calculation for the Semi - guided tours. This gives you the following advantages:

- You are flexible when choosing the airline
- You are flexible when choosing your arrival and departure days
- You are flexible when choosing your stops
- You may be able to save some money

Flexibility and more freedom are great. But they have a disadvantage, for example if the trip has to be cancelled because of too few participants. Fortunately, this happens very rarely, but it can happen. What do you do now, if the booked cheap flights now have 100% cancellation costs and are also not rebookable? We have taken care of this and offer you the following solution:

- We take into account all your wishes
- You have NO costs in case that we have to cancel the trip

- We organize the airport transfers for you free of charge.

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An honest word among bikers:

With the next lines we would like to prepare you in the best way for the adventure of your life. You are either about to book one of the most beautiful types of travel, or you have already done so. The biggest difference between our type of holiday and a general package tour is that you are actively involved. Riding a motorcycle is one of the best things in life. At least for us bikers. The focus of the trip is motorcycling through unique landscapes. We have designed the programs in such a way that both riding fun and experience are present in sufficient quantity. Team spirit and adaptation in the group are absolutely necessary just as you need to bring a certain basic fitness and experience so that we can reach the destination together happy and healthy. If you have any doubts about your health, fitness or experience levels, please contact us beforehand. We want to achieve the best holiday experience for you too. The daily stages are on average 250 - 400 kilometers long. That sounds a lot, but it can't be compared to the same route in Europe, considering that there are often 80 kilometers without passing through a town and a whole day without traffic lights during the program. There are also hardly any traffic jams. We are rarely in the saddle for more than five hours throughout the day. We reach our daily destination between 4 - 6 p.m., depending on the season. Depending on the weather and daily temperatures, it can happen that we have to leave a little earlier or reach our daily destination later. However, if we want to experience a picture book sunset with full intention, it will be a little later.

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Insurance:

We generally recommend that you take out travel cancellation insurance.

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Upon request:

1/2 double rooms can be booked upon request. If a 1/2 double room is already available, we will confirm it to you in your booking. If the 1/2 double room is not available at that very moment, then we will confirm a single room first. As soon as we have a booking for the second half of the room, we will immediately credit you the single room surcharge.

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ESTA Notices:

German travelers still need approved ESTA to enter the country.

For travelers to the USA, registration via the electronic ESTA system has been mandatory since 20.01.2010. Officials at the immigration counters can refuse entry to the USA to passengers without ESTA authorization. Authorities recommend that travelers apply for entry authorization via the ESTA website <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta> at least 72 hours prior to departure. The ESTA fee of \$21 per ESTA application. ESTA authorization must be applied for online no later than 72 hours prior to travel. The ESTA authorization does not constitute a visa, visa-required travelers do not need an ESTA authorization, but a visa.