

SESSION BOLDLY



OCT. 16 – 21, 2018

CALIFORNIA

BIG SUR & THE CENTRAL COAST

Experience Seaside Monterey & Big Sur Backcountry

Spend a week soaking up California's stunning and rugged Central Coast. A highlight will be staying in the heart of Big Sur in a stylish cabin with the nature lover's mecca all around you. As you travel along Highway 1, enjoy views of seaside cliffs and the often-misty coastline. Session Boldly while enjoying hiking, kayaking, and nature at its best.

ITINERARY:

Tuesday October 16 — Carmel by the Sea

Fly into San Francisco Int'l Airport or Monterey Regional Airport and pick up your Ford Mustang Convertible, the perfect car to explore the Central California Coast. No activities are planned today in order to accommodate all travel schedules. It's under two hours from SFO to your first destination, or only 15 minutes from Monterey. Make your way to the quaint town of Carmel by the Sea known for its picturesque cottages and art galleries and check in at your centrally located boutique hotel. If you arrive with extra time today, head down to Point Lobos Nature Preserve to hike the rocky shoreline and hopefully spot some sea lions. You'll enjoy dinner tonight at the hottest table in town - an upscale California farm-to-table take on Mexican classics.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Five nights accommodation at the best local lodging
- All meals from dinner on arrival day until breakfast on departure day
- A rental car for the duration of the trip and fuel gift card
- Roundtrip airfare for two
(up to \$1000)
- A guidebook to Big Sur to inform your adventure there
- Three hour kayaking tour in Monterey Bay
- Admission to Monterey Bay Aquarium
- Founders Brewing swag, beer, goodies and surprises along the way!

Wednesday October 17 — To Big Sur

Enjoy a continental breakfast at your hotel before you hit the road today. Your 40-minute-drive down the iconic coastal Highway 1 will take you to the heart of Big Sur, one of the most beautiful regions in the United States and a bucket list topper for many nature lovers. A stylish cabin, complete with luxury linens and a fireplace, awaits you here. Along the way you'll stop to pick up supplies so you can cook your meals for the next couple days in the well appointed kitchen. You'll have gift certificates to two local general stores, where prepared food is available as well. And don't forget provisions to bring along for hiking and picnicking as you explore the park.

Thursday October 18 — Hiking Big Sur

Before your trip you'll receive a guidebook to Big Sur so you can decide how you want to spend your time here. Head across the street to the Roadhouse for complimentary donuts and coffee and then maybe today you'll head out for an epic hike, or sleep in, or read on the porch of your cabin and then hit the beach. There are countless trails, beaches, and even hot springs just waiting for you to discover them here in nature nirvana.

Friday October 19 — Monterey Bay

You'll depart Big Sur today, but take your time. You have until 2:00 pm to be 45 minutes up the coast in Monterey for an afternoon spent on a guided kayak tour of the famous Monterey Bay. Expect to see seals, sea lions, remarkable avian life and much more from the water as you explore the Pacific Coast. Spend the next two nights at a harbourside hotel in a room with a balcony overlooking the waves where you are welcome to eat your breakfast each morning. Tonight unwind over a fun, casual dinner at Melville Tavern, where Founders beer is served on tap.

Saturday October 20 — Coastal Nature

It's your last day in California, and where better to spend it than beside the Pacific Ocean. Today you'll visit the world famous Monterey Bay Aquarium. Here in this conservation-focused aquarium you'll have the opportunity to see penguins, otters, more fish than you can shake a stick at, sharks, coral reef habitats and the first kelp forest of its kind. Lunch will be included for you, too, at the aquarium's snazzy restaurant with panoramic Pacific views whenever you want to take a break from staring contests with sharks. In the late afternoon you'll head over to Hula's Island Grill, a beloved local tiki bar, to hit up happy hour. Enjoy some drinks and appetizers before your reservation at the over-the-top fine dining destination The Sardine Factory, where nothing has changed since 1968 and you will certainly enjoy toasting to the unforgettable time you've spent here on California's Central Coast.

Sunday October 21 — Departure

Breakfast is served at the hotel this morning. You'll depart from San Francisco Int'l or Monterey Regional Airport today according to your flight schedule. Safe travels, and Cheers!

