



DAY BY DAY PROGRAM

Route 66 USA

Los Angeles/Hollywood - Chicago

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On this and the following pages we give you a detailed overview of what to expect when traveling with www.route66usa.info on 20 day (19 nights) road tour that includes 15 days on a Harley-Davidson bike or in a car.

Day by day - general information

We start on time in the morning after breakfast, and will finish our destination around 5 PM in the afternoon if there are no unforeseen delays. We have hotels that are already booked so you can enjoy a nice meal and the swimmingpool if you like.

We ride approximately 4-7 hours a day on good roads with alot of great sites to see along the way. Older people have no problem with our trips as we will take breaks for a couple of days at certain places.

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Day 1 Arrival in L.A

For those who booked flights through us, there is public transport from the airport to the hotel, where we will stay for two nights. Those who arrange to fly on their own will have to get to the hotel themselves.

Upon arrival at the hotel, the tour guide will hold a short meeting and briefing about the program during the stay in Los Angeles. We also fill out the rental papers this evening. This saves us a lot of time on the day of departure.

Those who want to, can end the evening with dinner in the hotel restaurant or with an ice-cold refreshment in the bar.

Day 2

First day in Los Angeles

Today we visit both Santa Monica Beach and Venice Beach. You can choose to explore on your own or stay with the group.

If you don't want to follow along on our schedule, you are of course free to explore Los Angeles on your own.

In the afternoon and evening we relax by the pool at the hotel.

Day 3

Second day in Los Angeles

We start with breakfast and then we meet at a agreed location before a joint departure to Hollywood and the famous Walk of Fame. We also visit Mann's Chinese Theater.

We have about an hour to explore before the bus takes us to Universal City. Most participants choose to visit Universal Studios but you can also choose to just spend the day in Hollywood.

We are at Universal Studios till around 6 PM before we go for dinner at Hard Rock Cafe.

If you are not going to Universal Studios, you can of course explore Hollywood on your own, as long as you remember to tell the tour guide that you choose to go on your own so we are not waiting for you.

Day 4

Los Angeles, California - Las Vegas, Nevada

(Approximately 460km)

We all meet with the guide at the front desk for transportation to Eagle Riders rental.

- We do all paperwork for the bikes.
- We pick up the bikes and we will also have time to purchase accessories such as helmets, jackets etc.

The store employees go over everything you need to know about your bike.

After getting the bikes, it is time to embark on our Route 66 adventure by heading out of Los Angeles. We will ride on one of the highways to our first stop, where we check our equipment and then continue to Victorville and Barstow. We have lunch in Victorville.

We head on through the Mojave Nature Reserve and into Nevada on our way to Las Vegas, which is our final stop of the day and also one of the highlights of the tour.

Arriving in Las Vegas, we head to the Stratosphere Hotel and Casino, where we will have a short meeting and get our keys to the rooms.

It is up to you what you do in the evening. You can have dinner at the hotel, drinks by the poolhead or maybe head out on the main Vegas Strip. We will spend 3 nights in Las Vegas, so there is time to explore.

Day 5-6

2 days in Las Vegas

WHAT DO WE DO IN LAS VEGAS?

There is no daytime schedule for the group in Las Vegas, however we recommend a stroll down Las Vegas Boulevard (6 kilometers), with these highlights to explore:

- The Candlelight Wedding Chapel (where couples get married 24 hours a day)
- Fashion Show Mall with over 200 shops (A cheaper alternative is Premium Outlets Store, which can be reached within 5 minutes with a taxi)
- Treasure Island (Pirate show every 90 minutes)
- Wyatt Hotel (New exclusive hotel)

- Venetian Hotel (A piece of Italy in the middle of Vegas)
- Mirage Hotel (Tropical paradise with volcano eruptions at night)
- Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum
- Imperial Palace Hotel (Asian theme with huge veteran car collection)
- Alladin Hotel (Classic hotel where Elvis and Priscilla was married)
- MGM Grand Hotel (Iconic hotel and the largest in the U.S)

On the third day the tour leader can arrange a dinner in Las Vegas, if the participants are up for it.

The first night we arrive at Las Vegas, we will recommend that you head down to the "Old Las Vegas" There you will find Freemont Street (Golden Nugget), where they run a music video show in the ceiling.

There are a lot of performances in Las Vegas. You should research this beforehand and book tickets before you go on the tour. There are many singers and other performances in many different hotels and locations.

Day 7

Las Vegas, Nevada – Williams, Arizona

(Approximately 480km)

We set out in the morning, riding on Las Vegas Strip on our exit. We pass through Boulder City on our way to our first stop at the Hoover Dam. This will be one of a couple of stops we will make for photos during the day.

We will stop for lunch in Oatman, an old mining town in the mountains before heading eastward on Route 66 to Seligman. The city has only one street, so it's not particularly difficult to find..

In Seligman we visit Stagecoach 66 Motel which is owned and run by the older, lively Norwegian lady Anne Lise Finnbråten from Elverum in Norway. She has been living in the U.S more or less since she was 21 years old, and she is now in the age of 71. She took over the motel for about 8 years ago. Here we will be served up pizza along with live country music *only* for us. This is an unforgettable visit, and we stop here for about 45 minutes.

Day 7

Las Vegas, Nevada – Williams, Arizona

On the next part of the trip it might be a little cool as we are heading for higher altitudes. Make sure you have some warmer clothing just in case on the way to another of the highlights of the tour, which is Williams and Grand Canyon.

We will stay in Williams for 2 days, since this will be our base point for visiting the Grand Canyon.

- Laundry facilities available here -

Day 8

Williams – Grand Canyon – Williams

(approximately 200 km roundtrip)

We start with an early breakfast before a 1 hour drive to the Grand Canyon. First we will take the spectacular ride over Grand Canyon with a helicopter. Make sure to book this activity in advance when you book the trip. After the helicopter tour we will have a lunch next to the visitor center of the Grand Canyon. There is also a a Imax Theatre in connection to the visitor center, which is open both upon arrival and departure to Williams. The Imax film is also included if you book a helicopter tour.

After lunch we ride up to a viewpoint of the Grand Canyon. There is a photo session here so you can sit on your bike with the Grand Canyon in the background.

After the photo session, you will be able to go by yourself around Grand Canyon and back to the hotel. On the way back, you will also have time to visit the Imax Theatre.

When you go by yourself, we recommend to return to the hotel before it gets dark.

This evening in Williams we have the evening off to explore this really nice town. We recommend to have dinner at Cruise's Cafe.

Day 9

Williams, Arizona – Gallup, New Mexico

(approximately 440km)

We start early after breakfast, riding through Flagstaff to Winslow. In Winslow we stop at Standing On A Corner, which is featured in the hit song Take It Easy with the band Eagles. We ride into Joseph City on our way to Holbrook where we take a break and have lunch at Joe and Aggie's Dinner, built in 1943.

As we head on towards the Arizona state line, we visit Petrified Forest and Painted Desert National Park. We drive slowly through the park with stops to take photos. Painted Desert is one of the locations on the tour which has been featured in many western films

We cross the border into New Mexico and head to Zuni Pueblo and the private home of a Zuni indian family. We will be served homemade indian food and also local entertainment. We are the only tour operator that can offer this special experience.

Day 9

Williams, Arizona – Gallup, New Mexico

We will check in for the night at El Rancho Motel aside of El Rancho Hotel in Gallup. El Rancho Hotel has also been used for many old movies. We will stay the night in Gallup, and the evening can be spent at the 49'ers Lounge inside the El Rancho Hotel.

Today's Highlights:

- Petrified Forest
- Joe and Aggie's
- Winslow Arizona
- Zuni Indians.

- *Laundry facilities available here* -

Day 10

Gallup, New Mexico - Albuquerque, New Mexico

(approximately 260 km)

We start out in Gallup after breakfast, heading through Grants and towards the Acoma Sky City, the oldest city on the U.S.

We park at the visitor center and go on the guided tour, which last for about 40 mins. We also make some stops for photos and video at Acoma Sky City.

After we have finished our visit at Acoma Sky City, we have lunch at Route 66 Casino in Rio Puerco before heading on. Our main destination of the day is the city of Albuquerque. We will get there fairly early so we have time to hang out at the pool and enjoy some drinks.

Today's Highlights:

- Acoma Sky City

- *Laundry facilities available here* -

Day 11

Albuquerque - Santa Rosa, New Mexico

(approximately 330 km)

After breakfast we head to the town of Madrid. Most of the scenes for the movie "The Wild Hogs" was filmed in Madrid, and we will stop here for about an hour. Heading on, we will ride on beautiful Route 66 roads, passing by Santa Fe to the town of Pecos for a lunch. We will also make a stop in a small town called Villa Nueva.

Late in the afternoon we continue on to Curt's Cowboy Camp where we see how cattle are lassoed on horseback. You can try lassoing yourself if you like on lasso dummies. After we are served a real homemade cowboy dinner. After dinner we hang around together at the campfire together before heading back to the hotel.

Day 11

Albuquerque - Santa Rosa, New Mexico

Todays highlights:

- Villa Nueva
- Pecos- Madrid
- Curts Cowboy Camp - *Laundry facilities available here* -

Day 12

Santa Rosa, New Mexico – Amarillo, Texas

(approximately 209 km)

Heading out in the morning, we ride a bit on Interstate 40 before making a stop in Tucumcari at the Blue Swallow Motel. We cross the border to Texas by the ghost town of Glenrio, and here we will also cross over our first time zone.

Our first stop in Texas is Adrian (Midpoint of Route 66) where we take some photos and also have lunch. We have now come halfway on Route 66. After lunch we head to Amarillo where we stop at Cadillac Ranch and also visit Cavender's Boot City, the worlds largest boot shop. (Check the store online at <http://www.cavenders.com>)

We arrive early at our hotel in Amarillo, so there is time to relax by the pool with a cold drink before dinner at famous Big Texan Steak Ranch. This is the famous steakhouse where they serve steaks up to 72 ounces (2,04 kg).

Todays Highlights:

- Tucumcari
 - Midpoint
 - Cadillac Ranch
 - Cavenders Boot City
- *Laundry facilities available here* -

Day 13

Amarillo, Texas - Weatherford Oklahoma

(approximately 310 km)

After a big Texan breakfast, we ride across the border into the state of Oklahoma. We head to the small town of Erick to visit the most crazy redneck with the name of Harley. (There is no cost but a tip donation of 10 dollars is a nice gesture)

We continue towards Elk City and the National Route 66 Museum. Here we will also have lunch at a chinese buffet restaurant.

Last stop of the day is Weatherford we will enjoy some drinks, a nice swim in the pool and have dinner at a local restaurant nearby.

- *Laundry facilities available here* -

Todays Highlights:

- Harley
- Elk City
- Route 66 National Museum

Day 14

Weatherford – Claremore, Oklahoma

(approximately 330 km)

We continue our journey in Oklahoma, crossing over Pony Bridge as we head towards El Reno, Yukon and Bethany. We ride through Oklahoma city on our way to Arcadia, where we will visit Round Barn. We keep on riding on Route 66 to Stroud, where we will have a lunch at the legendary "Rock Cafe".

We will ride through Tulsa towards Claremore, which is our final stop of the day and where we will stay the night.

Todays highlights:

- Pony Bridge
- Round Barn
- Rock Cafe

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Day 15

Claremore, Oklahoma - St. Roberts, Missouri

(approximately 436 km)

Today we will go through 3 the states Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri. Our first stop of the day is Miami, Oklahoma before crossing the border into Kansas and the city of Galena where we visit Cars on the Route.

After entering into Missouri we will enjoy a lunch in the small town of Cartage. We will pass through many small towns on mostly old Route 66 roads as we onward on this very scenic route towards St Roberts.

We will check in at a hotel in St. Roberts in the evening, where we can jump in the pool and have a beer. We will also order pizza to the hotel.

Todays highlights:

- Garys Gay Parita (Gas Station)
- Cars on the Route, Galena Kansas
- Vintage Iron, Miami Oklahoma

- *Swimming pool is open seasonaly (on all hotels, put everywhere in day program)* -

- *Laundry facilities available here* -

Day 16

St. Roberts Missouri – Springfield, Illinois

(approximately 400 km)

After breakfast we drive through a lot of old towns as Devil's Elbow and Fanning Outpost. We make a stop at Jessie James Museum where we have a tour of the caves. We ride through a number of small towns and also through St Louis on our way to Springfield, Illinois.

Here we stay the night at the Route 66 Hotel and Conference. Here it is also possible to relax in the pool before dinner.

- *Laundry facilities available here* -

Day 17

Springfield – Chicago, Illinois

(approximately 330 km)

This is our last driving day so we cruise through a number of small Route 66 towns.

Towns we will go through:

- Lexington
- Pontiac
- Atlanta
- Lincoln
- Gardner
- Joliet
- Romeoville

Today's highlights:

- Polk a Dot Route 66 Restaurant
- Dwight
- Pontiac Museum

Now the driving is done and we will explore Chicago for those who wish.

Day 18

Chicago - Milwaukee Harley Davidson Museum

(approximately 260 km)

We ride on a roundtrip to Milwaukee before turning in the bikes at Eagle Riders in Chicago.

We now congratulate you for now having **driven across the US more than 6000 km through 10 States.**

Day 19

What we will do for the day in Chicago

After breakfast (*included in the "Food and entertainment"*), we will go downtown to walk around. There is transport from the hotel.

Suggestions of places we can visit:

- Willis Tower
 - Millennium Park
 - Michigan Ave
 - Tribune Tower
 - Chicago River
- *Wear good shoes* -

Day 20

Departure Day

Shuttle from the hotel to O'Hare International Airport.

We congratulate to your successful Route 66 adventure. We hope you have had a great trip and and wish you a safe trip back home!
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