

Joshua Tree Classic Rock

Area Description: Joshua Tree National Park is a world class climbing destination and attracts climbers from all over the globe each year. From its beautiful golden sunsets to the rocks that breakup the desert landscape covered in Joshua Trees it is a mystical climbing venue perfect for any holiday! J-Tree is steeped in climbing history and has been the 'off season' training retreat for many top climbers such as John Long, Lynn Hill and John Bachar to name a few. Joshua Tree is a must do area on any climbers tick list.

Who:

Climbers with a minimum experience of climbing grade 5 indoors. All who desire a climbing adventure, learning experience, and fantastic holiday!

The Joshua Tree Classic Rock holiday is suitable for climbers of all experience levels. Student to Instructor ratios do not exceed 3:1, enabling parties to experience a range of climbing activities: multipitch to instruction.

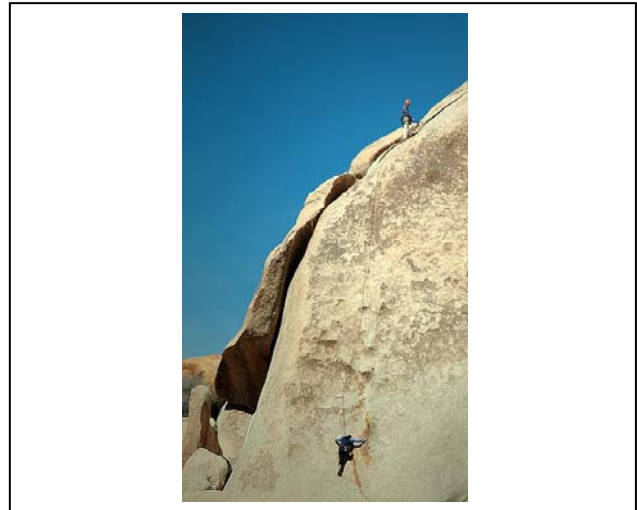
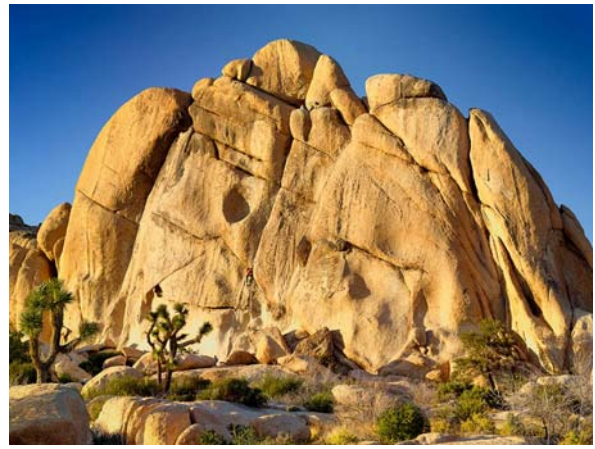
Your guides are trained and certified by the American Mountain Guides Association and have the perfect blend of experience and training to make your visit as productive as you'd like it to be.

Trip Highlights include:

- Superb climbing of every grade in this world famous landmark in the high desert of the Mojave
- Top instruction to improve your climbing skills
- Incredible picturesque climbing every day!
- World Class bouldering

What's included:

- Capacious van transports guests from Palm Springs Airport California (PSP)
- All inclusive lodging with all meals prepared
- All safety equipment
- A Seven Day Itinerary instructed by AMG certified instructors at a 1:3 ratio



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Itinerary

Rock and Sun America “Joshua Tree Classic Rock” Schedule:

Day Zero

- 12 noon onwards Meet at Palm Springs Airport (PSP) California where guests will be picked up
- All flights should arrive as close to 12 noon as possible
- 40 minutes transport to Joshua Tree National Park
- Organize campsite, settle in
- 6.30pm Dinner
- Evening briefing: ‘Safety talk’; climbing in a foreign country, expectations, and our group. Equipment use, tie-in, communication, traditional climbing: the craft & culture.

Day One – Intro, Single Pitch around the Hidden Valley

- 7am Breakfast
- 8am Lunch and Equipment prep
- 8.30am Single pitch traditional environment intro: belay lesson, observe lead belay
- Climbing Quartz monzonite; Movement Lesson and discussions
- Single Pitch Climbs within walking distance of our campground (5.5-5.12)
- 6.30pm Dinner
- 8pm Evening Session/Presentation: “Placing and removing traditional protection and basic anchoring systems. Looking at the vastly different approaches between the UK and USA.
- 845pm Day Two Briefing and Prep

Day Two- Climbing Multipitch Climbing at Real Hidden Valley

- 7am Breakfast
- 8am Lunch and Equipment Prep
- 8.30am Multi Pitch Climbing I: Ground School
- 10am Multi Pitch Climbing II: Two Pitches
- 1230pm Lunch
- 130pm Multipitch Climbs, such as **‘Fothog’** 5.7 (S), 3pitch, **‘Western Saga’** 5.9 (HVS), 3pitch
- 600pm Dinner in town at local climbing hangout, ‘Crossroads Cafe’
- 700pm Evening Session: “Advanced anchoring systems for multipitch climbing”
- 745pm Day 3 Briefing

Day Three- Hemmingway Buttress

- 7am Breakfast
- 8am Lunch and Equipment prep
- 8.30am Various 2 pitch classic routes at Hemingway Buttress, Dairy Queen Wall and Hidden Garden. Single and two pitch climbs graded 5.6 (S) through to 5.10 (E2, 5c) available. All classics!!
- Lesson-Abseiling (Rappelling) descents in the multipitch environment.
- 630pm Dinner
- 745pm Brief Day 4
- 815pm Campfire

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Day Four- Atlantis Wall-Single Pitch Leading

- 7am Breakfast
- 8am Lunch and Equipment prep
- 8.30am Traditional lead climbing:
 - Review of traditional lead strategies, gear racking, placements, anchor building, climb selection, guide book interpretation, grading
 - Mock leading with instructor alongside; coaching, rope work, climbing relaxed
 - Review of video footage with feedback
- 6pm Dinner at campsite

Day Five- Saddle Rock-Multi pitch Classics

- 7am Breakfast
- 8am Lunch and Equipment Prep
- 830am Saddle Rock for super classics such as ***'Walk on the Wild Side'*** 5.7 (S) 4 pitch, ***'Right On'*** 5.5 (VD) 5 pitch
- 630pm Dinner

Day Six- Lost Horse Wall

- 7am Breakfast
- 8am Lunch and Equipment Prep
- 830am Multi pitch climbs such as ***'The Swift'*** 5.7 (S) 4 pitch, ***'Dappled Mare'*** 5.8+ (HVS, 5a) 4 pitch, ***'Bird on a Wire'*** 5.10a (E1, 5c) 4 pitch
- 630pm Closing Dinner
- 8pm Evening Session: Joshua Tree Classic Rock Greatest Hits Slideshow

Day Seven – Departures

- 8am Breakfast
- Collect Equipment
- 9am Closing Circle
- 930am Leave for Airport
- All airport flights should be scheduled after 12pm