

CENTRAL COAST BY RAIL

FEATURING *COAST STARLIGHT* TRAIN RIDE, HEARST CASTLE, SOLVANG & CAMBRIA

NOVEMBER 7-9, 2012 ~ 3 DAY TOUR



TOUR PACE *Leisurely* *On the Go*
ACTIVITY LEVEL *Low* *High*

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Stay two nights (with a fireplace in your room) in a charming thatched-roof property just steps from Cambria's Moonstone Beach
- ◆ Ride along California's coast aboard Amtrak's *Coast Starlight* train with the ocean and farmland as gorgeous backdrops
- ◆ Sightseeing along Pacific Coast Highway including San Simeon State Beach, the elephant seals at Piedras Blancas, and ample time to shop in the quaint village of Cambria, home to many artists' galleries and one-of-a-kind boutiques
- ◆ Visit a local family farm for a guided, behind-the-scenes tour
- ◆ Optional guided tours of Hearst Castle available

FINE HOTELS / GREAT LOCATIONS

- ◆ Nights 1-2 **Fogcatcher Inn**
Cambria, CA

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ◆ 2 Nights deluxe hotel accommodations
- ◆ 3 Meals – 1 dinner and 2 breakfasts
- ◆ Services of a professional tour director
- ◆ Comprehensive sightseeing
- ◆ Admissions per itinerary
- ◆ Transportation on a deluxe motorcoach
- ◆ Luggage handling throughout the tour
- ◆ Applicable taxes, fees and most gratuities

PER PERSON PRICES

Double \$439 / Single \$579 • Deposit \$100

Travel Protection/Cancellation Plan

\$28 Double occupancy / \$40 Single occupancy



~DAY BY DAY ITINERARY~

One of our all-time most popular tours is offered at what is normally a delightful time of year in this region. Embark on a relaxing three-day getaway to explore California's Central Coast while enjoying a stay at a quaint inn on the beach along Cambria's Moonstone Beach. We'll travel by train, explore the backroads and keep a relaxed pace as we explore the region and get a first-hand look at what makes the California Coast so special.



◆DAY 1 ~ COASTAL TRAIN RIDE◆

This morning we set out from our departure points for the tranquility of Cambria and California's Central Coast. We'll travel by motorcoach to Oxnard to board **Amtrak's *Coast Starlight***. Here begins our train adventure as you leave your luggage on the motorcoach and board the train for a beautiful ride along the long stretch of coastline not visible from the highway. You are free to move around the train, get lunch from the snack bar or sit in the dining car. Check out the view from the sightseeing dome viewing car or just relax in your assigned seat. Upon our arrival in San Luis Obispo, our coach will be waiting to take us the rest of the way to the quaint seaside village of **Cambria**. Cambria is an artist's colony nestled in a forest of towering Monterey Pines. Cambria has a leisurely pace and country village atmosphere reminiscent of a small town. We will spend the next two nights at a quaint thatched-roof inn (with fireplaces in every room) that is located on a spectacular stretch of rugged coastline and just steps away from **Moonstone Beach**, offering an extraordinary array of tide pools and walk-able boardwalks. This evening, meet your fellow travelers at an included dinner at a local favorite. (Dinner)



◆DAY 2 ~ CAMBRIA, HEARST CASTLE◆

Today we will tour the seaside community of Cambria and the surrounding coast area and make a visit to Hearst's spectacular castle. Following an included breakfast we'll take a ride along the ocean with frequent stops to take pictures and soak in the fabulous vistas. An included stop at San Simeon State Beach and further north we'll visit the elephant seals along the coastline at **Piedras Blancas**. Time for lunch and shopping in the quaint village of Cambria. This afternoon, take an optional guided tour of **Hearst Castle**, once the hilltop estate of newspaper publisher, film producer and art collector William Randolph Hearst. You will have the opportunity to investigate the lavish grounds and buildings designed by architect Julia Morgan during her 28 year association with Mr. Hearst. You may choose from one of four tours that highlight different parts of the estate. This evening we'll travel to San Luis Obispo and take part in the weekly **Farmers' Market & Street Fair** featuring fresh produce for sale, barbecue and other food vendors and entertainment. (Breakfast)



RESERVATIONS



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PAYMENT INFORMATION

- ◆ Deposit due at time of booking
- ◆ Final payment due 45 days prior to departure
- ◆ All payments should be sent to the address above

TRAVEL PROTECTION / CANCELLATION

Travel protection/cancellation insurance is highly recommended for all multi-day tours. If travel protection has not been purchased, only recoverable funds less a cancellation charge of \$50 will be reimbursed once payment has been made. Amount of reimbursement depends on the date of cancellation.

If travel protection has been purchased and you must cancel prior to departure or leave the tour enroute for a reason approved by the insurance company, you will receive a full refund (or partial if enroute), minus the cost of the premium. Other benefits of travel protection include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, and lost/stolen/damaged luggage. Pre-existing medical conditions are only covered if protection is purchased at the time of deposit. See travel protection plan for full details and exclusions.

DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Join this tour at one of the following locations:

- ◆ Fountain Valley - Good Times Travel office
 - ◆ Glendale/Pasadena area
 - ◆ Laguna Hills Mall
- ◆ Long Beach - City College
- ◆ Seal Beach Leisure World

Departure Time: 7 – 9 a.m.

Return Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Time depends on location

Exact times are provided 2 weeks prior to departure

ACTIVITY LEVEL / WALKING

Tour pacing and physical demands (walking/stairs, etc.) varies by each tour however every tour involves some walking and climbing stairs to enter/exit the motorcoach. On any tour you may stay on the motorcoach should you not wish to disembark at a specific location.

FURTHER INFORMATION / TERMS

See our tour catalog or goodtimestravel.com

◆ DAY 3 - SOLVANG, JOURNEY HOME ◆

Following an included breakfast, our morning departure will provide us with plenty of time to make our way along the backroads of the Central Coast as we make our way home. We'll stop along the way and enjoy a guided, behind-the-scenes tour of a family farm. This afternoon time for lunch and browsing in **Solvang**, America's famous "Little Denmark." Quaint old-world architectural styles blend with flower-lined streets to create a very walk-able village. Wonderful shops offer imported European wares and collectibles and the delicious bakeries and restaurants are a delight. Arriving at our drop-off points this evening, we'll all relish in the memories of our time on the beautiful California Central Coast. (Breakfast)



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