



Highlights of the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta

An Exclusive Learning Adventure for Members of the Ben Ali Shrine

OCTOBER 12-16, 2017

At a Glance:

Experience the best of the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta, study the history of hot-air ballooning and feel the excitement of the Special Shape Rodeo or Mass Ascension during three visits to the Balloon Park. Learn how balloons are made, how they are inflated and what pilots need to know to fly them. Discover why Albuquerque is such a perfect place for this world's premier ballooning event. Optional Balloon Ride (added cost).

Best of all, you'll ...

- Watch the pilots and their crews prepare huge and intricately constructed balloons for inflation and flight.
- See a fireworks presentation and balloon entries from countries around the world.
- Learn about the history and science of ballooning at the Anderson-Abruzzo International Balloon Museum

Lodging:

Nativo Lodge

4 nights  Albuquerque

Boutique hotel in north Albuquerque close to Balloon Fiesta Park, only a few miles from Old Town, Indian Pueblo Culture Center and many other area attractions.

DAY 1 Thursday, Oct. 12
Check-in, Registration, Orientation, Welcome Dinner

DAY 2 Friday, Oct. 13
National Hispanic Cultural Center, Old Town, Ballooning Talk

DAY 3 Saturday, Oct. 14
Optional Balloon Ride, Balloon Fiesta, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, Balloon Glow

DAY 4 Sunday, Oct. 15
Balloon Fiesta, Balloon Museum, Petroglyph National Monument

DAY 5 Monday, Oct. 16
Program Concludes After Breakfast

ACTIVITY LEVEL: **MODERATE**

Walking up to one mile over uneven grass and paved surfaces in the dark at Balloon Fiesta Park; standing up to one hour on field trips. Elevations of 5,300 feet.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 4 nights of accommodations
- 8 meals: 2 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners
- 2 Expert-led lectures
- 8 Field trips
- Hands-on experience
- Group travel and transfers throughout the program
- A Group Leader to accompany you throughout the program to handle all logistics
- Modest gratuities, taxes and destination fees
- The Road Scholar Travel Protection Plan, including 24-hour assistance for medical and other emergencies

How To Register:

Please call Road Scholar toll free at **(800) 322-5315** and reference **Program #10427, "Highlights of the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta,"** starting on Thursday, October 12, 2017 and say that you are a member of the Ben Ali Shrine.

Program Price:

Double Occupancy: \$1,199

Single Occupancy: \$1,607

