

# Hearst Castle at Christmas Time

December 17–19, 2023 3 Days & 2 Nights



\$799.00 Per Person, Double Occupancy
\$999.00 Single Occupancy

## Itinerary

**Day 1** Depart for the Central Coast of California with the Christmas Spirit in every place we visit. Our first stop will be downtown **Santa Barbara**, where we can stretch our legs while seeing the town decorated for the holidays. Enjoy a welcome dinner where you meet your fellow travelers. Then continue to our hotel for the next two nights will be at the SpringHill Suites Paso Robles Atascadero. D

**Day 2** Today spend some time exploring the northern coast of California. As we travel along the coast, see the rich vegetative hills meet the sea with scenic grandeur, allowing us to admire the natural beauty and wildlife. We spend time in the unique town of Cambria to enjoy the festive ambiance as the village celebrates the season. Then it's off to explore **CHRISTMAS AT HEARST CASTLE**. This was one of William Randolph Hearst's favorite holidays. The enchanted Holiday Twilight Tour will show you the setting by which Hearst entertained his guests on a grand scale. This tour will take visitors through the grounds, Casa del Mar guest house, and the grand social rooms on the ground floor of Casa Grande, glittering with holiday

## Sightseeing Highlights:

- \* Coastal California
- \* Santa Barbara
- \* Cambria
- \* Solvang
- \* Paso Robles
- \* San Simeon



#### **Tour Price Includes:**

- \* Deluxe Motorcoach
- Cambria Christmas Market
- \* Christmastime Tour of Hearst Castle
- \* Luggage handling
- Meals: 2 Breakfasts
   1 Dinner
- Accommodations:
   Springhill Suites Paso Robles Atascadero



cheer. Each room contains lavish decorations of hand-made garlands, brilliant red poinsettias, and two18-foot, fully decorated Christmas trees with lights and traditional ornaments. Our evening is a holiday favorite as we visit a German themed **Cambria Christmas Market**. This traditional Christmas market has over 2 million lights, live music, and food and craft vendors. B

**Day 3** We leave our hotel and travel south until we arrive in **Solvang**. "The Danish Capital of America" is fully decorated for their Winterfest Celebration. You will have time to shop and have lunch on your own. As we head home with all the sights and sounds of this tour, you will surely have the Spirit of Christmas in your heart. B

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**DEPOSIT: \$200 per person** is required to hold your reservation.

## Final Payment is due November 7, 2023.

## CANCELLATION: No refund after November 7, 2023.

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**NOTE:** The HEARST CASTLE TOUR is 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours long and 190 steps and a 2/3 mile walk. Canes are acceptable on the tour. Tour is subject to change by the California State Parks department. Special tour reservations are needed for wheel chairs and walkers based on a first come first served basis. Please call Friendly Excursions, prior to your final payment, to make these arrangements. (Space is very limited).

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