



Second Annual Fall Mesa Verde National Park Tour
With Dr. Andrew Gulliford, Professor of History and Environmental
Studies, Fort Lewis College
And
Peter Pino, former Governor of the Pueblo of Zia, Tribal Council Member
and Traditional Spiritual Leader

Mesa Verde National Park
September 28 – October 1, 2018
Tour Description and Itinerary

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Join Dr. Andrew Gulliford, Professor of History and Environmental Studies at Fort Lewis College, and Peter Pino, former Governor of the Pueblo of Zia, Tribal Council Member and traditional spiritual leader, who will lead a four-day tour of Mesa Verde National Park. Mesa Verde National Park, one of 12 original UNESCO World Heritage sites, is home to thousands of ancient artifacts and remnants of Ancestral Puebloan tribes. During this four-day tour, you will visit iconic cliff dwellings and learn about the history of Ancestral Puebloans who lived at Mesa Verde. The tour will include tours of some of Mesa Verde's most iconic sites with Dr. Gulliford and Mr. Pino. Lodging (based on double-occupancy), six meals and an exclusive reception at the Superintendent's home in the Park. Transportation to the park, park entrance fees and select meals will be the responsibility of tour participants.

Cost: \$1,075/\$975 Members
Single Supplement: \$65

Itinerary

Friday, September 28, 2018

3:00 – 5:00 pm

Guest arrive and check in at Far View Lodge. Janet McFarland Burlile, Mesa Verde Foundation Executive Director, will greet guests in the lobby and provide tour packet.

- 6:00 – 7:30 pm Group dinner at the Metate Room, Far View Lodge
- 7:30 – 8:30 pm Slide show, history talk and group meeting in
“Library” – lower level of Metate Room, Far View
Lodge

Saturday, September 29, 2018

- 8:00 – 9:00 am Breakfast on your own with breakfast ticket at Far View
Terrace Cafeteria. Drive to breakfast and group will
carpool/caravan to tour destination
- 9:00 am-noon Tour Chapin Mesa and Ruins Road
- Noon – 1:00 pm Lunch on your own with lunch ticket at Spruce Tree
Terrace
- 1:00-5:00 pm Visit Chapin Mesa Archeological Museum and view of
Spruce Tree House. See dioramas and both original and
updated exhibits. Optional: Petroglyph Point trail hike –
2.4 miles. Moderate hike.
- 5:30 – 7:00 pm Wine and cheese reception at Quarters 1 (Historic
Superintendent’s Home). Park Service personnel consider
it one of the finest houses and views in the National Park
System. Dr. Gulliford will be happy to sign copies of his
- 7:00 pm Dinner on your own (not included in package).
Reservations recommended for the Metate Room

Sunday, September 30, 2018

- 8:00 – 9:00 am Breakfast on your own with breakfast ticket at Far View
Terrace Cafeteria. Drive to breakfast and group will
carpool/caravan to tour destination. Pick up box lunch for
picnic lunch.
- 9:00 am – noon **Option1** - Balcony House Tour – 10:00 am
Hike includes climbing long ladder and crawling through
short tunnels.

Option 2 – Andy Gulliford will take group to historic visitor’s center for short talk and Far View Ruins walking tour.

12:15 – 1:30 pm Meet at Far View Terrace to drive as a group to Wetherill Mesa for provided picnic lunch.

1:30 – 5:00 pm Wetherill Mesa Tour with hike into Step House with Dr. Andy Gulliford and Peter Pino. Car caravan.

5:30 Dinner on your own (not included in the package). Recommend reservations at the Metate Room.

Monday, October 1, 2018

8:00 – 9:00 am Breakfast on your own with breakfast ticket at Far View Terrace Cafeteria. Pick up box lunch.

9:00 am Check out of Far View Lodge

9:30-11:00 am Car caravan to US Highway 160. Dr. Gulliford and Mr. Pino will interpret historic and environmental stops along the way, including Park Point Overlook, Fire Lookout and original knife-edge road into the park. Behind-the-scenes tours of new collections facility at Mesa Verde National Park Visitors Center.

11:00 am Guests depart the park

Weather can be variable. Light coat and rain gear are recommended. Don’t forget to pack layers, binoculars, cameras, hiking shoes or comfortable walking shoes.

To reserve your space, contact Janet McFarland Burlile, Executive Director, at janet@mesaverdefoundation.org and 303-321-3021. A non-refundable deposit of 50% of the cost of the tour is due upon signing up for the tour. The balance is due two weeks prior to departure (September 14, 2018).