# 9 DAYS – Best of Houston (SPACE CAMP)



# **Day 01- Arrive in Houston**

Discover Houston, the largest city in Texas. Oil, cotton and real estate are the backbone of Houston, a proud and wealthy metropolis situated on a vast plain just 50 miles north of the Gulf of Mexico. Littered with glittering skyscrapers and endowed with many great galleries, museums and performing arts centers, Houston is as much a cultural center as an economic one. Check into hotel upon arrival. (Meals: D)



## Day 02 - Visit Johnson Space Center Camp Program (Optional)

Design, Build, & Launch a Rocket - Teams will engineer a rocket of their own design by deciding which rocket parts are needed and what they can afford given their project budget. Rockets will be launched at NASA's Johnson Space Center (weather permitting). Train like astronauts in this exciting session! You will participate in underwater training exercises using SCUBA gear in a local indoor pool. (Meals: B, D)



# <u>Day 03- Visit Johnson Space Center Camp Program (Optional)</u>

Engineer a Rover Lander - Given a set of parameters and tasks each rover must accomplish on Mars, students must decide how to create a robotic rover. They start with a price list for supplies and given varying criteria, students design, build and test their rover. Teams put their rovers to the test on a Martian landscape attempting to locate and retrieve Martian rocks.(Meals: B, D)



## **Day 04-Visit Johnson Space Center Camp Program (Optional)**

NASA Tours - Several tours are given at Johnson Space Center, highlighting both Mars and project related themes. See historic Mission Control Centers and the Space Station Mock-up Facility, with its life-sized models of the International Space Station. Visit the Neutral Buoyancy Laboratory where astronauts train for Extravehicular

**B**, **D**)



#### Day 05- Visit Johnson Space Center Camp Program (Optional)

Talk to NASA Experts - Hear presentations by NASA personnel who are really making space exploration happen. Topics may include: Space Exploration, Rocket Propulsion, Mission Control,

the International Space Station, Space Shuttle, Robotics, Space Suit Design or Space Physiology.(**Meals: B, D**)



# <u>Day 06 - Visit Johnson Space Center Camp Program (Optional)-</u> Washington D.C.

Lofting Into Space - Given information about specific topics, all groups must present the necessary information to accomplish their rocket, rover, landing and lofting projects. Since teams do not have the same information, communication is critical! Afterwards fly to Washington D.C., capital of the United States of America and a Guide to the Historic Neighborhoods and Monuments. Check into the hotel upon arrival. (Meals: B, D)



## Day 07 - Washington - New York

After breakfast, explore the capital city of US. See the White House, Lincoln Memorial, Supreme Court, the Capitol Building, the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, Union Station, World War II Memorial Building, Pentagon building and Washington Monument. Later depart to the "Big Apple," the "City That Never Sleeps"—New York is a city of superlatives: America's biggest; its most exciting; its business and cultural capitals; the nation's trendsetter. Check-into the hotel upon arrival. (Meals: B, D)



#### Day 08 -New York

After breakfast, proceed for a City tour of New York. The sightseeing will include USA's famous landmark "Statue of Liberty". We will take a ferry ride to Liberty Island for a spectacular view of the New York City Skyline. Next we experience the view of a lifetime from the 86<sup>th</sup> floor of the Empire State Building. Later in the day we will see Rockefeller Center, Wall Street, Ground Zero and Central Park, Times Square, United Nations and Trump Tower. Later enjoy dinner. (Meals: B, D)



Day 09 - Departure from New York

After breakfast, proceed to the airport to board the flight for your next destination. (Meals: B)

# PACKAGE COST & DETAILS

Category	MIN. 25pax (package cost based on USD per person)				
	Double	Triple	Single	Quad	
Moderate	1649	1561	2177	1473	

### **Inclusions:**

- Hotel Accommodations
- Breakfast, 8 Dinners
- Airport- Hotel-Airport Transfers
- Return Johnson Space Center transfers
- Guided City Tour: Washington, New York
- Intercity Surface Transfers: WAS-NYC
- Entrance Tickets: Statue of Liberty,
   Empire State Building, Smithsonian Air &
   Space Museum,
- All Taxes
- 01 FOC for Tour Leader

## **Exclusions:**

- International Airfare
- Porterage
- NASA's Johnson Space Center Camp = USD 799.00 pp (Group size < 20), USD 699.00 pp (Group size 20+), Ages 14-18
- VUSA Air Tickets baggage charges

#### **HOTELS:**

City	Nts.	Moderate Hotels OR SIMILAR		
HOU	05	Hotel Hampton Inn / Fairfield Inn		
WAS	01	Hotel Wingate Inn / Comfort Inn		
NYC	02	Hotel Holiday Inn NJ / Laquinta Inn NJ		

# **BASIC INFORMATION:**

Hotels	Transfer	Meal
Check in time: 4pm / Check out	All on PVT basis	Breakfast: As provided by Hotel.
time: 11am		
Breakfast time: 6:30 Am to 9:30 Am		Lunch: Indian / International / Packed Lunch
Incidental Charges Must be paid by		Dinner: Indian (as per the group request)
clients		

#### **Camp Details:**

- Hands-on, engineering-based activities.
- Behind-the-scenes access to "the real thing" including exciting tours of actual astronaut training and work facilities, such as NASA Johnson Space Center, Rocket Park and the Neutral Buoyancy Laboratory.
- Interactive, project-based learning that includes sustainable habitat construction, strategic scientific
  planning and investigations, underwater "astronaut training," collaborative teaming and global awareness
  development.
- Daily lunch served at Space Center Houston in the Zero-G Diner.
- Brunch with an Astronaut.
- Graduation ceremony and certificates

#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS:**

- The above cost is based on minimum 25pax travelling together. Surcharges may apply for less no. of pax.
- The tour will be operated subject to min. 25paying passengers. In the event that group size is less, you will be given an option of travelling another departure date.
- Booking Deposit Fees: USD 500.00 per person
- Cancellation Policy- 30days & above- Full refund 29-15 days- 50% Refund 14-0 days- 0% Refund
- Surcharges apply for any trade fair/special event in city.
- Child age  $\rightarrow$  2-9 years. Above 9 years is considered as an adult.
- We reserve the right to use alternative accommodation, sightseeing tours and transfer of equal or higher standers.
- No refunds either in part or full will be made for any unused services in above package like ground transportation, meals, accommodation, sightseeing tours.
- Payment for the tour must be made as per the invoice & payment terms & conditions.
- The mandatory charge of \$3 per person, daily towards driver's tips are to be handed over to the tour escort on DAY 1. This cannot be pre-paid.
- The Incidental charges are not included: for instance: Porterage, tips, laundry, telephone calls, alcohol/non-alcoholic beverages.
- No refund will be issued for any missed portions of the tour.
- Early check-In is not guaranteed. Every effort will be made for passengers coming in early but this is at the hotel's discretion & availability.
- Passengers requiring Wheelchair assistance will have to make their own arrangements.
- Flight details are required a minimum of 10 days prior to departure along with cell phone number in order to provide excellent service towards passenger airport pick-ups.
- Please note that some hotels require guests to give their Credit card/cash towards incidentals. No charges are levied unless guests use services not included in the package.