



Itinerary

Do you like Christmas lights? Welcome to the West's Holiday tradition and one of Santa's best kept secrets. The Pecos River in Carlsbad, NM, is transformed into a fairyland of twinkling holiday lights by over 100 homeowners that live along the river. Christmas on the Pecos has been voted as a "Top 100 Must See Event" in the U.S. by the American Bus Association.

DAY 1: Lighting the West! This is your day to make friends as the miles fly by. After lunch in Sonora sit back, watch as the landscape changes and the sun dance between the mountains. Overnight in Midland plus "belly up" to a bodacious "Welcome Buffet". (D)

DAY 2: Lunch at the Mansion. This morning's ride takes you to Midland, TX, for **Christmas at the Mansion**, held at the Museum of the Southwest. Now in its 11th year, this holiday extravaganza features the "Southwest Express" train exhibit, carolers, decorated holiday displays and Christmas Shop. Enjoy a fabulous gourmet lunch with musical entertainment.

In the afternoon your Christmas trip continues to New Mexico where you'll bunk two festive nights at the **B/W Steven's Inn** Carlsbad. Then enjoy a wonderful holiday meal. (B,D)

DAY 3: Boating the Pecos. After a leisurely morning, you'll visit Maggie at the **Living Desert Zoo and Gardens State Park**. Maggie is a black bear who has learned to paint with her paws in watercolor. You won't be able to see her at the easel, but you can buy one of her paintings as a Christmas gift and other animals at the living museum.

This afternoon your local guide will show you some of Carlsbad's historic sites including the log flume, where the Pecos crosses over itself.

Tonight your Christmas fantasy begins as you board a pontoon boat located at the turn-of-the-century styled Pecos River Village. It has been transformed into a wonderland of sparkling lights and delights.

The 16th annual **Christmas on**

The Western nights are bright with lights, music and Christmas Best!

Christmas on the Pecos



December 10-13, 2012

Christmas on the Pecos

- Roomy Rockport Tours' coach with all amenities.
- 3-nts lodging (includes 2nts in Carlsbad, NM).
- 7 meals (3 breakfasts, "Lunch at the Mansion" & 3 dinners).
- **Christmas on the Pecos Boat Ride.**
- **Christmas at the Mansion.**
- Miss Cayce's Christmas Store.
- Living Desert Zoo & Gardens State Park.
- Hotel taxes & luggage handling: 1 bag per person.
- Escorted by Rockport Tours.

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pp/dbl,
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the Pecos boasts millions of holiday lights on the 3-1/2 mile river route. Homeowners spend hundreds of hours each year to make sure this project is a success. The result is magic. The Pecos River glows with illumination and music!

You can also wander through a gallery full of gifts created by local artists and enjoy holiday refreshments at the Pecos River Vil-

lage before and after your boat ride. (B,D)

DAY 4: Home. After breakfast it's time to make tracks for home. But, just when you think that your tour has ended, well, we've got a surprise for you on the way home. It's our way of saying, Merry Christmas!

You'll arrive home in time for the evening news. (B)

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