



From Ana about her “Step-on” guided tours...

Mission

All of my programs are designed to connect visitors to this incredible ecosystem. I strive to provide the personalized experience you deserve and the joyful memories you hope to bring back from your visit. By remaining a small company with one guide, I am able to maintain an unparalleled level of quality and detail that simply cannot be provided by larger growth-oriented companies. I see each tour, not as an opportunity to grow the bottom line, but as an opportunity to share the beauty and appreciation of our National Parks in an entertaining, educational, and memorable way.

Step-on Guide

I am proud to recently concentrate on my “Step-on” guided services, where I join a private/rental vehicle (car, van, RV, bus) instead of providing a full service tour with vehicle.

Visitors should consider the use of “Step-on” guide if they appreciate having a private experience, value saving money, and would like the convenience & comfort of using their own vehicle. A “step-on” guide is also appropriate for groups, larger than 8 people, who might enjoy touring in a roomy chartered bus rather than a cramped rental van.

If you are a small group and would prefer to travel in a full service company vehicle, then I am more than happy to provide referrals to my recommended and trusted tour operators... but note that you will have limited influence on the guide you'll be randomly assigned.

If you'd prefer to ensure your valuable time is spent with a trusted, experienced, personable & fun guide, then I hope you will consider the benefits of using me as your “step-on” guide.

Tour Experience

As a year-round local resident and guide in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem for 17 years, I am proud to have designed & guided tours for the top leading visitor service companies in Jackson Hole. I guarantee my “step-on” guide services and believe you will agree it unmatched in its quality, education, attention to detail, and uniqueness. With a focus on customized private tours, I make every effort to accommodate your interests and requests... including those of families, charter bus tours, special meeting locations, and fun for kids of all ages! During all tours, we are out of the vehicle quite a bit, to enjoy sort walks and the stunning scenery. Not only will you connect with the history, geology, flora/fauna, and ecology of our beautiful National Parks, but with wildlife viewing a priority, I'll do my best for you to see as much as possible. I hope you find my enthusiasm, entertaining style, and expertise will help make learning a pleasure and provide a rewarding, fun and memorable tour experience.

Tour Amenities

I go beyond other “step-on” guide services, in that I do my best to provide as many needed extras as the vehicle space allows... I can basically bring along just about everything needed to make the most of your day.

Wonderful hands-on learning materials can include Naturalist Specimen Kit (antlers, horns, rocks, pelts, skulls, etc) maps, binoculars, spotting scope, books, games, videos, kids entertainment, etc.

Tour supplies can include coolers, folding chairs, towels, sunscreen, bear spray, umbrellas, blankets, etc.

Additional services can include providing snacks, beverages, meals, activity bookings, accommodation suggestions, honoring special celebrations, etc... and procuring the bus/driver for larger groups.

Qualifications & Business Profile

- Tour Guide and full-time resident of Jackson Hole since 2001
- Business inception in 2006 as *AVR Ventures LLC dba Ana's Grand Excursions*
- Authorized Commercial National Park Permittee: *Grand Teton (tours) & Yellowstone (tours & hiking)*
- *TripAdvisor* Certificate of Excellence 5star rating “Hall of Fame” – all consecutive years since first listed in 2011
- Member *Jackson Hole Chamber of Commerce*
- Partnering with: *Clear Creek Group* and *Invited Home* (luxury property management); *Exclusive Resorts*, *Quintess*, and *Ultimate Resort* (residence clubs); *National Parks Revealed*, *Off the Beaten Path*, and *Pro-Travel* (luxury travel coordinator); *Destination Services* (corporate event planning); and various luxury hotels/resorts and wedding planning services