***Create Your Own Masterpiece with Collette’s New Painted***

***Canyons of the West Tour***

America’s stunning scenery is on show with Collette’s new nine-day ‘Painted Canyons of the West’ tour across Colorado, Utah and Nevada, visiting five national parks and exploring some of the most breathtaking landscapes in the country.

The tour starts in Denver, Colorado – known as the ‘mile high city’ because its official elevation is exactly one mile above sea level – and journeys through the Rocky Mountains and along the Colorado River into Utah. Travellers will then experience the arid beauty of Utah’s five national parks including: Arches, Canyonlands (Utah’s largest national park), Capitol Reef, Bryce Canyon and Zion National Parks.

Highlights include a wine tasting in Colorado wine country, the majestic sandstone cliffs of the aptly named Dead Horse Point, once used by cowboys to corral wild mustangs that roamed the mesa; the amazing spires (also known as fairy chimneys and earth pyramids) of Bryce Canyon National Park, and hiking through Zion National Park’s half-mile wide canyon.

In complete contrast to the natural vistas explored, the tour finishes amongst the bright lights and neon culture of ‘sin city’ Las Vegas, Nevada.

“The Painted Canyons of the West tour allows travellers to access some of the most remote and untouched landscapes across North America. We are proud to offer our customers the opportunity to experience this unique region with this exciting new tour,” said James Hewlett, Head of Marketing, Collette Australia.

The ‘Painted Canyons of the West’ tour starts from $3,999\* per person for nine days and includes 11 meals and accommodation in 4 and 5 star hotels. For bookings or further information visit [www.gocollette.com.au](http://www.gocollette.com.au).

The ‘Painted Canyons of the West’ tour is the latest addition to Collette’s choice of over 50 itineraries across the USA and Canada.

*\*Rate is per person, land only, double occupancy, tour inclusions and available options may vary based on departure date.*

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Contact your local travel agent

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***About Collette***

Touring for today’s traveller...

Featuring award-winning tour managers, and superior accommodation, Collette has been a pioneer in guided touring since 1918. With classic tours, small groups, river cruises and ‘spotlight’ city stays, there are over 150 tours which go to more than 55 countries offering customers exceptional choice, value and superior 4- star+ quality. Collette is a third-generation, family-owned worldwide tour operator. With headquarters in Rhode Island, Collette’s Sydney office (opened in 2014) adds to the company’s global presence which includes offices in Vancouver, Toronto and London. Renowned for connecting guests with cultural experiences which go far beyond those of an ordinary holiday, Collette prides itself on providing real value to its guests and agent partners. Expert tour managers, an industry-leading travel protection plan and inclusive touring are just part of the top-quality Collette experience.