



Creative Journeys...



Ultimate DEATH VALLEY

PHOTO TOUR
December 2-7, 2024

HIGHLIGHTS

- * Join creative legend Julieanne Kost in the field.
- * Plus the WPA team of Darran, Pearce and Frazer Leal.
- * Stunning landscape and creative shoots.

INCLUSIONS

- * Exclusive workshops with Julieanne.
- * All accommodation.
- * All land transport as per itinerary.
- * Local guide.
- * Park fees as per itinerary.
- * Professional WPA Photo guides - your images come first!



Why join World Photo Adventures for their 6th USA desert tour? It starts with special guest Julieanne Kost from Adobe, plus some of the most incredible landscapes on earth. We include special creative workshops and the best help in the field to shoot amazing images. Other facets include:



1. Expert Guides: The photo adventure is led by veteran professional photo guide Darran Leal, with special guest tutor Julieanne Kost from Adobe. Both are renowned creative experts in photography. The team is further expanded by young professional photo guides Pearce, and Frazer Leal. Their knowledge and experience will enhance your journey, providing valuable insights and guidance to help you capture stunning images.

2. Unique Itinerary: The itinerary for this adventure is carefully crafted to offer more than just the standard tourist locations. The WPA team has curated a route that takes you to the best spots at the right timing, optimizing your photo opportunities. You'll have the chance to explore lesser-known gems and experience the true beauty of Death Valley.

3. Spectacular Landscapes: Death Valley is renowned for its stunning landscapes, including wide open salt pans, large sand dunes, and rugged mountains. The creative possibilities are endless, with opportunities to capture unique images showcasing lines, form, and texture. If you have a passion for landscape and creative photography, this adventure will be a dream come true.

4. Workshops and Learning Opportunities: The WPA team understands that photography is not just about capturing images but also about the creative process and post-processing. They offer a combination of indoor and field workshops that will expand your vision, help you discover new perspectives, and improve your shooting techniques. Additionally, processing workshops will enhance your creative journey and take your images to new levels.

5. Quality Time at Each Location: Unlike rushed tours, this photo adventure allows for quality time at each key region. You'll have ample opportunity to immerse yourself in the surroundings, explore the landscapes, and truly appreciate the natural beauty. This balance between photography and experience ensures that you can fully enjoy and make the most of each location.

6. Convenience and Support: Starting in Los Angeles and finishing in Las Vegas, the itinerary is designed for convenience and accessibility. The WPA team will provide logistical support throughout the adventure, taking care of the details so that you can focus on your photography and enjoy the journey.

7. Registered and Insured Tour Operator: WPA is a registered tour operator with the Queensland government and is covered by Tour Operator Insurance. This accreditation ensures that the business adheres to strict standards and procedures, providing you with peace of mind and professionalism. For more details, go to: <https://www.qtic.com.au/industry-development/accreditation/qtf/>



By joining WPA, you'll have the opportunity to explore and photograph some of the world's most stunning locations while being guided by experienced professionals who are passionate about creating memorable journeys.



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About Julieanne Kost - BIOGRAPHY

Named one of Fast Company's "100 Most Creative People in Business," Julieanne Kost is a Principal Evangelist at Adobe Systems, responsible for fostering relationships with customers through meaningful and inspirational Photoshop and Lightroom instruction. As a highly sought-after speaker for the industry-standard Digital Imaging franchise, she devises and presents motivating and educational training sessions, sharing original techniques and tutorials worldwide – via live events, [Adobe.com](https://www.adobe.com), her own website ([jkost.com](https://www.jkost.com)) and blog. She is also the author of "Window Seat: The Art of Digital Photography and Creative Thinking," and "Passenger Seat: Creating a Photographic Project from Conception through Execution in Adobe Photoshop Lightroom", an accomplished photographer and fine artist, and creator and host of the popular Photoshop CC Essential Training and the Art of Photoshop Compositing for [Lynda.com](https://www.lynda.com).



**JULIANNE
KOST**

PRINCIPAL DIGITAL
IMAGING EVANGELIST
ADOBE SYSTEMS, INC.

Julieanne is well-known for her unique approach to instruction, infusing practical tips and tricks with an equal amount of humor and creativity that keeps audiences entertained and engaged. She often serves as a guest lecturer at distinguished photography workshops, industry events, and leading educational institutions around the world. She's a contributing columnist and author for a variety of print and online publications and has created over 500 instructional videos as the host of Adobe's "The Complete Picture" featuring Lightroom and Photoshop, serves as producer and instructor of the "Lightroom Getting Started" and "What's New in Lightroom," training courses, as well as the "Revitalize your Workflow with Lightroom" seminar on CreativeLive.

Julianne holds an AA in Fine Art Photography and a BS in Psychology.

Julianne's blog is - [Blogs.adobe.com/jkost](https://blogs.adobe.com/jkost)



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DAY 1 - LOS ANGELES

December 2

We meet today at 4pm at our accommodation, for a briefing on the adventures to come. We include a workshop (mixed Darran and Julieanne) to maximise your photo interests for the tour. Option to join your guides for dinner tonight.

Accommodation: Hotel

DAY 2 - LOS ANGELES TO DEATH VALLEY

December 3

We depart LA early, driving over the famed Sierra Nevada mountains. The drive is about 5 hours without stops. However, we may stop opportunistically today. Beautiful forests give way to alpine country and eventually to desert.

What a diverse day! We make our way to one of the most unique landscapes on earth - Death Valley. We book into our accommodation and head out for a sunset shoot. The light offers fantastic visual patterns and your tutor team are keen to help you maximise this. After dinner, a workshop by Julieanne on creative concepts.

Accommodation: Hotel

DAYS 3/4/5 - DEATH VALLEY

December 4/5/6

Three full days exploring the wonderful and weird landscapes of Death Valley. We target light that suits each location that we will visit. From glorious sand dunes in the morning, to towering peaks, the best landscape photo opportunities. Early starts - workshops - siesta - late light shoots are the order. We will also look at astro shoots, depending on the weather.

We return to some key locations more than once. We will switch time of day for different light. What a special place to explore - the lowest location in the USA - at 282 feet below sea level, Badwater Basin is a surreal landscape that tricks the senses. The stark space and unearthly vistas will amaze you!

We add in a couple of more workshops with Julieanne and the WPA team. These workshops will help you with concepts, visualisation and the best processing. Julieanne will offer you simple but very effective processing techniques. Plus, she will offer the rare chance to enjoy some one-on-one time.

Accommodation: Hotel



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DAY 6 - DEATH VALLEY TO LAS VEGAS - TOUR ENDS

December 7

Morning shoot to target a final key location. We then depart, driving about 3 hours to Las Vegas, with opportunistic stops. We arrive about mid-day and the end of the tour. Services end here, or you can link up with our next amazing adventure. Again, Julieanne joins us!

No meals are included for this tour. This will offer you flexibility of choice and best timing for shoots. The WPA tour leader will help optimise meals for the group. Itinerary and price is subject to change.

SCENIC FLIGHTS

Note that we will ask group members about interest to undertake optional activities like scenic flights about 4-5 months before the tour departure.



PHOTO TOUR PRICE

TOUR PRICE - US\$6,995.00 Twin Share per person

Includes, as per itinerary - accommodation, Julieanne Kost workshops, access to unique photo opportunities, small group size - local driver/guide, and professional photographer/guide.

EVENT DEPOSIT REQUIRED - US\$3,000.00 pp.

Please read our terms & Conditions and fill in our booking form. At this time, you should organise travel insurance, including deposit protection insurance. Note that your deposit is refundable up to one year before departure, except for a US\$500 cancellation fee. After this time, deposits are non refundable. NB: Some events have special terms and conditions.

ACCOMMODATION

If requested, we will try our best to find someone to share with you. On most occasions this is possible. However, part of the booking conditions is that a single supplement is applicable if no one is available to share.

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT - US\$1,990.00 pp.

This offers you private accommodation throughout the tour. Julia will confirm this with you.

TO BOOK & FOR OUR TERM & CONDITIONS: Please use our on line booking form:

<https://worldphotoadventures.com.au/booking-form/>

Or ask Julia for our booking form with T&C's.

Our Foreign currency account details are. (Note for Australians, it is easy to pay in US\$. Please go into your bank and the teller will make the transaction for you.)

Beneficiary:

World Photo Adventures Pty.Ltd.

BSB - (only if required by your bank): 082-039

FOREIGN CURRENCY ACCOUNT NUMBER: WPAPLUSD01

SWIFT CODE - For International deposits: NATAAU3303M

Beneficiary Bank:

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK

1806-1814 David Low Way

COOLUM BEACH.

QUEENSLAND. 4573.

NB: Please enter your name in the advice area, when making the payment, so it can be easily identified.

Beneficiary/ Office address:

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Trinity Park, Qld. 4879.

Beneficiary Phone Contact: + 61 427205331

NEED MORE HELP?

For booking contact Julia:

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SICKNESS WHILE TRAVELLING

Viruses, bacteria and other health risks have always been possible when travelling. We select accommodation and operators to limit risk to your health. Before departure, we suggest that you consider limiting your exposure to large groups and other high risk location/situations at least 7 days before departure. Please bring face masks, and hand sanitizer. Should you feel unwell during the event, please let your tour leader know ASAP. Some form of isolation maybe required, or professional medical help maybe sort. Your tour leader is happy to help at all times. Please look at the following site for more helpful details. You can also register at this site for updates.

<https://www.smartraveller.gov.au>

OTHER DETAILS

THE COST INCLUDES

- All land tour costs as per itinerary.
- Accommodation - lodge/hotel.
- Entrance fees to parks as per itinerary.
- Professional photo guide.
- Local expert driver/guide.

NOT INCLUDED

- International Air tickets & flights.
- Personal expenses.
- Items not included in the itinerary.
- Meals, Tips and Drinks.
- Travel Insurance.
- Visa - check Visalink - www.visalink.com.au (If not a US citizen.)

PRE TOUR

Accommodation, and services start for this tour - DAY 1. All services before this are not included. We suggest that you arrive at the start point at least 48 hours before this tour begins. This timing will give you a chance to relax and acclimatise to the new time zone. We generally commence booking pre/post tour accommodation/flights about 8/9 months before departure. We will confirm this with you as your guides need to book before you book.

NOTE: This itinerary is flexible to allow your guides to maximise your photo and travel interests to weather and unique opportunities. Specific targeted subjects will be offered the night before departure each day. This will offer you 'the best of the region'. Meals not included in the itinerary, are organised to 'fit in' with the days shoots.

FINAL ITINERARY

Note that a final itinerary will be sent to you about one month before departure.

IMPORTANT

To make sure you book the correct dates and times, we would request the following:

1. Don't purchase any air tickets, until our guides flights have been booked, which we will do approximately 8 - 9 months prior to the tour departure. We will advise you when the guides flights are booked and you can then use this itinerary, to help you use points or similar. This will also coincide with confirming the tour departure, making sure we have met minimum passenger numbers for the tour and the logistics of the tour have not changed.
2. We suggest you arrive a minimum of 24 hours prior to the tour departure - even 48 hours - to help with jet lag and in case of airline delays.



OUR GOALS

There are many reasons our tours are so successful. Here are just a few ...

WHO BOOKS OUR PHOTO HOLIDAYS?

From animated 'point and shoot' amateur photographers to seasoned photographic veterans, we get a broad cross-section of photo enthusiasts on every tour. Not super keen on snapping? No problem. You are still guaranteed a great time. Whether your finger never leaves or hits a camera during a tour, you will have an unforgettable experience. Our unique locations, top guides and small travel groups ensure it. While our clients vary in age and experience, all attend with the same goal – to have a fantastic holiday. We ensure every client gets exactly that.

UNTAMED QUALITY AND EXPERIENCE

With over 100 years of combined experience in tailoring premium travel quests, our family team ensures you never settle for less than the best. We predominately offer lovely 4 star accommodation for your comfort and enjoyment.

EXCEPTIONAL END-TO-END EXPERIENCE

We work towards delivering the time of your life. Our office gem Julia helps you with all your pre-and post-tour needs. Once you are 'out in the field,' our professional local drivers and guides are right by your side. Your photo guides are the best in the world! World Photo Adventures and its expert team know this beautiful land better than anyone.

GREAT TOURS COME IN SMALL GROUPS

Small group travel gives you flexibility and the ability to follow your interests. That's why we keep our group sizes small so you can savour your travel experience.

FIRST TIME ON TOUR WITH US?

We'll happily answer your questions, offer advice or connect you with the experiences that will satisfy your wanderlust. Contact Julia at: julia@worldadventures.com.au

SAFETY AND SECURITY

Your safety and security are essential to us. Apart from the experience of your WPA guides, our local operators are outstanding and very experienced in local cultures and customs. Our itineraries, accommodation and tour information all add up to helping you enjoy a great adventure.

Julia is happy to help with any further questions - julia@worldadventures.com.au



