



**US Dorper Tour June/July 2011 – 18 days
Fully Escorted \$7960 (pp twin share)
Tour Leader Tertia Butcher**

June 18 - Depart Australia for Los Angeles, flying United Airlines.
On arrival, clear customs and transfer to nearby hotel for overnight stay.

June 19 – Return to airport for our flight to Kansas City, via Chicago. From Kansas City transfer by coach to Sedalia (Missouri). Accommodation has been secured at the historic Bothwell Hotel for 4 nights.

June 20 – 22 Visit the Mid West Stud Ram Show, featuring Dorper and White Dorper as well as Boer Goats (plus a host of other sheep breeds).

The National Dorper Sale is on June 23, leaving 2 days free to explore the area for those not interested in attending the rest of the show.

Paul Lewis will try to match each person up with a local breeder to look after us.

June 23 – Leaving at noon after the ram sale, we have a luxury 21-seater coach for the next five days, driving through the Midwestern part of the US to Texas.

Kansas is one of the most productive agricultural states and is the nation's leading wheat, sorghum and sunflower producer.

Overnight in Tulsa.

June 24 – 25 Early start this morning as we have a long drive into the deep south. We are the guests of Phillip Glass of Water Valley, Texas, staying on his Dorper and hunting ranch for two nights.

June 26 – Continuing south, we drive through the agricultural 'hub' of the USA, with overnight stop at Fredericksburg.

This is a beautiful German village with great food and an opportunity for shopping.

June 27 – 28 San Antonio (Texas). Free time to do the touristy thing with river walks, visiting authentic Texan bars and of course - The Alamo. Accommodation has been secured at the Holiday Inn Riverwalk (great location and within walking distance to many attractions).

June 29 – July 2 Fly to Portland (Oregon) where we will be met by Paul and Kathy Lewis. Two 7-seater vans have been hired for the next 5 days and will be driven by Paul and Kathy, and if a third vehicle is needed for luggage or extra people, this will be driven by Ken. On our way to Bonanza, the Lewis' ranch, we visit Broadmeade Farms Dorper and White Dorpers near Salem.

We will be based at Bonanza Ranch for 4 days as Paul and Kathy's guests, touring the area – including Crater Lake and the southern Oregon region. Paul has also organised a Mexican dinner at the ranch and a tour of the Oregon State University Sheep Centre.

July 3 - 4 – Travel to San Francisco with Paul and Kathy for a two-night stay. Enroute we visit Wes and Jane Patton's ranch (White Dorpers and Boer goats). Overnight in SF where Paul and Kathy will show us the highlights of the city, with a farewell party at their daughter's home on July 4. Accommodation is at Holiday Inn, Fishermans Wharf.

July 5 – Return to Australia or visit another part of the US to maximise your international airfare.

Please note that due to time difference you will arrive back in Australia on July 7.

Price Includes:

- Return economy class airfare to LA and Kansas City and from San Antonio to Portland, returning to Australia ex San Francisco
- All accommodation, some including continental breakfast and ranch stays including all meals
- All airport transfers within the US as per itinerary
- Seat in luxury coach with driver from Sedalia to San Antonio
- Coach transfer from Kansas City to Sedalia
- Transport in Oregon from Portland to San Francisco (5 days)
- Visa waiver (compulsory)

Price Excludes:

- Meals not listed in the itinerary and drinks
- Travel insurance (compulsory)
- Porterage (Ken will carry your bag!!)
- Excess luggage
- Tipping
- Items of a personal nature such as laundry, phone calls, room service etc.
- Public transport/taxi fares in San Francisco after hire vehicles have been returned and in Sedalia where we are at the mercy of US Dorper breeders.

You must have a valid passport with a minimum of 6 months validity from departure date from the US

In order to apply for your US visa waiver, we need a copy of the photo page of your passport, your postal address and phone number please

Deposit of \$1200 is due by Monday, September 20

This is a non-refundable deposit charged by United Airlines.
We recommend travel insurance is taken out early to hedge against cancellation losses.
An application form will be mailed to you shortly.

Date for full payment: 29 March, 2011.

A tax invoice will be issued upon receipt of payment as this tour should be fully tax deductible for Australian Dorper breeders (please check with your accountant).
Please note you cannot claim GST on international travel.

Payment Details:

Cheques –to Travelscene Hay, 95 Lachlan Street, Hay 2711

Direct Deposit – BSB 633 000 A/C 132 206 202

Credit Cards – Visa & Mastercard incur 2% fee and AMEX 5%

The fine print Tour budget is based on 14 passengers.

Due to unprecedented currency fluctuations, final costs can only be guaranteed on day full payment is received.

Due to increasing costs of oil, airport departure taxes and fuel surcharges may increase during the course of your reservation. These costs are subject to alteration until final payment has been received.

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