

## TOUR GENERAL INFORMATION

START DATE	10/01/23	END DATE	01/31/24	NUMBER OF LEGS: 22
DEPARTURE POINT:		KABQ	FINAL ARRIVAL POINT:	KABQ

## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Great American Mountaineering Tour!

This tour will test your mountain terrain flying skills to the max! You'll encounter high elevation runways, challenging approaches, and airports with limited available takeoff and landing distances on both paved and gravel runways. As usual, any aircraft you are rated for and which can make the flight may be used in this tour, so be sure to plan your flights with runway distances, surface types, available approaches, and route length in mind.

While challenging, this tour will also showcase some of the most jaw-dropping scenery you've seen to date in DVA Tours. We highly recommend FS2020 users ensure that all US and Canada world updates are installed. Starting and ending in Albuquerque, this tour takes you all the way up the Rockies to southern Alaska, then back down the Coast Mountains until you re-join the Rockies southbound from Sun Valley, Idaho. A final stop at the Grand Canyon will complete your tour of some of the highest airports in North America.

Fire up that terrain radar, grab extra diversion fuel, and have fun! We'll see you on the ski slopes during your layovers.

#### Fun facts about this tour:

- 4,800nm Total Tour Distance (Approximate).
- 2 airports which you can only fly to during this tour and 18 brand-new exclusive tour routes.
- **7** US States and **2** Canadian Provinces visited across **3** time zones.
- **9,070ft** Highest Airport Elevation (Found at Telluride KTEX/TEX).
- **25ft** Lowest Airport Elevation (Found at Juneau PAJN/JNU).

### GENERAL INFORMATION

ACARS is required in order to receive credit for completion of each leg.

You may fly any leg of the tour online, offline, IFR or VFR. You may also fly with real live weather turned ON or OFF.

As long as you are rated on the aircraft, you may use any aircraft type in this tour. You may switch aircraft types as you wish during any leg.

In-flight refueling is not allowed; please ensure you calculate correctly how much fuel is required for each leg. If real live weather is ON, please ensure you plan your fuel accordingly in the event you need to hold or go around. If you need to deviate due to weather or an emergency, you will need to complete this leg of the tour again to receive proper credit.

The departure / arrival times are just for example purpose only, you may follow the schedule times or depart at your own leisure. You can take as long as you need to complete this tour during the tour active dates. "If completion is not possible by the end date, no credit will be given; no exception to this rule is possible."

In the following pages, you will find a series of blocks showing all the information regarding the legs that need to be flown in order to complete this tour. The legs have a number to the left of each box indicating the order in which they should be completed.

Example: Leg number 1 must be completed before leg number 2 and so on, until you reach the end.

A checkbox has been placed at the end of each box. This is for your convenience in the event you would like to check-mark after each leg is completed.

#### \*\*\*CONNECTED LOGBOOK PILOTS: READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY\*\*\*

Some DVA tours include airports which cannot be reached using our regular flight schedule database. These airports are highlighted in **RED** in the list of tour legs below and can ONLY be accessed by flying to and from them as part of the tour. Therefore, if you fly to the out of schedule airport on a tour leg, you must continue the tour until reaching an in-schedule airport if you wish for your logbook to remain connected. **DVA Operations will not approve any charter flight requests into or out of an out of schedule airport.** 

If you have any questions regarding this tour, do not hesitate to contact <a href="mailto:Daniel Wilbanks@DeltaVA.org">DeltaVA.org</a> (this tour organizer) or the Events Department at events@deltava.org.

### AIRPORTS TO BE VISITED DURING THIS TOUR

Each box indicates a tour leg. The flights are in the order to be flown from top to bottom.

The following information is included for each leg:

First line: Departure ICAO / Arrival ICAO / Flight number / Leg Number / Departure Local Time / Arrival Local Time.

IMPORTANT: Flight number and Leg number must be correct in order to receive tour credit.

To the right you can see an empty box for you to use once a segment is completed.

#### \*\*\*IMPORTANT INFO FOR PILOTS WITH CONNECTED LOGBOOKS\*\*\*

Airports below which are highlighted in **RED** are not found in the regular DVA schedule and you cannot fly to or from them unless doing so as part of a tour. If you maintain a connected logbook and wish to depart the tour, you must do so from an in-schedule airport for your PIREP to be approved. No charter flights will be granted to or from these airports.

Leg numbers highlighted in **RED** indicate that they are ARRIVING at an out-of-schedule airport. Do not complete these legs if you do not intend to continue the tour afterwards.

Note: Remember to complete each leg in the order is provided. Complete leg #1 before #2 and so on until you reach the last leg.

1	KABQ - KSAF   WAH4502 Leg 2   DEP: 1630L (1030Z)   ARR: 1700L (1100Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 43nm NOTAMS:	
2	KSAF - KDRO   DL9501 Leg 1   DEP: 1200L (0600Z)   ARR: 1218L (0618Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 123nm NOTAMS:	
3	KDRO - KASE   DL9501 Leg 2   DEP: 1300L (0700Z)   ARR: 1319L (0719Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 131nm NOTAMS:	
4	KASE - KJAC   DL9501 Leg 3   DEP: 1400L (0800Z)   ARR: 1447L (0847Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 315nm NOTAMS:	
5	KJAC - KMSO   DL9501 Leg 4   DEP: 1600L (1000Z)   ARR: 1633L (1033Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 244nm NOTAMS:	

6	KMSO - CYXC   DL9501 Leg 5   DEP: 0600L (0000Z)   ARR: 0523L (2223Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 176nm NOTAMS:	
7	CYXC - CZAM   DL9501 Leg 6   DEP: 1200L (0500Z)   ARR: 1219L (0519Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 148nm NOTAMS: CZAM Longest Avail Runway = 4455ft	
8	CZAM - CYXS   DL9501 Leg 7   DEP: 1425L (0725Z)   ARR: 1457L (0757Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 230nm NOTAMS: CZAM Longest Avail Runway = 4455ft	
9	CYXS - CYXT   DL9501 Leg 8   DEP: 1705L (1005Z)   ARR: 1733L (1033Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 210nm NOTAMS:	
10	CYXT - CYQH   DL9502 Leg 1   DEP: 0900L (0200Z)   ARR: 0944L (0244Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 340nm NOTAMS:	
11	CYQH - CYXY   WAH3001 Leg 1   DEP: 0700L (0000Z)   ARR: 0910L (0210Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 189nm NOTAMS:	
12	CYXY - CYDB   WAH3001 Leg 2   DEP: 0925L (0225Z)   ARR: 1100L (0400Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 123nm NOTAMS: CYDB Runway Surface Is Gravel Only, Length = 5,067ft	
13	CYDB - PAJN   DL9503 Leg 1   DEP: 1502L (0802Z)   ARR: 1454L (0654Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 226nm NOTAMS: CYDB Runway Surface Is Gravel Only, Length = 5,067ft	
14	PAJN - PAKT   WAH3004 Leg 4   DEP: 1130L (0330Z)   ARR: 1330L (0530Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 203nm NOTAMS:	
15	PAKT - CYKA   DL9504 Leg 1   DEP: 1603L (0803Z)   ARR: 1808L (1108Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 494nm NOTAMS:	
16	CYKA - CYYF   DL9504 Leg 2   DEP: 1000L (0300Z)   ARR: 1011L (0311Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 82nm NOTAMS:	
17	CYYF - KSUN   DL9501 Leg 3   DEP: 1245L (0545Z)   ARR: 1444L (0844Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 420nm NOTAMS:	
18	KSUN - KWYS   DL9504 Leg 4   DEP: 1540L (0940Z)   ARR: 1601L (1001Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 155nm NOTAMS:	

19	KWYS - KHDN   DL9504 Leg 5   DEP: 1145L (0545Z)   ARR: 1227L (0627Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 306nm NOTAMS:
20	KHDN - KTEX   DL9504 Leg 6   DEP: 1330L (0730Z)   ARR: 1353L (0753Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 156nm NOTAMS:
21	KTEX - KGCN   DL9501 Leg 7   DEP: 1500L (0900Z)   ARR: 1432L (0732Z) Altitude: RVSM Westbound. Distance: 236nm NOTAMS:
22	KGCN - KABQ   DL9504 Leg 8   DEP: 1900L (1200Z)   ARR: 2038L (1438Z) Altitude: RVSM Eastbound. Distance: 276nm NOTAMS:

## COMPLETE TOUR OVERVIEW MAP



## **PILOT RESOURCES**

### **Airport Charts**

If searching for an airport in the USA, you can use the .charts feature in the ACARS program to load the charts for that specific airport. Example, you can type .charts KATL or .charts ATL and a new window will open with all the available procedures for that airport.

Some airports may not have charts available via the ACARS feature. As a suggestion, you may do a search on any of the popular search engines. For example, you may type: "LPMA charts" and follow the links. Some charts might be hard to find, but if you are using the FMS, you can figure out which type of approaches are available for that particular airport.

## FINAL WORDS

Delta Virtual Airlines hopes that you will enjoy this tour. You may fly this tour solo at your own leisure (during the tour time frame) or with other pilots as well. The water cooler would be a good place for you to invite other pilots to fly together, or at least include when you are planning on flying a specific leg in the event some other pilots are planning flying the same leg of the tour.

If you have any questions before, during or after the tour, you can always contact this tour coordinator at <a href="mailto:Daniel Wilbanks@DeltaVA.org">DeltaVA.org</a>, or the Delta Virtual Airlines Events Department at <a href="mailto:events@deltava.org">events@deltava.org</a>.

Have fun!

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## **Change Log**

Date	Ву	Change		
08/30/23	DW	Document Created		
09/05/23	МВ	QC Check Completed		
09/05/23	DW	Corrected route distances		

