

Thanksgiving Holiday in The USA - 2019

Post by “Cassius” of November 25, 2019 at 8:41 PM

I think most of us who frequent here are probably based in the USA, other than Elli and Michele, so I suspect we will see some variation in posting over the coming week as people go on vacation and have either more or less free time. I should be maintaining pretty much my normal schedule, but in case I miss some of you who leave for vacation, have safe travels and a happy holiday with family and friends.

Anyone have any special plans?

Post by “Joshua” of November 26, 2019 at 8:20 AM

I'll be out moving and shaking as normal! The western plains and the Rockies have just been buried under a foot of snow. Hopefully all are doing well! I shut down the truck yesterday and won't start again until this evening or tomorrow morning. No sense getting stranded in Wyoming!

Post by “Cassius” of November 26, 2019 at 8:58 AM

I bet that must be some beautiful scenery out there. Send us some scenic views sometime! 😊

Post by “Joshua” of November 26, 2019 at 10:20 AM

Haha oh I have pictures...

Northeast of El Paso

image not found or type unknown



Somewhere out west

image not found or type unknown



image not found or type unknown



image not found or type unknown



Iowa

image not found or type unknown



Maine

image not found or type unknown



Arkansas

image not found or type unknown



image not found or type unknown

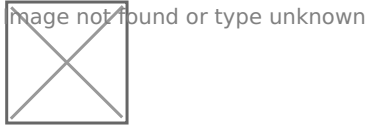


Colorado

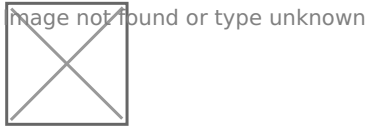
image not found or type unknown



Michigan



Salt Lake City



West Virginia



And one very regrettable night in Memphis



Post by “Charles” of November 26, 2019 at 11:02 AM

I'll still be unpacking boxes, but on Friday I'll be taking a 4 hour drive to my grandparents house to visit my dad's side of the family as we have Thanksgiving on Saturday with some early-Christmas gift unboxing. The following day I'll be tagging along with a childhood friend and his family to go watch Knives out, admittedly I have no interest *at all* in the movie since its directed by Rian Johnson.

After that, **more unpacking.** 😞

Post by “Cassius” of November 26, 2019 at 12:58 PM

Wow those pictures are great Joshua! Great for computer screen backgrounds too.

And you too, Charles, have a good Thanksgiving.

Post by “Godfrey” of November 26, 2019 at 1:53 PM

Joshua your photos convey to me a sense of pleasure in your life on the road. In addition to being great photos! They make me want to take a road trip. 🤔

Charles, I watched Knives Out last night and found it to be a fun and lighthearted tale of wealth and murder. Maybe a little silly but I thoroughly enjoyed it; I know very little about Rian Johnson however. An added element of personal enjoyment was that I've got a neighbor who talks like Don Johnson's character and so I was chuckling to myself every time he showed up on screen. After the movie my wife confirmed that impression and we got another good laugh!

Post by “Cassius” of November 26, 2019 at 2:45 PM

Joshua I meant to ask - how did you take those pictures - carry a real camera with you?

Post by “Joshua” of November 26, 2019 at 3:12 PM

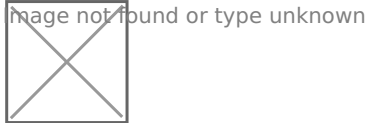
They were all taken with a smartphone, Cassius. All but one—the high mountain lake at Quandary Peak in Colorado—were taken with my current phone, a Samsung Galaxy s9+. I have been thinking about getting something like a go-pro to mount at the passenger-side window for especially scenic drives.

(The shot of the road with a faint rainbow was taken while I was still in training. No photography while driving!)

Road trips are great, Godfrey! My main complaint is that I get so close to places I want to see, but not close enough to actually see them. I need about 8 daylight hours to spare in a city before I can justify the Uber!

I still have three states I've never been to; Rhode Island, Vermont, and Alaska. I'll be meeting my family in Nashville in June. Finally going to go check out that Parthenon. But first I'm looking forward to a lazy 8 days off in Florida come January!

Post by “Joshua” of November 26, 2019 at 3:33 PM



This is as far as I'm willing to walk for a picture today!

Post by “Godfrey” of November 26, 2019 at 4:36 PM

Joshua are your smartphone pics handheld? Do you use any tripod or lens attachments? They look really crisp in addition to their other virtues.

Post by “Joshua” of November 26, 2019 at 4:52 PM

Just handheld. All credit to the phone manufacturers! I never do anything more serious than zooming and cropping. (I also take a lot of bad or disappointing photos...it helps to have a lot of options to choose from!)

Post by “Cassius” of November 26, 2019 at 5:01 PM

Joshua I think you will really enjoy the Parthenon. I have been there twice and it's really monumentally impressive. The statue on the inside is also huge, if perhaps a little plastic-looking (if I remember). But I go by there any chance I get and I highly recommend it.