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SMALL GROUP TOURING

2017 – 2018

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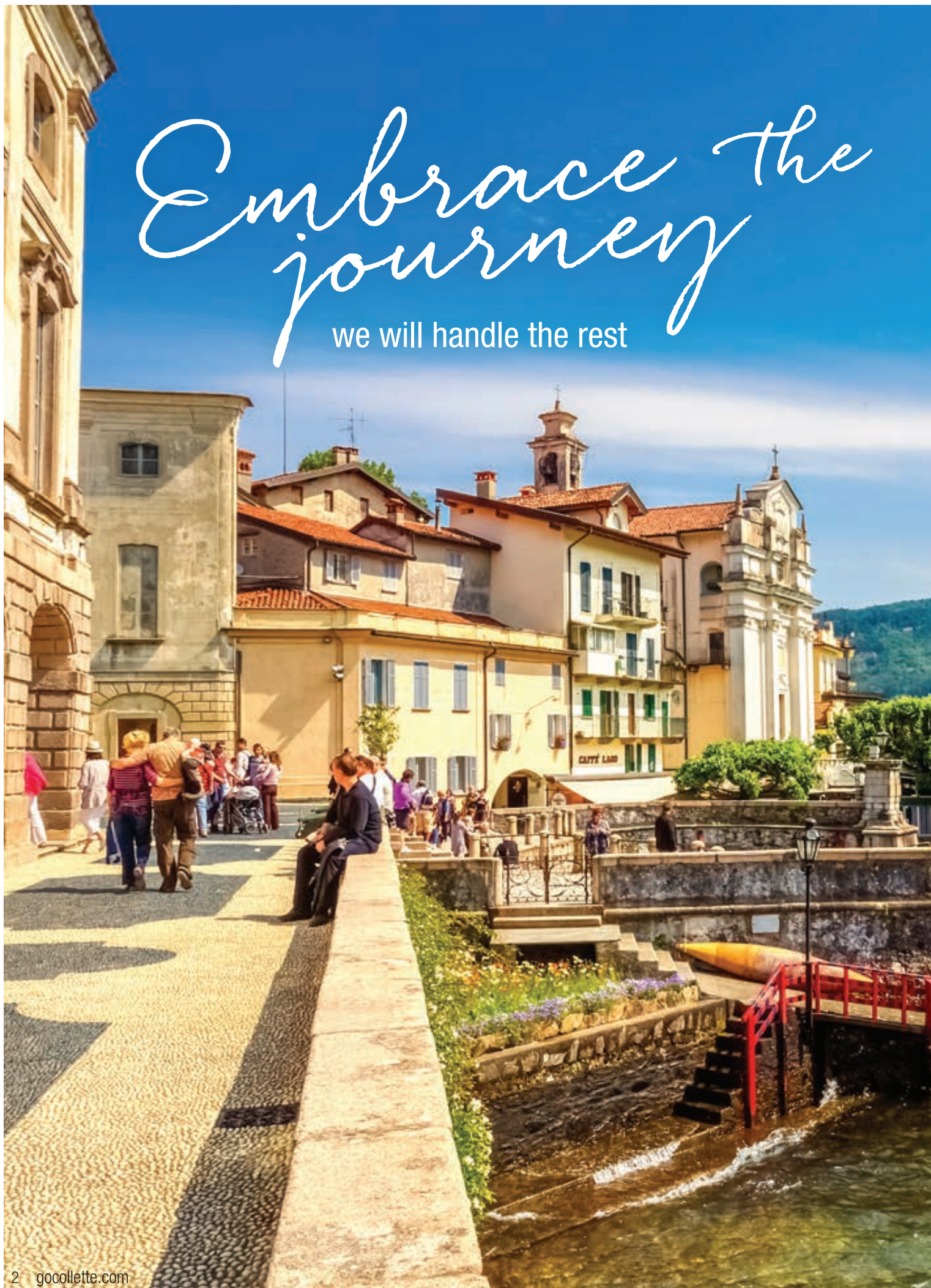
authentic

MORE

personal

Embrace the journey

we will handle the rest





Isola Bella, Italy

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Entabeni Game Reserve, South Africa



explorations

for those travellers looking to:

- Travel in smaller groups (average of 18 guests)
- Go off the beaten path on culturally immersive adventures
- Stay in boutique accommodation
- Meet the locals and embrace their traditions
- Savour authentic culinary experiences
- Participate in hands-on discoveries

Embark on a small group journey and discover the world in a more intimate way with more personal experiences that bring you deep into the culture.

From vibrant cities to remote villages, you'll **become part of these worlds**. Today's cultural explorers like you will enjoy the **more active, authentic experiences** taking you on the road less known to meet the people that call it home.

You'll **indulge in spectacular regional cuisine** immersing you in the flavour of the region. Learn how to farm in Peru, hunt and taste truffles in Italy, cook Vietnamese cuisine – moments of connecting with the culture while dazzling your senses.

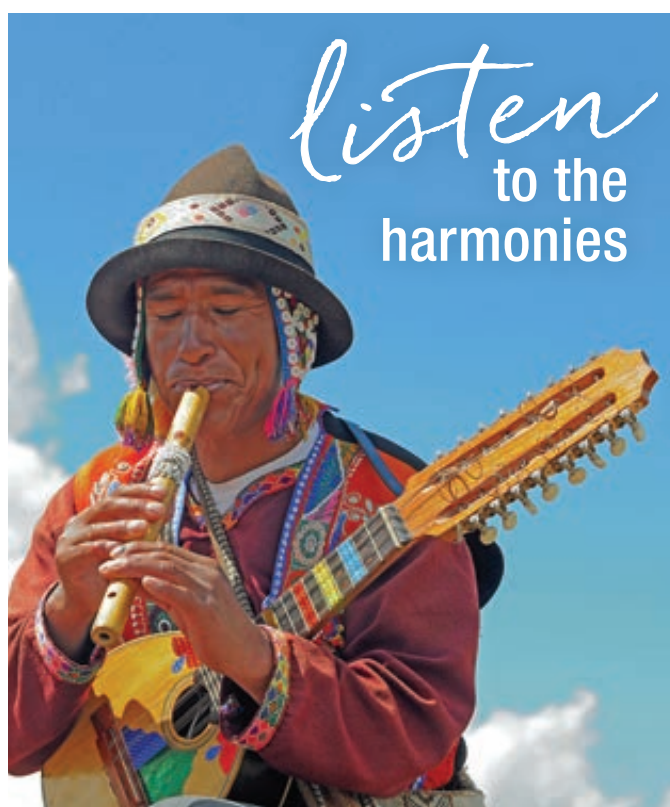
Delight in your **boutique accommodation** that captures the spirit of each destination. All the while, meet friends you never knew you had and become a local as you explore on your own.



take in the
aromas



Let us be your guide, taking you off the beaten path on an amazing cultural adventure.





Collette gives you *More*

This is what sets us apart. Travelling with us comes with benefits that take the guided travel experience to another level. Our inclusive tours offer you more **value** for your money while also ensuring that each element adheres to our exacting standards. With a focus on **service and quality**, we give you **more** of what makes travel special.

Marrakesh, Morocco

Collette Gives You More Value in Every Way...

More Peace of Mind

Every moment of your travel experience is important to us. Whether it's helping you select a destination, **taking you to and from the airport**, offering the security of our unrivalled **Travel Protection** plan or **24-7 support**, we are there for you every step of the way.

More Expertise

Backed by nearly a century of experience, Collette (a family-owned and award winning leader in travel) is proud to show you the world. Our passionate tour design team travels the globe, **creating new experiences** and staying ahead of the latest travel trends. Plus, with a professional **Tour Manager** at your service and **local guides** by your side you'll never miss a thing.



What's included:

- A professionally planned itinerary
- 4-star accommodation
- Chauffeur driven hometown round trip airport transfers*
- All on-tour tipping†
- Unparalleled sightseeing
- Enriching cultural experiences
- The services of a professional tour manager
- Expert local guides who provide insider knowledge
- Attraction and museum entrance fees with preferential access
- Comfortable on-tour transportation
- Hotel-to-hotel baggage handling
- PLUS, Wifi is available on tour 

*Within 40km drive of major Australian international airports

†Excludes on-board cruise gratuities

More On Tour

Our commitment to exceeding expectations begins with including more iconic **must-sees and cultural inclusions that deliver a deeper experience**. And that's just the beginning. We also include more **meals** in **local** restaurants and more **menu** choices. Add in carefully selected **4-star accommodation** and the stage is set for a truly amazing journey.

More Flexibility

Every traveller is different. From **pre and post nights** in the world's greatest cities to tour **extensions** to built-in free time in your destination, you can make every trip your own. With more customisation choices and **optional excursions**, every moment feels like your own personal adventure.

MORE PEACE OF MIND

Private Chauffeur Drive Service

Begin and end your tour in style and comfort. **Private chauffeur drive service** is included on all Collette tours for customers within 40km of an Australian international airport. A uniformed driver in an executive car will collect you from your home and take you to the international departure terminal. On your arrival back to Australia, your driver will be waiting for you at the arrivals terminal to take you home. Whether your entire holiday overseas is with Collette, or just a part of it, the Collette Chauffeur is there for you. A truly luxurious way to begin and end your Collette experience!



1 From your own front door

Our chauffeur driver will collect your bags and take you to your executive car.





Travel in style

You will be taken to international departures in good time for your flight.



Seamless

You are met at arrivals by a uniformed driver who will take your bags to the waiting executive car.



Front door service

Arrival home.
The final part of a memorable experience with Collette.

For more details, call us on 1300 792 195 or see our website gocollette.com

MORE PEACE OF MIND

With You

Every Step of the Way

Of all the things Collette delivers, one of the most valuable is the knowledge that everything is taken care of. Wake each morning on tour with a new experience in front of you and do it all without having to worry about a thing.

24/7 Support

Always there for you

In addition to your Tour Manager, Collette has a team dedicated to making sure you are always informed.



Loyalty Program

Thanking our travellers

Members of Travel Loyalty by Collette earn a \$150 credit every time they travel. Save more as you get ready for your next adventure. (See page 70 for more details.)



Guaranteed To Go

Book with confidence

Choose from thousands of **guaranteed** departure dates. Reserve with complete confidence as these select departures are guaranteed to operate.



Travel Protection

Peace of mind

Our industry-leading, **worry-free Travel Protection plan** offers you a **full refund** unlike many plans that only offer a voucher. Cancel for any reason right up to the day prior to departure. (See page 72 for details.)

Your Feedback *Matters*

We have partnered with the independent reviews website, **Feefo**. Used by many of the world's most trusted brands, Feefo provides an impartial platform for our guests to share feedback about their experience. We seek out reviews from guests as they return from their tour. This feedback not only helps us improve but will help you make a more informed decision on where to go next!



“Loved the total package provided. It's great just to be able to enjoy Italy and not worry about anything other than having a really great time!”

Read genuine first-hand accounts from other travellers at gocollette.com



INTRODUCING

The Collette Compass App!

Hold the entire world in your hands.

The ColletteCompass app provides you with a wealth of travel knowledge. Enhance your tour with this easy to use digital companion that never leaves your side.

Stay Informed

- Review your itinerary
- Check your flight schedule*
- Find hotel and transfer* information
- Learn more about your on-tour inclusions!

Find Your Way

- Find your way around with turn-by-turn directions

Make the Most of Your Free Time

- Check out local restaurants
- Find popular attractions

Record the Fun

- Create your own trip journal
- Upload photos
- Update friends and loved ones!

Visit the App StoreSM or Google PlayTM for Android to download the app!



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*Flight schedule information available for passengers who have purchased air and land packages. Only applicable for transfers booked through Collette.

Wi-Fi only required for flight updates and use of social media. All other functionalities are offline with no utilisation of mobile data or roaming.

MORE EXPERTISE

Professional *Tour Managers*

Collette's Tour Managers are the best trained and most respected in the world. Drawing on their own rich backgrounds and extensive training, they enhance each journey. Whether it's with a bit of historical information, suggesting a special local restaurant or sharing a laugh, these travel aficionados are at your service.



Local Experts

Get a local's perspective! Having a local guide at your side enhances your experience. They know the ins and outs of the destination. These friendly faces love to share an insider's view of the places they call home.

Tour Design Team

It all starts with perfectly planned itineraries. Our tour design team travels the globe, seeking out new and authentic inclusions. Along the way they vet each element of their tours – from the accommodation to the menu choices – ensuring you have the best possible experience.

99 Years of Experience

As North America's most experienced tour operator, we have built relationships all over the world. Our knowledge and connections allow us to pass the value on to you.



part tour guide, part friend, part concierge



“ Our tour manager made our tour. She had been with the company 26 years and we think that said a lot. There was no concern as to how to get to the airports, check ins, room reservations etc. We would definitely do this again. ”

— Arthur M.

A person wearing a light green jacket, dark shorts, and a bright orange helmet is zip-lining through a dense, lush green forest. The person is seen from behind, suspended on a rope and holding onto a metal carabiner. The background is a thick canopy of green leaves and branches.

MORE ON TOUR

Choice on Tour

Everyone's road is different and that's why this year, Collette is introducing **Choice on Tour**. Many of our itineraries now feature different paths you can take. On select days, choose from the INCLUDED possibilities that best suit your interests.

In Arenal, Costa Rica, embark on a thrilling zip lining experience or take a hike through the former lava fields of Arenal Volcano National Park.



Walking Tour



or



Airbus Facility Tour

In Toulouse, France, head out on a walking tour with a local guide or choose to go on a tour of the Airbus facility, maker of the world's largest passenger airliner. **Both options are included, which will you choose?**



Park Exploration



or



Strata Stroll

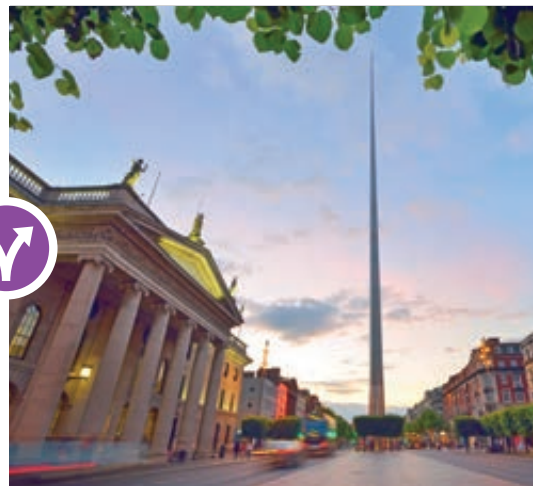
In Gros Morne National Park, explore Tableland Mountains, highland tundra and the park's hidden fjords or stroll through the strata formations at Green Point. **Two great options!**



Sightseeing Drive



or



Walking Tour

While in Dublin, Ireland set out on a sightseeing drive with a local guide or enjoy a walking tour of the city's historic centre. **Both options are included, so the choice is yours!**

*Look for the Choice
on tour icon!*



The background of the entire page is a photograph of ancient stupas, likely in Myanmar, shrouded in a soft, golden mist. The stupas are tiered and conical, with some showing signs of age and weathering. They are nestled among lush green trees, and the overall atmosphere is serene and historical. The lighting suggests either dawn or dusk, with a warm, orange glow.

MORE ON TOUR

Must-See

Inclusions

Every destination has its iconic locations that are simply a must for visitors. Collette's inclusive itineraries interweave access to what we call the "must-sees" with immersive experiences to create a richer portrait of the destination.

Get to know Assisi, Italy with a guided walking tour through its medieval streets.



See more as you set out on a "Big 5" African game drive.



Deeper experiences at the world's most iconic sites



Feel the magic as you watch the sunrise over the iconic Taj Mahal

Stay at the base of mystical Machu Picchu with plenty of time to explore.

MORE ON TOUR

Cultural *Experiences*

The **cultural experiences** you'll find as part of each itinerary are travel moments both large and small. These are the special inclusions (selected by our experts) that allow you to truly come to know a destination and, more importantly, the people who call that place home.

Join a Hindu scholar to
discuss the philosophy
of Hinduism. ▶



Explore Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson's Irish Whiskey.



Discover centuries-old Andean textile methods at a living museum in Peru.



Travel with the city's commuters aboard the Yangon Railway.



Experience a Moroccan tradition at a henna workshop.



Bringing to life more of the **hidden wows** and **cultural experiences** that make travel special



Get Screeched In! Become an honorary Newfoundlander by kissing a cod fish.

“ It was great to just sit back and relax while seeing the beauty of the country and to have confidence that wherever we were, we were in good hands. ”

— John W.

MORE ON TOUR

Culinary

Inclusions

Food is a wonderful way to experience new cultures. Our authentic culinary inclusions take you into the destination, offering a better understanding of the history and people while also satisfying your taste buds.



Sample the flavours of Peru when enjoying a tasting menu of artfully crafted dishes in South America's culinary capital - Lima, Peru.

*More immersive
More interactive*

Learn to prepare traditional Vietnamese dishes at a hands-on cooking class.



Sip tea with a Moroccan Berber family to get a taste of their life.



Delight in a homecooked Irish meal prepared by your hosts for the evening.



At a Tuscan winery, savour fresh Italian food expertly paired with the wine they produce.

More included meals in local restaurants & more menu choices

“ The restaurants we visited had amazing ambiance and fantastic quality of the food. ”
— Janis G.

MORE ON TOUR

Amazing *Accommodation*

Whether it's the amenities, the history, the view or the location, your accommodation is often a highlight of its own. We carefully select each hotel to best fit into your inclusive itinerary.



Delight in the welcoming hospitality at the family owned Riad Yacout in Fes, Morocco.

hand-picked accommodation that captures the essence of a destination

Overnight in the iconic Hotel de la Cite in the fairytale village of Carcassonne, France.



Discover the luxury and tranquility of the Bhaya Junk Boat.



Stay in the heart of "Big 5 Country" in a deluxe tent at the Sarova Mara Camp, Masai Mara, Kenya.



Stay in carefully selected, 4-star and above properties



Soak in the old-world ambiance at the luxurious, historic Parador Hostal de San Marcos in Leon, Spain.

“ I also loved the hotels...they had many nice perks. ”

— Kathleen W.

MORE FLEXIBILITY

Personalise Your Adventure

Every traveller is different, so make your trip your own. We offer more ways to customise your tour. With features such as pre and post-nights stays, Diner's Choice and on-tour options, you can make every day a personal adventure!

*where inclusiveness
meets choice*

Pre-Tour



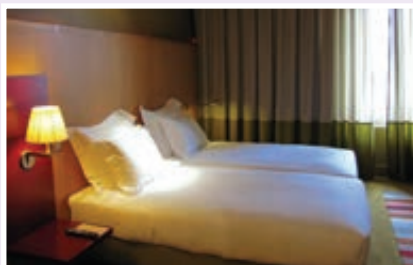
Included Private Chauffeur Drive Service

As one of the Collette differences, our private chauffeur drive service is available when you reserve a tour. It's the perfect way to begin and end your adventure. *See pg. 70*



Airfares

Upgrade your air to travel in ultimate comfort and convenience. Treat yourself to a wealth of amenities that come with a business, premium economy, or first-class ticket. Land rested, refreshed, and ready for the world's wonders. *See pg. 71*



Pre-Nights

Collette can easily add a pre-night stay to your existing itinerary and with a single phone call we can reserve tickets to your host city's best attractions. Enjoy the benefits of an early arrival and a streamlined booking process.

On Tour



Included Choice On Tour

Many tours feature the chance to choose from an assortment of included activities. Create your own touring experience by deciding what you want to do on select days.



Included Dining Experiences

On select tours and evenings, our Diner's Choice feature allows you to choose where to enjoy your included dinner. Find the right spot from a shortlist of some of Collette's favourite restaurants.



Optional Excursions

Every tour offers a collection of optional excursions, carefully selected to offer you a different perspective on your destination. Enhance your experience and make the most of your time out in the world.

Post-Tour



Post-Nights

Collette can also add a post-night stay to your existing itinerary along with tickets to your host city's best attractions. Stay a little bit longer and enjoy more of some of the world's best cities.



Tour Extensions

Our list of tour extensions reads like the logbook of a great adventure. These shorter excursions (which you can add before and after your tour) are the perfect way to add a few more memories.



Go Back-To-Back

Collette can help you combine two tours into one grand experience. Many of our dates line up perfectly to allow you to discover more of the world. Call for details.

More Caring

Giving back is part of who we are.
We care more. Since the earliest days of Sullivan family ownership, Collette has given back to the local community. Today, our global reach gives us the opportunity to help many of the places we visit.



Giving back is at the heart
of everything we do!



OUR MISSION:

Through local community volunteering and support, we make an impact in the places where we work; and with our support of legacy programs in countries like Kenya, Australia, Fiji, Cambodia and Peru, we make a difference in the places where we travel. Our only goal is to give children everywhere – regardless of circumstance – the opportunity to accomplish their dreams.



it begins with family



Family and that sense of personal ownership has been at the core of Collette since 1918, when Jack Collette started a tiny New England travel company dedicated to showcasing the East Coast. In 1962, Jack sold the company to his friend, Dan Sullivan, Sr., who was determined to keep family at the heart of Collette. Dan's sisters guided tours. His children worked in the mailroom. Over generations, more and more family helped shape Collette into the global tour operator it is today, bringing together a passion for travel and making the world a better place.



for our employees • for our community • for the world

*one global
family*



The Plains of Africa

Embark on a grand adventure through the untamed wilds of Kenya

Extend Your Tour



EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour in **Nairobi**. Explore more with a pre-tour stay that includes a visit to the Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage. [Call for details.](#)

START EARLY. Add an extra day in **Nairobi**. Get ready for the adventure of a lifetime with an extra night to relax. [Call for details.](#)

Day 1: Nairobi, Kenya - Tour Begins

Arrive in Nairobi, the safari capital of Africa, for your overnight stay. The Sarova Stanley Hotel launched into Kenya history in 1902 as Nairobi's first luxury hotel and was home to the beginning of Nairobi's first and only stock exchange.

Day 2: Nairobi - Aberdare National Park

Today we set off for the mountainous region of Aberdare National Park. This ecologically diverse area

boasts lush valleys and peaks reaching 14,000 feet. Arrive at your hotel situated on the slope of Mweiga Hill overlooking the park. Keep an eye out for the giraffes that welcome you to the lodge. The afternoon is at leisure to enjoy the amenities of the lodge; perhaps you'll take a nature walk or enjoy a round of golf! (B, L, D)

Day 3: Aberdare National Park- Buffalo Springs Reserve-Shaba National Reserve

Begin your adventure in the Shaba, Samburu and Buffalo Springs reserves, home to some of Africa's most exotic wildlife including the reticulated giraffe and Grevy's zebra, two species only found north of the equator. Arrive at Shaba National Reserve, your home for the next two nights. After lunch, it's on to Buffalo Springs for a game drive to begin your search for the "Big 5." **Tonight, learn about the culture and traditions of the Samburu – an ethnic group related to the Masai.** (B, L, D)

Day 4: Shaba Reserve - Samburu National Reserve - Shaba Reserve

Bring your camera as you continue searching for the elusive "Big 5" on a morning game drive through the rugged Samburu National Reserve. The striking contrast of sand, sky and bush will leave you breathless. After lunch at the lodge, continue on an afternoon game drive in Shaba, watching for the spectacular local birds; over 350 species of birds are known to inhabit the reserve. Watch for the desert rose plant, splashing colour against its natural surroundings. Your day comes to a close on the banks of the Ewaso

Ng'iro River. Sit back and relax as the sun sets on the horizon, partaking in a traditional Sundowner. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Shaba - Aberdare National Park

Return to Aberdare for an unforgettable experience in a treetop lodge. This national park received its name from Lord Aberdare, one of the founding members of the Royal Geographical Society. Your lodge overlooks a floodlit waterhole and salt lick which attracts a host of wildlife all night long. **Get an up-close look at the wildlife from the four viewing decks** that provide an unmatched opportunity for game viewing from the comfort of the lodge. Sit back and let the animals come to you! (B, L, D)

Day 6: Aberdare National Park - Lake Nakuru

This morning, drive past the mountains via the spectacular Nyahururu waterfalls, then make a photo stop at the Equator. Arrive at the floor of the Great Rift Valley and continue your search for the "Big 5" during your time at Lake Nakuru. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Lake Nakuru After your morning game drive, savour a traditional breakfast in the bush.





Then, enjoy some time to relax and enjoy the amenities at the lodge. Your exciting afternoon game drive returns to the lodge before sunset. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara Game Reserve This morning, travel to the Masai Mara Game Reserve. The Masai Mara – an extension of the great Serengeti Plain – is considered the most stunning game viewing spot in all of Kenya: lions, giraffes, zebras, elephants and other wildlife reside here. Your tent provides all the deluxe amenities of a lodge, complete with the adventure of the wild. Visit a Masai village prior to your game drive. **Tonight, enjoy a traditional bush dinner featuring a Masai dance performance.** (B, L, D)

Day 9: Masai Mara Further enjoy the Masai Mara with both morning and afternoon game drives. Pause along the way to rest and enjoy a picnic lunch. Return to your hotel for sunset. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Masai Mara - Nairobi After breakfast, return to Nairobi and travel to Karen, on the outskirts of Nairobi, and visit the farmhouse of Karen Blixen, author of *Out of Africa*. Experience the local wildlife firsthand as you have the opportunity to feed the endangered Rothschild giraffes from a raised platform at the Giraffe Sanctuary. (B, L)

Day 11: Nairobi - Amboseli National Park This morning we



depart Nairobi for Amboseli National Park, famous for its open plains where lions and elephants roam. The breathtaking snowcapped Mt. Kilimanjaro dominates the landscape. Enjoy an afternoon game drive. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Amboseli Further explore Amboseli with two game drives – your final chance to see the “Big 5.” (B, L, D)

Day 13: Amboseli - Nairobi - Tour Ends Return to Nairobi where a day room has been reserved for you to freshen up prior to your departure for home. (B)

Extend Your Tour



EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour to Tanzania. One adventure leads to another as you set out to explore Serengeti National Park and Ngorongoro Crater. See page 66 for details.

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Nairobi. Reflect on your amazing stay in Kenya and rest up before the journey home. Call for details.

Dates & Prices

January – April 2017		Double	
20, 27 January		\$6544	11, 18 August \$7564
3, 10, 17, 24 February		\$6544	8, 22 September \$7564
3, 10 March		\$6544	13 October \$7564
3, 7, 21, 24, 28 April		\$5534	3, 17 November \$6604
Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			26 January \$7154
			9, 23 February \$7154
			9, 16 March \$7154
			6, 20 April \$6184
May 2016 - April 2017		Double	
5, 16 May		\$5844	Single Room Supplement (+) \$550 - \$2350
30 June		\$5844	Triple Room Reduction N/A
21 July		\$7564	

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Cultural Experiences

- Learn about the culture and traditions of the Samburu people.
- Make a stop at a Masai village to get to know the people.

Must-See Inclusions

- Keep your camera ready as you set out to find the “Big 5.”
- View wildlife up-close from your treetop lodge, The Ark.
- Explore the farmhouse of Karen Blixen, author of *Out of Africa*.
- See Rothschild giraffes up close as you feed them from a platform.
- Pause for a photo stop at the Equator.

Culinary Inclusions

- 33 meals: 12 breakfasts • 11 lunches • 10 dinners
- Savour a traditional dinner in the bush with Masai entertainment.
- Enjoy a picnic lunch surrounded by nature.

Accommodation

Day 1	Sarova Stanley Hotel, Nairobi
Day 2	Aberdare Country Club, Nyeri
Days 3, 4	Sarova Shaba Lodge, Shaba Reserve
Day 5	The Ark Hotel, Nyeri
Days 6, 7	Sarova Lion Hill Lodge, Lake Nakuru
Days 8, 9	Sarova Mara Camp, Masai Mara
Day 10	Sarova Stanley Hotel, Nairobi
Days 11, 12	Oi Tukai Lodge, Amboseli

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 70 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.
See page 71 for details.
- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport and visa. A Kenya visa is required and must be obtained in advance. Visit www.ecitizen.go.ke to submit an application and register yourself as a visitor. It may take up to a week or more to process. Bring a printed copy of your visa to present upon arrival in Kenya. The current cost of the single entry visa is \$140 USD (includes CIBT fees as well as consular fees) plus shipping, subject to change. Visit www.cibtvias.com.au for details or check with your consulate for more information. Park fees of \$855 AUD per person are included in the land price. Fees are subject to change. Soft duffel bag luggage is required for this tour with maximum weight of 15 kgs. (approximately 33 lbs). Due to tour scheduling, return flights should not be scheduled prior to 9:00 p.m. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Exploring South Africa, Victoria Falls, & Botswana

Epic scenery, winding coastlines, remarkable wildlife

Extend Your Tour



GO FARTHER. Begin your exploration with a pre-tour Dubai extension. See one of the world's fastest growing and most intriguing cities.
See page 66 for details.

START EARLY. Add an extra day in Cape Town. Take in the stunning beauty and warm hospitality of this lively city.
Call for details.

Day 1: Cape Town, South Africa

- Tour Begins Welcome to the beautiful harbourside city of Cape Town. Its architecture fuses French, German and Dutch traditions which sets the stage for a thrilling cultural journey.

Day 2: Cape Town Step aboard a cable car that whisks you to an altitude of more than 3,000 feet atop Table Mountain. Gaze at the astounding view of

Cape Town, Robben Island and Lion's Head. Return to the city via Table Bay, passing through the Moorish Malay Quarter on your panoramic tour, pausing along the way at Milnerton Lighthouse. Spend the remainder of your afternoon at leisure. You may choose to explore charming Victoria and Alfred Waterfront, known for its shopping and entertainment venues. Be sure to stop by the local craft market for some hidden gems. This evening, savour a true African dining experience as you become familiar with a traditional African hand-washing ceremony before sampling local delicacies. (B, D)

Day 3: Cape Town Travel out to Cape Point on the southwestern tip of Africa. Along the way, marvel at the coastal scenery and pleasant towns that populate the Cape Peninsula. Listen to the tales behind the numerous ship wrecks which attest to the treacherous nature of these waters. Come to know the Cape of Good Hope and take a tram to the top of the mountain. Enjoy a leisurely hike down before continuing on to Boulders Beach to see the penguins who call it home. Later this evening, make some new South African friends during a home-hosted dinner. Sit down with a local family and learn about their daily life. Perhaps you'll share stories from your own experiences. (B, D)

Day 4: Cape Town - Stellenbosch

After a leisurely morning, a short drive brings you to the beautiful winelands of the Western Cape. Visit a winery for a tasting before enjoying a farm lunch paired with wine. Your hotel for the next two nights



is located in the heart of bustling Stellenbosch. The remainder of your afternoon is at leisure to relax or explore this charming town, the second oldest in South Africa. (B, L)

Day 5: Stellenbosch - Hermanus - Stellenbosch

Enjoy a leisurely drive over the Sir Lowry Pass to the quaint seaside village of Hermanus. A walking tour will acquaint you with the village. Enjoy some leisure time to explore the shops and art galleries before returning to Stellenbosch. (B)

Day 6: Stellenbosch - Johannesburg - Entabeni Conservancy

Fly to the city of Johannesburg. Upon arrival, head to the Entabeni Conservancy. Gather for an afternoon game drive. Have your cameras ready as you search for the "Big Five" (lion, African elephant, Cape buffalo, leopard and rhino). As the sun sets, enjoy a traditional African sundowner. Get out of your 4x4 and gaze over the land as the sun



drops behind the mountains. Keep your eyes peeled for the big cats preparing to hunt. Return to the lodge for dinner under the stars. (B, D)

Day 7: Entabeni Conservancy

Rise before the sun and set out on a game drive. Enjoy coffee and tea in the bush before returning to the lodge for breakfast. Later, learn to follow the clues left by wildlife during a track identification walk with a ranger. After you have worked up an appetite, take time for a leisurely lunch in the gardens. Late afternoon, continue your search for the "Big Five" during another exciting game drive. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Entabeni Conservancy - Johannesburg

Carry on your quest for the "Big Five" before breakfast. Later, journey to the vibrant city of Johannesburg. En route, your Tour Manager helps you discover the history of the local languages. Enjoy some leisure time in Sandton this afternoon. (B)

Day 9: Johannesburg - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Fly to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. Spend some time at a local village learning more about the regional culture. Embark on a walking tour of stunning Victoria Falls. Later, you may enjoy a sundowner poolside and the spectacular African sunset while the animals gather at the watering hole. (B, D)



Day 10: Victoria Falls This morning explore a local craft market. Later you will meet African elephants and have the opportunity to interact with them before you enjoy some free time at the lodge. Reflect on your surroundings as you relax while overlooking the wildlife watering hole. (B)

Day 11: Victoria Falls - Chobe, Botswana

Watch for bushbuck (African antelope) as well as bird life during a nature walk with a local guide. Cross the border as you travel to Chobe, Botswana. An exciting safari cruise awaits. Spot wildlife along the water's edge, find hippos swimming along the shores, and crocodiles basking in the sun. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Chobe Today features morning and afternoon game drives in the one-of-a-kind Chobe National Park. View the animals as they drink from the river. This evening's dinner by the river is hosted by a chef who will teach you the art of cooking a traditional Braai (barbecue) complete with some local favourites such as game meat. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Chobe - Johannesburg

- Tour Ends Fly to Johannesburg where your tour comes to a close. (B)

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Cultural Experiences

- Head out for an African sundowner by 4x4 and enjoy the sunset.
- Spend some time at a local village in Zimbabwe learning about the culture.
- Meet and interact with African elephants.

Must-See Inclusions

- Enjoy 7 wildlife safaris in search of the "Big Five."
- Step aboard a cable car and be whisked atop Table Mountain.
- Take a walking tour in the quaint seaside village of Hermanus.
- Embark on a walking tour of stunning Victoria Falls.

Culinary Inclusions

- 23 meals: 12 breakfasts • 4 lunches • 7 dinners
- Savour a true African dining experience including a hand-washing ceremony.
- Visit a South African winery for a farm lunch paired with wine.
- Dine under the stars during your stay in a nature conservancy.
- Enjoy a traditional Braai (barbecue) in Chobe National Park.

Accommodation

Days 1 – 3 Commodore Hotel, Cape Town
Days 4, 5 Oude Werf, Stellenbosch
Days 6, 7 Hanglip Mountain Lodge, Entabeni
Day 8 Da Vinci Hotel and Suites, Sandton
Days 9, 10 Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls
Days 11, 12 Chobe Marina Lodge, Kasane

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.
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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport and visa. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months beyond the intended period of stay, plus you must have at least 4 blank pages (with visa hologram) remaining in your passport to allow for the entry stamp issued for South Africa as well as the visas for Zimbabwe and Botswana. The 2 pages for South Africa MUST be facing each other. Failure to comply with this law will result in denied boarding of your international flight. Nationals of Australia are eligible to obtain a visa on arrival to Zimbabwe at any major entry point for a stay of up to 30 days. The fee is approximately AUD40 for single entry and AUD60 for a double entry. You must hold sufficient funds to cover the stay and hold proof of onward travel to a third destination. Park fees (\$120 - \$135 AUD) are included in the land price of your tour. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment. The internal flights on this program are included in the price of your tour. Day rooms or overnight stays can be arranged for a cost upon request. Due to tour scheduling, return flights from Johannesburg should not be scheduled prior to 6:30 p.m. Malaria pills are recommended when visiting Zimbabwe and Botswana. Consult your physician 2-3 weeks prior to departure. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

January – April 2017		Double	
12, 19 January	\$7134	31 August	\$7584
2, 12, 23 February	\$7134	7, 14, 21, 28 September	\$7584
2, 9, 23, 30 March	\$7134	5, 12, 19, 26 October	\$7684
6, 9, 13, 20, 27 April	\$7004	2, 9 November	\$7684
Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.		11, 18, 25 January	\$7684
		1, 8, 15, 22 February	\$7684
		1, 8, 15 March	\$7684
		5, 19 April	\$7534
May 2017 – April 2018		Double	
4, 18 May	\$7434	Single Room Supplement (+) \$1350 - \$1460	
8 June	\$7434	Triple Room Reduction (-) N/A	
20 July	\$7434	Rates are land only, per person, and include internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.	
17 August	\$7434		



Hassan II Mosque

Highlights of Morocco

An adventure overflowing with centuries-old customs and culture

Start Early

Add an extra day in Casablanca.

Get acquainted with fascinating Morocco with an additional night in Casablanca.

Call for details.

Day 1: Casablanca, Morocco - Tour Begins

Embark on an alluring Moroccan adventure overflowing with centuries-old customs and colourful culture. Your tour begins in Casablanca. Take a short drive to the city centre for a brief stop at the impressive Hassan II Mosque, a stunning, high-tech, architectural masterpiece. Arrive at your hotel and enjoy time to relax. Gather tonight with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at Rick's Café, the mythical saloon from the 1942 film Casablanca. (D)

Day 2: Casablanca - Meknes - Fes

Your first stop on today's journey is the ancient imperial city of Meknes. Lush rolling hills studded with ancient olive groves await you in this cultural city, a UNESCO World Heritage site. After lunch, explore the port of Bab El Mansour and Bab El Khamis before continuing on to the ancient ruins of Volubilis. Uncover the well-preserved remains of Roman palaces, baths, soaring arches and magnificent mosaics. **Tonight's dinner features traditional Moroccan delights**, prepared and served by the family who owns the riad where you are staying. (B, D)

Day 3: Fes Discover Fes, one of the holiest cities in the world. This enchanting city takes you back in time. Learn of its historical importance as a centre of government, philosophy, medicine and religion while on your fascinating panoramic tour, including the Medersa Bou Inania, built in 1325. See the Jewish Quarter, the city ramparts and the gates of the palace. Take to the streets for a walking tour in the Medina. Founded in the 9th century, it is home to one of the oldest universities in the world. Amid the cobbled alleyways of this ancient market you'll see donkeys and mules



laden with goods walking alongside buyers. Spend time at the famous leather tanneries, a honeycomb of vats exploding in an array of brilliant colour. (B)

Day 4: Fes - Midelt - Erfoud Today you will **learn about MonkeyWatch**, a conservation program dedicated to protecting the Barbary macaques that thrive in the forests of Ifrane National Park. You will have the opportunity to feed these unique creatures. Continue on towards Erfoud, making a stop in Midelt. Your overnight is in a kasbah. (B, D)

Day 5: Erfoud - Sahara Desert

Expedition - Merzouga Your day begins at Erfoud's fossil factory and museum where they turn fossil rocks into decorative items. Then, travel to the Saharaoui town of Rissani. Get a true taste of the region when creating homemade stuffed bread with potato, meat, onion and Moroccan spices. **Jump into a 4x4 vehicle and make your way to various nomadic villages of the Sahara** before arriving at the edge of the dunes. Pause to enjoy a cup of tea by the pool before boarding your camel for your ride to a nomad camp. Traverse the stunning fine sands of Merzouga as the red sun falls towards the horizon. Later, learn how to bake bread under the sand — nomad style. As night falls, listen to intoxicating Berber drum music and song during the traditional pouring of mint tea followed by a delightful Moroccan feast. Sleep in a luxury tent and experience an unrivalled sense of tranquility in the serene desert. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Merzouga - Todra Gorge -

Boumalne du Dades Return to the edge of the

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Cultural Experiences

- Stroll through the cobbled alleyways of the ancient market of Medina.
- Learn about MonkeyWatch, dedicated to protecting the Barbary macaques.
- Experience a Moroccan tradition at a henna workshop.
- Behold Ksar Ait-Ben-Haddou, an impressive feat of Moroccan architecture.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore Fes, one of the holiest cities in the world.
- Board a camel to your nomad camp and overnight in the Sahara Desert.
- Jump into a 4x4 and make your way to various nomadic villages.
- Follow the rugged "Road of a Thousand Kasbahs."
- Discover the ancient Imperial city of Meknes, studded with olive groves.

Culinary Inclusions

- 18 meals: 9 breakfasts • 3 lunches • 6 dinners
- Make your own stuffed bread with potato, meat, onion and Moroccan spices.
- Experience Moroccan hospitality during lunch with a local family.
- Select your own ingredients before a culinary workshop at the Kasbah Omar.
- Join a Berber family in their home for a traditional cup of tea.
- Take in Berber entertainment during a pouring of mint tea followed by a Moroccan feast.

Accommodation

Day 1	Val D'Anfa Hotel, Casablanca
Days 2, 3	Riad Yacout, Fes
Day 4	Kasbah Xaluca, Erfoud
Day 5	Auberge du sud Hotel, Merzouga
Day 6	Hotel Xaluca Dades, Boumalne du Dades
Days 7 - 9	Opera Plaza, Marrakech

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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- Enhance your **inflight-experience** with an **air upgrade**.
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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Return flights from Casablanca should not be booked prior to 11:30 a.m. Due to flight schedules, a post-night may be required in Casablanca (at an additional cost). Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



dunes via camel. Then, set out for Erissani to begin the journey to Todra Gorge. Spend time in the Jewish quarter where you may choose to sample some local favourites at a bakery. Next, follow the rugged "Road of a Thousand Kasbahs." These fortress-like kasbahs rise up like turreted sandcastles along the ancient trading route. This region is one of the most vibrant destinations. Along the river valleys, palmeries and burnished mud-brick homes light up in the desert sun. (B, D)

Day 7: Boumalne du Dades - High Atlas Mountains - Marrakech

Marrakech Drive through the Valley of Roses, stopping en route at a local cooperative for coffee. Then, it's **on to the UNESCO World Heritage site of the Ksar Ait-Ben-Haddou**, an impressive feat of Moroccan architecture. Continue along the High Atlas Mountains following the Tizi n' Tichka Pass. This scenic route brings you through lush oasis valleys and past imposing mountains. Pause along the way at a Berber village before entering the exotic city of Marrakech. (B)

Day 8: Marrakech Explore Marrakech and its ancient El Bahia Palace where today, a sentry of nesting storks stand guard. Enter the royal Saadian Tombs, explore the vibrant and historic Jewish Mellah, and see the majestic 12th-century Koutoubia Mosque. Tour the ancient city wall, passing by the Royal Palace and Marrakesh

palm grove. **Savour lunch in the home of a local expert** and his family and get a true taste of Moroccan hospitality. Then, enter the 9th-century walled Medina and enjoy time to mingle with the locals as you shop at the ancient market. (B, L)

Day 9: Marrakech This morning, **select the ingredients for your culinary workshop** that takes place on the rooftop of the charming Kasbah Omar, located in the middle of the old Jewish Berber village. Join a Berber family in their home for a traditional cup of tea and a taste of the real Berber life. After lunch, experience another Moroccan tradition at a henna workshop. Afterward, meet an artist and discover some of her work before heading to the souk for last minute shopping. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Marrakech - Casablanca - Tour Ends

A morning transfer brings you back to Casablanca to connect to your flight home. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Savour your time immersed in Moroccan culture with another night in Casablanca.

Call for details.

Dates & Prices

January - April 2017	Double	October 2017 - March 2018	Double
14 January	\$2959	6 October	\$3189
4 February	\$2959	3 November	\$3189
11, 18 March	\$2959	8 December	\$3189
16 March	\$3189	26 January	\$3189
22 April	\$2959	9 February	\$3189
		16 March	\$3189

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Single Room Supplement (+) \$890 - \$970
Triple Room Reduction N/A

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.



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Unravel the magic and wonder of a different world

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GO FARTHER. Travel to one of the most exciting places in the world – Dubai.

Going from desert to decadence, this place features a blend of ancient and modern wonders found nowhere else. See page 66 for details.

START EARLY. Add an extra day in Delhi.

Open your tour with an extra night in one of the most interesting cities in the world.

Call for details.

Day 1: Delhi, India - Tour Begins

Welcome to Delhi, India's capital city that sports a rich history spanning over 2,000 years.

Day 2: New Delhi Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager shares a few key phrases of the native language. Enjoy a sightseeing tour of

Old Delhi. Visit Jama Masjid, India's largest mosque. **Explore Old Delhi's narrow streets by rickshaw**, the traditional mode of transport. Next you'll tour New Delhi, visiting Qutub Minar, the tallest brick minaret in the world. Behold the India Gate war memorial, the Parliament and the palatial Rashtrapati Bhawan – the President's residence. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Delhi - Udaipur Fly to Udaipur, your gateway to Rajasthan, where chivalrous tales come to life at forts and palaces. Settle into your hotel, a carefully restored palace perched on a hill and overlooking the lake. (B, D)

Day 4: Udaipur Participate in a relaxing yoga class and learn basic exercises and breathing techniques from a local expert. Visit the exquisite City Palace – its main entrance, Tripolia, was built in 1725. Stop at Sahelion-ki-Bari, the Garden of the Maids of Honour, and learn about the lifestyle of the royal ladies who once strolled through these gardens. This evening, cruise along Lake Pichola and take in views of the Jag Mandir Palace and the City Palace. (B)

Day 5: Udaipur - Jaipur This morning, depart on a scenic drive through the countryside to the "Pink City" of Jaipur. After having lunch and checking into your hotel, head out for a brief stop at Hawa Mahal, home to a former Maharaja, beholding its façade of 953 windows. Visit the City Palace and find gardens, courtyards, intricate decorative art and carved doorways. Marvel at Jantar Mantar, an astronomical observatory built in 1726 by Sawai Jai Singh. (B, L)

Day 6: Jaipur Ascend by vintage jeep to the top of Amber Fort, India's former seat of power. Visit a local school where the children are part of a midday program supported by the efforts of the Collette Foundation. Tap into local customs during lunch as you learn about turban and sari tying. Stroll through a flower market for a glimpse into the art of making garlands used in traditional Indian welcome ceremonies. Enjoy a henna tattoo and bindi demonstration. Tonight, sit down for a home-hosted dinner and observe daily life inside the old city. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Jaipur - Ranthambore Travel to Ranthambore National Park to learn about Project Tiger's efforts at a conservation in India. Meet a naturalist who will discuss the wildlife of the country with you during a slideshow presentation. **Embark on a game drive by canter (an open air vehicle).** Watch for marsh crocodiles, hyenas, sloth bears and even tigers. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Ranthambore Rise and shine early this morning for a game drive. Afterward, enjoy breakfast at your hotel. Visit the Ranthambore School of Art which recruits students from neighbouring villages and trains them to be self-sufficient artists. Next, visit Dastkar Ranthambore Project, founded in 1981 by six women united to protect India's traditional artisans. Dive into the local cuisine with an interactive cooking demonstration followed by dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Ranthambore - Bharatpur - Agra An early morning train brings you to Bharatpur.



Disembark and enjoy brunch before continuing your journey to Agra, a city rich with the splendours of the past. (B, L)

Day 10: Agra Visit the Taj Mahal at sunrise, witnessing the first rays of sun glistening on the white marble — a truly memorable moment. The Taj Mahal took 22 years and 20,000 men to build. Built in the 17th century by Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan as an expression of his love for his wife Mumtaz Mahal, the Taj Mahal is truly one of the wonders of the world. Visit Agra Fort, the seat of the Mughal Empire. (B)

Day 11: Agra - Jhansi - Orchha - Khajuraho Board your train for Jhansi and continue to Orchha for a relaxing lunch. Arrive in Khajuraho, your home for the evening. (B, L)

Day 12: Khajuraho - Varanasi Visit the Chandel Temple complex and behold some of the finest examples of temple architecture in northern India. Fly to Varanasi, a simplistic and charming city with a universal mystique. Tonight, **visit the Ghats – the banks of the river – witnessing the illuminated Ganga Aarti ceremony.** (B)

Day 13: Varanasi Cruise along the River Ganges past various Ghats where people ritually cleanse themselves of their sins, hoping for salvation. A city tour of Varanasi includes the Benaras Hindu University and Bharat Mata Temple. Continue to Sarnath where Siddharth Gautama, later

known as Buddha, gave his first sermon on a quiet grove in the 6th century B.C. A Hindu scholar discusses the philosophy of Hinduism with you. Join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner this evening. (B, D)

Day 14: Varanasi - Delhi - Tour Ends Enjoy a morning at leisure before flying back to Delhi, where a day room has been reserved for you to freshen up prior to the departure of your return flight home. (B)

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Mysteries of India

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Cultural Experiences

- Spend two nights in Varanasi, India's holiest city.
- Stand in awe of the illuminated Ganga Aarti ceremony.
- Ascend by jeep to the top of Amber Fort.

Must-See Inclusions

- See the Taj Mahal at sunrise.
- Experience two game drives in Ranthambore National Park.
- Explore Old Delhi's narrow streets by rickshaw.

Culinary Inclusions

- 26 meals: 13 breakfasts • 7 lunches • 6 dinners
- Sit down for a home-hosted dinner and observe daily life inside the old city.

Accommodation

Days 1, 2	Leela Ambience Convention Hotel Delhi, New Delhi
Days 3, 4	Lalit Laxmi Vilas, Udaipur
Days 5, 6	Hilton, Jaipur
Days 7, 8	Dev Vilas, Ranthambore
Days 9, 10	Jaypee Palace, Agra
Day 11	Taj Chandela, Khajuraho
Days 12, 13	Gateway Hotel Ganges or Radisson Varanasi, Varanasi

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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This trip requires a passport and visa. A visa is required for this tour at your expense. The visa cost is from AU \$82 per person and is not included in the tour price. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. It is the traveller's responsibility to obtain any required visa and/or documents prior to departure. The passport must be valid for six months beyond the expiry date of the visa and have two blank facing visa pages. Any additional document/processing fees are at the expense of the traveller. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details or you may like to use CIBT visa, for your full visa service, at www.cibtvias.com.au/collette. For guests continuing on the South India extension, the cost of the unused dayroom in Delhi will be deducted from the price of your extension. The Indian Government charges a camera and/or video fee of approximately \$7 AUD /\$28 AUD respectively (total for the entire trip) for taking photos inside attractions. Your Tour Manager will collect these fees at the beginning of the tour and pay the government accordingly. Due to tour scheduling, return flights home should not be booked to leave prior to 6:00 p.m. on the last day. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

January - April 2017	Double	3, 9 November	\$4989
13, 20, 27 January	\$4729	12, 19, 26 January	\$4989
3, 10, 17 February	\$4729	9, 16, 23 February	\$4989
6 March	\$4729	2, 9 March	\$4989
22, 29 April	\$4159	6, 20 April	\$4369
Itinerary featured is for September 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			
September 2017 - April 2018	Double	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$1170 - \$1590
29 September	\$4989	Triple Room Reduction	N/A
13, 20, 27 October	\$4989	Rates are land only, per person and include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.	

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India - At a local school, see the efforts of the Akshaya Patra Foundation. With the support of the Collette Foundation, this organisation distributes healthy meals to the children.



Bhaya Classic, Halong Bay

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Taste of Vietnam

Explore a rich blend of cultural influences and natural wonders

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GO FARTHER. Add 3 nights in Hong Kong. Start your adventure in Hong Kong and explore one of Asia's most cosmopolitan and dynamic cities. See page 67 for details.

START EARLY. Add an extra day in Ho Chi Minh City. Spend more time in this metropolis once known to the world as Saigon. Call for details.

Day 1: Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam - Tour Begins Set out on a journey that reveals the best of Vietnam, a beautiful country with a long and rich history. Your tour opens in historic Ho Chi Minh City, formerly known as Saigon. For centuries, the city has been the commercial hub of the region, creating a cultural melting pot.

Day 2: Ho Chi Minh City This morning, head to the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground passageways used as hideouts by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Then

you'll get acquainted with the city's colonial landmarks on a tour that features the Post Office, Notre Dame Cathedral, the Reunification Palace and the Binh Tay Market. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Ho Chi Minh City - Mekong Delta - Ho Chi Minh City

Today we explore the famous Mekong Delta, rich with natural and historic wonders, during a cruise along this bustling river. Be introduced to daily life during a visit to a home where coconut candy and rice paste are made. Enjoy a lunch of regional cuisine in a lush tropical garden. Visit a local residence to learn about their traditional way of life. Later, enjoy a visit to Cao Dai Temple and explore the region's rich architectural style. (B, L)

Day 4: Saigon - Hanoi Today, fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's capital. From the ancient past, through colonial rule to the modern day, this vibrant city boasts many layers of history. Hanoi's French influences and traditional motifs paint a rich cultural portrait that enthralls visitors. (B, D)

Day 5: Hanoi Begin your day in Ba Dinh Square, home of the mausoleum built to honour Ho Chi Minh, a revered figure in Vietnam. Behind this impressive site and standing in stark contrast is Minh's simple house that sits on stilts. Admire the lotus-shaped One Pillar Pagoda resting on a single stone pillar emerging from the water. Take in the well-preserved traditional architecture at the Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first university, founded in the early 11th century. Enjoy lunch at a not-for-profit restaurant. Learn how this

caring organisation changes the lives of underprivileged children by training them with new skills. Then, **set out on a cyclo tour of Hanoi** that takes you through its old quarter. Catch a glimpse of ancient Hanoi and see the traditional Vietnamese architecture including the "long house." **End the day with a traditional water puppet performance.** (B, L)

Day 6: Hanoi - Ky Son - Hanoi

Venture to the countryside to Ky Son Village. Come to know life here as you embark on either a stroll or bike ride through the village. **Learn about local culinary traditions during a cooking demonstration** with a local chef before a lunch highlighting regional cuisine. Next, we head to Duong Lam village. Along the way, meet villagers and see their unique historic homes and communal places of worship. Enjoy a visit to the Mia Pagoda. Stop at the humble Ngo Quyen and Phung Hung temples, built by the locals in the 8th and 10th centuries to honour their kings. Return to Hanoi for an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 7: Hanoi - Halong Bay Journey to Halong Bay for your overnight cruise on a luxury junk boat. Travel through the rice paddy fields and stop in some of the villages. Marvel at the thousands of limestone islands that dot these waters. Enjoy a lunchtime seafood feast aboard followed by a swim in the crystal clear waters of the bay. Overnight among the dramatic limestone peaks rising out of the sea. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Halong Bay - Hanoi - Hue Wake as the fog gently lifts, revealing the morning light. Enjoy cruising through the emerald waters of Halong Bay back to the harbour. Then we return to Hanoi to board a flight to Hue, the Imperial capital city. (B)



Day 9: Hue Travel to the shores of the Perfume River and embark on a cruise that reveals Hue's Imperial past. First we make a stop at Thien Mu Pagoda, one of the oldest religious buildings in the country. Then it's on to see the incredible mausoleum of Emperor Tu Duc, the most elaborate royal tomb in the country. Continue on to explore the sprawling Imperial Citadel that originally encompassed 148 buildings before arriving at the Dong Ba Market to witness or partake in the timeless art of bartering. Later, savour the local flavours during dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 10: Hue - Hoi An Travel along the coast and through the countryside via the breathtaking Hai Van Pass on your way to Hoi An. En route, pause to see the quaint Lang Co fishing village. Enjoy a visit to the Cham Museum in Da Hang which houses the finest collection of Cham artwork. Arrive in Hoi An, an ancient merchant trading port and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Hoi An Learn about the local cuisine at today's cooking class. Begin with a visit to a local market to interact with vendors and learn about traditional ingredients. Learn how each of the vegetables and herbs are used to create everyday Vietnamese cuisine and enjoy lunch after your class. Then, visit one of Hoi An's famous lantern workshops and **try your hand at lantern making**. These colourful handmade creations are a part of the culture of the city and symbolise luck, happiness and wealth to the residents. Set out on a walking tour of this well-preserved town. Feel like you have stepped into the past as you stroll by the Phuc Kien Assembly Hall, the ancient merchant house, a 400-year-old Japanese covered bridge, and the vibrant riverside market. Later, enjoy a peaceful boat trip along the Thu Bon River before time at leisure to explore the old town. (B, L)

Day 12: Hoi An Catch a glimpse into the Champa Kingdom at the remarkable ruins

of My Son Sanctuary (UNESCO), situated in a remote jungle valley. This once thriving epicenter of religion and politics dates back to the 4th century and has more than 20 well-preserved monuments to discover. Next, explore the local way of life at Tra Que Herb Village, a small farming community. En route, stop to see 17th-century Japanese tombs, the only ones of their kind outside of Japan. Arrive in town and observe the farmers tending to their crops and sample some local delicacies. Relax as you soak your feet in an herbal bath before returning to Hoi An. Tonight, enjoy dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 13: Hoi An - Ho Chi Minh City Fly to Ho Chi Minh City. Tonight, toast to the end of a remarkable adventure while savouring your farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 14: Ho Chi Minh City - Tour Ends Return home with a wealth of incredible memories. (B)

Extend Your Tour



EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour with 3 nights in Bangkok.

Embrace this bustling city on the banks of the Chao Phraya River. See page 67 for details.

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Taste of Vietnam

14 Days from \$3884

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Choice On Tour

- Come to know life in Ky Son on a stroll or bike ride through the village.

Cultural Experiences

- Try your hand at lantern making in Hoi An.
- Discover the Thien Mu Pagoda, one of the oldest buildings in Vietnam.
- Experience daily life during a visit to Tra Que Herb Village, a small farming community.
- Enjoy a traditional water puppet performance.

Must-See Inclusions

- Set out on an overnight cruise on a luxury junk boat in Halong Bay and swim in the crystal clear waters.
- Explore the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground passageways used by the Viet Cong.
- Get acquainted with Ho Chi Minh City's landmarks on a city tour.
- See the famous lotus-shaped One Pillar Pagoda resting on a single stone pillar.

Culinary Inclusions

- 27 meals included: 13 breakfasts • 7 lunches • 7 dinners
- Enjoy lunch at a non-profit restaurant and learn how it supports the local community.
- Explore traditional culinary traditions during a cooking class.

Accommodation

Days 1 - 3	New World Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City
Days 4 - 6	Movenpick Hotel, Hanoi
Day 7	Bhaya Classic, Halong Bay
Days 8, 9	Imperial Hotel, Hue
Days 10 - 12	Almanity Hoi An Resort & Spa, Hoi An
Day 13	New World Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.[†]
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- Enhance your **inflight-experience** with an **air upgrade**. See page 71 for details.
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This trip requires a passport. A visa is required for this tour at your expense. The approximate cost for a one month single entry visa is AU\$85. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. It is the traveller's responsibility to obtain any required visa and/or documents prior to departure. The passport must be valid for six months beyond the return date of your trip and have two blank facing visa pages. Any additional document/processing fees are at the expense of the traveller. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details or you may like to use CIBTvisa, for your full visa service, at www.cibtvias.com.au/collette. due to flight schedules, a pre and/or post night stay may be required in some gateway cities (at an additional cost). Also it is recommended that you bring an overnight bag (rather than your large luggage) on the overnight Halong Bay cruise. This will afford you more room to move about your cruise cabin. Your large luggage will be stored on the bus in a secure location. The internal flights on this program are included in the land price of your tour. International air can also be booked through us. Each client is responsible for proper documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Contact your local travel clinic or personal doctor for specific details. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

May 2017 - April 2018	Double	2, 9, 23 February	\$4164
12, 26 May	\$3884	2, 16, 23 March	\$4164
14, 16 June	\$3884	6, 13, 20 April	\$4164
25 August	\$3884		
8, 22 September	\$3884	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$960 - \$970
13, 27 October	\$4164	Triple Room Reduction	N/A
3, 17 November	\$4164		
1 December	\$4164	Rates are land only, per person, and include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.	
12, 19, 26 January	\$4164		



Temple of the Tooth Relic

NEW
TOUR

Exploring Sri Lanka

From intriguing culture to unspoiled landscapes

Start Early

Add an extra day in Colombo.

Enjoy more time to explore when arriving early in the lively city of Colombo.

Call for details.

Day 1: Colombo, Sri Lanka - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in the bustling capital city of Colombo, a vibrant cosmopolitan city combining colonial roots and modern influences. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant featuring traditional Sri Lankan specialities. (D)

Day 2: Colombo Today you will come to know the treasures of Colombo, the commercial hub of the country. Join a local guide who will lead you on a tour of this historical city that spans centuries and melds styles from the Portuguese, Dutch and British. See the central business district called the Fort, the colourful and lively Petta Bazaar, the sprawling Gangaramaya Buddhist Temple, and Independence Square, created in recognition of gaining their freedom in 1948. (B)

Day 3: Colombo - Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage - Sigiriya Our first stop today is at the Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage, which has been rescuing elephants since 1975. They care for

abandoned and wounded elephants of all ages. Watch how the animals are now beginning to thrive as they interact with each other and their handlers during feeding time. Continue to the lush forests of Sigiriya and find yourself surrounded by tranquility at your luxury hotel. (B, D)



Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage

Day 4: Sigiriya - Rock Fortress - Minneriya National Park - Sigiriya

This morning we ascend an impressive granite peak to explore the ruins of the ancient city of Sigiriya - "fortress in the sky." Treasured by the locals, this UNESCO World Heritage site is a sprawling former palace and fortress with extensive gardens considered to be the oldest landscaped gardens in the world complete with fountains and lakes. Next, enjoy a picturesque lunch set among reed beds and paddy

fields. This afternoon, proceed to Minneriya National Park. Explore this wildlife sanctuary, established in 1938, and witness herds of elephants bathing and grazing in their natural habitat. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Sigiriya - Polonnaruwa - Spice Market - Kandy

Travel to the fascinating ruins of the ancient city of Polonnaruwa (UNESCO). Spend time discovering this former capital city of Sri Lanka which was built in the 12th century when trade and agriculture flourished under the reign of King Parakramabahu. The king was ahead of his time developing an irrigation system that still supplies the water during dry season to local farms. Then it's on to the city of Matale, known for hosting merchants from around the world since ancient times. During a guided tour of a spice market, learn about the various spices and smell fragrant clove, cinnamon, cardamom, nutmeg and many other spices used in Sri Lankan cooking. Continue to the picturesque, lakefront city of Kandy. This evening, enjoy a cultural show with traditional Sri Lankan dancing, ceremonial drums and music. (B, D)

Day 6: Kandy - Temple of the Tooth Relic - Mahaweli River Cruise

Explore Kandy, set on a plateau surrounded by the mountains of central Sri Lanka. Visit the impressive gilded Temple of the Tooth Relic, revered by Buddhists from around the world for being the place that holds the actual tooth of Buddha. Next, take a walk through the Royal Botanical Gardens, established in the 14th century as



a garden for the Kings of Kandy. Today, the garden's 150 acres are home to more than 5,000 species of trees and plants, including an orchid house. This evening, delight in a sunset river cruise on the tranquil Mahaweli River followed by dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 7: Kandy - Nuwara Eliya

Travel along the scenic road that leads you to the lush green landscape found near the town of Nuwara Eliya. Rolling hills and tea plantations surround this former colonial British retreat nicknamed "Little England." During a city tour, see the English country-style homes, the Gothic Holy Trinity Church and the "pink post office" with its unique clock tower. (B, D)

Day 8: Nuwara Eliya - Tea Estate

Start your day at the Pedro Tea Estate located in Kandapola, just north of Nuwara Eliya. Join an expert for a guided tour of the estate and factory where they still pack tea using 19th century methods; savour a taste of their tea. The rest of your day is at leisure to enjoy your historic hotel. Perhaps you will stroll the lawns adorned with topiary and roses, play a game of billiards, or take advantage of the hotel's amenities. (B, D)

Day 9: Nuwara Eliya - Bentota

Our journey today takes us to Bentota, a coastal paradise brimming with sunshine and beautiful beaches. Arrive early this afternoon and have the remainder of the day at leisure to relax and take in the luxurious ambience at your beachfront resort. (B, D)

Day 10: Bentota - Galle - Bentota

Spend the day discovering the city of Galle, a fortified city settled by the Portuguese in the 16th century that flourished in the 18th century under Dutch rule. The city reveals an interesting blend of cultures and styles. Explore Galle's Dutch Fort (UNESCO), the largest European fort in Asia. Then embark on a guided tour of the island's prominent landmarks where you will see the scenic harbour, the National Maritime Museum, St. Mary's Cathedral, and a Shiva temple. (B, D)

Day 11: Bentota - Ambalangoda - Bentota

Travel to Ambalangoda to learn about the art of Sri Lankan mask making and come to know the legends associated with them. Begin by spending time at a local museum and workshop to discover how these masks are created and how they are used in dramatic dance performances. Then, visit the Bandu Wijesooriya School of Dancing where an expert discusses the types of dances they perform and how the masks are used in performances. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a special farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 12: Bentota - Colombo - Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Spend an extra night discovering the treasures of the fascinating city of Colombo.

Call for details.

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Cultural Experiences

- Explore the wildlife sanctuary at Minneriya National Park.
- Cruise the tranquil Mahaweli River.
- Enjoy a cultural show – dancing, ceremonial drums and music.
- Learn about the art of Sri Lankan mask making.
- See the Royal Botanical Gardens, originally a garden for the Kings of Kandy.

Must-See Inclusions

- Come to know the treasures of Colombo with a local guide.
- Visit the inspiring Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage.
- Climb the impressive Sigiya Rock Fortress, a former palace.
- Discover the impressive gilded Temple of the Tooth Relic.
- Spend a day discovering Galle, a fortified city settled by the Portuguese.

Culinary Inclusions

- 22 meals: 11 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 10 dinners
- Learn about the various spices used in Sri Lankan cooking.
- Sample the famed local tea at the Pedro Tea Estate.
- Dine at a local restaurant and savour traditional Sri Lankan specialties.

Accommodation

Days 1, 2	Cinnamon Lakeside Hotel, Colombo
Days 3, 4	Cinnamon Lodge Habarana, Sigiya
Days 5, 6	Mahaweli Reach Hotel, Kandy
Days 7, 8	Grand Hotel, Nuwara Eliya
Days 9 – 11	Centara Ceysands Resort, Bentota

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Dates & Prices

October 2017 – April 2018	Double	6, 27 March	\$5129
17, 24 October	\$4989	10, 17 April	\$5129
7 November	\$4989		
16, 30 January	\$5259	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$1930 - \$2350
13 February	\$5259	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50
27 February	\$5129		

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Angkor Wat

Three Kingdoms of Indochina

Set out on a cultural journey across Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos

Extend Your Tour



GO FARTHER. Add 3 nights in Hong Kong.

Start your adventure in Hong Kong and explore one of Asia's most cosmopolitan and dynamic cities.

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START EARLY. Add an extra day in Ho Chi Minh City.

Spend more time in this metropolis once known to the world as Saigon. Call for details.

Day 1: Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam - Tour Begins Your tour opens in historic Ho Chi Minh City.

Day 2: Ho Chi Minh City This morning, head to the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground passageways used as hideouts by the Viet Cong. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. This afternoon tour the city's colonial landmarks. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Ho Chi Minh City - Mekong Delta - Ho Chi Minh City Today, **cruise along the famous Mekong Delta**, rich with natural and cultural wonders. Be introduced to daily life during a visit to a home where coconut candy and rice paste are made. Enjoy a lunch in a lush tropical garden. Visit a

local residence to learn about traditions. Later, enjoy a visit to Cao Dai Temple. (B, L)

Day 4: Ho Chi Minh City - Siem Reap, Cambodia Fly to Cambodia and arrive in Siem Reap, a village which brings together colonial and Chinese architecture. Today, this ancient place is home to chic hotels and a thriving culinary scene. (B, D)

Day 5: Siem Reap Begin your day exploring the ancient ruins of Angkor Thom, known for its colossal stone-carved faces. Discover its Bayon temple, Baphoun, Phimeanakas, the Royal Palace, the Elephant Terrace and the Leper King Terrace. Next, **explore the famous Angkor Wat**, the world's largest religious building and the symbol of Cambodia. Remain until evening for a spectacular sunset. Tonight, enjoy dinner and an Apsara show. (B, D)

Day 6: Siem Reap Set out to see three impressive Hindu temples: the 11th-century pyramid-shaped Temple of Shiva, Banteay Srei Temple with its intricate carvings, and the well-preserved Banteay Samre Temple. Continue to the mystical temple Ta Prohm, overgrown by the creeping jungle. This afternoon, spend time at a local monastery where you'll meet the monks who reside there and participate in a private blessing ceremony. (B, D)

Day 7: Siem Reap - Luang Prabang, Laos Your day begins at the JWOC Community Centre where you'll meet local school children. Then we fly to Luang Prabang, the spiritual capital of Laos. (B)

Day 8: Luang Prabang This morning we are off to two of the most remarkable temples in Luang Prabang: Wat Sen or "Temple of 100,000 Treasures," and Wat Visun. Continue through the countryside to

the stunning Kuang Si waterfalls, passing rice fields and small villages along the way. Gaze over Luang Prabang from atop of Mount Phousi. Later, immerse yourself in the Street Night Market. (B, D)]

Day 9: Luang Prabang Board a traditional riverboat for a cruise down the Mekong River. Our first stop is to see the Wat Xieng Thong temple with its colourful Tree of Life mosaic. Continue on, pausing along the way to get to know the rural way of life in the small villages. Head for Wat Long Khoun or the "Monastery of the Happy." Our next stop on our journey is at Pak Ou Caves, home to hundreds of Buddhas. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Learn about locally made rice wine called "lao lao." Discover local artisan's creations including jute paper with stops in Ban Xang Khong and Ban Xieng Lek. (B, L)

Day 10: Luang Prabang - Hanoi, Vietnam Wake before dawn and participate in the offering of alms to hundreds of saffron-robed monks. Fly to Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam. (B)

Day 11: Hanoi Begin your day in Ba Dinh Square, home of the mausoleum built to honour Ho Chi Minh. Behind this impressive site and standing in stark contrast is Minh's simple house on stilts. Admire the lotus-shaped One Pillar Pagoda resting on a single stone pillar emerging from the water. Take in the well preserved traditional architecture at the Temple of Literature. Enjoy lunch at a not-for-profit restaurant that empowers underprivileged children by training them with new skills. Then, **set out on a cyclo tour** of Hanoi that takes you through its old quarter. Catch a glimpse of ancient Hanoi and see traditional Vietnamese architecture including the "long house." End the day with a traditional water puppet performance. (B, L, D)



Day 12: Hanoi - Ky Son - Hanoi Venture to the countryside to Ky Son Village. Choose to explore on either a stroll or bike ride through the village. **Learn about local culinary traditions during a cooking demonstration** with a local chef before a lunch. Next, head to Duong Lam village. Along the way, meet villagers and see their unique historic homes. Enjoy a visit to the Mia Pagoda. Stop at the humble Ngo Quyen and Phung Hung temples. (B, L)

Day 13: Hanoi - Halong Bay Journey to Halong Bay for your overnight cruise on a luxury junk boat. Travel through the rice paddy fields and stop in some of the villages. Enjoy a lunchtime seafood feast aboard followed by a swim in the crystal clear waters of the bay. Overnight among the dramatic limestone peaks rising out of the sea. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Halong Bay - Hanoi - Hue Wake as the fog lifts, revealing the morning light. Enjoy cruising through the emerald waters of Halong Bay back to the harbour. Return to Hanoi and fly to Hue. (B)

Day 15: Hue - Hoi An Travel to the Perfume River and embark on a cruise that reveals Hue's Imperial past. Make a stop at Thien Mu Pagoda, one of the most remarkable religious buildings in the country. Then it's on to the sprawling Imperial Citadel. After your cruise, continue through the countryside via the breathtaking Hai Van Pass on our way to Hoi An. (B, L, D)

Day 16: Hoi An Learn about the local cuisine at today's cooking class. Begin with a visit to a local market to interact with vendors and learn about traditional ingredients. Learn how each of the vegetables and herbs are used to create everyday Vietnamese cuisine and enjoy lunch after your class. Then, visit one of Hoi An's famous lantern workshops and **try your hand at lantern making.** Enjoy

a walking tour of this well-preserved town. Later, enjoy a peaceful boat trip along the Thu Bon River. (B, L)

Day 17: Hoi An Catch a glimpse into the Champa Kingdom at the remarkable ruins of My Son Sanctuary. Then it's off to Tra Que Herb Village, a small farming community. En route, stop to see 17th-century Japanese tombs. Arrive in town and observe the local farmers and sample some local delicacies. Relax as you soak your feet in an herbal bath. Tonight, enjoy dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 18: Hoi An - Ho Chi Minh City Fly to Ho Chi Minh City this afternoon and this evening, enjoy a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 19: Ho Chi Minh City - Tour Ends (B)

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19 Days from \$5754

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Cultural Experiences

- Meet the monks of a local monastery and participate in a private blessing ceremony.
- Journey to the famous Pak Ou Caves, home to hundreds of Buddhas.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore famous Angkor Wat, the world's largest religious building.
- Cruise overnight on a luxury junk boat in Halong Bay.
- Board a traditional riverboat for a cruise down the Mekong River.

Culinary Inclusions

- 36 meals included: 18 breakfasts • 8 lunches • 10 dinners
- Learn to prepare traditional Vietnamese dishes at a cooking class.

Accommodation

Days 1 - 3	New World Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City
Days 4 - 6	Angkor Century Hotel, Siem Reap
Days 7 - 9	The Sanctuary Hotel, Luang Prabang
Days 10 - 12	The Movenpick Hotel, Hanoi
Day 13	Bhaya Classic, Halong Bay
Day 14	Imperial Hotel, Hue
Days 15 - 17	Almanity Hoi An Hotel, Hoi An
Day 18	New World Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City

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Cambodia - Through Journeys Within Our Community (JWOC) we offer children a safe place to learn, develop and grow.

Dates & Prices

January – April 2017	Double	5, 12, 19, 26 September	\$5754
6, 9, 13, 20 January	\$6259	3, 10, 17, 24, 31 October	\$6024
3, 10, 17, 24 February	\$6259	14, 28 November	\$6024
3, 10, 17 March	\$6259	5, 19 December	\$6024
7 April	\$6259	9, 16, 23, 30 January	\$6024
Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures.		6, 13, 20, 27 February	\$6024
Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.		6, 20, 27 March	\$6024
		3, 17 April	\$6024
May 2017 – April 2018	Double	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$1380 - \$1590
9, 16, 23 May	\$5754	Triple Room Reduction	N/A
13, 20 June	\$5754		
11, 18 July	\$5754		
8, 15 August	\$5754		

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Inle Lake

Discovering Myanmar

Immerse yourself in this intriguing realm that locals call the “Golden Land”

Day 1: Yangon, Myanmar - Tour Begins

Embark on a captivating tour through Myanmar and discover a region filled with thousands of years of history. Your tour opens in Yangon, formerly known as Rangoon, a quiet and colourful city. Its impressive colonial and spiritual heritage makes it one of the most fascinating cities in Southeast Asia.

Day 2: Yangon We start the day with a stroll through the city centre and the colonial district. Stop at the impressive Mayor's Hall and beautiful Mahabandoola Park. Next, set out on the Yangon Railway, a circular train that the locals use every day. This slow travelling train gets you up-close to the vibrant lifestyle of the people who call this place home. Disembark at the Scott Market and enjoy time to explore. This afternoon, **continue to Shwedagon Pagoda, the most revered Buddhist temple in Myanmar.** Although its origins are unclear, the local legend states that the structure was built 2,500 years ago, then renovated several times, finally taking shape in the 15th century. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Yangon - Heho - Pindaya - Inle Lake

A short morning flight brings you to Heho. From there we head to Pindaya Cave, home to more than 8,000 Buddha statues. Carved in wood, stone, marble and bronze, these works of art are a wonder to behold. Afterwards, visit Shan paper production cottages where handmade papers are produced from mulberry bark pulp that is sun-dried. You'll also see how the oiled paper umbrellas that are used by monks and nuns are made. Travel to Nyaung Shwe,

stopping en route at the Shwe Yan Pyay, an old wooden monastery. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Inle Lake Board your private motorboat to head out on tranquil Inle Lake and be surrounded by one of Myanmar's most spectacular panoramas. Inle Lake is the only place in the world where you can find people who propel their boats by “leg rowing.” Pass villages built on stilts and inhabited by the local Intha people. Intha farmers grow flowers and vegetables in floating beds of water hyacinth and grasses, staked to the shallow lake bed with bamboo poles. Explore the local crafts of Inle Lake at the weaving village of Inpawkhone and visit floating villages and gardens. Later, visit the famous Phaung Daw Oo Pagoda. (B, L)

Day 5: Inle Lake - Indein - Inle Lake Spend time at one of the lake's morning markets. This rotating market moves around the lake's villages in a five day rotation, frequented by the Pa-O, Danu and Intha locals who come to sell and trade their wares. Continue by boat to the Indein Pagoda Complex, an archaeological site with hundreds of Shan-style pagoda standing on a slope of the hill. Some of the pagodas date back to the 17th and 18th centuries. Then we take a short travel to Indein village to mingle with the Pa-O people and the villagers of Indein. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Inle Lake - Mandalay - Pyin Oo Lwin Fly to Mandalay and ascend to the former British hill station of Pyin Oo Lwin (also known as Maymyo), filled with colonial-era buildings. There is an interesting mix of residents here including various ethnic tribes as well as many Nepalese and Hindu who migrated here during the British occupation. Explore the peaceful National Kandawgyi Botanical Gardens, reminiscent of Britain's great gardens. This horticultural

wonder features 432 acres of botanical species from around the world. Feel like you have stepped back in time during a horse-drawn carriage ride through the park. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Pyin Oo Lwin - Gokhteik - Mandalay Board a train for a journey across the Gokhteik Viaduct, built more than a century ago by the Pennsylvania Steel Company, and considered a masterpiece of steel trestle construction. Take in spectacular scenery as you travel over a nearly 100-foot-deep gorge in the Shan mountains. Then, return to Mandalay to relax or explore on your own. Later, visit Kuthodaw Pagoda. Known as “the world's largest book,” it is surrounded by 729 marble slabs inscribed with Buddhist scriptures. Proceed to the Golden Palace Monastery, once part of the palace complex where King Mindon lived. (B, L)

Day 8: Mandalay - Mingun - Sagaing - Amarapura - Mandalay Board your boat and travel on the Ayeyarwady (Irrawaddy) River bustling with longtail boats and bamboo rafts. Upon arrival on the western bank, visit the unfinished Mingun Pagoda. Built between 1790 and 1797, the pagoda was split by an earthquake in 1838. Pause along the way to see the famous Mingun Bell, the world's largest intact bronze bell. Continue on to the stunning, pure-white Hsinbyume (Myatheintan) Pagoda and the Soon Oo Ponnya Shin Pagoda where you will find some of the best panoramic views of the valleys and river. Visit Sagaing, a town at the foot of the Sagaing Hills, dotted with hundreds of pagodas, monasteries and nunneries quarters. Make a stop in the traditional village of Amarapura, a former capital of Myanmar. Behold the picturesque U Bein Bridge, a 200-year-old bridge constructed of 984



teak posts that were once part of the Inwa Palace... this is the world's longest teak span. When time permits, we'll venture to the glittering glass-studded temple atop Mandalay Hill to take in the evening glow and watch the sunset. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Mandalay - Monywa - Pakokku - Bagan Our first stop this morning is Monywa where you will visit Thanboddag Pagoda complex, spectacular with its multicoloured spires and more than 580,000 Buddha images, all in seated or standing poses. Next, stop at Bodhi Tataung complex where massive golden Buddhas, reclining or standing, gaze serenely over the Chindwin Valley. Later we head to Pakokku and visit Ma-U village to learn about the incense stick industry. Cross the Ayeyarwady River by boat on our way to Bagan, the capital of Myanmar during the 11th - 13th centuries. Set on the banks of the Ayeyarwady River, Bagan is home to the largest area of Buddhist temples, pagodas, stupas and ruins in the world. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Bagan Bagan's rulers constructed thousands of huge stupas and temples, many of which are still standing today on the banks of the Ayeyarwady (Irrawaddy) River. Gain insight into the city's rich history during a sightseeing tour featuring the colourful Nyaung Oo local market and stops at pagodas and

temples along the way. Then, discover the amazing Ananda Temple, an architectural masterpiece and one of Bagan's most beautiful temples. Finish the day with a visit to one of the larger temples and pause to take in the unforgettable sunset, a truly magical experience. (B)

Day 11: Bagan - Mount Popa - Bagan Today, drive through the plains to Mount Popa, an imposing sight of sheer rock topped with golden stupas from the monastery that sits on its peak. Along the way, a stop will be made at a toddy palm grove to see a skilful climber collecting sap from the top of a swaying tree. Here, learn about the palm sugar making cottage and taste this traditional sweet treat. Next, visit a local community to experience Myanmar village life. You'll also have the opportunity to see and perhaps make the 25-minute climb to the top of Popa Taung Kalut, an imposing summit that looks like a tower shaped out of a volcanic eruption some 250,000 years ago. Next, visit Popa Mountain Park to see Myanmar's traditional medicine plant garden. Tonight, say farewell to this magical region during a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 12: Bagan - Yangon - Tour Ends Today you return to Yangon where your tour comes to a close. (B)

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Cultural Experiences

- Travel aboard the Yangon Railway, a circular train that the locals use every day.
- Visit the Inle village and come to know the Pa-O people.
- Explore tranquil Inle Lake by private motorboat to discover its spectacular setting.
- Enjoy time in the traditional village of Amarapura.
- Take a carriage ride through the National Kandawgyi Gardens.

Must-See Inclusions

- Discover the most revered Buddhist temple in Myanmar - Shwedagon Pagoda.
- Take in the sunset over the plains of Bagan from the terrace of a temple.
- Ascend the plateau to the charming former British hill station of Pyin Oo Lwin.
- Marvel at the amazing Ananda Temple, an architectural masterpiece.
- Travel across the Gokhteik Viaduct, built more than a century ago.

Culinary Inclusions

- 26 meals included: 11 breakfasts • 8 lunches • 7 dinners
- Enjoy welcome and farewell dinners featuring regional cuisine.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Chatrium Hotel Royal Lake or Kandawgyi Palace, Yangon
Days 3 - 5 Inle Resort, Inle Lake or Amata Garden Resort
Day 6 Aureum Resort, Pyin Oo Lwin or Royal Reward Resort
Days 7, 8 Mandalay Hill Resort, Mandalay or Sedona Hotel Mandalay
Days 9 - 11 Hotel at Tharabar Gate, Bagan or Aye Yar River View Resort
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. A single-entry Myanmar visa is required at your own expense and must be obtained prior to departure. The cost is approximately \$50 USD. E-visa applications are to be submitted at <http://www.myanmarvisa.gov.mm> and is payable by MasterCard or Visa in USD only. Processing time is approximately 1 week and must be used within 3 months of issue date. The approval letter must be printed as it is required to board your international flight to Myanmar and submitted to immigration upon arrival. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on the governing authority. Please contact your consulate for further details. The internal flights on this program are included in the land price. Credit cards are starting to be accepted in Myanmar; however, the bank processing fees will be added to your total charges (approximately 4%). ATM machines are available in large cities only. It is recommended you travel with cash for your additional expenses. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

January - April 2017	Double	22, 29 September	\$4234
13 January	\$4744	13, 27 October	\$4544
3, 10 February	\$4744	3 November	\$4544
24 February	\$5074	2, 29 December	\$4544
10, 17 March	\$4744	12, 26 January	\$4544
24, 31 March	\$5074	2, 16 February	\$4544
28 April	\$4744	9, 16, 30 March	\$4544
		6, 13, 27 April	\$4544
Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			
May 2017 - April 2018	Double	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$960 - \$1850
12, 19 May	\$4234	Triple Room Reduction	N/A
14 July	\$4234	Rates are land only, per person, and include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.	
18 August	\$4234		



Tuscan Countryside

Italy's Treasures

Savour the artistic, culinary and historic side of Italy

Start Early

Add an extra day in Stresa.

Enjoy more time on the shores of Lake Maggiore in Stresa. Call for details.

Day 1: Stresa, Italy - Tour Begins Begin in Stresa, on the shore of Lago Maggiore. Visit a wine shop and enjoy a cocktail party, tasting some local specialities. A boat transports you to your welcome dinner on Isola dei Pescatori, the most picturesque of the Borromean Islands. (D)

Day 2: Stresa Today, visit an ancient village nestled in the mountains where you'll stop at a local farm to sample their artisanally produced cheeses paired with the region's delicious wines. The remainder of your day in Stresa is at leisure. Perhaps you will investigate the piazzas, flower-lined cobblestone streets and lakeside promenades; or, relax on an optional cruise on this scenic lake and take in the breathtaking surroundings. (B)

Day 3: Stresa - Orta - Italian Riviera Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager teaches you a few key phrases of the native language. Depart the Italian Lakes region for Sestri

Levante on the Ligurian coast. Stop at Lake Orta and take a boat to Isola di San Giulio. Walk the grounds of this charming island with its working convent. Experience the outdoor cafés and shops of this lakeside resort. Continue on to the Italian Riviera. (B, D)

Day 4: Italian Riviera - Cinque Terre Spend your day discovering the colourful Cinque Terre, a UNESCO World Heritage site. **Travel by rail through the medieval villages of the Cinque Terre**, perched on the edge of the sea. Traverse the rugged



coastal area dotted with terraced vineyards, arriving at this nearly inaccessible string of fishing villages tucked between the mountains and the Mediterranean. Feel like you have stepped back in time. Spend an afternoon independently exploring this magical place. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to help you plan your adventure. (B)

Day 5: Italian Riviera - Lucca - Tuscan Villa Drive to the medieval city of Lucca, encircled by 16th-century Renaissance walls. Then you'll choose the way you discover Lucca: on foot or by bicycle. Either way, you'll visit the Cathedral of San Martino, the Piazza Napoleone and the Piazza dell'Anfiteatro. Then, set off to get a taste of the region by sampling some seasonal, local delicacies at speciality food shops. End the day in a historic Tuscan villa and begin a relaxing 4-night stay. (B, D)

Day 6: Florence Get to know Florence with a walking tour of the city's treasures and monuments, including the Piazza del Duomo, the centre of religious life in medieval Florence, and the Piazza della Signoria. Visit the Museo della Casa Fiorentina Antica, housed in the 14th-century Palazzo Davanzati. Explore independently before returning to your villa. (B)

Day 7: Siena Travel to Siena for an expert-led walking tour. Visit the town's dramatic cathedral, a stunning example of Romanesque and Gothic architecture. **Stroll through narrow medieval streets** as you experience life in this historic cultural centre. Return to your villa for a relaxing afternoon. (B, D)

Day 8: Tuscan Countryside Visit a winery in the heart of Tuscany that showcases the wine cellar, family estate, vineyards and olive groves. Participate in a Tuscan cooking lesson given by the winery's own chef. Enjoy an authentic Tuscan lunch

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Choice On Tour

- In Lucca, set out on foot or by bike to explore the local sites and sample regional delicacies.

Cultural Experiences

- Explore Lake Orta, one of Italy's hidden treasures.
- Experience medieval life at the Palazzo Davanzati.
- Discover the colourful Cinque Terre, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.

Must-See Inclusions

- Spend two wonderful nights in romantic Venice.
- Get to know Florence with a tour of the city's treasures.
- Explore Lucca's piazzas and medieval streets.
- Discover the beautiful Tuscan countryside.
- Stroll through the narrow medieval streets of Siena.

Culinary Inclusions

- 17 meals included: 10 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 6 dinners
- Travel by boat to your welcome dinner on Isola dei Pescatori.
- Participate in a Tuscan cooking lesson given by an expert chef.
- Enjoy an authentic Tuscan lunch expertly paired with wines produced on site.
- Attend a cocktail party in Stresa, and sample some local products.
- Savour regional wines with every included dinner.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Regina Palace Hotel, Stresa
Days 3, 4 Grand Hotel dei Castelli, Italian Riviera or Hotel Astor, Viareggio
Days 5 – 8 Villa Lecchi, Villa Baldelli, Villa Sanpaolo or Villa San Lucchese, Tuscany
Days 9, 10 Hotel Bonvecchiati, Hotel Ca' dei Conti or Hotel Santa Marina, Venice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will arrive into Milan airport and depart out of Venice airport. All of our departure transfers will depart from Venice city centre to the Venice airport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts.
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expertly paired with wines produced on-site. Return to the villa for some leisure time. At dinner, continue your sampling of Tuscan cuisine in one of Tuscany's traditional restaurants. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Tuscany - Bologna - Venice Depart for Venice. En route, stop in Bologna where we take a guided walking tour of the centre, virtually unchanged since the Renaissance. We'll also sample local delicacies at speciality food shops. Later, arrive in romantic Venice for your 2-night stay. (B)

Day 10: Venice Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a fascinating glass-blowing



demonstration. Return to St. Mark's Square for a locally guided walking tour featuring the Clock Tower, St. Mark's Basilica, the Bridge of Sighs, and a visit to the Doge's Palace. Tonight, partake in a celebratory farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 11: Venice - Tour Ends
Wake up in Venice and depart for home. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Venice. Complete your tour with another night in enchanting Venice. Call for details.



Dates & Prices			
January – April 2017			
15 January*	Double	1, 8 October	\$5469
12 February*	\$4109	15, 22 October	\$5329
5 March	\$4359	29 October	\$5129
19 March	\$4419	5 November	\$4919
2, 4 April	\$4489	3 December*	\$4569
18, 23, 25 April	\$4679	11, 18 March	\$4989
	\$4739	8 April	\$5189
		15, 22 April	\$5329
Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			
May 2017 – April 2018			
7, 14, 21 May	Double		
4, 11, 18, 25 June	\$5469		
9, 16 July	\$5329		
6, 20, 27, 29 August	\$5329		
3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26 September	\$5539		
		Single Room Supplement	(+) \$510 - \$1040
		Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50
		Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.	
		*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel.	



Orvieto

Tuscan and Umbrian Countryside

Fall in love with Italy's charming hill towns

Start Early

Add an extra day in Rome.

Add some extra time to your idyllic adventure to explore the "Eternal City" of Rome.
Call for details.

Day 1: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins Meet your fellow travellers in Rome for a welcome dinner in a local restaurant. Join in an interactive and fun presentation on Italy's wines given by the restaurant's sommelier. Indulge in a traditional four-course meal paired with some of the country's finest wines. (D)

Day 2: Rome - Orvieto - Umbria Travel to the Etruscan hill town of Orvieto, known for its white wine and Gothic cathedral housing a Signorelli fresco. Upon arrival, join a local expert on a walking tour to discover Orvieto's treasures, including a visit to the cathedral. Take time to explore this town on your own or perhaps enjoy a leisurely lunch. Spend the next four nights in a pristine Umbrian hill town. (B, D)

Day 3: Umbria - Spoleto - Cooking Class - Umbria Embark on a guided walking tour of historic Spoleto. See medieval palaces, the ornate Duomo of Santa Maria Assunta, and the magnificent Ponte delle Torri, an aqueduct dating back to the 13th century. Enjoy free time to peruse the

town's shops and cafés. Pay a special visit to a country restaurant housed in a 16th-century farmhouse where the chef provides a hands-on Umbrian cooking lesson. Indulge in an early dinner in the countryside. (B, D)

Day 4: Umbria - Montefalco - Winery - Bevagna - Olive Oil Factory -

Umbria Travel to Montefalco, nicknamed the "Balcony of Umbria" for its unobstructed views of the Umbrian countryside. Feel like you have stepped back in time as you independently explore this charming



Montefalco

medieval town. Then, it's on to a local winery to sip some of this region's most prized wine, the Sagrantino, before enjoying lunch featuring typical Umbrian dishes. Continue to Bevagna where you will join a local expert for a walking tour featuring Roman and medieval

archaeological and architectural marvels. Cap off your day by learning about another local product – olive oil – at a local factory in the area of Trevi. (B, L)

Day 5: Umbria - Home-Hosted Lunch - Assisi - Umbria

After a leisurely morning, an Umbrian family welcomes you to their country home as they prepare a delicious home-cooked meal. Afterwards, travel to Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis, for a guided walking tour of the old city, including the Basilica of St. Francis and its medieval streets. Take time to explore the city independently. (B, L)

Day 6: Umbria - Winery - Tuscany

Journey from Umbria through southern Tuscany. Admire the picturesque Renaissance landscape of hills and villages of the Val D'Orcia region. Make a stop at a winery to discover the wine cellar, family estate, vineyards, olive groves and stunning views. **The winery's chef prepares an authentic Tuscan lunch, expertly paired with wines produced on-site.** Make yourself at home in Tuscany in your restored palazzo for the next four nights. (B, L)

Day 7: Tuscany - Florence - Tuscany

Set out on a short journey to Florence, "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance." Begin with a guided walking tour of the city sights, viewing the cathedral of Santa Maria Del Fiore, located in the religious centre of the Piazza Del Duomo and the Palazzo Vecchio. Join your local guide in exploring the unique qualities of the city, focusing on Florence's local artisans and visiting their workshops.



Spend some free time shopping and investigating Florence on your own. Return to Montañone. (B)

Day 8: Tuscany - Siena - Monteriggioni - Tuscany Travel to the city of Siena. Whilst on a walking tour, visit the historic piazza famous for the Palio Horse Race. Continue to the walled town of Monteriggioni for a stroll along the quaint streets of this town, seemingly frozen in time. Take an afternoon break and try some local snacks before returning to Montañone for the evening. (B)

Day 9: Tuscany - Volterra - San Gimignano - Tuscany Spend your morning in Volterra, a former Etruscan

city which sits high above the Tuscan countryside. **Visit the Guarnacci Museum, one of the most famous Etruscan museums in Italy.** Afterwards, stop to witness an alabaster carving demonstration at a local workshop. Travel to San Gimignano, known as the "City of Beautiful Towers," and look for the town's fourteen medieval towers that date back to the 13th century. Enjoy a stroll along Piazza del Duomo and Piazza della Cisterna. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 10: Tuscany - Tour Ends Your journey comes to a close in Montañone. (B)



Dates & Prices			
March – April 2017	Double	20 August	\$4229
19 March	\$3599	3, 10, 13, 17, 24 September	\$4229
2 April	\$3789	8, 11 October	\$4229
19, 23, 26, 30 April	\$3849	15, 22 October	\$4159
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May 2017 – April 2018	Double	15, 22 April	\$4159
14, 21 May	\$4229	29 April	\$4229
17 May	\$4369	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$510 - \$550
11 June	\$4229	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50
9 July	\$4229	Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.	

Tuscan and Umbrian Countryside

10 Days from \$3949

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Cultural Experiences

- Embark on a guided walking tour of Spoleto.
- Marvel at the ornate Duomo of Santa Maria Assunta.
- Behold the magnificent Ponte delle Torri, a 13th-century aqueduct.
- Visit one of the most famous Etruscan museums, the Guarnacci Museum.

Must-See Inclusions

- Venture to the Etruscan hill town of Orvieto.
- Journey to Florence, the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance."
- Explore historic Siena to see the piazza famous for the Palio Horse Race.
- Stroll along the quaint streets of Monteriggioni, a town frozen in time.
- Travel to San Gimignano, known as the "City of Beautiful Towers."

Culinary Inclusions

- 16 meals included: 9 breakfasts • 3 lunches • 4 dinners
- Savour a traditional four-course meal paired with the country's finest wines.
- Participate in a cooking class in a 16th-century Umbrian farmhouse.
- Experience a home-cooked meal at one of Umbria's country homes.
- Enjoy an authentic Tuscan lunch, paired with locally produced wines.

Accommodation

- Day 1** Hotel Imperiale, Rome
- Days 2 – 5** Hotel Antica Dimora Alla Rocca, Trevi, Umbria or Hotel Dei Duchi, Spoleto, Umbria
- Days 6 – 9** UNA Palazzo Mannaioni, Montañone, Tuscany
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Langhe Vineyards

Northern Italy featuring the Treasures of Piedmont

Embrace the treasures of Piedmont... Wine, Hazelnuts, Truffles and more

Day 1: Lago Maggiore, Italy - Tour Begins

Set out on a tour of the fascinating Piedmont region. Dazzle your senses in a land of prestigious wines – Barolo, Barbera and Barbaresco. This is where the “slow food” movement began in 1986 and is the home of the world-famous Nutella! Your tour opens on the tranquil shores of breathtaking Lago Maggiore, straddling the border between Italy and Switzerland. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Lago Maggiore - Borromean Islands - Lago Maggiore Cruise on scenic Lago Maggiore past the Borromean Islands, villas and historic palaces. Stop along the way for a guided tour of the colourful lakeside town of Pallanza. Perched on the edge of the pristine waters, take a stroll down the promenade featuring buildings adorned with charming terraces and balconies. The town centre is a latticework of ancient streets lined with ornate historic buildings. This afternoon, visit a local shop for a tasting and a sampling of some local delicacies. (B)

Day 3: Lago Maggiore - Province of Vercelli - Serralunga di Crea - Bra

Travel to the province of Vercelli, an area that is one of Europe's leading rice producers. Pass spectacular panoramas of rice paddies before making a stop at a traditional rice farm. Learn about the production process and the history of this unique place. Then, try some of the creamy home-cooked risotto at lunch.

Continue to Sacro Monte di Serralunga di Crea, one of the nine Sacred Mountains in Italy and a UNESCO World Heritage site where 23 chapels adorn the forest. Next, it's on to Langhe-Roero & Monferrato, recently added to the UNESCO World Heritage site list. This area's enchanting rolling hills are home to many of Italy's hidden treasures and are strewn with castles and vineyards. It is best known for its wine making heritage, which can be traced as far back as the 5th century B.C. (B, L)

Day 4: Langhe-Roero & Monferrato Area

Begin exploring the Langhe area with a stop in the small hilltop village of La Morra. Take in the breathtaking panoramas of the valley — and the



Hazelnuts

vineyards famous for producing Barolo wine — with the Alps on the horizon. Have some time to discover its medieval streets before joining your guide for a walk through vineyards and country roads (UNESCO). Along the way, see the small but striking Cappella del

Barolo (chapel) painted with an array of bright colours in geometric shapes. Then it's off to the quaint village of Barolo who gave its name to the wine it produces. Savour some leisure time for lunch or to indulge in a wine tasting at one of the many wineries. Later, venture down Piedmont's “hazelnut road” to learn about Tonda Gentile, Northern Italy's prized hazelnut that is hailed as the world's best. Spend time at a family-run hazelnut farm and take a stroll through the hazelnut grove. **Learn about the process of shelling and roasting** and see how they transform the nut into decadent sweets before indulging in a tasting. (B, D)

Day 5: Langhe-Roero & Monferrato Area

Discover the world's most celebrated underground mushroom — the truffle. Venture into the woods to meet a “trifolao” (truffle hunter) and their hunting dog. Get to know the techniques used in gathering truffles during a hunting demonstration. Then, have the opportunity to sample this rare delicacy. Next, travel to Alba to independently explore this culinary mecca renowned for white truffles and chocolates. Afterward, continue on to the town of Canelli, known as Italy's largest producer of sparkling white wines. These wines are stored in elaborate cellars known as “underground cathedrals” (UNESCO) that possess the perfect environment to age wine. **Visit a winery and tour one of these unique masterpieces of architecture** before sampling their wines. (B)

Day 6: Langhe-Roero & Monferrato Area

This morning take a **step back in time** at the

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Cultural Experiences

- Explore the magnificent “underground cathedrals” of Canelli.
- Meet a truffle hunter and learn about the “king” of mushrooms.
- Stop at a traditional rice producer in the province of Vercelli.

Must-See Inclusions

- Revel in a 4-night stay in the historic wine region of Langhe-Roero & Monferrato.
- Spend two nights along the tranquil shores of breathtaking Lago Maggiore.
- Explore the regal city of Turin with a local guide.
- Visit the Sacro Monte di Serralunga di Crea, one of Italy's Sacred Mountains.

Culinary Inclusions

- 13 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 2 lunches • 3 dinners
- Taste some of the best wines in all of Italy along your journey.
- Enjoy a delightful home-hosted lunch at a family run “agriturismo.”
- Try the amazing food — truffles, hazelnuts and creamy home-cooked risotto.

Accommodation

Days 1, 2 Zacchera Hotels, Lago Maggiore

Days 3 – 6 Hotel Cantine Ascheri, Bra

Days 7, 8 Turin Palace Hotel, Turin

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Castle of Monticello, one of the best-preserved medieval castles in the region and surprisingly still lived in. Stand in awe of its romantic English-style gardens with tree-lined pathways and serene ponds. **Continue to a family run “agriturismo” (small farm)** for a delightful home-hosted lunch. Then it's on to Barbaresco, a small picturesque village frozen in time. Here you'll sample the delicious Barbaresco wine, recognised as one of the world's finest. (B, L)

Day 7: Langhe-Roero & Monferrato Area - Turin Set out for the foothills of the Alps and **arrive in the regal city of Turin**, Italy's first capital city.

Join a local guide who will lead you on an exploration featuring the many treasures of this elegant city. Along the way you will be enchanted by the beauty of its tree-lined avenues and cobblestone streets. Get a glimpse of the grand lifestyle of the House of Savoy at the impressive Royal Palace. As you stroll through the exquisite, gilded rooms you are sure to be awed by the opulence. Then, delight in an exclusive private tour of the Royal Kitchens. Learn about the foods that were on the tables of kings and queens and see the equipment they used to create the regal cuisine. The remainder of the day is yours to explore. (B)

Day 8: Turin Relish a full day at leisure to wander the city and find your

own adventure. You may choose to visit the Cinema Museum or the Egyptian Museum — the best of its kind outside Egypt — or relax at one of Turin's historic cafes. Perhaps you will join an optional tour to the magnificent 18th-century hunting lodge at Stupinigi, the Palazzina di Caccia di Stupinigi (UNESCO); this extravagant building is designed with a towering centre with two immense wings that encircle an intricately manicured courtyard, and has an interior that will take your breath away. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a special farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 9: Turin - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. You are sure to depart with wonderful memories of this captivating region and its culinary treasures. (B)



Dates & Prices			
April 2017	Double	19 August	\$3879
2 April	\$3539	9 September	\$4019
Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures.		28 October	\$3949
Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.		7 April	\$3879
May 2017 – April 2018	Double	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$500 - \$690
13 May	\$3949	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30 - \$50
17 June	\$3949	Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.	
8 July	\$3879		



Journey through Southern France

Taste the food and wine and come to know the local culture

Start Early

Add an extra day in Paris.

Spend more time exploring the world's most romantic city.

Call for details.

Day 1: Paris, France - Tour Begins

Join us as we travel from the cultural hub of Paris to Bordeaux, the world's most renowned wine region, and on to colourful Provence. Along the way, this laid-back French adventure is sure to dazzle your senses. Your tour opens in Paris, the "City of Light." With your hotel just blocks from the Eiffel Tower, you are right in the centre of the magic that is Parisian life. This evening, see some of Paris's most iconic sights at night while en route to a welcome dinner at a Parisian café. (D)

Day 2: Paris - Bordeaux Experience the ingenuity of the nation's modern rail system as you take the high speed TGV train to the city of Bordeaux. Join your local guide as you discover this incredible city, often referred to as "La Belle Endormie" or "The Sleeping Beauty," due to its charm that often gets overlooked by Paris and Provence. After walking through the heart of the city, visit the newly-opened "Cité du Vin" wine museum in Bordeaux, already referred to as the Guggenheim of wine. This sensory adventure takes you on a fascinating discovery of wine culture and history, ending with a glass of wine overlooking a 360-degree view of Bordeaux. Tonight, let the charm and romance of the city capture your heart as you meander through the narrow streets on your way to a "tucked away" local restaurant. Here a

chef's tasting menu is carefully prepared with the day's freshest ingredients; this will be a culinary moment to remember. (B, D)

Day 3: Bordeaux - Médoc - Bordeaux

This morning, head to the Médoc wine region. Travel along the stunning "Route des Châteaux," viewing the historic wine estates of the region. Along the way, stop at one of these châteaux to learn about the growth and popularity of wine production in the Bordeaux region. Savour three delicious wines along with regional snacks on the winery grounds, and learn how the regional cuisine and terroir play together to develop this perfect harmony. The afternoon is your last opportunity to enjoy the sights and sounds of Bordeaux - be sure to save time to stroll down the longest pedestrian street in Europe. (B)

Day 4: Bordeaux - Saint-Émilion - Dordogne Valley

Travel to the prominent wine region of Saint-Émilion. Your guided tour takes you through this well-preserved medieval city's fascinating underground monuments and to the original settlement. You will also see the Trinity chapel, the catacombs, and the unique limestone monolithic church, the largest church of its kind in Europe. Continue on before stopping to discover an iconic château winery, its vineyards and renowned wine. Then, arrive for your 2-night stay on the grounds of a beautiful château in the Dordogne Valley. (B, D)

Day 5: Dordogne Valley A scenic drive is in store as you make your way to the charming local market in Eymet, one of Southern France's iconic "bastides" (fortified towns) built in the Middle Ages. Your travels continue to Issigeac, another bastide. Enjoy some leisure time to stroll through the ancient narrow streets and browse the small shops. Later,

discover a beautiful renaissance château, home to a wine co-operative. Enjoy the sweeping views of the fertile valley and discover the clear differences of the wine in this region compared to those of Saint-Émilion and the Médoc. Arrive back at your château this evening to relax. (B)

Day 6: Dordogne Valley - Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val - Albi - Toulouse

Bid farewell to the Dordogne Valley as you make your way to Toulouse, the pink city and home of the French aerospace industry. En route, spend time in the incredibly charming village of Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val, set in the middle of a beautiful gorge, and made famous by the hit movie *The Hundred-Foot Journey*. Join a local guide who will share stories as you walk the same narrow streets featured in the film. **Then it's off to Albi, the UNESCO World Heritage site** often referred to as "The Episcopal City." Enjoy a tour in the heart of the city including a visit to the largest brick cathedral in the world, and the museum dedicated to the famous artist, Toulouse-Lautrec. Settle into your perfectly located hotel in Toulouse, a former 17th-century convent overlooking the grand palace. Tonight, enjoy a special dinner where you'll learn about the regional cuisine of cassoulet, foie gras, and Gaillac wine, the oldest in France. (B, D)

Day 7: Toulouse This morning it's your choice and you get to choose how to experience Toulouse. Perhaps you'll head out on foot with a local guide to the city's open-air market, followed by a walking tour of some of the city's most beloved landmarks. Or, maybe you'd prefer to choose an exciting tour of the Airbus facility, maker of the world's largest passenger airliner, and the only major competitor to Boeing. The remainder of the day is yours to relax and discover the city on your own; perhaps



you will wander the streets of its enchanting Vieux Quartier lined with churches, shops and cafes. (B)

Day 8: Toulouse - Carcassonne

Today we are off to the fairy-tale village of Carcassonne. A local expert will guide you through the old city. This storybook setting comes complete with drawbridges, towers and cobbled streets. Feel like you have stepped into the pages of history with a guided stroll through its medieval alleyways. The rest of the afternoon is yours to explore independently. No doubt you will want to soak up as much of this city as you can. Spend the night surrounded by old-world ambiance and ultimate comfort in your iconic hotel situated along the walls of this picturesque, fortified village perched above the valley. (B)

Day 9: Carcassonne - Pont du Gard - Avignon - Saint-Rémy

This morning you'll journey to Provence and the incredible village of Avignon. En route, marvel at the **Pont du Gard**, the greatest surviving stretch of aqueduct remaining from Roman times. Later, spend time learning the history of Avignon, often called the "City of Popes," and get an inside look at the town of Avignon with your local guide. **Revel in the beauty as you visit the dramatic Palace of the Popes**, a centre of European religion for 70 years when the Popes moved there in 1309. Tonight, enjoy a special dinner at a local restaurant, complete with a crème brulee demonstration. (B, D)

Day 10: Saint-Rémy Today immerse yourself in the best of Provence on a journey

to some of the sights that inspired artists such as Cézanne, Renoir, Van Gogh, Matisse and Picasso. Begin with a visit to the beautiful lavender fields in Gordes and learn about this special flower at the Lavender Museum. Then head to Aix-en-Provence to discover the city that inspired Cézanne and enjoy a visit to his workshop. After free time for lunch, take a drive to the Sainte-Victoire Mountain, often a muse of Cézanne, to view Château de Vauvenargues, one of Picasso's former residences and his final resting place. The remainder of the day is yours to relax and take in the many amenities of your luxurious hotel. (B)

Day 11: Saint-Rémy - Les Baux-de-Provence - Saint-Rémy

Let your senses take over during the famous Wednesday market. Sample the fresh delicacies of this truly authentic Provencal market filled with local residents. From there, head up the scenic roads through the Alpilles mountain range to the hilltop town of Les Baux-de-Provence. As you navigate its winding medieval streets, you'll be captivated by its charm. At the imposing fortress, stand in awe of the recreated giant medieval catapults. Then, enter the caves at the nearby ancient quarries for a mesmerizing sound and light show featuring projections of magnificent works of art. Tonight, prepare your senses for your farewell farm-to-table dinner with wine at your award-winning hotel. (B, D)

Day 12: Saint-Rémy - Tour

Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

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Choice On Tour

- In Toulouse, head out on a walking tour with a local guide or a tour of the Airbus facility, maker of the world's largest passenger airliner.

Cultural Experiences

- See the Medoc wine region, along the stunning Route des Châteaux.
- Spend time in the charming village of Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val.
- Walk alongside the famous Roman aqueduct Pont du Gard.
- Enter caves near Les-Baux-de-Provence for a mesmerizing light show.

Must-See Inclusions

- Join your local guide for a walking tour of Bordeaux, "The Sleeping Beauty."
- Walk through the fairy-tale village of Carcassonne with a local expert.
- Get an inside look at the town of Avignon with a local guide.
- Discover the city that inspired Cézanne - Aix-en-Provence and visit his workshop.
- Visit "Cité du Vin" wine museum, referred to as the Guggenheim of Wine.

Culinary Inclusions

- 17 meals included: 11 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Enjoy dinner of Provencal cuisine complete with a crème brulee demonstration.
- Savour the delicious wines of Bordeaux, St. Emilion, Medoc and Dordogne Valley.
- Stop to discover an iconic chateau winery, its vineyards, and renowned wine.

Accommodation

Day 1	Mercure Tour Eiffel, Paris
Day 2, 3	Mercure Bordeaux Centre, Bordeaux
Days 4, 5	Château des Vigiers, Dordogne Valley
Days 6, 7	Grand Hotel de L'Opera, Toulouse, France
Day 8	Hotel de La Cite, Carcassonne
Days 9 - 11	Le Vallon de Valrugues, Saint-Rémy-de-Provence

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 70 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.*
- Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your **inflight-experience** with an **air upgrade**. See page 71 for details.
- On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will depart from the Marseilles airport. All of our departure transfers will depart from your hotel in Saint-Rémy to the Marseilles airport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. *Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices			
May 2017 - April 2018			
7 May	Double	15 October	\$6439
23 July	\$6439	15, 22 April	\$6439
20 August	\$6439	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$1510 - \$1580
10, 17, 24 September	\$6509	Triple Room Reduction	N/A
1 October	\$6509	Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.	



Northern Spain & Portugal

Dive deep into the culture while staying in small, luxurious and historic hotels

Day 1: Toledo, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Toledo, a national monument to Spain's art and history, and a treasure trove of El Greco's artwork. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Toledo Get acquainted with Toledo, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the capital of medieval Spain until 1560. Toledo was known as the city of three cultures, where Christians, Jews and Arabs lived together in harmony. A walking tour highlights the magnificent Gothic cathedral, the medieval castle and towers, and Europe's oldest synagogue, the Santa Maria La Blanca Synagogue. Stop at the Church of Santo Tome to see El Greco's masterpiece painting, The Burial of the Count of Orgaz. Walk along the labyrinth of lanes winding through the medieval walled town and view the city's stunning Moorish, Mudéjar, Gothic and Renaissance architecture. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore on your own. (B)

Day 3: Toledo - Ribera del Duero - Burgos

Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager teaches you a few key phrases of the native language. Travel to Ribera del Duero, one of Spain's foremost wine-producing regions. **Make a stop for a tour and tasting of its famed red wine** at the spectacular winemaking facility of Bodegas Portia. Continue on to historic Burgos. Discover the beautiful town centre and the famous 13th-century Burgos Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage site and masterpiece of Gothic architecture. (B)

Day 4: Burgos - Bilbao - Guggenheim Museum - Old Quarter - Burgos

Continue through the culturally and linguistically unique

Basque country to Bilbao, recognised as a leader in architecture and contemporary art in Europe. **Tour the Guggenheim Museum**, a masterpiece of 20th-century architecture designed by architect Frank Gehry. This spectacular building is covered in titanium panels and has its own remarkable private art collection.

Next, enjoy the local favourite — a "txikiteo" (bar crawl) in Bilbao's colourful Old Quarter. Enjoy a light lunch of various "pintxos" — the Basque equivalent of the Spanish tapas — and drink the local cider. Later, an exciting experience awaits when you **visit the Vizcaya Bridge** (UNESCO), the first transporter bridge of steel structure in the world. Opened in 1893, it's considered the engineering marvel of its time. Cross to the other side aboard the hanging gondola offering great views of the extraordinary panorama of the estuary. (B, L)

Day 5: Burgos - León Traverse the picturesque countryside to León, the ancient seat of the Reconquista during the Middle Ages. Upon arrival, **join a local guide for a visit to the magnificent 13th-century cathedral**, one of Spain's most beautiful buildings, with its sculpture-covered façade and impressive stained glass windows. Continue on for a tour of the city featuring the Basilica of San Isidoro and the adjoining Royal Pantheon, the resting place of León's ancient kings. This magnificent crypt has been described as the Sistine Chapel of Spanish Romanesque art. Pause to marvel at Casa de Botines, designed by the famous architect Gaudí. Then, settle into your Parador accommodations. (B, D)

Day 6: León - Santiago de Compostela

Your travels continue to Santiago de Compostela, one of the most popular pilgrim destinations since the Middle Ages, and where the tomb of the Apostle St. James was miraculously discovered. Join a local expert for a leisurely paced walking tour that features the

city's world-famous cathedral and Praça do Obradoiro, a monumental square of pure grandeur in granite, home to some of Europe's finest historical buildings. **Arrive at your hotel, the impressive Parador Hostal dos Reis Catolicos**, considered to be the oldest continuously operating hotel in the world and one of the most luxurious. (B, D)

Day 7: Santiago de Compostela - Guimarães, Portugal

Your morning is at leisure to relax or explore the city on your own before saying farewell to Spain. Cross the border into Portugal and **travel to medieval Guimarães** (UNESCO), the first capital of Portugal and birthplace of the nation's first king. (B, D)

Day 8: Guimarães - Cooking Class

Today you explore Guimarães. Your local guide will lead you on a tour featuring the imposing 10th-century Guimarães Castle; the Palace of the Dukes of Bragança, with 39 unusual brick chimneys; and the town's superbly restored buildings. Later in the day, **learn the secrets of Portuguese cuisine during an interactive cooking class**; this is followed by dinner featuring local food and wines. (B, D)

Day 9: Guimarães - Porto - Guimarães

Travel to the charismatic city of Porto (UNESCO). This ancient port is known for its striking contemporary monuments and Baroque carvings, and is the birthplace of the legendary Prince Henry the Navigator. Join a local expert to discover the sights and sounds of Porto's riverfront district. Make stops at Church of Sao Francisco to gaze at its spectacular golden adornments that line its walls and ceiling, and the Stock Exchange Palace to marvel at its exuberant interior. Along the way, see the 18th-century fortress-like Clerigos Tower; the impressive Dona Maria Pia Bridge, designed by



Gustave Eiffel; and the medieval quarter with traditional boats floating by the riverbanks. Then, get a taste of the region at a local winery. Learn about the wine making process on a tour, then sample its famous port wine. (B)

Day 10: Guimarães - Vista Alegre Porcelain - Coimbra - Queluz Discover the traditional art of handmade Portuguese porcelain during a visit to Vista Alegre, in operation since 1824. Journey to Coimbra, home to one of the world's first universities, and explore the city with your guide. See the Baroque Library, lined with 300,000 books; the 12th-century Old Cathedral; and the 16th-century aqueduct. Next we continue to Queluz. Feel like a member of European royalty with a 3-night stay at the Baroque-style Pousada de Queluz. (B, D)

Day 11: Queluz - Lisbon Panoramic City Tour or Alfama District Walking Tour This morning you choose! You may choose to join a panoramic Lisbon city tour (via coach), or perhaps you'd prefer a walking tour of Lisbon's historic Alfama District. The Lisbon city tour features Jeronimo's Monastery (UNESCO), Belem Tower (UNESCO), the Monument to the Discoveries, and you'll cap it off with a visit to the National Museum of Coaches. The Alfama District is Lisbon's most

symbolic quarter. On this walking tour, step back in time and explore this residential neighbourhood – considered a village within a city. Stroll through its medieval alleys, narrow streets and tiny squares; and pass by beautiful churches and whitewashed houses with tile panels and wrought-iron balconies adorned with pots of flowers; then, climb the hill to explore the castle that has the most breathtaking panorama of the city. (B)

Day 12: Queluz Enjoy a day at leisure. Perhaps you will choose an optional excursion to the Portuguese Riviera featuring picturesque Sintra (UNESCO); Cabo da Roca, the westernmost point on the European continent; and charming Cascais with its cobblestone streets, ocean side promenade and a wealth of picture-perfect views. Tonight, **gather for a wonderful farewell dinner** celebrating the end of a memorable trip to northern Spain and Portugal. (B, D)

Day 13: Queluz - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Queluz. Continue your adventure in your luxurious hotel in the outskirts of Lisbon. Call for details.

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Choice On Tour

- In Lisbon, choose your city tour: see it all by coach, or take a walking tour of Lisbon's historic Alfama District and explore the castle overlooking the city.

Cultural Experiences

- Stop at the Church of Santo Torne to see El Greco's masterpiece painting.
- Cross Vizcaya Bridge aboard a hanging gondola.
- See Leon's magnificent 13th-century cathedral.
- Discover the art of handmade Portuguese porcelain at Vista Alegre.
- Feel like European royalty staying at the Baroque-style Pousada de Queluz.

Must-See Inclusions

- Get acquainted with Toledo on a walking tour highlighting its Gothic cathedral.
- Visit the world-class Guggenheim Museum, a spectacular structure.
- Discover the sights and sounds of Porto's riverfront district on your tour.
- Join a local expert for a walking tour of Santiago de Compostela.

Culinary Inclusions

- 21 meals included: 12 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 8 dinners
- Enjoy a tour and tasting at the spectacular winemaking facility of Bodegas Portia.
- Participate in a local favourite - a "txikiteo" (bar crawl) in Bilbao's Old Quarter.
- Learn the secrets of Portuguese cuisine during an interactive cooking class.

Accommodation

Days 1, 2	Parador de Toledo, Toledo
Days 3, 4	Hotel Palacio de los Blasones, Burgos
Day 5	Parador Hostal de San Marcos, León or Parador de Benavente, Benevente
Day 6	Parador Hostal dos Reis Católicos, Santiago de Compostela
Days 7 – 9	Pousada Mosteiro de Guimarães, Guimarães
Days 10 – 12	Pousada Palacio de Queluz, Queluz

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.[†]
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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will arrive into Madrid airport and will be transferred to Toledo (approx. 1 1/2 hour drive). Our international air passengers will depart from Lisbon, Portugal airport. All of our transfers will depart from Queluz to Lisbon airport (approximately a 20 minute drive). Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

March – April 2017	Double	2, 30 August	\$5679
15 March	\$4679	13, 27 September	\$5679
22, 26 April	\$4869	11 October	\$5679
Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.		8 November	\$5189
May 2017 – April 2018	Double	14 March	\$5189
17 May	\$5679	18, 25 April	\$5539
14 June	\$5679	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$830 - \$1100
12 July	\$5679	Triple Room Reduction	N/A
Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.			



Countryside of the Emerald Isle

Embrace the people and places that make Ireland special

Start Early

Add an extra day in Dublin.

Begin your trip with an extra day in exciting Dublin. Enjoy more time in one of the world's most historic (and fun) cities. Call for details.

Day 1: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

Set out for the rolling hills, warm people and rollicking fun of the Emerald Isle. Discover the traditions and deep history of Dublin. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at one of Dublin's best local restaurants featuring farm-to-table cuisine. (D)

Y Day 2: Dublin Today opens with a choice of two cultural experiences. You may opt to set out on a drive with a local guide to visit St. Patrick's Cathedral



and see St. Stephen's Green, Grafton Street, and the historic Phoenix Park. Or, perhaps you will select a walking tour of the city's historic centre, exploring O'Connell Street, the General Post Office, and the River Liffey. Spend the remainder of your day relaxing or set out to explore more of charming Dublin on your own. (B)

Day 3: Dublin - Midleton - Kinsale

Leave Dublin behind for the country roads of Ireland. Stop for photos at the impressive Rock of Cashel, where St. Patrick preached. Explore Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson's Irish Whiskey. Give it a go with a tasting of the distillery's production. Continue on to the quaint coastal village of Kinsale. Join a local expert on a walking tour of this historic port. This evening, it's *Diner's Choice*...tonight your dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of Kinsale's great restaurants. (B, D)

Y Day 4: Kinsale - Choice of Cobh or Kinsale Harbor Cruise

Today **the choice is yours!** You may opt to visit the historic coastal town of Cobh for a locally guided tour. Reflect on the site where the *Titanic* last dropped anchor before its fateful voyage; plus, learn about the port where millions of Irish left their native land forever. Or, you may choose to spend a leisurely day in beautiful Kinsale and enjoy an included cruise of the town's famed harbour. (B)

Day 5: Kinsale - Bantry - Kenmare

- Killarney Embark on a beautiful drive along West Cork's Wild Atlantic Way, one of the world's most stunning coastal routes. Take in the atmosphere of the quaint seaside villages of Timoleague and Skibbereen



before arriving at the regal Bantry House. During a tour of the home and gardens, you will uncover centuries of history and be awed by the inspiring grandeur of this place. Next, travel to County Kerry and the resort town of Kenmare. Enjoy free time to explore its many boutiques and cafés. Continue to Killarney and top off your day with dinner "on the town" at one of Killarney's best restaurants. (B, D)

Day 6: Killarney - Ring of Kerry -

Killarney Drive across Moll's Gap into Killarney National Park. Take in awe-inspiring views of the Lakes of Killarney and be amazed by the famed Ladies View.

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Choice On Tour

- While in Dublin set out on a sightseeing drive with a local guide or enjoy a walking tour of the city's historic center.
- Take a guided tour of the historic coastal town of Cobh or spend a leisurely day in the fishing village of Kinsale and enjoy a harbor cruise.

Cultural Experiences

- Explore Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson's Irish Whiskey.
- Stroll through the elegant halls of majestic Kilkenny Castle.
- Come to know the locals during a home-hosted stay.
- Feel like royalty as you enjoy a 2-night stay at the regal Bellingham Castle.
- Explore the Neolithic site of Newgrange, pre-dating Stonehenge.

Must-See Inclusions

- Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of Dublin.
- Partake in a historic walking tour of beautiful Kinsale.
- Travel the spectacular Ring of Kerry, one of the world's great coastal roads.
- Experience County Kerry and the resort town of Kenmare.

Culinary Inclusions

- 14 meals included: 9 breakfasts • 5 dinners
- Enjoy a tasting of Jameson's Irish Whiskey.
- Savour a dinner of your choice in one of Kinsale's great restaurants.
- Take part in an unforgettable, homemade traditional Irish dinner.

Accommodation

Days 1, 2	Hampton Hotel, Dublin
Days 3, 4	Actons Hotel, Kinsale
Days 5, 6	Plaza Hotel, Killarney
Day 7	Home-Hosted Stay, Kilkenny area
Days 8, 9	Bellingham Castle, County Louth or Cabra Castle, County Cavan

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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This trip requires a **passport**. Our international air passengers will arrive and depart from Dublin airport. All of our transfers will arrive into and depart from Dublin airport. On day 10, due to flight schedules, you may require an early morning departure from your hotel. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



At the Gap of Dunloe you will have time to browse for traditional Irish goods handcrafted by local artisans. Next, traverse the spectacular Ring of Kerry, one of Europe's great coastal roads, and discover the serene beauty of this magical land. (B)

Day 7: Killarney - Kilkenny - Home-Hosted Stay Leave the rugged southern coast behind as you travel west to Kilkenny, Ireland's medieval capital. Stroll through the elegant halls of majestic Kilkenny Castle during a guided tour before enjoying free time to explore this historic city. This evening, make yourself right at home when an Irish family welcomes you into their household for the night. Take in your surroundings and get to know the family as you enjoy a homemade traditional dinner. This is sure to be an unforgettable experience! (B, D)

Day 8: Kilkenny - Irish National Stud - County Louth or County Cavan Bid a fond Irish farewell to your newfound friends. Make a stop at the Irish National Stud to learn about the "Sport of Kings" and its long connection with this land. Head north for a relaxing 2-night stay at a regal castle. You will feel like a royal guest at this exclusive and historic castle. (B)



Day 9: Boyne Valley - County Louth or County Cavan

Enjoy a leisurely morning to explore your castle's beautiful grounds. Later, visit the Neolithic monument of Newgrange. Built around 3,000 B.C., this prehistoric site pre-dates the Great Pyramid of Giza and Stonehenge. Continue through the lush Boyne Valley before returning to your magnificent castle for a memorable farewell dinner. (B, D)



Day 10: County Louth or County Cavan - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with the spirit of Ireland in your heart forever. (B)

Dates & Prices

March - April 2017	Double	7, 21 August	\$3749
20, 27 March	\$3069	11, 25 September	\$3749
3 April	\$3199	2 October	\$3609
24 April	\$3259	16 October	\$3469
Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.		19 March	\$3329
		9 April	\$3469
		23 April	\$3539
May 2016 - April 2017	Double	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$500 - \$690
8, 22 May	\$3749	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50
12, 19 June	\$3749	Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.	
17, 24 July	\$3749		



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Day 1: St. John's, Newfoundland - Tour Begins

Your journey opens in the colourful coastal city of St. John's. The province's capital city is a delightful blend of old-world charm and new-world elegance.

Day 2: St. John's Meet your fellow travellers at this morning's breakfast. Then come to know



Puffins

North America's oldest and easternmost city on a tour highlighting Signal Hill, Cape Spear lighthouse, Government House and the Basilica of St. John the Baptist. Continue on to tour the quaint fishing harbour of Quidi Vidi Village. **Watch for puffins while on a nature cruise to Witless Bay Ecological Reserve** where millions of seabirds gather to nest. A local specialist joins us for a talk on the marine life in the region, especially the thousands of Humpback and Minke whales who make this their home. (B, D)

Day 3: St. John's - Clarenville

Area Navigate the picturesque coastal drive that surrounds stunning Conception Bay. Make a stop in charming Brigus to spend some time in a traditional Newfoundland fishing village. Then it's on to Cupids Cove Plantation, an active archaeological dig on the site of the first attempt at permanent English settlement in what would become Canada. Join an expert for a private tour at Cupids Legacy Centre revealing life in the early 1600s and get to know the culture during a musical performance. **Then, head over to the archaeological site where they've been uncovering historic treasures for more than 20 years!** (B, D)

Day 4: Clarenville - Cape Bonavista - Clarenville

In Trinity Village, relive days gone by during visits to historic buildings including the Georgian

Lester-Garland House and the Green Family Forge, a living history blacksmith museum. At Cape Bonavista, pause at the lighthouse to take in the sweeping views — you may even spot an iceberg! (B)

Day 5: Clarenville - Terra Nova National Park - Twillingate - Gander

Travel to breathtaking Terra Nova National Park where the forest meets the sea. Stand in awe of the park's towering cliffs and tranquil bays. Spend some time exploring the Marine Atlantic Centre which features an interactive exhibit introducing you to the region's marine life. Next, **venture to Twillingate's Long Point Lighthouse**, a location that affords prime viewing over Iceberg Alley. This evening, prepare for a rollicking good time at a traditional Newfoundland gathering known as a "Jiggs dinner." (B, D)

Day 6: Gander - Rocky Harbour

Depart Gander and head to Boyd's Cove. Explore the Beothuk Interpretation Centre where you'll learn about Beothuk Village and its indigenous people who lived here over 300 years ago. Then, enjoy a short walk along a trail that showcases the house pits, the only evidence left of these now extinct residents. Later, arrive in Rocky Harbour for your two-night stay. (B)

Day 7: Gros Morne National Park

This morning we visit the Discovery Centre and learn how natural forces have shaped the park's landscape

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Choice On Tour

- In Gros Morne National Park, explore Tableland Mountains and the park's hidden fjords and highland tundra or stroll through the strata formations at Green Point.

Cultural Experiences

- Explore Beothuk Interpretation Centre and learn about Beothuk Village and its indigenous people.
- Join a local specialist for a nature cruise.
- Become an honorary Newfoundlander during a "Screech-In" ceremony.
- Visit a local mineral and stone specialist for a discussion on labradorite.

Must-See Inclusions

- Journey along the Viking Trail to L'Anse aux Meadows.
- Visit St. John's, North America's oldest and easternmost city.
- Enjoy a night of traditional and original songs.
- Spend time at Cupids Cove Plantation.
- Enjoy prime viewing over Iceberg Alley at Longpoint Lighthouse.

Culinary Inclusions

- 18 meals: 11 breakfasts • 7 dinners
- Enjoy a traditional Newfoundland gathering known as a "Jiggs dinner."
- Learn how to make partridgeberry and bakeapple into jams, sauces and vinegars.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** JAG Hotel, St. John's
- Days 3, 4** Clarenville Inn, Clarenville area
- Day 5** Sinbad's Hotel and Suites, Gander
- Days 6, 7** Ocean View Hotel, Rocky Harbour
- Day 8** Hotel North 3, St. Anthony
- Day 9** Northern Light Inn, L'Anse Au Clair
- Days 10, 11** Glynnmill Inn, Corner Brook

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 70 for details.

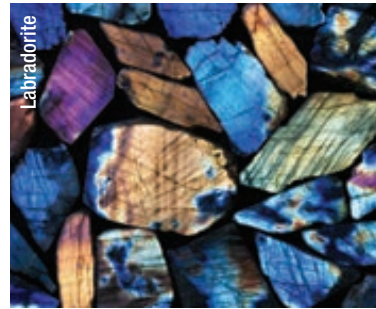
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This trip requires a passport. This is a fee levied by the airlines and may be subject to change. You will need an eTA to visit or transit Canada by air. Apply for an eTA: <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/eta.asp>. The cost is approximately CAD\$7 per person. To apply you must have a valid passport, credit card and email address. If you travel by land or sea, you will not need an eTA to enter Canada. However, you must travel with proper identification. There is a \$25 USD/CAD charge (per piece) for checked baggage on most trans-border flights. Due to flight schedules, you may require a very early morning departure from the hotel on the last day of the tour. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



of dramatic vistas that are among the most spectacular in Atlantic Canada. **Today the choice is yours!** Explore Tableland Mountains and uncover the park's hidden fjords, stark peaks and highland tundra; or perhaps you will choose to stroll through the strata formations at Green Point to learn about the earth's history and why Green Point is a geologist's dream! Next, board a boat to experience the fjords from a new perspective and watch for whales and eagles while listening to traditional Newfoundland music. Then become an honorary Newfoundlander when you participate in a "Screech-In" ceremony that seals your new status with a shot of rum. Tonight, enjoy a delicious barbecue dinner while overlooking the scenic waters of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. (B, D)

Day 8: Rocky Harbour - St. Anthony

Journey along the Viking Trail to L'Anse aux Meadows and travel back to A.D. 1000 when Vikings first made landfall. See how Newfoundlanders have adapted to this forbidding landscape and experience firsthand their unique solutions to living under extreme conditions. Later, a visit to an economuseum reveals the famous local partridgeberry and bakeapple and how you can make them into jams, sauces and vinegars. (B, D)

Day 9: St. Anthony - L'Anse Au Clair, Labrador

Board a ferry this morning and cross the Straits of Belle Isle to Labrador. Learn about the history and

importance of whaling to this region as you pass by colourful fishing villages. **Arrive in Red Bay and spend some time at Red Bay National Historic Site.** This UNESCO World Heritage site recounts the traditions of Basque whalers in the 16th century. (B, D)

Day 10: L'Anse Au Clair - Corner Brook, Newfoundland

A morning ferry ride returns you to Newfoundland. Today's journey brings you along the roads that Captain James Cook travelled back in 1770. Sit back and take in the spectacular scenery that unfolds along the way. Be sure to have your camera ready! (B)

Day 11: Corner Brook Walk in the footsteps of a great explorer at Captain James Cook National Historic Site before your stop at the breathtaking Bay of Islands on your way to picturesque Lark Harbour. This afternoon, make your way to the Butterfly House; behold hundreds of vibrant butterflies and enjoy the tranquility of the garden. Continue on to a local mineral and stone specialist for a discussion on labradorite, a colourful stone that is said to have mystical powers. **Tonight, a trio known as the "Sharecroppers" will delight you with a variety of traditional and original songs.** (B, D)

Day 12: Corner Brook - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today in Corner Brook. (B)

Dates & Prices

May – September 2017	Double	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$1170
31 May	\$4989	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50
8 June	\$4989		
13 July	\$4989		
3, Aug	\$4989		
7, 14, 20 September	\$4989		

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.



Bison in Yellowstone

Winter in Yellowstone

See one of America's treasures as few have

Start Early

Add an extra day in Jackson Hole.

Soak up more of the frontier spirit in this free wheelin' cowboy town.

Call for details.

Day 1: Jackson Hole, Wyoming - Tour Begins

Your adventure begins in Jackson Hole, America's most famous cowboy town. Find yourself amid its rare blend of elegance and western charm that sparkles in the winter. (D)



Snowcoach

Day 2: Jackson Hole - Grand Tetons - Yellowstone Snow Lodge

Take a drive through the majestic Grand Tetons to the entrance of Yellowstone National Park. Your Yellowstone winter adventure begins by boarding a snowcoach. This unique vehicle will transport you over the snow-covered landscape, past some of the park's most stunning scenery — and on to Old Faithful. (B, D)

Day 3: Yellowstone Snow Lodge Wake up just minutes away from Old Faithful and enjoy a brisk walking tour led by a local expert. You'll learn the history of this colossal geyser and view the amazing natural phenomenon in action. Later, spend free time exploring on your own. Perhaps you will choose to venture out on the trails with snowshoes or partake in some cross-country skiing. (B, D)

Day 4: Yellowstone - Gardiner, Montana Board your snowcoach again for your transfer across the frozen landscape en route to Mammoth at the north entrance to Yellowstone. During your journey, view some famous areas of the park, including the Painted Mud Pots, Fire Hole Canyon and the Madison Warming Hut. Your day will be filled with

incredible scenery and plenty of photo opportunities. Depart Yellowstone and cross the border into Montana before arriving in Gardiner for the night. (B, L)



Upper Geyser Basin

Day 5: Yellowstone, WY - Lamar Valley - West Yellowstone, MT An early departure takes you back into Yellowstone en route to the remote Lamar Valley in the scenic northwest corner. You will traverse forests and meadows before arriving in the Lamar Valley where you will be surrounded by tranquility. This area of the park is not only breathtaking



but it's also an excellent habitat for the park's wildlife. This is where, in the 1990s, previously endangered wolves were reintroduced to the park. There are now over 400 wolves living here. (B)

Day 6: West Yellowstone - Jackson Hole, Wyoming

Today's journey brings you south through Idaho to the picturesque Caribou Targhee National Forest. You will be amazed by the stunning views of the Grand Tetons as you make your way back to Jackson Hole. Get

up-close to wildlife on a delightful sleigh ride to the National Elk Refuge and view hundreds of elk in their natural habitat. Tonight, toast to the end of your winter adventure at a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 7: Jackson Hole - Tour Ends

Today your tour comes to a close. You will depart with truly amazing memories of the region's breathtaking winter backdrop. (B)



Travel with no more than 24 guests

Cultural Experiences

- Join an expert on a private walking tour to learn the history of Yellowstone.
- Overnight in Jackson Hole, America's most famous cowboy town.
- See the tranquil Lamar Valley tucked away in the scenic north central part of Yellowstone National Park.

Must-See Inclusions

- Witness the colossal geyser Old Faithful in action surrounded by snow and ice.
- See elk in their natural habitat during a sleigh ride in the National Elk Refuge.
- Travel by snowcoach to observe Yellowstone's iconic scenery.
- Journey through the picturesque Caribou Targhee National Forest in Idaho.

Culinary Inclusions

- 11 meals included: 6 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 4 dinners
- Savour a dinner at the Lodge inside Yellowstone Park.

Accommodation

- Day 1** Snow King, Jackson Hole
Days 2, 3 Snow Lodge, Yellowstone National Park
Day 4 Best Western Mammoth, Gardiner
Day 5 Holiday Inn, West Yellowstone
Day 6 Snow King, Jackson Hole

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Dates & Prices

January – February 2017	Double	January – February 2018	Double
8, 15, 22 January	\$4119	6, 13, 20, 27, 30 January	\$4779
29 January	\$4529	3, 6 February	\$4779
5 February	\$4529		
Itinerary featured is for January - February 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.		Single Room Supplement	(+) \$1180 - \$1310
		Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50
		Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.	



Manuel Antonio National Park

Costa Rica: A World of Nature

Discover a culture that treasures its exotic ecosystem

Start Early

Add an extra day in San Jose.
Enjoy more time to explore this vibrant city.
Call for details.

Day 1: San Jose, Costa Rica - Tour Begins

Journey to Costa Rica and discover the fascinating tropical ecosystems of Tortuguero National Park, Arenal Volcano and Manuel Antonio National Park. Embark on many exclusive explorations of the country's natural gems. Take time for independent personal discovery.

Day 2: San Jose - Tortuguero National Park

Begin the day surrounded by dormant volcanos and crater lakes as you journey through Braulio Carrillo National Park en route to the Caribbean lowlands. Along the way, take in the mountain vistas and Caribbean-style villages. Later, discover the natural wonders of the rainforest of Tortuguero National Park as you cruise the rivers and canals with your guide. Enjoy a 2-night stay at your eco-lodge surrounded by the beauty of a tropical forest and an array of wildlife. Learn more about your surroundings with a **visit to the world's first Green Turtle Research Station**. Discover how to protect the turtle's nesting habitat and eggs. Join your fellow travellers this evening for a welcome reception followed by dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Tortuguero National Park Set out on an early morning bird-watching excursion that

explores the variety of local species and migratory birds that flock to this area. Find yourself surrounded by wildlife as you **embark on a nature cruise** through the national park – keep an eye out for howler monkeys, sloths, toucans and caimans, as well as exotic flora. Tortuguero National Park, a study in rainforest, freshwater and marine biology, protects over 350 species of birds and mammals. Savour time to explore and seek out green macaws; 57 species of amphibians; 111 species of reptiles; and 60 mammal species, including 13 of Costa Rica's endangered animals including jaguars, tapirs, ocelots, cougars, river otters and manatees. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Tortuguero National Park - Sarapiquí - Arenal Volcano

Embark on a leisurely boat ride to the mainland as you travel to the fascinating Sarapiquí region. Afterwards, join a local expert at La Tirimbina Biological Reserve where you will discover the history and continuing importance of cacao to Central America's economy. Observe the process of producing chocolate from the cacao bean and sample the delicious finished product. Next, continue to your resort featuring panoramic views of Arenal Volcano. (B, D)

Y Day 5: Arenal Volcano This morning, **the choice is yours**. You may embark on one of the most thrilling zip lining experiences in Costa Rica while admiring the views and wildlife of the Arenal rainforest. Or, perhaps you would enjoy a moderate hike through the trails of Arenal Volcano National Park where you will traverse the former lava fields and enjoy spectacular views of the volcano. This afternoon

is at leisure to explore the lush surroundings of your rainforest resort, perhaps indulge in an optional spa treatment, or simply relax in the luxurious soothing waters of one of the region's famous hot springs. (B)

Day 6: Arenal Volcano - Villa Blanca Cloud Forest

This morning you may choose to take an optional river safari or hanging bridges tour: float down the mellow Peñas Blancas River while taking in the stunning scenery or experience the rainforest from up above as you walk among the treetops on a guided tour of Arenal's hanging bridges... either way, keep an eye out for wildlife such as monkeys, sloths, iguanas and tropical birds. Later, travel south to the Villa Blanca Cloud Forest. Settle in for a 2-night stay in a mountain nature reserve resort, originally owned by the former president of Costa Rica, Rodrigo Carazo Odio. Nestled on 75 acres of gentle rolling hills, set in the Los Angeles Private Biological Reserve and surrounded by lush botanical gardens, you are sure to become one with nature while exploring one of the world's most precious and complex jungle ecosystems – the cloud forest. This evening, enjoy an incredible dinner overlooking the cloud forest. (B, D)

Day 7: Villa Blanca Cloud Forest - San Ramón - Villa Blanca Cloud Forest

Wake early for the opportunity to go in search of the wide variety of bird species found in Costa Rica. This afternoon we visit a coffee farm. Discover this coffee plantation and the natural growing methods used to make some of the best coffee in the world. Continue to the city of San Ramón – referred to as the “City of Presidents & Poets” – for a tour. Then, settle back into your resort and



enjoy the amazing views from your individual casitas. Tonight, **partake in a tree adoption ceremony.** (B)

Day 8: Villa Blanca Cloud Forest - Tarcoles - Manuel Antonio National Park Traverse the lush varied landscape of Costa Rica to the Pacific Coast. **Make a stop for a jungle crocodile safari and bird watching excursion.** Hop aboard your safari boat to explore the quiet Rio Grande of Tarcoles. See the awesome mangrove ecosystem and search for these magnificent ancient reptiles in one of the world's largest crocodile populations in the wild. View waterfowl, iguanas, and over fifty varieties of birds native to the region, including the very rare scarlet macaw. Later we continue our journey to the world-famous Manuel Antonio National Park. Check into your hotel located just outside the park. Soak up the sweeping views and take in the sunset overlooking the park and the Pacific Ocean before dining this evening. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Manuel Antonio National Park - Santa Juana - Manuel Antonio National Park Wake up to a cool breeze and spectacular views early this morning. Journey outside the park and ascend a nearby mountain to Santa Juana Rural Mountain Nature Reserve. Experience a different side of this country when joining an expert guide who

will introduce you to the local culture and ecosystem. Step back in time at an authentic sugar mill still powered by oxen. Take a hike to a breathtaking waterfall and go for a swim in its pristine waters. Then enjoy a traditional "campesino" country-style farmer's lunch while taking in the panoramic views of Manuel Antonio National Park below. Return to your hotel. The afternoon is yours to relax and enjoy your surroundings. (B, L)

Day 10: Manuel Antonio National Park - San Jose Travel just minutes down the road to explore spectacular Manuel Antonio National Park, known for its pristine beaches and primary forest. Spend the morning leisurely walking the forest trails in search of native inhabitants like the three-toed sloth, agoutis, squirrel monkeys and iguanas; or take a swim in the inviting blue waters of its beaches. Say goodbye to the coast as you continue on to San Jose. Enjoy a wonderful farewell dinner where we'll toast to the natural richness that is Costa Rica. (B, D)

Day 11: San Jose - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in San Jose. Discover a city steeped in history and culture. [Call for details.](#)

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Choice On Tour

- In Arenal, embark on a thrilling zip lining experience in or take a hike through the former lava fields of Arenal Volcano National Park.

Cultural Experiences

- Step back in time at an authentic sugar mill still powered by oxen.
- Join an expert guide to learn about the local culture and ecosystem.
- Visit the world's first Green Turtle Research Station in Tortuguero National Park.
- Give back to Mother Nature during a tree adoption ceremony.

Must-See Inclusions

- Stay in Tortuguero National Park, and find yourself surrounded by wildlife.
- Enjoy your 2-night stay just outside of pristine Manuel Antonio National Park.
- Spend 2 nights at a resort overlooking the iconic Arenal Volcano.
- Hop aboard a river boat for a crocodile safari and bird watching excursion.
- Traverse pristine forest trails in search of wildlife.

Culinary Inclusions

- 20 meals included: 10 breakfasts • 4 lunches 6 dinners
- Enjoy a traditional "campesino" country-style farmer's lunch.
- Indulge in the sweet taste of chocolate at a biological reserve.
- Delve into the world of coffee during a plantation visit.
- Savour dinner overlooking the lush Villa Blanca Cloud Forest.

Accommodation

Day 1	DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari Hotel, San Jose
Days 2, 3	Evergreen Lodge, Tortuguero
Days 4, 5	Mountain Paradise, Arenal Volcano
Days 6, 7	Villa Blanca Cloud Forest Hotel & Spa, San Ramon
Days 8, 9	Si Como No Resort, Manuel Antonio
Day 10	DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari Hotel, San Jose

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Tour Activity Level

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Dates & Prices

January – April 2017	Double	13 August	\$3469
8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 29 January	\$3119	10, 17, 24 September	\$3469
2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 28 February	\$3119	8, 15, 22, 29 October	\$3469
5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 26 March	\$3119	5, 26, 30 November	\$3609
2 April	\$3119	3, 28 December	\$3609
20, 23, 30 April	\$3049	4, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, 28 January	\$3609
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May 2017 – April 2018	Double	1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18 March	\$3609
14, 21 May	\$3469	5, 8, 12, 15, 19 April	\$3609
11 June	\$3469		
9, 16, 23 July	\$3469	Single Room Supplement	(+) \$1140 - \$1240
		Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30
		Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.	



The Galapagos Islands

Machu Picchu & the Galapagos Islands

Embark on a spectacular historical, cultural and wildlife adventure

Start Early

Add an extra day in Lima.

Begin your adventure with an extra night to enjoy Lima's treasures. Call for details.

Day 1: Lima, Peru - Tour Begins

Day 2: Lima Discover Lima's fascinating history during a tour through the historic city centre. Admire the artwork at San Francisco Monastery and enter the catacombs. View the Government Centre, the elegant Cathedral at Plaza de Armas, an abundance of colonial architecture, and the fashionable suburbs of San Isidro and Miraflores for insight into the daily life of the Limeños. Then it's on to your exclusive visit to the Archbishop's Palace to witness the changing of the guard. This evening, get to know your fellow travellers during a welcome dinner with a tasting menu of Peruvian dishes and drinks. (B, D)

Day 3: Lima - Cuzco - Sacred Valley of the Incas Fly to Cuzco, in the heart of the Inca civilisation. Journey through the Andes to the majestic Sacred Valley of the Incas, the agricultural centre of their grand empire. Learn the centuries-old methods of spinning, dyeing and weaving traditional textiles during a visit to Awana Kancha, a living museum of the Peruvian Andes. Stop in Pisac village to browse the colourful handicraft market. Do as the locals do and enjoy a tasting of "chicha," a unique regional drink made from maize, at a local pub. Then, **head to the Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio** where you'll get first-hand knowledge on this internationally renowned artist's

techniques, inspired by ancient Peruvian cultures. Settle in this evening at your hotel nestled in the heart of the Sacred Valley. The rest of the evening is yours. (B)

Day 4: Sacred Valley of the Incas - Ollantaytambo- Sacred Valley of the Incas Experience the lifestyle of the modern Andean people and delve into their culture when you travel to a nearby community and interact with the locals. You'll get a true taste of their daily life when participating in small group workshops that teach you traditional methods of growing, harvesting and weaving. Celebrate their culture as you learn their dances and listen to their musical instruments. This afternoon, visit the spectacular Ollantaytambo archaeological site, the only Incan settlement that has been continually inhabited since its inception. A uniquely terraced complex topped with carved stone panels, these ruins reflect ancient Incan architecture and heritage. Then, make a stop at the Sacred Valley Brewing Company, a not-for-profit brewery created to support a local orphanage. Taste these Andean-inspired beers and learn about their determination to support their community. Tonight, savour an authentic pachamanca dinner, a unique process where food is placed on hot stones and buried in the ground to cook. (B, D)

Day 5: Sacred Valley of the Incas - Machu Picchu Climb aboard the **Machu Picchu Vistadome train** for breathtaking views through domed windows as you ride through the Andes to the "Lost City of the Incas." Hidden by mountains and jungle, Machu Picchu is considered the most spectacular sight in South America. Spend the afternoon with your guide. Tonight, stay at the base of Machu Picchu to further soak up its atmosphere. Enjoy an exclusive culinary demonstration before enjoying an

award-winning tasting menu at your resort. (B, D)

Day 6: Machu Picchu - Cuzco With leisure time this morning you may return to Machu Picchu on your own or explore the local markets. Return by Vistadome train to the Sacred Valley and continue to Cuzco, a city that blends Inca and Spanish colonial influences. Before arriving, **make a stop at the heralded salt mines of Maras.** (B)

Y Day 7: Cuzco The morning is yours to relax and acclimate to the altitude. Perhaps you'll choose the "Cuzco through the Senses" optional tour, where you'll get hands-on experience with the owner and artist of a local pottery studio, followed by tastings of world-renowned Peruvian coffee and chocolate. This afternoon, **the choice is yours** on how you will explore Cuzco. Perhaps you'll choose to join a local guide on a walking tour of the city from your hotel. Or, board your coach for a comprehensive tour of the city's main sites. Both tours will take you on a journey through this colonial city where you'll experience the architectural legacy visible in the Cathedral, Santo Domingo, the Plaza de Armas, as well as a stop by the central market. Later, gather together and travel above the city to **discover the important sacred Incan ruins of Sacsayhuaman Fortress.** Enjoy a toast at sunset while overlooking the city before arriving at your authentic dinner and folklore show in the heart of Cuzco. (B, D)

Day 8: Cuzco - Quito, Ecuador This morning we fly to Quito, Ecuador, (UNESCO) the country's stunning capital city. (B)

Day 9: Quito At the start of your city tour, enjoy a special visit to a Children International community centre, supported by the Collette Foundation. Meet some of the children benefiting from the nutritional support



and healthy cooking education that is the focus of this group's mission. Learn about Quito's colonial centre on a tour featuring the Presidential Palace and 17th-century Church of La Compañía. Savour lunch overlooking the Pululahua volcanic crater. On a one-of-a-kind experience, **cross between hemispheres at the Equatorial Line Monument and Museum at the "Middle of the World."** Spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B, L)

Day 10: Quito - San Cristóbal Island, Galapagos - Embark Ship Fly to San Cristóbal Island. After enjoying lunch aboard the m/v *Galapagos Legend*, arrive at the Port Baquerizo Moreno for an up-close look at the endangered tortoises that call the San Cristóbal Cerro Colorado Tortoise Reserve home. After exploring the island, stargaze from the deck of your ship. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Española Island (Gardner Bay and Suarez Point) Board your panga to visit Gardner Bay. Guarded by a colony of sea lions, the beach is home to Galapagos hawks and endemic finches. Swim and snorkel with the marine life, including manta rays and white-tipped sharks. Continue on and meander through the volcanic terrain of Suarez Point. **During your nature walk, watch for hooded mocking birds, lava lizards, Sally Lightfoot crabs and blue-footed boobies.** Venture to count Waved Albatross at the world's largest colony. Finally, visit the spectacular Soplador (blowhole). (B, L, D)

Day 12: Floreana Island (Post Office Bay and Cormorant Point) Land at storied Post Office Bay, named for a barrel left in 1793 by Captain James Colnett as a "post office" for passing sailors. Snorkel, if you choose, with green sea turtles or set out to search for Darwin's finches and yellow warblers. Sail to Cormorant Point and its olivine green sand beach. Try to spot stingrays and reef sharks in the

emerald waters. You may also observe graceful flamingos or spot a small colony of penguins. Seize another chance to snorkel and swim near playful sea lions! (B, L, D)

Day 13: Santa Cruz Island (Charles Darwin Research Station & Highlands) Visit the famous Charles Darwin Research Station and see the giant tortoises from the station's breeding program. Travel through the Santa Cruz highlands to Cerro Chato and find more giant tortoises. Savour some organic Galapagos coffee before a **walk inside dormant lava tubes** to gain insight on how these pristine islands formed. Enjoy time to explore Port Ayora town. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Daphne Island - Disembark Ship - Baltra Island - Quito Garner panoramic views as you circumnavigate Daphne Island. Keep an eye out for marine iguanas, fur seals and crabs teetering along the rocky shore. Bid farewell to the Galapagos and fly back to the magnificent city of Quito. This evening, fall in love with the lights of colonial Quito during a nighttime panoramic tour. Arrive at one of the city's most historic restaurants to sample some of Ecuador's finest cuisine. (B, D)

Day 15: Quito - Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour



EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour with 3 nights in Otavalo. Continue exploring the rich cultures, epic scenery and picturesque villages of the Andes.

See page 69 for details.

Dates & Prices

January – April 2017		Double		
17, 31 January	\$10164	5 September	\$11989	
14, 28 February	\$10164	3, 31 October	\$11989	
14 March	\$10164	28 November	\$11989	
28 March	\$10354	9, 23 January	\$11989	
25 April	\$10354	6, 20 February	\$11989	
		6 March	\$11989	
		3, 17 April	\$12259	
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		Triple Room Reduction		N/A
May 2017 – April 2018		Rates are land only, per person and include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.		
16 May	\$11989			
22 August	\$11989			

Machu Picchu & the Galapagos Islands

15 Days from \$11089

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Choice On Tour

- In Cuzco, join a local guide on a walking tour or climb aboard your coach for a tour of the city's dramatic architectural treasures.

Cultural Experiences

- Discover centuries-old Andean textile methods at a living museum of the Peruvian Andes.
- Stand at the Middle of the World at the Equatorial Line Monument.

Must-See Inclusions

- Embark on a 5-day cruise of the Galapagos Islands with a naturalist guide.
- Spend the day exploring the fabled ruins of Machu Picchu.

Culinary Inclusions

- 28 meals: 14 breakfasts • 5 lunches • 9 dinners
- Savour an authentic Pachamanca dinner, where food is buried in the ground to cook.

Accommodation

Days 1, 2	Hilton Miraflores, Lima
Days 3, 4	Casa Andina Private Collection Sacred Valley, Yucay
Day 5	Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel, Aguas Calientes
Days 6, 7	Casa Andina Private Collection Hotel, Cuzco
Days 8, 9	Mercure Grand Hotel Alameda, Quito
Days 10 – 13	m/v Galapagos Legend, Galapagos Islands
Day 14	Mercure Grand Hotel Alameda, Quito

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 70 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.[†]
- **Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your **inflight-experience** with an **air upgrade**.
See page 71 for details.
- **On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Complete passport information is required 60 days prior to departure to confirm flight arrangements to the Galapagos Islands. An ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) visa is required for all Australian passport holders travelling to or via the USA, at your own expense. This visa may apply due to your airline scheduling. Rates include \$155 - \$165 USD Galapagos National Park and Galapagos National Institute entrance fees. The currency in Ecuador is the USD. Gratuities are included in the price, excluding gratuities for onboard cruise staff. Each client is responsible for proper documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Contact your local travel clinic or General Practitioner for specific details. Pricing is based on Standard Plus Outside cabins, located on the Sea Deck. Upgrades may be available to Junior Suites (Earth Deck) or Balcony Suites (Moon Deck). Call for pricing. If the cabin category preferred is not available at the time of booking, the next closest category available will be offered and a surcharge may apply. The internal flights on this program are included in the land price. International airfare can also be purchased through us. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

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Antarctica & Chile's Patagonia

Set out on an Antarctica adventure featuring Torres del Paine National Park & the Chilean Fjords

Start Early

Add an extra day in Santiago.

Settle in early and enjoy this spectacular city set amid the Andes. Call for details.

Day 1: Santiago, Chile - Tour Begins

Embark on an unforgettable voyage introducing you to the magnificent natural wonders of Patagonia's famed Torres del Paine National Park; the breathtaking Chilean fjords with steep, snowcapped mountains and green valleys; and Cape Horn before heading to the South Shetland Islands and Antarctica, the last great frontier. Your journey begins in Santiago de Chile, a metropolitan hub tucked inside the Andes Mountains and one of South America's most modern cities. Take in the vibrant energy and amazing views of the Andes that surround you. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for sumptuous food and wine in the stunning colonial neighbourhood known as Barrio Lastarria. (D)

Day 2: Santiago This morning, **embark on a city tour** with a local guide that showcases the regal La Moneda Presidential Palace and lively Paseo Ahumada Pedestrian Avenue. Ride the funicular up Cerro San Cristobal to soak up the sweeping views of Santiago and the Andes, and admire the Statue of the Immaculate Conception. Then you'll delve into Chile's checkered past under the 20th century dictatorship of General Augusto Pinochet at the Museum of Memory and Human Rights before heading over to a bustling central market to mingle with the locals. The evening is yours to explore this wonderful city on your own. (B)

Day 3: Santiago - Punta Arenas - Puerto Natales (Patagonia, Chile)

Leave the bustle of the city behind and fly to the spectacular region of Patagonia, the southern portion of Chile and Argentina that is filled with natural wonders. Arrive in Punta Arenas, built along the Strait of Magellan. Take in the stunning scenery before heading to Puerto Natales, the stepping off point to Chile's

Torres del Paine National Park. (B, D)

Day 4: Puerto Natales - Torres del Paine National Park - Puerto Natales Today you'll venture into the UNESCO biosphere reserve – **Torres del Paine National Park**. Take in the panoramas of jagged mountains and emerald-blue lakes. Marvel at the cascading waterfalls and the flora and fauna that are unique to the area. You are sure to be awed at every turn when exploring what is known as South America's most incredible national park. (B)

Day 5: Puerto Natales - Punta Arenas - Embark Ship

This morning, head south to Punta Arenas and enjoy some free time in this lovely port town before boarding the state-of-the-art MS *Midnatsol* expedition vessel. (B, D)

Day 6: Chilean Fjords - Tierra del Fuego

Sail through the Magellan Strait, named for the Portuguese explorer who discovered this now famous passage in 1520. Cruise along and discover a network of the channels and fjords that separates the South America continent from Tierra del Fuego or "Land of Fire." Continue through the Beagle Channel, named after Charles Darwin's ship. Cruise to the stunning Chilean fjords, including the beautiful Garibaldi Fjord, and behold the Garibaldi Glacier. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Cape Horn As you get ready to head to the Drake Passage, make your way to the legendary Cape Horn, the southernmost point of South America. Soak in the views as you traverse this waterway with tremendous historical significance for discoveries and trade routes. Depending on the weather, you may get a chance to make a special landing on the island. (B, L, D)

Day 8: The Drake Passage - Antarctica

Cruise south through the fabled Drake Passage, named for the explorer Sir Francis Drake. Warmer waters of the north meet the colder, denser waters of the south here in the Antarctic Convergence, making the area rich in marine life. Spot whales and sea birds as you begin this voyage of exploration. Experts provide presentations on history, biology and geology throughout your adventure. **Arrive today on**

the northern tip of Antarctica, the last great wilderness stretching across ice-covered desert and mountains for over five million square miles. The ethereal beauty and immense scale of the continent is like nowhere else on the planet. Follow in the footsteps of the great explorers...the privilege of witnessing this fragile, remote environment is truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Antarctica The next six days are filled with discovery! Weather conditions determine each sailing's final itinerary. Regardless, adventure awaits. First, **cruise to the South Shetland Islands** - including Half Moon Island. Visit Yankee Harbour and Cuverville Island, as well as Neko and Paradise harbours, and Wilhelmina Bay. During your travels, humpback, killer and minke whales – and icebergs – are common sights. PolarCirkel (rugged excursion) boats take you to incredible locations along the Antarctic Peninsula. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Antarctica Continue your visits by PolarCirkel boats to locations which could include:

- Half Moon Island, a small island in the South Shetland chain boasting mountainous views and a nesting place for chinstrap penguins, kelp gulls and Antarctic terns. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Antarctica Continue your visits by PolarCirkel boats to locations which could include:

- Yankee Harbour, on the South Shetland Islands, once the base of operations for early sealers. Today it still provides a natural safe haven for sailors and explorers like you who come to see the large colony of gentoo penguins. Bransfield Strait, near Livingston Island and near the South Shetland Islands, is a common feeding area for whales. (B, L, D).

Day 12: Antarctica Continue your visits by PolarCirkel boats to locations which could include:

- Cuverville Island, sitting on the scenic Errera Channel, offering up excitement before you even make landfall. Embark upon a thrilling passage through the channel amid dramatic icebergs. Once on shore you will be surrounded by throngs of nesting penguins. (B, L, D)

Antarctica & Chile's Patagonia

19 Days from \$17,409



Day 13: Antarctica Continue your visits by PolarCirkel boats to locations which could include:

- Neko Harbour, part of the Antarctic mainland nestled in the fjord-like Andvord Bay, where penguins, elephant seals and weddel seals are often spotted. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Antarctica Continue your visits by PolarCirkel boats to locations which could include:

- Paradise Harbour, where whalers came to seek refuge in the worst of storms. This was the base for many daring expeditions and is now the location of the Gabriel Gonzalez Videla Base.
- Wilhelmina Bay, where mountains and high glaciers create dramatic scenery. View the 1915 wreck of the Norwegian ship, *Governøren*. (B, L, D)

Day 15: Antarctica - The Drake Passage Leave Antarctica, crossing the southern waters of the Drake Passage. Participate in engaging lectures on Antarctica's wonders. (B, L, D)

Day 16: Drake Passage - Chilean Fjords During the return to the Chilean fjords, enjoy a summation of the Antarctic themes and the Chilean program. Discover more of the history on this passage notorious among the early polar explorers. (B, L, D)

Day 17: Chilean Fjords Get a chance to disembark at Puerto Williams (weather dependent), one of the world's southernmost towns, set on the island of Navarino. Now a sleepy little island with barely more than 2,000 inhabitants, Navarino is known for its pristine natural beauty and is the perfect place for nature lovers. (B, L, D)

Day 18: Chilean Fjords - Punta Arenas - Disembark Ship - Santiago Disembark the ship in Punta Arenas, transfer to the airport and return to Santiago. This evening, celebrate the end of your journey as you enjoy a dinner featuring local Chilean speciality food and wine, along with a Chilean folklore show! Admire the passion of these local musicians, meet the dancers and maybe get to go on stage. (B, D)

Day 19: Santiago - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. For those with late flights, you may choose the optional "Flavours of Santiago" tour, where you'll get to visit a local winery, followed by the Santiago home of the famous Noble Prize poet and Chilean hero Pablo Neruda; cap off your optional tour with dinner at one of Santiago's amazing restaurants. (B)

Extend Your Tour



EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour with 3 nights on Easter Island. Famous for its Moai statues this is one of the most isolated inhabited islands in the world. See page 69 for details.

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Santiago. Relax and raise a glass of wine before you head home.

Call for details.

Cultural Experiences

- In Santiago, ride the funicular up Cerro San Cristobal and admire the Statue of the Immaculate Conception.
- Explore Puerto Williams, one of the world's southernmost towns.
- Explore Chile's past at the Museum of Memory and Human Rights.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore Chile's Patagonia and the famed Torres del Paine National Park.
- Cruise the stunning Chilean fjords, including the beautiful Garibaldi Fjord.
- Behold the massive Garibaldi Glacier.
- Make your way to the legendary Cape Horn, the southernmost point of South America.
- Experience close encounters with Antarctic wildlife including seals, whales, albatross and penguins.
- Cruise into small harbours and islands in PolarCirkel excursion boats for in-depth discoveries and personal adventures.

Culinary Inclusions

- 46 meals included: 18 breakfasts • 12 lunches • 16 dinners
- Dine in a stunning colonial neighbourhood known as Barrio Lastarria
- Enjoy dinner complete with Chilean wine and a folklore show!

Accommodation

Days 1, 2 Hotel Atton Vitacura, Santiago
Days 3, 4 Hotel CostAustralis, Puerto Natales
Days 5 – 17 MS *Midnatsol*
Day 18 Hotel Atton Vitacura, Santiago
 On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. The internal flight is included in the land cost of your tour. Pricing is based on inside cabins. Call for upgrades to other cabin categories. Onboard gratuities are not included in the price of your tour. Suggested guidelines are \$12 USD per guest, per day. Prior to full payment for the program, the cruise line reserves the right to impose a supplemental fuel charge. Special clothing is required for the shore landings; refer to your pre-departure documents for details. You will receive a wind and waterproof jacket and will be lent 1 pair of rubber boots for use during landings. In accordance with IAATO and Hurtigruten AS, all guests travelling to Antarctica must complete a confidential medical declaration form, signed by a doctor, stating that they are fit to travel. This form will be sent to guests well in advance. The form must be completely filled out, brought on board the ship, and personally delivered to the doctor upon embarkation. Boarding may be denied if this form is not presented at time of embarkation. Transfers to/from the boat are by small zodiac boats and you may have to wade ashore in shallow water. In some cases, the terrain can be a little strenuous. Order of sightseeing on board the ship may vary based on departure and weather conditions. This is an expedition where the elements rule, and the weather, wind and ice conditions determine the schedule. Safety is paramount and the captain will decide the final sailing itinerary during the voyage. This itinerary is just an indication of what you can experience. All conditions do not apply to all days so please read the itinerary carefully and speak to one of our travel consultants to determine if this tour is right for you. We recommend this program to individuals with a good level of physical fitness. Unfortunately, this tour is not appropriate for individuals who use either walkers or wheelchairs. If this trip is not ideally suited for you, our travel consultant can help determine the perfect trip for you. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

January – February 2018	Double	Single Room Supplement	\$5520
15, 28 January	\$17409	Triple Room Reduction	N/A
10 February	\$17409		
Rates are land only, per person and include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.			

Extend Your Tour Optional Extensions

to complement your experience

Tanzania 4-night post tour

add to: The Plains of Africa (pg. 28)

12 Meals:
4 Breakfasts,
4 Lunches, 4 Dinners
**\$2275 -
\$3380***

Day 13: Amboseli - Arusha, Tanzania - Karatu Depart Amboseli for the border town of Arusha. After clearing border crossing formalities, enjoy lunch in Arusha. Then continue to your hotel in Karatu, located along the foothills of Ngorongoro. (L, D)

Day 14: Karatu - Serengeti National Park After breakfast, depart for Serengeti National Park, undoubtedly the most famous wildlife sanctuary in the world and known to have the greatest concentration of Plains' game anywhere. (B, L, D)

Day 15: Serengeti National Park Today you will enjoy a full day game drive in the park. "Serengeti" comes from the Masai language meaning "extended place" and is the most complex and least disturbed ecosystem on Earth! (B, L, D)

Day 16: Serengeti National Park - Ngorongoro Conservation Area After breakfast, begin your safari in the Ngorongoro Crater, the largest intact caldera in the world. Its enduring charm stems from its overwhelming beauty and the abundance of wildlife permanently residing on the crater floor. Enjoy a picnic lunch as you continue your journey to Ngorongoro Conservation Area. (B, L, D)

Day 17: Ngorongoro - Arusha - Tour Ends Drive through Arusha[†] prior to your departure for home. (B)

Please Note: Park fees (approximately \$390 AUD) are not included in the land price of your extension. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment. The cost of the unused dayroom on the last day of your base tour in Nairobi has been deducted from the price of your extension. *A day room in Arusha is available for purchase before your departure for home. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Single rooms are on request only and are extremely limited. Triples are not available. Child rates are not available. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. Soft duffel bag luggage is required for this tour with maximum weight of 15 kgs. (approximately 33 pounds). A Tanzania visa is required for this tour at your own expense. The visa cost is from 95 AUD per person and is not included in the tour price. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Clients leaving Kenya and continuing their travels to Tanzania (including Zanzibar), even if only for a transit, will need a Yellow Fever certificate to enter Tanzania. It is the traveller's responsibility to obtain any required visa and/or documents. Any additional document/processing fees are at the expense of the traveller. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details or you may like to use CIBT visa, for your full visa service, at www.cibtvisa.com.au/collette. It is possible to



Accommodation:

Day 1 Country Lodge, Karatu
Days 2, 3 Serengeti Sopa Lodge, Serengeti National Park
Day 4 Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge, Ngorongoro

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 70 for details.

obtain a tourist's visa, for a single entry, for approximately 100 USD per person, payable in cash only, at any one of the following four main entry points to Tanzania, subject to the fulfillment of all immigration and health requirements: Dar es Salaam International Airport, Zanzibar International Airport, Kilimanjaro International Airport (KIA), Namanga Entry Point (Tanzania-Kenya boarder point). One blank page is required in your passport to allow for visa on arrival. This facility is generally for those who could not apply for a visa from a Tanzania Mission abroad. For all other entry points in Tanzania, visitors must hold valid visa prior to arrival. Some of the touring days may be longer, with select included activities occurring later in the evening. Arrival and departure airport transfers are included as part of the extension price.



4 Meals:
3 Breakfasts,
1 Dinner
**\$690 -
\$895***

Dubai 3-night pre tour

add to: Mysteries of India (pg. 34)
Exploring South Africa, Victoria Falls & Botswana (pg. 30)

Accommodation: Carlton Palace, Dubai

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 70 for details.

Please Note: Single accommodation is limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Triple and child accommodation is not available. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. *The flight from Dubai to South Africa is not included in the land-only cost of your tour. For US, UK, Australia and Canadian citizens, no advance visa arrangement is required to visit the UAE when your stay is less than 30 days. Simply disembark your flight at Dubai International Airport and proceed to Immigration where your passport will be stamped with a 30-day visit visa free of charge. Rates can be changed at any time based on governing authority. **Additional air segment purchase required.** Arrival and departure airport transfers are included as part of the extension price.

Day 1: Dubai - Extension Begins Today you arrive in Dubai, one of the world's most exciting destinations. The remainder of your day is at leisure to relax or explore this dynamic and cosmopolitan city. As one of the seven emirates of the United Arab Emirates, Dubai is considered the shopping capital of the Middle East. With its many world-famous man-made structures built in recent years, Dubai is a must-see destination for any traveller and will surely be an experience you will always remember.

Day 2: Dubai Dubai is a city that provides a new setting at every turn. Mixing together the old and the new, it's a city of ages that rises out of the desert and crowns the gulf coast with its presence. This afternoon, your route takes you to a magnificent view of Dubai Creek, passing by the heritage area of Bastakiya, with its fascinating old wind-towered houses built by wealthy merchants. Visit the 180-year-old Al Fahidi Fort, which today houses the Dubai Museum. Continue your journey by abra — a traditional water taxi — across the creek. Stroll through the spice and gold souks, the colourful bazaar markets. On your way to Burj Al Arab — one of Dubai's landmarks — make a photo stop at Jumeirah Mosque. (B)

Day 3: Dubai Your morning is at leisure. This afternoon your safari guide will take you on a 4-wheel drive into the golden sand dunes of Arabia. Experience the thrill of a lifetime while riding through the dunes. Enjoy a scenic sunset overlooking the desert. Continue to a Bedouin campsite where you can enjoy camel riding, Henna design, Arabic gava and a delicious barbecue dinner. During dinner watch as an enchanting belly dancer performs to Arabic rhythms. (B, D)

Day 4: Dubai - South Africa Today, board your flight* to South Africa for the start of your base tour. (B)

Extend Your Tour Optional Extensions

to complement your experience

Hong Kong 3-night pre tour

add to: Three Kingdoms of Indochina (pg. 40)
Taste of Vietnam (pg. 36)

**3 Meals:
3 Breakfasts
\$699 -
\$1035***

Day 1: Hong Kong - Extension Begins Today you arrive in Hong Kong, one of Asia's most cosmopolitan and dynamic cities. You will stay in Kowloon, located in the heart of Hong Kong's bustling shopping district. Hong Kong is noted for fabulous savings on jewellery, silk and leather products. The remainder of your day is at leisure.

Day 2: Hong Kong - Hong Kong Island Cross the harbour and enjoy a comprehensive tour of Hong Kong Island, home to the city's most popular sites. Visit Stanley Market and stroll around its famous seaside village bazaar. Learn about the lifestyle of Hong Kong's fishermen with a visit to Aberdeen Fishing Village where you will have the opportunity to take an optional traditional sampan ride in the typhoon shelter. Your tour will also take you past Repulse Bay Beach, an important strategic location during World War II and the longest beach on the island. Complete your tour with a panoramic ride up Victoria Peak for spectacular views of the city and harbour below. The remainder of your day is at leisure. (B)

Day 3: Hong Kong Enjoy a day at leisure to explore this great city. Perhaps you will enjoy some shopping in the Kowloon area or take a stroll on Hong Kong's oldest and most atmospheric street, Shanghai Street. (B)

Day 4: Hong Kong - Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam Today board your flight* to Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam for the start of your base tour. (B)

Please Note: During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. A minimum of 1 passenger is required for this extension to operate. The price featured is land-only. An additional airfare is required at an extra cost. Please enquire at time of booking. This extension requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets. ***Additional air segment purchase required.** Arrival and departure airport transfers are included as part of the extension price.



Accommodation: Park Hotel

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 70 for details.



**4 Meals:
3 Breakfasts,
1 Lunch
\$895***

Bangkok 3-night post tour

add to: Three Kingdoms of Indochina (pg. 40)
Taste of Vietnam (pg. 36)

Extension Day 1: Bangkok, Thailand - Extension Begins Arrive in Bangkok, the capital of Thailand. A feast for the senses, this bustling city on the banks of the Chao Phraya River blends cosmopolitan sophistication with a strong sense of history and tradition. Marvel at ancient monuments, explore local culinary treasures, shop for unique souvenirs or just soak in the energy of the city — there is a reason Bangkok has always been one of the most popular destinations in Asia.

Extension Day 2: Bangkok Begin your day with a cruise on the Chao Phraya River. Drift past local houses and learn about daily life along the waterways. Stop at the iconic Wat Arun, the Temple of Dawn. The boat trip ends at Chang pier. Explore the grounds of the Grand Palace and marvel at the grandeur of this royal residence. Stop at Wat Phra Kaew, home of the Emerald Buddha and Thailand's most sacred temple. Enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant. Afterward, visit the Golden Buddha, one of the world's largest solid gold statues. Discover how it was once covered in plaster to conceal it from invaders. Continue with a visit to the Jim Thompson House, home of the American entrepreneur who revitalised the Thai silk industry before his mysterious disappearance. (B, L)

Extension Day 3: Bangkok Visit the famous Damnoen Saduak floating market where hundreds of vendors sell fruits and vegetables from their boats. Next, visit Phra Pathom Chedi in Nakhon Pathom, supposedly the largest pagoda in Southeast Asia. Your afternoon is at leisure to relax and enjoy Bangkok. (B)

Extension Day 4: Bangkok - Extension Ends Tour ends with a transfer to the airport. (B)

Accommodation: Rembrandt Hotel

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 70 for details.

During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. The Phú Quoc and Bangkok extensions operate concurrently. Only one post extension may be booked. The price featured is land-only. An additional airfare is required at an extra cost. Please enquire at time of booking. This extension requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets. **Additional air segment purchase required.** Arrival and departure airport transfers are included as part of the extension price.

Extend Your Tour Optional Extensions

to complement your experience

Nepal 4-night post tour

add to: Mysteries of India (pg. 34)

Day 14: Delhi Overnight in Delhi.

Day 15: Delhi - Kathmandu, Nepal Board a flight* to Kathmandu and enjoy a sightseeing tour of Patan city. See the Patan Durbar Square, a combination of palace buildings, artistic courtyards and pagoda-style temples, as well as the centre of Patan's religious and social life. (B)

Day 16: Kathmandu Tour Kathmandu city and Swoyambhunath Stupa, a famous monkey temple boasting the famous painted eyes of Buddha watching all who ascend the steps. Continue on to visit such sights as the 17th-century Durbar complex; Hanuman Dhoka, the temple of the living goddess; and Kasthmandap – a wooden temple built from a single tree. Head to Swoyambhunath, a Buddhist temple, taking in views of the entire Kathmandu valley. Tonight enjoy a Nepali dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 17: Kathmandu Visit Pashupatinath Temple, situated on the banks of the River Bagmati, and the most important Hindu temple in Nepal. See Boudnath, one of the largest stupas in the world and a sacred place to Buddhist pilgrims from Tibet. Travel to Bhadgaon, a city of devotees, known for its incredible architecture and art. (B)

Day 18: Kathmandu - Tour Ends Your tour ends with a transfer to Kathmandu airport. (B)

Please Note: Maximum elevation is 4,400 feet. The cost of the unused dayroom on the last day of your base tour in Delhi has been deducted from the price of your extension. A day room in Delhi is available for purchase before your departure flight home from Delhi Airport. Internal flights that are purchased will be ticketed and distributed on tour by your Tour Manager. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Due to tour scheduling, return flights should not be booked prior to 7:00 p.m. on the last day. The approximate cost of a Nepalese visa is \$30 USD and obtainable on arrival. A passport photo is required for the visa in Nepal and costs approximately \$5 USD. We recommend bringing a passport photo as well as small bills for these expenses as oftentimes change is not available. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. ***Additional air segment purchase required.** Arrival and departure airport transfers are included as part of the extension price. The internal flight is not included in the extension cost.

5 Meals:
4 Breakfasts,
1 Dinner
\$1380*



Accommodation:

Day 1 Radisson Blu Dwarka, Delhi
Days 2 – 4 Soaltee Crowne Plaza, Kathmandu

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 70 for details.

Phú Quốc 3-night post tour

add to: Three Kingdoms of Indochina (pg. 40)
Taste of Vietnam (pg. 36)

Extension Day 1: Phu Quoc, Thailand - Extension Begins Extend your adventure with a 3-night stay in paradise. It's the perfect way to complete your Southeast Asia tour. Your extension begins on the beautiful island of Phú Quốc, a tropical utopia where white sand beaches meet lush green jungles. Enjoy plenty of free time to explore.

Extension Day 2: Phú Quốc Sink into the local lifestyle and relax by the pool or stroll along the beach. Or perhaps try some of the many available fun activities such as snorkeling or fishing. Half of the land on the island is protected as a national park so there are no shortages of hiking trails and other natural sanctuaries. (B)

Extension Day 3: Phú Quốc Enjoy another day of rest and relaxation. The friendly concierge and activities staff will help you get the most out of your time. (B)

Extension Day 4: Phú Quốc - Extension Ends Tour ends with a transfer to the airport. (B)

Please Note: This extension is not hosted or guided. The internal flights for this extension are not included in the land price of your tour. Roundtrip airport and hotel transfers are included to/from Ho Chi Minh City and Phú Quốc. The Phú Quốc extension operates concurrently with the Bangkok extension. Only one post extension may be booked. ***Additional air segment purchase required.** Arrival and departure airport transfers are included as part of the extension price.

3 Meals:
3 Breakfasts
\$690* - \$760*



Accommodation: Salinda Resort

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 70 for details.

Extend Your Tour Optional Extensions

to complement your experience

Easter Island 3-night post tour add to: Antarctica and Chile's Patagonia (pg. 64)

Day 19: Easter Island - Extension Begins Easter Island - "Isla de Pascua" or "Rapa Nui," as it is known in the local Polynesian language, is the most isolated inhabited island in the world. Steeped in lore and most famously home to the enigmatic Moai sculptures, this place is an archaeologist's dream. Arrive at Hanga Roa, the only town on the island and home to fewer than 4,000 residents. Tonight, enjoy a Rapa Nui folklore show. (D)

Day 20: Easter Island This morning, visit the Rano Kao volcano where you will discover a freshwater lake inside its deep crater. Continue to Orongo, at the base of the volcano, and learn about the Birdman Cult's unique ceremonies and rituals. At Ana Kai Tangata, another sea-cliff cave, see magnificent carved petroglyphs of prehistoric birds. After lunch, depart for Ahu Akivi, a platform composed of seven Moai statues. These are the only Moai statues on the island that were positioned facing the sea. The tour continues visiting the Puna Pau quarry where the Pukao were carved - Pukao are also known as the typical "hairstyle," or the hats, of the Moai statues. Learn more about the making, building and transportation process of these colossal sculptures carved on volcanic rock before returning to your hotel for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 21: Easter Island Travel along the Moai route where these colossal sculptures are scattered around the island. Visit several "Ahu" - or ceremonial platforms - surrounded by Moais that lay face down on the ground. Then, visit Ahu Akahanga, where the first king of the island was buried. Continue on to Rano Raraku volcano, located near the southern coast. Visit Ahu Tongariki, the largest Moai platform in the island with its 15 Moais. Arrive at Ahu Te Pito Kura, an enormous spherical rock and see the Moai Paro, the largest statue on the island. Cap off the day with a visit to Anakena, one of the most beautiful beaches on the island. (B, L)

Day 22: Easter Island - Tour Ends Bid farewell to magical Easter Island. (B)

5 Meals:
3 Breakfasts,
1 Lunch,
1 Dinner
\$1795*



Accommodation: Taha Tai Hotel

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 70 for details.

Please Note: This extension is hosted by a local representative who will provide all included services. The included lunch is a boxed lunch. Rates include the approx. \$67 USD Rapa Nui National Park entrance fee. The internal flights are not included in the extension land cost. **Additional air segment purchase required.** Arrival and departure airport transfers are included as part of the extension price.



8 Meals:
3 Breakfasts,
3 Lunches,
2 Dinners
\$1585*

Otavalo 3-night post tour add to: Machu Picchu & the Galapagos Islands (pg. 62)

Day 15: Quito - Peguche - Otavalo This morning, travel north across the colourful valleys of Guayllabamba. Take in the panoramic views of the Andean moorlands on the way to Ecuador's "land of lakes." Continue on to meet local residents at lunch and enjoy indigenous music and dance. Then it's off to Otavalo, home to a famous indigenous market. Try your hand at bargaining with the locals before heading to your hotel, the 300-year old historic Hacienda Pinsaqui, where the revolutionary Simon Bolivar once stayed. Learn how to make the Ecuadorian spiced drink canelazo and have the opportunity to sample this delicious beverage along with a tasty empanada. Tonight, savour a typical dinner in the charming hacienda restaurant. (L, D)

Day 16: Otavalo - Andes Mountain Train - Salinas - San Antonio de Ibarra - Otavalo Today, travel to the region of Imbabura, known for towering volcanoes. Take an unforgettable train ride on the Andes Mountain Train past volcanoes and through spectacular Andes scenery that includes fertile valleys of fruit and sugar plantations. Arrive in Salinas and gather for lunch featuring regional specialties and Afro-Ecuadorian music and dance. Later, learn how to make helados de paila (fruit sorbet) prepared in great copper pans before sampling the treat for yourself. This evening, arrive back at your historic Andean hacienda. Or, you may choose a home-cooked dinner and homestay* in the Karanki indigenous community of La Magdalena on the slopes of Cubilche volcano. The Karanki welcome visitors into charming guest houses so travellers can learn about their culture. (B, L, D)

Day 17: Otavalo - La Magdalena - Quito Witness the extraordinary community tourism project at La Magdalena and discover how the Collette Foundation is helping to support its residents. Experience the shepherding and harvesting activities, taste the homemade cheeses and breads, and learn about their medicinal herbal teas. You will be amazed by the talented artisans who make beautiful tablecloths, breadbaskets and many other textiles. Next, venture to Condor Park, a rescue centre for a variety of birds of prey, to learn about the protection of these birds. Marvel at their falconry techniques during a live demonstration. Arrive in Quito and enjoy the city during your last night in Ecuador. (B, L)

Day 18: Quito - Tour Ends Transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

Accommodation:

Day 15 Hacienda Pinsaqui, Otavalo
Day 16 Hacienda Pinsaqui or La Magdalena, Otavalo
Day 17 Mercure Grand Alameda, Quito

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 70 for details.

Please Note: During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Single accommodation is limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. *The optional homestay at La Magdalena must be pre-booked. Space is limited. Rooms are simple and have private bathrooms. Dinner is included with the homestay. Otherwise you may overnight at the Hacienda (with dinner included). Please make your decision known at the time of booking. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Arrival and departure airport transfers are included as part of the extension price.

Frequently Asked Questions

Accommodation

What is the difference between a twin room and a double room? A double room is designed to accommodate two people, but may not have two separate beds. A twin bedded room has two separate beds of any size, and is the type most commonly utilised.

What size is a triple room? A triple room is the same size as a twin bedded room and beds will accommodate three people, but we cannot guarantee three separate beds. If there are only two beds, a rollaway may be requested but cannot be guaranteed due to size of room and fire codes. Please inquire at time of reservation.

Can my children travel on tour? Children over the age of 5 may travel on a Collette tour accompanied by an adult. Child land rates are valid for ages 5-12, sharing a room with two full-paying adults. If you are travelling with a child, it is your sole responsibility to ensure the child follows all safety rules of the tour.

Are single and triple rooms always available? Triple and single rooms are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Be advised that single rooms are often smaller.

When can I check into my hotel? Normal check-in time is late afternoon. If you do have an early arrival, rooms may not always be available for immediate check-in.

Air

Can Collette book our airline reservations? Collette is happy to assist you in accommodating your flight needs. Due to tour scheduling and limited availability, you are strongly encouraged to take advantage of Collette's air packages. We are not responsible for air arrangements you have made on your own. On occasion, it is necessary to change tour dates. In this case, we can only protect air reservations booked through Collette. For all air reservations, it is strongly recommended to reconfirm flights before departure, in the event that the airline has an unexpected schedule change. We cannot assume responsibility for schedule changes, routings or flight cancellations involving the airlines.

Attractions & Sightseeing

Are attractions always available? Access to some attractions or Collette Foundation sites may be affected by local holidays, weather conditions or other circumstances. As a result, the days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilise your time on tour. Boat rides are weather permitting. Some attractions may not be available during the "off-season" months. When attractions are unavailable, other similar attractions will be substituted. Wildlife sightings are not guaranteed.

Is there a lot of walking on tour? Our itineraries include many activities and some may consist of walking on uneven terrain or significant walking at times. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict coaches. Some hotels/lodges in remote locations may not have elevators. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes. See our "Tour Pacing" and "Tour Activity Level" section on this page.

Can you tell me more about the safaris? For a fuller wildlife experience you will be travelling by custom-built safari vehicle which requires climbing in and out frequently and sometimes travels on bumpy roads. To experience Africa fully, we recommend a good fitness level and to prepare properly.

How can I plan for shore landings? Special clothing is required for the shore landings (Antarctica, Galapagos); please refer to your predeparture documents for important details.

Are all theatre performances suitable for children? Some theatre performances may be unsuitable for children – please consult your tour manager.

Documentation

Do I need a passport? A valid passport is required for all trips. All passengers should check with the appropriate foreign consulate for entry and validity requirements as well as other laws that may affect your ability to travel. We recommend that your passport has six months validity, and at least 3 blank pages. Passports and visas are the responsibility of each client.

Extending Your Stay

Can I extend my tour to see more of a region? Yes! You may enhance your tour by purchasing either an extension or pre/post hotel stays when offered. Extensions may be "hosted" rather than escorted. When hosted, passengers will be greeted upon arrival by a local tour manager who will be available on-call during the duration of the stay. A minimum number of passengers may be required to operate some extensions. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

Collette also offers pre and post hotel nights before and/or after a tour. Should you purchase additional nights, your tour manager will not be available during this time.

Extras

What is not included in the tour price? The price does not include international airfare, airport or departure taxes, transfers, visas, customary gratuities for cruise ship staff and any incidental charges.

Late Bookings

Do you accept late bookings? Yes, tour sales normally close 7 days prior to departure. Late bookings are on request and must be guaranteed with full payment if within 60 days of departure date.

On-Tour Experience

Where do I meet my tour manager? Our tour manager will make contact with you at your first hotel. The hotel's address and phone number will be included in your documents.

Can I pre purchase optional excursions/activities? Yes, the majority of optional excursions and activities are available for advance purchase provided that you make your options purchase 15 days or more prior to the tour start date. Collette makes it convenient to reserve

presold options by visiting our website for a full listing of activities and excursions or when your reservation is made with our team. In addition, there are benefits to prepurchasing options including a price guarantee once your tour is paid in full, so once payment is received in full, your preselected options are guaranteed by Collette. Although you can still purchase options while on tour, reserving them ahead of time ensures you a spot in the event that the activity sells out. Collette will provide a refund if you cancel a presold option prior to tour departure. Any presold options cancelled while on tour are nonrefundable.

Revisions / Changes

Would my tour date ever be changed? While it is unlikely, Collette does reserve the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. Should this happen, Collette will make every effort to put you on another departure date. If an alternate cannot be found, a full refund will be made. Air booked through Collette will be protected. We cannot be held responsible for penalties incurred if you secured your own air.

Can I make changes to my reservation? Should you decide to change your reservation after initial booking, a handling fee of \$25 per transaction will be charged. A change of tour date or tour itinerary within the guidelines of the cancellation policy will be treated as a cancellation and regular cancellation fees may apply.

Revisions to air tickets are subject to the rules and regulations of the airline. See our Cancellation Policy for more details.

Tour Pacing

How can I be best prepared for the pacing and physical requirements on a Collette tour? Tour pacing varies by itinerary, and each destination's activities are unique. Pacing is subject to personal interpretation. For overnight pacing of a tour, please refer to the "Accommodation" section on each tour page and on the tour map. The day-by-day descriptions will provide additional detail about the number of activities included in each day.

The Tour Activity Level Ranking is featured on each tour itinerary in a circle. The definition of each activity level is listed here. If you have additional questions regarding a specific tour, please inquire at time of reservation.

Level 1: At a very leisurely pace, this tour involves minimal physical activity, such as climbing some stairs, boarding a motorcoach, and walking from the hotel reception area to hotel rooms and dining areas.

Level 2: This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestoned streets.

Level 3: This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces should be expected.

Level 4: To truly experience the tour and destination, you need to be able to participate in physical activities such as longer walking tours, walking over uneven terrain, climbing stairs and periods of standing. Some of the touring days may be longer, with select included activities occurring later in the evening.

Level 5: This tour is very active, requiring participants to be physically fit to fully enjoy all the experiences. This itinerary has more strenuous activities which may include such things as: extensive walking tours, transfers over uneven and dusty terrain, high altitudes, early morning departures, late night activities, or extreme temperatures. All conditions do not apply to all days, so please read the itinerary carefully and speak to one of our customer care agents to determine if this tour is right for you. We recommend this programme to individuals who are physically fit. Unfortunately, this tour is not appropriate for individuals who use either walkers or wheelchairs.

Transfers

Are airport and hotel transfers available? Roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers are provided for all passengers who purchase airfare through Collette. These transfers do not apply to pre- and post-night stays. Passengers who do not purchase airfare through Collette can purchase transfers (for the first and last day of the tour) at an additional cost from \$120 per person, roundtrip. Some restrictions may apply. All transfers leave at prescheduled times.

Are airport transfers available for pre/post hotel stays? All passengers who purchase pre and post hotel nights through Collette may also purchase transfers to/from the airport and the pre or post hotel. Please enquire at time of booking.

What is Roundtrip Home to Airport Chauffeur Drive Service? It's your ticket to and from the airport. This service is available for all bookings. This personalised service is included on all tour bookings within a 40kms drive from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Canberra, Darwin, Cairns and Hobart airport gateways. * Service is available between 41-70 kms for a small fee. Not valid on group travel.

*One transfer per room booking. Additional stops are not permitted on route.

Travel Loyalty

What is Travel Loyalty by Collette or TLC? It allows you to automatically receive a \$150 travel credit for each trip you take.[†] It's our way of saying thank you for making us your #1 choice in guided travel. Be sure to enrol in TLC to take advantage of this benefit.

[†]Full credit is valid for your next tour when you travel within 12 months of the original trip. \$100 of the credit remains valid for travel within 13-24 months, and the entire credit expires 24 months after the original trip.



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Enjoy the benefits of air-inclusive bookings. Allow us to be your liaison with the airlines and to handle all the details. Choose Flex Airfare, Instant Purchase or Upgraded Air.

	Flex Airfare	Instant Purchase Airfare ²	Upgrade Your Air ³
Free roundtrip airport to hotel transfers included ¹	●	●	●
Dedicated Concierge Service			●
Lounge Passes ⁴			●
Express Check-In ⁴			●
Eligible for Collette's Travel Protection Plan	●		
Benefit from our flexible change and refund policies	●		●
Deposit now, pay the balance later	●		●
Eliminates future surcharges by locking in price		●	
All the perks of upgraded air (more leg room, comfort, and space)			●

Treat yourself and enjoy.

Experience the added comfort and convenience when you Upgrade Your Air. Features such as dedicated concierge service, lounge passes and express check-in only add to the benefits of your business, premium economy, or first-class ticket.

Whether you Upgrade Your Air, choose Flex, or Instant Purchase Airfare, you'll enjoy the ease and security that comes with reserving your air with Collette.



¹These are available on the first and last day of the actual tour dates and when you are travelling on select flights (not applicable to pre & post nights). Land only clients may purchase transfers on the first and last day of the actual tour dates for an additional cost (some restrictions may apply). Clients who purchase pre/post hotel nights may purchase transfers to/from the pre/post hotel. ²Instant Purchase Airfare is offered on select dates; consult your booking agent. ³Upgrade Your Air status is only included with the purchase of a First Class, Business Class or Premium Economy ticket with either Flex or Instant Purchase Air only on the international/long haul portion of your flight itinerary. ⁴Lounge Passes & Express Check-In are based on airline and airport availability for Business Class and first class passengers only; Premium Economy tickets do not qualify. Lounge passes are not available for travel from North America to destinations within North America or the Caribbean. ● Not applicable with Instant Purchase Airfare.

Reservation Information

1. Booking Conditions

These booking conditions, together with our privacy policy, and any other written information we brought to your attention before we confirmed your booking, form the basis of your contract with Collette Pty Ltd (ACN 600 161 671) of **Level 3, 263 Clarence St, Sydney, NSW, 2000 Australia** ('we' or 'us'). Please read them carefully as they set out your respective rights and obligations. References to 'you' and 'your' include the first named person on the booking and all persons on whose behalf a booking is made or any other person to whom a booking is transferred.

By making a booking, the first named person on the booking agrees on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking that:

- he/she has read these terms and conditions and has the authority to and does agree to be bound by them;
- he/she consents to our use of information in accordance with our privacy policy; and
- he/she is over 18 years of age and resident in Australia and where placing an order for services with age restrictions declares that he/she and all members of the party are of the appropriate age to purchase those services.

2. Making A Booking And Paying For Your Holiday

When you confirm your booking you must pay the applicable deposit or full payment detailed in the table below. If the arrangements you wish to book are available we will issue a confirmation invoice and send this to you or your travel agent. **A binding contract will come into existence between you and us as soon as we have issued you with this confirmation invoice.** Upon receipt, if you believe that any details on the confirmation invoice (or any other document) are wrong you must advise us immediately as changes cannot be made later and it may harm your rights if we are not notified of any inaccuracies in any document within 10 days of us sending it out (5 days for tickets).

The balance of the cost of your arrangements is due in accordance with the table in section 3 below. If we do not receive all payments in full and on time, we reserve the right to treat your booking as cancelled by you in which case the cancellation charges set out in the tables in section 7 below will become payable.

In the case of international payments you must ensure that the full Australian dollars amount is received by us after all bank charges have been levied.

3. Deposits & Balances

Further to section 2, in order to confirm your chosen arrangements, you must pay a deposit. The deposit payable and the time that the balance of the cost of your arrangements (including any surcharge where applicable) will become due will vary depending on the holiday you book.

Land Package Deposit

- A \$250 non-refundable deposit is due with your land only reservation.
- For Antarctica and Cruises only reservations, a non-refundable \$500 deposit is required. An additional \$1,000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.

Air Inclusive Package Deposit

- A \$500 non-refundable deposit is due with your air inclusive reservation. If you purchase our Travel Protection Plan, the air inclusive deposit required is only \$250 plus the cost of the Travel Protection Plan.
- For Antarctica and Cruise air inclusive reservations, a non-refundable \$750 deposit is required. If you purchase our Travel Protection Plan, the air inclusive deposit required is only \$500 plus the cost of the Travel Protection Plan. An additional \$1,000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.

Instant Purchase Air

- If you have selected Instant Purchase Air, the deposit required is the full cost of the airfare plus a \$500 deposit (or \$250 with the Travel Protection Plan), all of which is non-refundable

Instant Purchase Non-refundable Airfare includes round trip airport /hotel transfers (excluding pre or post days and extensions). Instant Purchase, Non-refundable Airfare requires full payment at the time of booking. If you purchase the waiver it does not provide a refund for the airline tickets in the event of a cancellation. Tickets will be issued immediately and, once issued are non-refundable, may only be changed for a fee up to \$300 plus any difference in airfare for travel in the following 12 months; specific fees and policies may vary by airline. These tickets include an administration fee and round trip airport to hotel transfers of which both hold no airline reissue value. Once issued, there can be no fluctuation in price due to an increase in government taxes or in airline fuel surcharges.

The balance is due 60 days before departure on all tours, except cruises. The balance is due 120 days before departure for cruises. Payment may be made by

Direct Credit, bank account details on invoice, charging to clients' MasterCard, Visa, American Express, (card imprint and signature required) or by sending a cheque or money order. All land rates are guaranteed upon deposit.

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Groups phone: 1300 062 731 Email: AUGroups@collette.com

PLEASE SEND CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER PAYMENTS TO:

Collette, Level 3, 263 Clarence Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000, Australia

THE PRICE OF YOUR HOLIDAY

The price of your travel arrangements has been calculated using exchange rates as at the date of advertisement of the holiday.

We reserve the right to amend the price of unsold holidays at any time and correct errors in the prices of confirmed holidays.

The price of your confirmed holiday is subject at all times to changes in transport costs such as fuel, scheduled airfares and any other airline cost changes which are part of our contracts with airlines (and their agents), cruise ship operators and any other transport provider; to cost changes arising from government action such as changes in GST or any other government imposed changes; and to changes in currency exchange rates and to dues, taxes or fees chargeable for services such as landing taxes or embarkation or disembarkation fees at ports and airports any or all of which may result in a variation of your holiday price. We will absorb and you will not be charged for any increase equivalent to 2% of the price of your travel arrangements, which excludes insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. You will be charged for the amount over and above that, plus an administration charge of \$25 per person together with an amount to cover agents' commission. If this means that you have to pay an increase of more than 10% of the price of your travel arrangements (excluding any insurance premiums, amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements), you will have the options set out in section 9 below. There will be no change made to the price of your holiday within 30 days of your departure nor will refunds be paid during this period.

4. Cutting Your Holiday Short

If you are forced to return home early, we cannot refund the cost of any services you have not used. If you cut short your holiday and return home early in circumstances where you have no reasonable cause for complaint about the standard of accommodation and services provided, we will not offer you any refund for that part of your holiday not completed, or be liable for any associated costs you may incur. Depending on the circumstances, your travel insurance may offer cover for curtailment and we suggest that any claim is made directly with your insurer.

5. Changes By You

If you wish to alter your booking after your holiday has been confirmed, we will try to make the necessary arrangements provided we receive written confirmation of the change from the person who signed the booking form, or your travel agent, before the date on which the final balance of the cost of your holiday is due. If you are prevented from travelling it may be possible to transfer your booking to another suitable person provided that written notice is given no later than 28 days before you are due to depart.

Whilst we will do our best to assist, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to meet your requested change. Changes and transfers will be subject to an administrative fee as well as any applicable rate changes or extra costs incurred by ourselves and any costs or charges incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers. You should be aware that these costs could increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made and you should contact us as soon as possible. Where we are unable to assist you and you do not wish to proceed with the original booking we will treat this as a cancellation by you. A cancellation fee may be payable.

Note: Certain arrangements may not be amended after they have been confirmed and any alteration could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements.

6. Cancellation Waiver

To assist you to avoid cancellation fees, we offer an optional cancellation waiver policy. Payment of a per person waiver fee guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except for the waiver fee itself, in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, the cancellation waiver fee does not provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes or fees, in the event of a cancellation. Tickets

may only be changed for a fee up to \$300 plus any difference in airfare for travel in the following 12 months; specific fees and policies may vary by airline.

The cancellation waiver protects you from forfeiting payments made in advance if you cancel your entire inclusive holiday package up to the day prior to departure. The cancellation waiver does not indemnify you from penalties if you chose to cancel partial tour components or air. If you elect to partially cancel your holiday, you will be responsible for a revision fee as well as any penalties that are incurred at the time of the cancellation.

The cancellation waiver does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's travelling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the cancelling client, the travelling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement.

Payment of the cancellation waiver fee (if chosen) must be received by us with your deposit. The cancellation waiver is non-transferable and valid for each applicant only.

The prices below include waiver and on-tour insurance; based on a basic cover, for travellers below 69 years, with a \$250 excess, \$3000 cancellation cover (outside of Collette's waiver) and do not allow for any pre-existing medical condition cover or extra item cover. Contact Collette for a full quotation.

When purchasing pre and post night accommodations, including optional extensions, the number of days will be added to the total number of tour days, and may subsequently alter your waiver fees. Please confirm with your reservation agent at time of booking.

Collette Waiver with on-tour Insurance - Land Only Clients

- \$235 adult/\$140 child for all tours up to 11 days
- \$285 adult/\$170 child for all tours up to 12-15 days
- \$345 adult/\$205 child for all tours up to 16-21 days
- \$375 adult/\$223 child for all tours up to 22-28 days

(All above rates exclude cruises, Canadian Rockies Train tours, Australia, New Zealand)

- \$420 adult/\$288 child for all cruises & Canadian Rockies Train tours

Collette Waiver with on-tour Insurance - Air Inclusive Clients

(Collette Flex Airfare is purchased through Collette)

- \$335 adult/\$215 child for all tours up to 11 days
- \$385 adult/\$245 child for all tours up to 12-15 days
- \$445 adult/\$277 child for all tours up to 16-21 days
- \$475 adult/\$295 child for all tours up to 22-28 days

(All above rates exclude cruises, Canadian Rockies Train tours, Australia, New Zealand)

- \$520 adult/\$360 child for all cruises & Canadian Rockies Train tours

Air inclusive cancellation waiver can only be purchased by individuals who have purchased Collette Flex Airfare. Instant purchase air and its associated taxes, fees and surcharges require full payment at time of reservation and are 100% non-refundable. Tickets may only be changed for a fee up to \$300 plus any difference in airfare for travel in the following 12 months; specific fees and policies may vary by airline.

Collette Waiver Only

Land Only

- \$95

Air-Inclusive (purchased through Collette)

- \$195

For all cruises and the Canadian Rockies Train tours

Land Only

- \$290

Air-Inclusive (purchased through Collette)

- \$390

On tour, travel protection benefits may be purchased and can provide coverage if you: must interrupt your trip or return home early for a covered reason; incur medical expenses for a covered sickness or injury; need medical assistance or evacuation; suffer a baggage loss or delay; or are delayed on tour for 12 hours or more for a covered reason

7. If You Cancel

If you or any other member of your party decides to cancel your confirmed booking you must notify us in writing. Your notice of cancellation will only take effect when it is received in writing or by email by us at our offices. Cancellation charges to compensate us for estimated losses and expenses are calculated from the date we receive your written notification of cancellation and will be payable up to the maximum shown in the tables below (assuming you did not purchase our

Cancellation Waiver). The cancellation charge detailed below is calculated on the basis of the total cost payable by the person(s) cancelling excluding insurance premiums and amendment charges which are not refundable in the event of the person(s) to whom they apply cancelling:

Cancellations of confirmed bookings and transfers to new travel dates both result in penalties and fees assessed by travel suppliers. If you need to transfer or cancel for any reason prior to tour departure, the following cancellation fees will be assessed on your land or cruise product (assuming you did not purchase our Cancellation Waiver). Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full.

More than 60 days prior to departure: a non-refundable deposit will be retained

- 60 - 16 days prior to departure: 30% of land or cruise price
- 15 - 1 day prior to departure: 50% of land or cruise price
- Day of departure and after: 100% of land or cruise price

Exceptions:

Ocean Cruises:

- More than 90 days prior to departure, a nonrefundable deposit will be retained.
- 90 - 61 days prior to departure: 35% of land or cruise price
- 60 - 31 days prior to departure: 60% of land or cruise price
- 30 - 0 days prior to departure: 100% of land or cruise price

River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China

- More than 90 days prior to departure, a nonrefundable deposit will be retained.
- 90 - 61 days prior to departure: 50% of land or cruise price
- 60 - 31 days prior to departure: 85% of land or cruise price
- 30 - 0 days prior to departure: 100% of land or cruise price

Galapagos & Antarctica:

- More than 120 days prior to departure: nonrefundable deposits will be retained.
- 120 - 90 days prior to departure: 60% of land or cruise price
- 89 - 0 days prior to departure: 100% of land or cruise price

* Instant Purchase air and its associated taxes, fees and surcharges are 100% nonrefundable at time of reservation.

Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not cancelled in violation of the terms and conditions above, you will be refunded 100%.

Note: Certain arrangements may not be amended after they have been confirmed and any alteration or cancellation could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements in addition to the charge above.

You may be able to reclaim these charges (less any applicable excess) under the terms of your insurance policy. We will deduct the cancellation charge(s) from any monies you have already paid to us. If some, but not all party members cancel, additional charges may be payable by the remaining members, e.g. under occupancy charges or single supplements. No allowance or refund can be made for your meals, rooms, excursions etc., included in the price of your tour but not taken, nor can any refund be made for lost, mislaid, or destroyed travel tickets or vouchers.

If any member of your party is prevented from travelling, that person(s) may transfer their place to someone else (introduced by you and satisfying all the conditions applicable to the arrangements) providing we are notified not less than 28 days before departure and you pay an amendment fee of \$25 per person transferring, meet all costs and charges incurred by us and/or incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers and the transferee agrees to these booking conditions and all other terms of the contract between us. If you are unable to find a replacement, cancellation charges as set out will apply in order to cover our estimated costs. Otherwise, no refunds will be given for passengers not travelling or for unused services.

8. Alterations And Cancellations By Us

Occasionally, we may have to make changes to or cancel your holiday arrangements and we reserve the right to do so at any time. Most of these changes will be minor and we will advise you or your travel agent of them at the earliest possible date. We also reserve the right in any circumstances to cancel your travel arrangements. For example, if the minimum number of clients required for a particular travel arrangement is not reached, we may have to cancel it. However, we will not cancel your travel arrangements less than 60 days before your departure date, except for reasons of force majeure (as defined in Section 14) or failure by you to pay your final balance. Most changes will be minor and we will advise you or your travel agent of them at the earliest opportunity. Your rights vary depending on whether we make a 'minor' or 'major' change.

Examples of "minor changes" include the following when made before departure. Any change in the identity of the carrier(s), flight timings, and/or aircraft type is deemed to be a minor change. Other examples of minor changes include alteration of your outward/return flights by less than 12 hours, changes to aircraft type,

change of accommodation to another of the same standard. Examples of "major changes" include the following when made before departure; a change of accommodation area for the whole or a major part of your holiday, a change of accommodation to that of a lower official classification for the whole or a major part of your holiday, a change of outward departure time or overall length of your holiday of 12 or more hours, the closure of the only or all advertised swimming pool(s) at your accommodation for an extended period and, in the case of tours, a significant change of itinerary missing out one or more major destination substantially or altogether.

If we have to make a major change or cancel, we will tell you as soon as possible and if there is time to do so before departure, we will offer you the choice of i) (for major changes) accepting the changed arrangements ii) having a refund of all monies paid or iii) accepting an offer of alternative travel arrangements of comparable standard from us, if available (we will refund any price difference if the alternative is of a lower value). You must notify us of your choice within 7 days of our offer. If you fail to do so we will assume that you have chosen to accept the change or alternative booking arrangements.

If we make a major change or cancel, less than 60 days before departure, we will also pay compensation as detailed in section 9 below.

9. Compensation For Major Changes & Cancellations

We reserve the right to cancel or reschedule any holiday departure in accordance with operational requirements or circumstances beyond our control. If a holiday is cancelled prior to the scheduled departure date, our only responsibility will be to refund the amount received for the reservation. Wherever possible, we will offer the same holiday with a different departure date, or an alternative similar holiday. If there is a difference in cost, it will be your expense. For air-inclusive holidays, we will try to confirm air schedules for the selected new dates, subject to availability. We are not responsible for any additional costs or fees relating to the issuance and/or cancellation of air tickets or other travel arrangements not made through us.

The compensation that we offer does not exclude you from claiming more if you are entitled to do so. We will not pay you compensation where we make a major change or cancel more than 60 days before departure or in the event that we are forced to make a change or cancel as a result of unusual and unforeseeable circumstances beyond our control, the consequences of which we could not have avoided even with all due care. All holidays operate subject to a minimum number of bookings. We will not, however, cancel for lack of numbers less than 60 days before departure.

Very rarely, we may be forced by "force majeure" (see section 14) to change or terminate your arrangements after departure. If this situation does occur, we regret we will be unable to make any refunds (unless we obtain any from our suppliers), pay you compensation or meet any costs or expenses you incur as a result.

10. Passports, Visas & Health Requirements

Passport and visa requirements vary depending on your destination. The information which we provide is for guidance only, and we cannot accept any liability. We recommend that you contact the relevant consulate to check any restrictions that may apply. Requirements do change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure. Please contact your doctor for advice on health requirements. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have a proper passport and visa and that no personal circumstances such as a criminal offence or travel to another country will affect your individual visa requirements, and that you have the required vaccinations to gain entry to any country which you are visiting.

Most countries now require passports to be valid for at least 6 months after your return date. If your passport is in its final year, you should check with the Embassy of the country you are visiting. For further information contact the Australian Passport Office (www.passports.gov.au).

Special conditions apply for travel to the USA, and all passengers must have individual machine readable passports. Please check <http://canberra.usembassy.gov>.

Up to date travel advice can be obtained from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, visit www.dfat.gov.au or smartraveller.gov.au.

If you fail to take the necessary steps, we have no liability to you and you will have to pay us any costs which we incur through helping you because of such failure on your part. Further, we are not liable to you for any illness or discomfort you suffer through failure to have required vaccinations or to follow medical advice.

11. Single Traveller Occupancy

We levy a single traveller supplement for those travelling on their own because our contract with hotels is based on a price per room, while our holidays are sold per person including flights and other elements. Therefore, the per person price for a single traveller includes the entire room cost. It is not our intention to penalise

anyone who is under occupying the accommodation we provide and we certainly do not make additional or excessive profits from these sales: the price we charge merely reflects the real cost to us. If a hotel is able to offer accommodation designed for single occupancy only, we will normally charge a reduced supplement, considerably smaller than the one we apply when a single traveller occupies a double room. Allocation of rooms is at the discretion of each individual hotel and not something that we can influence.

12. Dealing With Complaints

We will make every effort to make your holiday as enjoyable and trouble free as possible. Most problems can be sorted out straight away if we know about them. If you have a complaint, you must advise our representatives straight away and the supplier of the service(s) in question. Any verbal notification must be confirmed in writing as soon as possible. You may also contact us directly using the emergency telephone number enclosed with your travel documents. That number will put you in touch with one of our employees who will take all reasonable steps to help you.

If you feel that a complaint has not been dealt with satisfactorily, you must write within 28 days of your return from holiday to: Customer Services Department, Collette, Level 3, 263 Clarence Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000, Australia, quoting your booking reference number. We will need to investigate your complaint. An acknowledgement shall be sent no later than 14 days from the date of receipt of correspondence. A detailed reply, or a reply containing a detailed explanation for any delay, shall be sent no later than 28 days from the date of receipt of correspondence. The final date for dealing in full with such correspondence shall be 56 days from the date of receipt of that correspondence. Failure to follow the procedure set out in this section may reduce or even extinguish any right which you may have to compensation.

13. Behaviour

You must not behave in a way which may cause distress or annoyance to others. If, in our opinion or the opinion of any airline personnel, accommodations manager or other person in authority, you are behaving in such a way as to cause danger, distress or annoyance to others or damage to property, your holiday arrangements may be terminated by us or the supplier concerned. In this situation, our liability to you and/or your party will cease and you and/or your party will be required to leave your accommodation or other service immediately. We will not be responsible for making any refunds, paying any compensation or meeting any costs or expenses you incur as a result. You and/or your party may also be required to pay for loss and/or damage caused by your actions and we will hold you and each member of your party jointly and individually liable for any damage or losses caused by you or any member of your party. Full payment for any such damage or losses must be paid directly to the hotel manager or other supplier prior to departure from the hotel. If you fail to make payment, you will be responsible for meeting any claims (including legal costs) subsequently made against us as a result of your actions together with all costs we incur in pursuing any claim against you. We cannot be held responsible for the actions or behaviour of other guests or individuals who have no connection with your booking arrangements or with us.

14. Force Majeure

Except where otherwise expressly stated in these booking conditions we will not be liable or pay you compensation if our contractual obligations to you are affected by any event which we or the supplier(s) of the service(s) in question could not, even with all due care, foresee or avoid. These events can include, but are not limited to war, threat of war, civil strife, terrorist activity and its consequences or the threat of such activity, riot, the act of any government or other national or local authority including port or river authorities, industrial dispute, lock closure, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, chemical or biological disaster and adverse weather, sea, ice and river conditions and all similar events outside our or the relevant supplier(s) control. Advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to avoid or leave a particular country may constitute Force Majeure. We will follow the advice given by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

15. Liability

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we exclude any liability for any loss, death, injury or damage which you may suffer (directly or indirectly) in connection with or arising out of your participation in a holiday that is caused or contributed by:

- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of the person(s) affected;
- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of a third party unconnected with the provision of the services contracted for and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable;
- unusual or unforeseeable circumstances beyond ours or our supplier(s) control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all due care had been exercised; or
- an event which either ourselves, our employees, agents or suppliers and subcontractors could not, even with all due care, have foreseen or forestalled.

You release us and our officers, employees, agents and representatives from any liability and expressly waive any claims you may have against us arising out of or in connection with your participation in a holiday.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, any condition or warranty which would otherwise be implied by law into these booking conditions (Implied Warranty), is excluded. Our liability in respect of an Implied Warranty is limited to (in our absolute discretion): (i) providing you with credit for a holiday of an equivalent value; or (ii) a refund of the total amount received by us from you in connection with your booking.

16. Prompt Assistance In Resort

If the contract we have with you is not performed or is improperly performed as a result of failures attributable to a third party unconnected with the provision of the services, or as a result of failures due to unusual and unforeseeable circumstances beyond our control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all due care had been exercised, or an event which we or our suppliers, even with all due care, could not foresee or forestall, and you suffer an injury or other material loss, we will offer you such prompt assistance as is reasonable in the circumstances.

17. Conditions Of Suppliers

Many of the services which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions which will form part of your contract with us. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable International Conventions. Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions are available on request from ourselves or the supplier concerned.

18. Delays And Other Travel Information

If you or any member of your party miss your flight or other transport arrangement, it is cancelled or you are subject to a delay of over 3 hours for any reason, you must contact us and the airline or other transport supplier concerned immediately.

Where you experience a delay which is not owing to any failure by us, we will use reasonable endeavours to assist in locating refreshments, accommodation and communications but we will not pay for them on your behalf. Any airline or other transport supplier may however pay for or provide refreshments and/or appropriate accommodation and you should make a claim directly to them.

Subject to the other terms of these conditions, we will not be liable for any costs, fees or charges you incur in the above circumstances, if you fail to obtain our prior authorisation before making your own travel arrangements.

We cannot accept liability for any delay which is due to any of the reasons set out in section 14 of these booking conditions (which includes the behaviour of any passenger(s) on any flight who, for example, fails to check in or board on time).

The carrier(s), flight timings and types of aircraft shown in this brochure or on our website and detailed on your confirmation invoice are for guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. We shall inform you of the identity of the actual carrier(s) as soon as we become aware of it. The latest flight timings will be shown on your tickets which will be despatched to you approximately two weeks before departure. You should check your tickets very carefully immediately on receipt to ensure you have the correct flight times. If flight times change after tickets have been dispatched we will contact you as soon as we can to let you know.

This brochure is our responsibility, as your tour operator. It is not issued on behalf of, and does not commit the airlines mentioned herein or any airline whose services are used in the course of your travel arrangements.

19. Special Requests

Any special requests must be advised to us at the time of booking e.g. diet, room location, a particular facility at a hotel etc. You should then confirm your requests in writing. Whilst every effort will be made by us to try and arrange your reasonable special requests, we cannot guarantee that they will be fulfilled. We will inform the relevant supplier of such request. The fact that a special request has been noted on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation or that it has been passed on to the supplier is not confirmation that the request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part unless the request has been specifically confirmed. We do not accept bookings that are conditional upon any special request being met.

20. Disabilities And Medical Problems

We are not a specialist disabled holiday company, but we will do our utmost to cater for any special requirements you may have. If you or any member of your party has any medical problem or disability which may affect your stay, please provide us with

full details before we confirm your booking so that we can try to advise you as to the suitability of your chosen arrangements. We may require you to produce a doctor's certificate certifying that you are fit to participate in the tour. Acting reasonably, if we are unable to properly accommodate the needs of the person(s) concerned, we will not confirm your booking or if you did not give us full details at the time of booking, we will cancel it and impose applicable cancellation charges when we become aware of these details.

21. Advance Passenger Information

A number of Governments are introducing new requirements for air carriers to provide personal information about all travellers on their aircraft before the aircraft leaves the country of origin. The data will be collected either at the airport when you check in or in some circumstances when, or after you make your booking.

Accordingly, you are advised to allow extra time to check in for international flights.

22. DFAT Advice

You are responsible for making yourself aware of warnings issued by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in regard to the safety of the countries and areas in which you will be travelling and to make your decisions accordingly. Advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to avoid or leave a particular country may constitute Force Majeure (see section 14).

23. Law & Jurisdiction

These booking conditions and any agreement to which they apply are governed in all respects by the laws of New South Wales, Australia. We both agree that any dispute, claim or other matter which arises between us out of or in connection with your contract or booking will be dealt with by the Courts of New South Wales only.

24. Accuracy Of Prices & Information

We endeavour to ensure that all the information and prices both on our website and in our brochures are accurate, however occasionally changes and errors occur and we reserve the right to correct prices and other details in such circumstances. You must check the current price and all other details relating to the arrangements that you wish to book before your booking is confirmed.

25. Insurance

It is a condition of your contract with us that you have adequate insurance in place. You must be satisfied that your insurance fully covers all your personal requirements including medical expenses, repatriation, helicopter rescue and air ambulance in the event of accident or illness. The insurance cover should extend for the planned duration of the holiday and at least an additional day. Details of a policy suitable to cover the arrangements you book are available by contacting us as detailed below. If you choose to travel without adequate insurance cover, we will not be liable for any losses howsoever arising, in respect of which insurance cover would otherwise have been available.

The insurance policy and the receipt of premiums paid there under should be provided to us prior to departure. If you join the holiday without adequate insurance you may not be allowed to continue on the holiday, with no right to refund. If circumstances give rise to a claim the client will forthwith pursue his remedies under such policy(ies).

We will also ask you for details of the name, address and telephone numbers of their next of kin or persons to be notified in the event of an emergency.

26. Baggage Disclaimer

Although every effort is made to handle passengers' luggage as carefully as possible, Collette is not responsible for and does not assume liability or accept claims for loss of or damage to luggage due to breakage, theft or wear and tear through hotel and group carrier handling. It is recommended for your own self interest and protection that you have adequate insurance to cover these eventualities. Check with your sales agent for low cost insurance to cover these risks.

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