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WORLDWIDE TOURING

2022-2024



TRAVEL WITH confidence

Every day, we have the privilege to connect travellers to this incredible world and we don't take that responsibility lightly. We've worked hard to earn your trust and we will always work hard to keep it. Because to us, you're a part of the Collette family.



Dan Sullivan, Sr. (centre), with sons Dan Jr (left) and Gary (right) in 1974.

Family First

We've been family-owned for three generations. And at our core has been a family spirit that guides everything we do. Employees, guests, travel advisors, business partners — you're a part of this. We exist to make you happy, because you're family.

Book with Confidence

Our industry leading, worry-free cancellation waiver offers you a full refund and also the ability to move your date one time with no change fee if 45 days or more prior to tour start date. Every tour, every departure, every time — Collette has you covered.

YOUR STORY starts here

160 TOURS • 7 CONTINENTS • 5 TRAVEL STYLES

There's a whole world out there, full of moments you'll enjoy on the road... moments that enhance your story. In these pages are experiences — like staying overnight in an Irish castle and trekking the Sahara Desert via 4x4 — that our team excitedly creates because your happiness is our roadmap. Travel creates storytellers and the road is open and endless... it's full of possibilities. So... where will you go next?

From returning favourites to brand-new tours, small group tours to destination Spotlights, find the journey that sparks curiosity and happiness in you.

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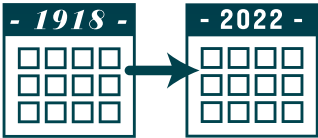
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WHY CHOOSE US



Collette has been operating
tours for over **104 years**



180 tours operated
in **7 continents**



1,000s
of Guaranteed Departure Dates



**Private Chauffeur
Service**
with air-inclusive bookings

SINCE MARCH 2020



AUD\$250 million
refunded to travellers,
as part of our policy to
prioritise refunds, not credits



\$Zero
No outstanding credits
in Australia



**Over 40,000
travellers**
have travelled with Collette



+1,700 tours
run

SERVICE AND CHOICE



2 minutes
average wait time for our
Sydney reservations team



+50 countries
in which Collette
now operates



**5 unique
travel styles**
Classic, Small Group Explorations,
Spotlights, Cruising and Faith

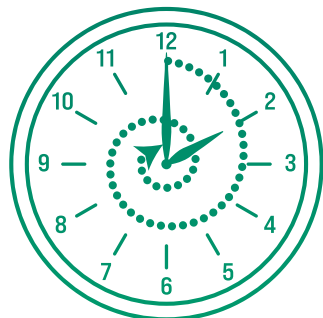


Ideal pacing
with an average of
2.5 nights per hotel

FEEL REASSURED



Award winning
tour managers
and local experts
accompany your tour



FULL REFUND
less deposit
(24 hours
prior to departure)



**Social
Responsibility**
at Collette means working
together to take care of the
places we live, work and travel

MAKING A CONTRIBUTION

We focus on
four key areas —

**COMMUNITY,
PEOPLE,
TRAVEL
& PLANET**

— taking a holistic approach
to do good in every area
of our business

TRAVEL WITH flexibility

SO THE JOURNEY IS UNIQUELY YOURS

It's a group tour, but the journey is uniquely **yours**. As you plan your trip, there are various choices you can make along the way so that it's as unique as you are. Choosing where you want to go is just the beginning.



Combine our new [Italy: Amalfi Coast to Puglia](#) tour with another tour for one seamless, non-stop travel experience.

Multi-Tour — Combine Two Tours & Make the Most of Your Travels

We can help you seamlessly string together two of our tours, so you can have the Collette travel experience back-to-back. When you do a **Multi-Tour**, you'll save time and money. Not only will you save by only having one intercontinental flight, Collette now has a special multi-tour offer — save \$400pp off the second tour you choose. Simply ask our team for details of our multi-tour discount.

It's Your Choice!

On select days during your tour, you'll see some excursions from our **It's Your Choice** program. Basically, read up on the included excursions offered and then choose the outing that truly excites you. Then, on the selected day, you set off for your preferred activity — making for a more personalised experience.

Private Chauffeur Service

Leave the hassle of getting to and from the airport behind. Enjoy round-trip home to airport chauffeur when you book international flights with us.

Your accommodation is arranged

Stay in 4-star and above accommodation that captures the destination, enriches your experience, and allows you to explore your surrounds.



 IT'S YOUR CHOICE

On [The Azores: Jewels of Portugal](#), swim in the natural volcanic pools of Biscoitos or hike along lava fields.



 **FEATURED EXTENSION**

On our new [Japan: Past & Present](#) tour, extend your journey to Seoul, South Korea with a 4-night post-tour extension.



Extensions

Take your trip to the next level when you add an extension to the start or end of a tour, and make even more unforgettable memories while exploring the world. Make the most of your airfare by adding more time in your destination. Extensions really are a wonderful way to begin or end your tour, giving so much more time for in-depth exploration.

Optional Excursions

A sunset dinner in Santorini... ziplining in Costa Rica... a dog sled and helicopter flight in Alaska. Our team has created exciting optional tour excursions that travellers can purchase to personalise their trip even more. During built-in free time, travellers can opt to partake in experiences that deepen their perspective of the destination.

Tour Managers

Our Tour Managers are destination experts and pros at navigating a variety of situations. They are highly trained to take care of our travellers, including managing emergencies and ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone.

Flexible Tour Pacing

We offer a careful selection of included features and free time to explore on your own. Our pacing allows you to check all of the must-see boxes without feeling rushed. Built-in free time gives you the flexibility to experience the destination at your own perfect pace.

WHAT'S YOUR **style**?

At Collette, our tours all have one thing in common: they were crafted for your happiness. Our tour designers have collected some of our most popular types of tours and created **Travel Styles** to help you find the perfect tour.

SMALL GROUP EXPLORATIONS



Petra, Jordan

SMALL GROUP EXPLORATIONS A Connection to Culture

- With a maximum of 24 guests and average of 16, we offer 49 small group itineraries.
- Ideal for the culturally curious: come home with stories you can't wait to tell.
- Say "yes" to unique experiences you'd be hard-pressed to find on your own.
- Hotels that perfectly capture the local vibe mean your exploration never stops.

CLASSIC



Cliffs of Moher, Ireland

CLASSIC Iconic Sights, Enriching Experiences

- Ideal for seeing the world's iconic destinations.
- 100+ globe-spanning tours: from close to home to a world away.
- Preferential access to sights means you'll skip the line and spend more time discovering.
- Travel with an average group of 32 people (maximum of 44).

LOOK FOR TRAVEL STYLE TAG ON EACH ITINERARY.

SPOTLIGHTS SINGLE HOTEL STAY



Boston, Massachusetts

SPOTLIGHTS

Go In Depth, Unpack Just Once

- Ideal for overpackers, urban explorers, and cultural deep-divers: unpack once at a centrally located hotel.
- 5-9 day stays make great getaways.
- Perfectly choreographed itineraries balance free time with fuller days.
- Know where the locals go with a guide by your side.

CRUISING



Cologne, Germany ©Lueftner Cruises

CRUISING

Explore the World's Scenic Waterways

- Ideal for those who think some of the best sightseeing comes from the deck of a boat.
- Step off the boat and right into the culture with included onshore excursions and experiences.
- Many exclusive departures mean you and your fellow Collette travellers are the only ones on board.
- Private yachts to small ships, iconic rivers to open sea: see the world by water.

FAITH SPIRITUAL JOURNEY



Meteora, Greece

FAITH

Spiritual Journeys

- Ideal for those who wish to connect with their faith on a deeper level.
- Reverent and reflective: from shrines & holy sites to included Mass on many tours.
- Take a personal pilgrimage: walk in the footsteps of your faith's forefathers.
- Modest 3-star accommodations capture the humble surroundings in which they sit.
- See our range of Faith spiritual journeys online at collette.com.au

ITALIAN VISTAS

12 DAYS · 17 MEALS

STARTING AT \$5449

Price based on 12 March, 2024 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Rome • Colosseum • Ruins of Pompeii
- Sorrento • Florence • Statue of David
- Leaning Tower of Pisa • Tuscan Winery
- Venice • Murano Island • Verona
- Lake Maggiore • Stresa



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Get an in-depth tour of the famous Colosseum.
- Enjoy the magic of the Italian lakes in the captivating resort town of Stresa.
- Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 5** - Sail to the Isle of Capri. Enjoy a panoramic cruise, then explore Capri town **-OR-** journey along the Amalfi Coast to colourful Positano **-OR-** linger in Sorrento and experience a hands-on cooking class.
- **Day 11** - Take a boat to Isola Bella and join an expert guide and venture into the Borromeo Palace **-OR-** cross into Switzerland and drive up the Simplon Pass for a taste of the Swiss Alps.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

11 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

- Savour *la dolce vita* during a gelato tasting in Rome.
- Visit a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and sample the local wines.
- Sample balsamic vinegar, olive oil and local wines at a family-run wine shop in Stresa.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Days 1-3** Mediterraneo Hotel or Kolbe Hotel, Rome
- Days 4, 5** Hotel Michelangelo, Sorrento
- Days 6, 7** Grand Hotel Baglioni or Starhotels Michelangelo, Florence
- Days 8, 9** NH Venezia Santa Lucia, Venice
- Days 10, 11** Regina Palace Hotel, Stresa

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Borromeo Palace

From the ancient ruins of Pompeii to the chic charm of Capri, embark on a spectacular Italian getaway.

Day 1: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins

Welcome to Rome. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a special welcome dinner featuring regional delicacies and Italian wines. (D)

Day 2: Rome - Classical Rome City Tour

Discover the city on a locally guided tour of Classical Rome, passing by the Baths of Caracalla as well as the remains of the ancient Circus Maximus. During an in-depth visit to the Colosseum, your guide recounts its rich history. Meander through Rome's Renaissance district and visit the mythic Pantheon and Piazza Navona before getting a taste of gelato at a local ice-cream parlour. The rest of the day is yours. Perhaps you will join an optional dinner where you'll indulge in a hearty meal accompanied by wine and local folk songs. (B)

Day 3: Rome

Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Rome's cultural treasures. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to offer suggestions. Consider an optional trip to Vatican City to tour the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica. In the afternoon, consider strolling through the Borghese Gardens for views of the city's skyline or meander through Rome's bohemian Trastevere district. (B)

Day 4: Rome - Pompeii - Sorrento

Journey to the brilliant Bay of Naples, where charming villages are built into hillsides above the blue sea. Soak in 2,000 years of history at the

excavated ruins of Pompeii with a local guide. Continue to the scenic resort town of Sorrento, your home for the next 2 nights. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon to explore the city independently. You may wish to visit the Duomo, a Romanesque cathedral with inlaid woodwork, a famous local Sorrento craft. (B)

Day 5: Sorrento - Choice on Tour - Sorrento

Today, **it's your choice!** You have three tantalizing options today. Sail to the enchanting Isle of Capri. Upon arrival, admire the island's iconic scenery on a panoramic cruise, passing by the steep cliffs, endless small caves, and the famous Faraglioni rocks, jutting out of the water. Spend time in Capri town with its world-famous piazzetta and explore this island paradise of chic boutiques, lush vegetation, and outdoor cafés **-OR-** journey along the Amalfi Coast for a morning at leisure in the colourful village of Positano, a maze of streets and stairways winding around pastel houses and draped in lush flowers. Perhaps you'll make your way to Positano's famous pebble beach, Marina Grande, offering a sweeping 'bottom to top' view of Positano village **-OR-** linger in Sorrento and put your inner chef to work during a hands-on cooking class where you'll learn to cook Sorrento-style gnocchi and other Neapolitan specialities before enjoying the fruits of your labour for lunch. (B)



Italian Gelato



Venice

Day 6: Sorrento - Florence
Head through Tuscany, with its landscape of vineyards and olive groves. Experience Florence, the "Cradle of the Renaissance." Home to Italy's best art and architecture, here you'll visit the Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's renowned sculpture of *David*. Tonight, enjoy regional Italian cuisine at a local restaurant. (B)

Day 7: Florence
Embark on a locally guided tour of Florence, highlighting the Piazza del Duomo and the famous Gates of Paradise on the Baptistery. Wander through the Piazza della Signoria and stand in awe before the imposing Palazzo Vecchio. The rest of the day is yours. Consider an optional excursion to the 14th century Certosa monastery, featuring an after-hours tour and dinner in a popular Tuscan restaurant. (B)

Day 8: Florence - Pisa - Venice
Visit the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa to discover the Piazza Dei Miracoli, the Duomo (Cathedral), and the famous Leaning Tower. A special stop is made at a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and sample local wines and specialties. Next, cross the Apennine Mountains en route to Venice, where 117 islands are connected by a latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. (B, L)

Day 9: Venice - Murano Island - Venice
Embark on a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration. When you return, step off the beaten path and see for yourself how the locals live. Explore the Castello district with a local expert, walking canal by canal through the narrow streets all the way to St. Mark's Square. Admire the stunning Basilica and the ornate façade of the Doge's Palace. The remainder of the day is at leisure. Consider an optional gondola cruise to experience Venice's most famous pastime. (B)

Day 10: Venice - Verona - Stresa, Lake Maggiore
Depart Venice for Verona, and stroll the streets that were the backdrop for Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. Arrive in the resort town of Stresa in the breathtaking Italian Lakes District, your home for the next two nights, and admire the beautiful views of Lago Maggiore. (B, D)

Day 11: Stresa - Choice on Tour - Isola Dei Pescatori 
Today, **it's your choice!** Take a boat across Lake Maggiore to Isola Bella, where you'll join an expert guide and venture into the Borromeo Palace -OR- cross into Switzerland as your motor coach climbs up the Simplon Pass for a taste of the Swiss Alps, admiring the Simplon Hospice dominating the landscape. Tonight, travel by boat to Isola dei Pescatori for a farewell dinner surrounded by beautiful scenery. (B, D)

Day 12: Stresa - Tour Ends
Your Italian adventure comes to a close today. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



Walking for longer periods of time isn't a big deal for you. You can navigate uneven ground and climb into various modes of transportation. SEE "TOUR PACING" ON PAGE 53 FOR DETAILS

MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

Choose to add more time to your trip:

1-2 NIGHTS

PRE NIGHT
ROME
CALL FOR DETAILS

UP TO 1 WEEK

STOPOVER
CHOOSE FROM:
Madrid, London, Paris,
Amsterdam, Frankfurt,
Munich

EVEN MORE TIME? Combine Italian Vistas with another tour for one seamless, non-stop travel experience. CALL FOR DETAILS

DOUBLE Starting at \$5449
SOLO Starting at \$6849

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date.

Price based on 12 March, 2024 departure.



Departures available Sept 2022 - Jun 2024. View the website for specific dates.

This trip requires a passport. Effective for travel after January 2023, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorisation, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>. Our air passengers will arrive into Rome and depart from Milan. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Please note that most shops and businesses in Italy and Switzerland are closed on Sundays and on national/religious holidays. Please be advised that on occasion you may experience higher than average wait times for entering the Colosseum, the Vatican Museums, The Academy Gallery Museum and the Duomo. Due to the unpredictable nature of the events schedule at the Vatican, on certain dates it may be necessary to visit the Vatican Museums at a different time. For example, when the Vatican option falls on a Wednesday, the order of included and optional tours may be reversed in order to participate in all activities for that day. Your visit to Murano Island may be substituted with a visit to a local glass factory in Venice in the event of inclement weather. Your boat trip to Capri may not be available due to inclement weather. If this happens, we will make alternate sightseeing arrangements. In case the scenic boat ride around the Isle of Capri cannot operate, you will visit Anacapri village instead. Isola Bella and the Borromeo Palace are open from 1 April to 31 October. If you are travelling between 1 November and 31 March, you will enjoy a scenic cruise of the Borromeo Islands and a visit to Pallanza village instead. In the event of adverse weather conditions, the dinner at Isola dei Pescatori may be held at your hotel instead.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

FEATURED TOUR EXTENSION: MILAN
ADD 2 NIGHTS IN MILAN



POST TOUR EXTENSION STARTING AT \$690 PP

Experience Milan, a chic and sophisticated metropolis known for being a hub of high fashion. Immerse yourself in the city on a guided tour, viewing iconic sites and visiting the Duomo. Explore Milan's contemporary architecture on a guided tour of its CityLife district.

SOUTHERN ITALY & SICILY

11 DAYS • 16 MEALS

STARTING AT \$4399

Price based on 13 May, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

Palermo • Monreale • Agrigento • Valley of the Temples • Mt. Etna Volcano • Giardini Naxos • Taormina • Matera • Pompeii • Sorrento • Amalfi Coast



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Stand in awe before the ancient Greek theatre in Taormina.
- Tour a vineyard and cellar with an expert guide.
- Experience Mt. Etna Volcano National Park with a local expert.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 3** - Embark on a walking tour of Palermo's historic city centre **-OR-** tour the Teatro Massimo Opera House, seen in *The Godfather Part III*.
- **Day 8** - Enjoy free time to explore Matera's rock churches **-OR-** head to Alberobello (UNESCO) and see the *trulli* homes.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

10 Breakfasts (B) • 6 Dinners (D)

- Sample Sicilian snacks at a popular 19th-century eatery.
- Indulge in a delicious regional dinner inside a winery's *agriturismo* restaurant.
- Sample some local specialties at a family-owned limoncello factory.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Days 1 - 3** Hotel Federico II Central Palace, Hotel NH or Hotel Garibaldi, Palermo
- Day 4** Baia di Ulisse, Agrigento
- ROOM UPGRADE AVAILABLE**
During your stay at the Baia di Ulisse Hotel, you can choose to upgrade your room to a frontal Sea View providing the opportunity to enjoy breathtaking views of Le Dune seaside.
- CALL FOR DETAILS
- Days 5, 6** Hellenia Yachting Hotel or Una Hotel Naxos Beach Sicilia, Giardini Naxos
- Days 7, 8** MH Matera Hotel, Matera
- Days 9, 10** Hotel Michelangelo, Sorrento

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Taormina

Journey through a crossroads of civilisations in Sicily and on to the spectacular coastlines of Southern Italy.

Day 1: Palermo, Sicily - Tour Begins

Your Italian sojourn opens in Palermo, the capital of Sicily. Discover the city's vibrant culture as you take in its picturesque harbours, cobblestone piazzas, and captivating energy. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner featuring authentic Sicilian cuisine. (D)

Day 2: Palermo

Get to know "Palermo in a Nutshell" and discover the city's Moorish, Norman, and Spanish architecture on a walking tour. Explore the Kalsa district — home to Mafia legends and lush gardens — before tasting local snacks at a 19th-century eatery. The afternoon is yours! Perhaps you'll peruse the open-air markets, visit one of Palermo's art galleries, or relax in an outdoor café. (B)

Day 3: Palermo

Decide how you spend your morning because **it's your choice!** Embark on a walking tour of the historic city centre and visit La Martorana church, Fontana Pretoria, and more **-OR-** tour the Teatro Massimo Opera House, the third largest in Europe and seen in *The Godfather Part III*. This afternoon, perhaps

you will join an optional excursion to medieval Cefalù (UNESCO) with a local guide before visiting a nearby farm for a ricotta cheese demonstration and farm-to-table meal, made with family recipes. (B)

Day 4: Palermo - Monreale - Agrigento - Valley of the Temples

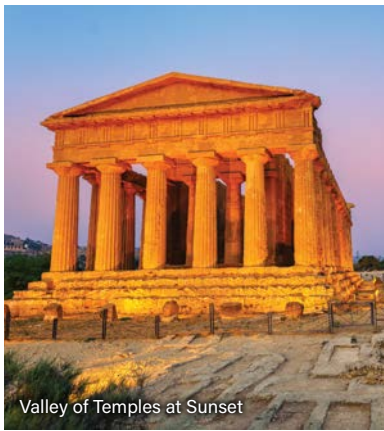
Visit the nearby town of Monreale (UNESCO) and wander along the paintings, mosaics, and cloisters of its 12th-century cathedral. Travel over rolling hills and peaceful farmland to the town of Agrigento. As the sun begins to set, explore the stunning Valley of the Temples (UNESCO), one of the world's most esteemed archaeological sites, and get an up-close view of the temples of Juno, Concordia, and Hercules. (B, D)

Day 5: Agrigento - Mt. Etna - Giardini Naxos

Journey east to Sicily's Ionian Coast. En route, discover the impressive Mt. Etna (UNESCO) Volcano National Park where a local expert introduces you to the park's spectacular landscapes sculpted by nature. Later this afternoon, continue on to Giardini Naxos — the "Garden of Sicily" — for your 2-night stay. (B, D)



Amalfi Coast



Valley of Temples at Sunset

Day 6: Giardini Naxos – Taormina – Giardini Naxos

Set out for beautiful Taormina, home to ancient relics, rocky hills, and charming gardens. With an expert local guide, you'll see Corso Umberto, the verdant public gardens, and the city's well-preserved Greek theatre. Enjoy free time to relax or independently explore on your own. Return to Giardini Naxos for the evening. (B)

Day 7: Giardini Naxos – Matera

Take a short ferry ride to Villa San Giovanni, located on Italy's mainland. Pass through the unspoiled region of Calabria to the Basilicata region. Wander through the twisting vines of

a local winery before joining an expert for a tour of the cellar with a tasting. Linger over regional cuisine at dinner in the winery's restaurant. (B, D)

Day 8: Matera

Explore the Sassi di Matera (UNESCO), an ancient settlement of carved cave dwellings. A local guide shares the history and explains why film producers are seeking out this unique landscape. Visit a local shop and get a taste of regional specialities. This afternoon decide how you explore because **it's your choice!** Discover more of Matera with a guided tour of an underground cistern followed by free time to browse the city's stores and cave churches **-OR-** head to Alberobello (UNESCO) and marvel at the town's whimsical trulli homes, known for their distinct, cone-shaped roofs. (B, D)

Day 9: Matera – Pompeii – Sorrento

After a stop in Vietri sul Mare, famous for its precious majolica pottery, experience the excavated ruins of Pompeii (UNESCO). A local guide gives you an in-depth look into this 2,000-year-old Roman town, nestled in the foothills of Mount Vesuvius. Step into another time as you explore its preserved buildings and imagine life in the 1st century. End your day in Sorrento, and settle in for a 2-night stay. Discover this charming seaside resort town and learn about the local tradition of wood marquetry. (B)

Day 10: Sorrento – Amalfi Coast Drive – Sorrento

This morning take in the sights and colours of the Mediterranean Sea as you wind your way along the breathtaking Amalfi Coast (UNESCO). Gaze out over the deep blue hues of the sea paired with the bright citrus fruits lining the hillsides. Pause to sample regional specialities at a family-owned limoncello factory, before returning to Sorrento for an afternoon at leisure. This evening, celebrate the end of your journey with a delightful farewell dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 11: Sorrento – Tour Ends

Say *arrivederci* to Italy as your tour comes to a close today. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

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Price based on 13 May, 2024 departure.



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ALSO AVAILABLE



Enjoy an **additional night in Rome** and varied inclusions on seasonal departures.

CALL FOR DETAILS

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Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

FEATURED TOUR EXTENSIONS

ROME
3-NIGHT PRE TOUR

STARTING AT: \$1520 PP



POSITANO & ISLE OF CAPRI
2-NIGHT POST TOUR

STARTING AT: \$1175 PP



NEW TOUR

PEAKS OF EUROPE: THE ALPS TO THE DOLOMITES

12 DAYS • 17 MEALS
STARTING AT \$6699

Price based on 6 May, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

Chamonix • Mont Blanc • Lavaux Vineyards Wine Experience • Montreux • GoldenPass • Gstaad • Jungfrau • Lucerne • Alpine Walks & Nature Experiences • Innsbruck • Dolomites • Cortina • Prosecco Region • Villa Stay



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Inhale fresh alpine air with 4 unique mountaintop experiences.
- Discover the local flora and fauna on 2 hiking opportunities with local alpinists.
- Meet the pups of Barryland, a foundation that protects the heritage of Switzerland's national dog — the St. Bernard.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 2** — Visit the QC Terme Chamonix, one of the most scenic and luxurious spas in the Alps —OR— choose to ascend the Aiguille du Midi via cable car and return to Chamonix via cable car.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

11 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

- Toast to the end of your scenic journey during a farewell dinner in a Venetian villa.
- Taste the fruits of Italy's Prosecco region, with a vineyard visit and tasting.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1, 2 La Folie Douce Hotel, Chamonix
Days 3, 4 Golf Hotel Les Hauts De Gstaad
Days 5, 6 Sunstar Hotel, Grindelwald
Days 7, 8 Seelos Hotel NIKO, Seelos, Seefeld
Days 9, 10 Hotel Bellevue Suites & Spa, Cortina D'Ampezzo Fiammes
Day 11 Hotel Villa Condulmer, Mogliano Veneto, Venice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
SMALL GROUP
EXPLORATIONS
MAXIMUM 24 GUESTS



Jungfrauoch, Switzerland

Embark on an invigorating journey through Europe's towering Alps and charming towns.

Day 1: Chamonix, France - Tour Begins

Say bonjour to Chamonix — the perennial ski-hub nestled at the foot of Mont Blanc. Take the afternoon to wander the pedestrian-friendly streets of this quaint town steeped in hundreds of years of history. Tonight, join with new friends and toast to the beginning of your alpine adventure. (D)

Day 2: Chamonix

Today, decide how to explore the legendary Mont Blanc — the birthplace of mountaineering — because **it's your choice!** Ascend the Aiguille du Midi by cable car to an elevation of over 12,600 feet (3,842 metres). This is the closest you can get to the summit of Europe's tallest peak —OR— relax aboard the Tramway du Mont Blanc rack-railway taking in its vintage charm and the impressive views from the Eagle's Nest, located 7,782 feet above sea level (2,372 metres). This afternoon, enjoy a stroll through the woods in the bottom of the valley. (B)

Day 3: Chamonix - Lausanne, Switzerland

Bid Chamonix and France adieu and set out for Switzerland. During today's Impact Moment, get to know the pups of Barryland, a local foundation that promotes and protects the

heritage of the St. Bernard, the official dog of Switzerland. Arrive this evening in the lakeside town of Lausanne for a 2-night stay. (B, D)

Day 4: Lausanne - Lavaux - Lausanne

Take the morning at your leisure. Consider a stroll through the Old Town, or walk to the Olympic Museum before an afternoon visit to the terraced vineyards of Lavaux (UNESCO). Begin with lunch at a family-owned restaurant before visiting with our friends, Jacques and Aurelia, for a wine tasting amongst the vines. Walk through the vineyards and drink in the scenery and signature varietals. (B, L)

Day 5: Lausanne - Montreux - GoldenPass Train - Gstaad - Grindelwald

Discover the iconic resort town of Montreux before an afternoon train ride on the GoldenPass that whisks you through the Swiss countryside en route to Gstaad. Explore this car-free town dotted with iconic ski chalets. Tonight, dine on the top of Interlaken and experience a true feast for the senses. Breathe in fresh mountain air, admire jaw-dropping views, and savor the local cuisine. Settle in for a 2-night stay in Grindelwald, nestled at the base of The Eiger. (B, D)



Lavaux, Switzerland



Cortina, Italy

Day 6: Grindelwald – Jungfrauoch – Grindelwald

A short cogwheel train ride brings you to Jungfrauoch (UNESCO), known as the “Top of Europe.” Take your time to explore this eternal winter wonderland with impressive views of the imposing triple peaks of Eiger, Mönch, and Jungfrau. Wander the frosty halls of the Ice Palace to see works of icy art carved by local artists or stand next to the Swiss flag to capture your time above it all. Tonight is yours to do as you please. (B)

Day 7: Grindelwald – Lucerne – Seefeld, Austria

Before departing Switzerland, spend some time to learn for yourself why the lakeside city of Lucerne is considered one of the most beautiful cities in Switzerland. Make your way through Liechtenstein, the only country to lie entirely within the Alps on your way to Austria. This evening is yours to relax and to get to know your home in Seefeld for the next 2 nights. (B, D)

Day 8: Seefeld

This morning explore the idyllic town of Seefeld in a horse-drawn carriage,

pausing to take in the unspoiled beauty of the Tyrolean mountains and forests. Cross into Germany where you’ll learn the art and craft of violin-making at the Geigenbau Museum, returning to Seefeld to indulge in homemade Tyrolean cuisine. (B, D)

Day 9: Seefeld – Innsbruck – Cortina, Italy

Take in the scenery of the spectacular Bavarian Alps en route to enchanting Innsbruck. Walk the charming streets, discover the historic old town, and take in landmarks such as the Golden Roof. Depart Austria for Italy to witness the unique jagged limestone peaks of the Dolomites. Arrive in Cortina, the Queen of the Dolomites (UNESCO), and your home for the next 2 nights. (B)

Day 10: Cortina

The day is yours. Bask in the charm of Cortina, strolling along its main street and taking in the views of the surrounding Dolomite peaks. Perhaps you’ll join a full-day optional excursion taking you further into this legendary mountain range to discover natural beauty and local traditions. During this excursion, take a walk in the Badia valley, learn about the centuries old Ladin culture before stopping at a nearby maso — an alpine farm — for a taste of local Ladin fare. After, a cable car ride brings you to Rifugio Lagazuoi for a feast of stunning views of the sky-skimming peaks. The evening continues to be yours to explore Cortina as you wish. (B)

Day 11: Cortina – Prosecco Winery – Mogliano Veneto

Journey south this morning and into the rolling hills of Italy’s Prosecco region. Visit a local vineyard where you’ll taste the region’s sparkling specialty combined with assorted local cheeses and cold cuts during a light lunch.



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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This evening, explore the frescoed halls and grounds of your historic countryside villa before you gather for dinner and toast to new friends, fond memories, and unforgettable scenery. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Mogliano Veneto – Tour Ends

Your alpine adventure comes to a close today. (B)

DOUBLE Starting at **\$6699**

SOLO Starting at **\$8249**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date.

Price based on 6 May, 2023 departure.



Departures available Sept 2022 – May 2024. View the website for additional dates.

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Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

Featured Post-Tour Extension



Optional 2-Night Venice Post-Tour
Starting at \$980 pp

Day 13: Mogliano Veneto – Venice

Continue your exploration of Italy with a 2-night stay in Venice, the “Queen of the Adriatic.” After a motorboat

transfer, meet your local guide for a walking tour of this incredible city, including the Bridge of Sighs, the Clock Tower, and St. Mark’s Square. You’ll also learn about the Venetian art of glassblowing during an interactive demonstration.

Day 14: Venice

Enjoy a day to explore Venice at your leisure. From your centrally located hotel, the city is yours to uncover. Meander amongst the historic streets, taking in the city’s unique architecture and gondola-laden canals. You may choose to experience the local cuisine at a typical Bacaro, a small wine-bar where locals stop for a glass of wine — traditionally called ombra — and a quick bite of local tapas — that Venetians call cicchetti. Or take a local public waterbus ride to the nearby island of San Giorgio which offers spectacular views of St. Mark’s Square and the Doge’s Palace. (B)

Day 15: Venice – Tour Ends

Say *arrivederci* to Italy as your tour comes to a close. (B)

CROATIA & ITS ISLANDS

11 DAYS · 19 MEALS

STARTING AT \$5049

Price based on 20 May, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Zagreb · Stone Gate · Šibenik
• Cathedral of St. James · Krka National Park · Split · Diocletian's Palace
• 7-Night Adriatic Cruise · Trogir · Bol
• Hvar · Biševo Blue Cave · Vis · Korcula
• Mljet National Park · Slano · Dubrovnik



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Stand before the breathtaking waterfalls in Krka National Park.
- Partake in traditional Croatian entertainment.
- Explore the Old City of Dubrovnik with a local expert.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 4** - Visit Split's Archaeological Museum and marvel at a diverse range of artifacts **-OR-** visit the Meštrovic Gallery and admire works by the 20th-century sculptor Ivan Meštrovic.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

10 Breakfasts (B) · 6 Lunches (L) · 3 Dinners (D)

- Dine on Continental and Istrian cuisine at a favourite local restaurant in Zagreb.
- Enjoy traditional Dalmatian delicacies prepared according to ancient recipes.
- Experience a Captain's welcome dinner upon arrival in Split.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Day 1 Sheraton Hotel, Zagreb

Days 2, 3 Amadria Park Hotel Ivan, Šibenik

Days 4 - 10 MS San Spirito or MS Invictus

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CRUISE



Cruise Ship

Experience medieval architecture, ethereal waterfalls, and an 8-day cruise along the Adriatic Sea in a private, 4-star yacht.

Day 1: Zagreb, Croatia - Tour Begins

Welcome to Zagreb, the capital of Croatia! Settle into your hotel amidst the vibrant cafes and cobblestone streets before meeting your fellow travellers over dinner featuring Continental and Istrian cuisine. (D)

Day 2: Zagreb - Šibenik

Step right into the history and culture of everyday life in Zagreb as you tour the city with a local guide. Become acquainted with the city as you see the main sights of the capital, including the Croatian National Theatre and Mimara Museum, the Croatian Parliament building, the illustrious Zagreb Cathedral, and the legendary Stone Gate. Then, it's off to Šibenik! Tonight, embrace the culture of Croatia and become captivated by traditional entertainment with dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Šibenik - Krka National Park - Šibenik

Set off on a walking tour through the ancient alleyways and roads of Šibenik, where you'll get a chance to see the Cathedral of St. James, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Then, venture to the breathtaking Krka National Park, where waterfalls tumble through dramatic gorges. Meander along the trails that surround the falls before embarking on a boat ride that takes you along the river to Skradin. Make the most of your free evening and get to know this Dalmatian town's historic architecture and striking coastline. (B)

Day 4: Šibenik - Split - Board Ship

Your adventure continues! Discover Split, one of the oldest cities in this historic region. In this bustling port, explore Diocletian's Palace where you will visit its famous cellars. One of Croatia's UNESCO World Heritage sites, Emperor Diocletian chose the palace to be his retirement home because of the incomparable beauty of Split. A guided tour takes you through the mysterious passageways and into the lower levels of this massive structure. Then, **it's your choice!** Visit the oldest museum institution in Croatia, Split's Archaeological Museum, founded in 1820; marvel at a diverse range of artifacts from the Paleolithic to the Iron Age **-OR-** admire the works of 20th-century sculptor Ivan Meštrovic during a guided tour. The Meštrovic Gallery features an array of the artist's creations including sculptures, drawings and architecture. The museum itself is considered an art monument. This afternoon you'll board a private 4-star ship, your new home for the next seven nights. Later, relax onboard before experiencing a Captain's welcome dinner. Enjoy your meal accompanied by live Klapa music, the traditional Croatian style of singing. (B, D)

Day 5: Split - Trogir

After an overnight in Split enjoy a morning at leisure to discover this city on your own. Then it's off to Trogir, a coastal gem renowned for its picturesque Venetian architecture. Stop for a quick swim along the way before arriving in this

charming town. Admire the striking stone houses and towering cathedral as you tour the city with a guide. (B, L)

Day 6: Trogir - Bol - Hvar

Start your day in the town of Bol, located on the picturesque island of Brač. With free time this morning, perhaps you'll choose to swim along the shore of the "Golden Cape," known to be one of the most popular beaches in Croatia. Return to the ship for lunch, then cruise to Hvar. Along the way, you'll coast by quaint coves and bays tucked along the Adriatic Sea. Upon arrival in Hvar, get acquainted with the area when a local guide introduces you to the history, culture, and lifestyle of the city. Discover how lavender was traditionally grown in the region for centuries and learn about some of its uses. Enjoy an evening at leisure. Perhaps you will choose to dine in one of the many local, family-owned restaurants that Hvar is known for. (B, L)

Day 7: Hvar - Biševo - Vis

Embark on a morning cruise to the island of Biševo. This island is home to the Blue Cave,* a stunning grotto with a luminous blue glow. Cruise on to Vis, a small island practically untouched by tourism and overflowing with Renaissance architecture and beautiful beaches. With free time this afternoon, relax onboard the ship or choose to go on an optional tour of the island ending with a traditional dinner. (B, L)

Day 8: Vis - Korčula

This morning, it's on to Korčula, debated home to one of the world's most famous explorers: Marco Polo. Decide for yourself if he was born in Korčula or Venice as you tour his alleged home and take in the fantastic sea views from its tower. Join a local guide and make your way

along the narrow stone streets while you wander among the medieval buildings and vibrant houses in the town known as "Little Dubrovnik." Enjoy the afternoon and evening at leisure to discover the charms of this age-old city. (B, L)

Day 9: Korčula - Mljet National Park - Slano

This morning, arrive in Mljet National Park. Stroll around the Large and Small lakes before exploring the Islet of St. Mary, home to a Benedictine Monastery from the 12th century. Don't miss out on a chance to take a swim in the strikingly blue waters. Then, your journey continues to Slano, a port city just outside of Dubrovnik. Your afternoon and evening are at leisure... consider an optional excursion to Ston, a nearby fortified city known for its decadent oysters and seafood. (B, L)

Day 10: Slano - Dubrovnik

This morning, cruise past the Elafiti Islands and be welcomed into Dubrovnik. You'll see why the city is called the "Pearl of the Adriatic" when you take in the medieval stone walls, iconic Baroque rooftops, and winding cobblestone streets. Embrace the unspeakable feeling that you've stepped into another time as you explore the Old City with a local guide. Enjoy outstanding views of the city during your farewell lunch onboard. With free time in the evening, perhaps you'll ride a cable car to the top of Mount Srđ for awe-inspiring views of Dubrovnik or simply enjoy the evening on the Stradun (main street) by treating yourself with a glass of Malvasija wine in one of many local bars. (B, L)

Day 11: Dubrovnik - Disembark Ship - Tour Ends

Say goodbye to Croatia as your tour of the Adriatic Coast comes to a close today. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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Krka National Park

DOUBLE Starting at **\$5049**
SOLO Starting at **\$7799**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date.

Price based on 20 May, 2023 departure.



Departures available Sept 2022 - May 2024.
View the website for additional dates.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Zagreb and depart from Dubrovnik. Airport transfers are available for purchase. The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour. Order of sightseeing on board the ship may vary based on departure and weather conditions and is at the sole discretion of the cruise line. Both the boat ride to Skradin and the Blue Cave operate on a weather-permitting basis and depending on water conditions. Onboard gratuities are not included in the price of your tour. Suggested tipping on board cruise: 18.00 Canadian dollars (10-12 euros) per person for each day for the cruise staff. This can be made in a single payment in euros or Canadian dollars at the front desk at the end of your voyage or by the envelopes provided in your cabin. Embarkation on day 4 is after 1:00 p.m. On the last day, disembarkation is no later than 10:00 a.m. Cabins are available on the Standard Deck. Upgrades may be available to Main Deck. Cruise ships have a limited quantity of cabins available in each category. We will make every effort to accommodate your cabin category preference at time of booking. If the cabin category preferred is not available, the next closest category available will be offered and a surcharge may apply. Stateroom numbers will be supplied upon arrival at the ship. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse.

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FEATURED TOUR EXTENSIONS: DUBROVNIK

2022 DEPARTURES 3-NIGHT POST TOUR

Day 1: Dubrovnik, Croatia - Tour Begins

Say hello to Dubrovnik, a medieval city perched against a seaside mountain. The stunning Old Town is reminiscent of a coastal fairytale, where immovable stone buildings meet bright blue waters. Wander through the town, relax on the beach, or maybe even explore the harbour — the day is yours.

Day 2: Dubrovnik

Discover Dubrovnik's timeless secrets with a full day to explore the city. Perhaps you'll venture to the medieval stone walls, an iconic winding fortress that serves as the backdrop for endless filming locations.

With the city laid out before you, follow the twisting cobblestone streets that cut through the red rooftops. (B)

Day 3: Dubrovnik - Board Ship

Your adventure continues when you board your ship for a 7-night cruise along the Adriatic coast. (B)



NEW TOUR

SPAIN & PORTUGAL: COSTA DEL SOL TO THE PORTUGUESE RIVIERA

11 DAYS · 17 MEALS
STARTING AT \$4999

Price based on 7 May, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Málaga · White Villages of Andalusia
· Ronda · Cordoba · La Mezquita
· Horse Ranch · Home Hosted Lunch
· Seville Cathedral · Estremoz · Cascais
· Lisbon · Sintra · Quinta da Regaleira



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- View Lisbon in a new way through the windows of your private tram.
- Experience Ronda, one of Spain's loveliest and most historic towns.
- Explore Sintra, the summer residence of Portuguese kings for centuries.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- Day 7** - In Seville, walk along the quaint Santa Cruz Quarter **-OR-** see the city from a different perspective with a horse and carriage ride to Plaza de España and Maria Luisa Park.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

10 Breakfasts (B) · 3 Lunches (L) · 4 Dinners (D)

- Sample Málaga's delicacies during a tour of the city.
- Enjoy a farm-to-table home-hosted meal in Ronda.
- Indulge in tapas with rooftop views of Seville.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Days 1 - 3** NH Málaga, Malaga
Days 4, 5 H10 Palacio Colomera, Cordoba
Days 6, 7 H10 Casa de la Plata or NH Sevilla Plaza de Armas, Seville
Days 8 - 10 Pestana Cidadela, Cascais

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
SMALL GROUP
EXPLORATIONS
MAXIMUM 24 GUESTS



From bustling cities to peaceful stays on the Mediterranean coast, get a true taste of the Iberian Peninsula.

Day 1: Málaga, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Málaga, a city known for its Andalusian lifestyle and birthplace of artist Pablo Picasso. Later this afternoon, join your fellow travellers for a welcome reception.

Day 2: Málaga

Discover the port city of Málaga with a local guide. Walk through the colourful market stalls and learn about the history and culture of this seaside community. Stop at a local restaurant for *churros con chocolate*. Visit the Alcazaba, an ancient fortress where Roman, Arabic, and Renaissance cultures intersect. Meet a local from the Sepulcro Brotherhood to learn about the importance of the brotherhoods to the local culture. Then, stop at a local bodega bar to sample the famous Malaga sweet fortified wine. End your morning with a guided visit of the Picasso Museum, viewing paintings by this iconic artist. (B, D)

Day 3: Málaga - Frigiliana - Nerja - Málaga

Today we will journey to the picturesque white villages of Andalusia. The village of Frigiliana, considered to be one of the most

beautiful villages in Andalusia, will make you feel as though you have stepped back in time as you take in its whitewashed houses and historical sites while walking through the narrow cobblestone streets. Travel to the town of Nerja and explore its famous caves, home to one of the world's largest stalactites. In Nerja, visit the Balcón de Europa, a balcony in the centre of town with stunning views of the sea. Return to Málaga where you can choose to join your Tour Manager on a sunset marina stroll, the perfect way to say goodbye to Málaga. (B)

Day 4: Málaga - Ronda - Cordoba

Head to Ronda, a historic town perched upon a cliff in Andalusia. Explore the old town full of twisting narrow streets, the 18th-century Puente Nuevo (New Bridge) over the El Tajo gorge, and La Alameda Park with its panoramic views of the surrounding countryside. During your walking tour, hear about the often-debated topic of bullfighting in this city rich with bullfighting lore. Visit the stunning Casa don Bosco, a modernist mansion featuring Nazarite tiles,

a beautiful garden, and breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains. Complete your tour of Ronda and be welcomed in to a local's home for a farm-to-table home-hosted lunch. Arrive in Cordoba this evening. (B, L)

Day 5: Cordoba

Begin your day with a visit to a family run horse ranch. Then immerse yourself in the culture of Cordoba when you admire the rows of patios filled with colourful flowers and plants. Meet with a local to discuss the tradition and importance of these bountiful displays. Later, tour the magnificent Mezquita (UNESCO). Originally built as a mosque, it was converted into the city's cathedral when the Christians conquered the region in 1236. End the day with dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 6: Cordoba - Seville

Depart Cordoba for Seville, Spain's "cultural capital." Get to know Seville on a panoramic city tour featuring the famous Bull Ring, Torre de Oro, Plaza de España, and Maria Luisa Park. Get a true taste of Seville when you indulge in a light tapas lunch. Then, visit the Seville Cathedral (UNESCO), the largest gothic cathedral in the world. View the ornate architecture of the cathedral and see Christopher Columbus' tomb. This evening, take in sweeping views of Seville from atop the Mirador Setas viewpoint. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Seville

In Seville, **it's your choice!** Take a walking tour of the quaint Santa Cruz Quarter with its cascading bright flowers, whitewashed buildings and winding streets **-OR-** take a horse and carriage ride through Plaza de España and Maria Luisa Park — one of the loveliest parks in all of Europe. Later this afternoon, during our **Impact Moment**, participate in a flamenco lesson at Fundación Cristina Heeren de Arte Flamenco, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the art of flamenco in Spain and internationally. After your lesson, enjoy a traditional flamenco performance. (B)

Day 8: Seville - Estremoz, Portugal - Cascais

Say *adios* to Spain and travel through the Portuguese countryside to Estremoz — a historic town whose marble can be found in Portuguese monuments throughout the country. After a lunch full of local flavours, continue on to Cascais, the picturesque resort town situated along the coast of the Portuguese Riviera. Enjoy an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 9: Cascais - Lisbon - Cascais

Your journey takes you to Lisbon, Europe's second oldest capital city. We will start in Belem, home to many of Lisbon's most iconic sites and its most

famous pastry — pastéis de Belem. After viewing the sprawling Jeronimos Monastery (UNESCO), embark on a panoramic city tour on one of Lisbon's iconic trams taking you through the postcard-worthy streets of this charming city! Return to Cascais, where the rest of the day is yours to explore independently. This evening, you may choose to join an optional experience to savour Portuguese cuisine and wine while local artists perform traditional Fado (UNESCO). (B)

Day 10: Cascais - Sintra - Cascais

Head to the town of Sintra (UNESCO), a favourite summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. Explore the Quinta da Regaleira, a 20th-century palace with an elaborate gothic façade and beautiful gardens. Then stop at a local bakery and indulge in a local pastry before enjoying some time on your own to discover this storybook town. Tonight, toast to a wonderful trip with your fellow travellers during a farewell dinner featuring savoury Portuguese flavours. (B, D)

Day 11: Cascais - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Featured Post Tour Extension



Optional 3-Night Madrid Pre-Tour Starting at \$820 pp

Day 1: Madrid, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Madrid, Spain's lively capital and largest city. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers and enjoy a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Madrid

During a locally guided walking tour of Madrid's historic centre, see iconic sites such as the Puerta del Sol and Plaza Mayor, where events have been held since the 17th century. Then, you are free to explore the city on your own using your metro card. (B)

Day 3: Madrid

Today the day is yours to explore this magnificent city. Maybe you will choose to visit the Prado Museum with your included entrance tickets, or continue to discover Madrid's elegant boulevards and rich culture. (B)

Day 4: Madrid - Málaga

Board your train to Málaga where you will join your fellow travellers for your main tour. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

Choose to add more time to your trip:

1-2 NIGHTS

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POST NIGHT
CASCAIS
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Price based on 7 May, 2023 departure.



Departures available Sept 2022 - May 2023. View the website for additional dates.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Malaga and depart from Lisbon. Our transfers will depart from Cascais to Lisbon airport (approximately a 40-minute drive). Airport transfers are available for purchase. Due to local festivities, the order of your included visits in Cordoba may change.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

“ Small group; choice of towns visited and excursions. Local guides were excellent. Enjoyed dining at a locals home for home cooked meal of tapas, etc. Also, we really enjoyed having some free time each day to explore on our own and relax. We also enjoyed the pace — although we saw a lot and had numerous excursions, it wasn't a rigorous pace. ”

— Collette Traveller

SHADES OF IRELAND

9 DAYS · 13 MEALS
STARTING AT \$5049

Price based on 25 April, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Dublin · Irish Evening · Kilkenny
- Waterford · Blarney Castle · Killarney
- Jaunting Car Ride · Ring of Kerry
- Farm Visit · Limerick · Cliffs of Moher
- Galway · Castle Stay



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Overnight on the grounds of a regal castle.
- Experience the Ring of Kerry, one of the world's great coastal roads.
- See sheepdogs in action when you visit a working farm.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- Day 2** - Ride with a local guide and see Dublin's most famous sites **-OR-** take a walking tour of the city's historic centre.
- Day 3** - Tour the Waterford Crystal factory **-OR-** visit the Medieval Museum and have a glass of wine in the 15th-century Wine Vault.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

8 Breakfasts (B) · 5 Dinners (D)

- Enjoy a hearty dinner and night of traditional Irish entertainment.
- Taste the "water of life" during an Irish whiskey tasting.
- Be treated to a farewell dinner at a castle.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Days 1, 2** Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham, Dublin
- Day 3** Granville Hotel, Waterford
- Days 4, 5** Killarney Avenue, Killarney Towers, Killarney Plaza Hotel, or The Heights Hotel, Killarney
- Days 6, 7** George Boutique Hotel, Limerick
- Day 8** Cabra Castle, Fitzpatrick Castle, or The Johnstown Estate

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Cliffs of Moher

From history-filled Dublin to the rolling green hills and dramatic coast, experience Ireland's charm on a journey through the Emerald Isle.

Day 1: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

Get a taste of old Dublin. Tonight, you and your fellow travellers revel in a traditional Irish evening, including regional cuisine. (D)

Day 2: Dublin

Today, **it's your choice!** Choose to ride with a local guide to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, the General Post Office, and the historic Phoenix Park **-OR-** choose a walking tour of the city's historic centre, exploring St. Stephen's Green, Grafton Street, and the River Liffey. Either way, what follows is an afternoon to discover Dublin's charms on your own. (B)

Day 3: Dublin - Kilkenny - Waterford

Step back in time and begin the day in the medieval splendour of 12th century Kilkenny on the River Nore. Then, in Waterford, embark on a leisurely paced walking tour of Ireland's oldest city. **It's your choice!** Tour the Waterford Crystal factory and learn how exquisite crystal has been made for centuries **-OR-** visit the Medieval Museum for a guided tour and glass of wine in the 15th-century Mayor's Wine Vault. (B, D)

Day 4: Waterford - Blarney Stone - Killarney

Live the legend. The story goes that those who kiss the Blarney Stone gain the gift of eloquence. This morning, give it a shot at historic Blarney Castle. Cross into County Kerry and continue on to charming Killarney. Enjoy a traditional jaunting car ride through Killarney National Park before boarding a boat and sailing through the breathtaking lakes in the company of an expert boatman. Tonight, it's Diner's Choice... choose your included dinner from a "menu" of Killarney's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 5: Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney

Take in the rugged coastline as you loop your way around the picturesque Ring of Kerry, past pristine beaches, quaint villages and majestic landscapes. At the Gap of Dunloe, shop for local artisan-made crafts. The night is free for reminiscing about the day as you find your own authentic taste of Irish culture. (B)

Day 6: Killarney - Cliffs of Moher - Limerick

Today brings you to the dramatic, 700-foot-high



Irish Pub



Killarney

Cliffs of Moher for cinematic views of the mighty Atlantic. Continue to Limerick, where a panoramic city tour showcases King John's Castle and the Treaty Stone. Delve into the fascinating history of the "city of the violated treaty." (B)

Day 7: Limerick - Galway - Limerick

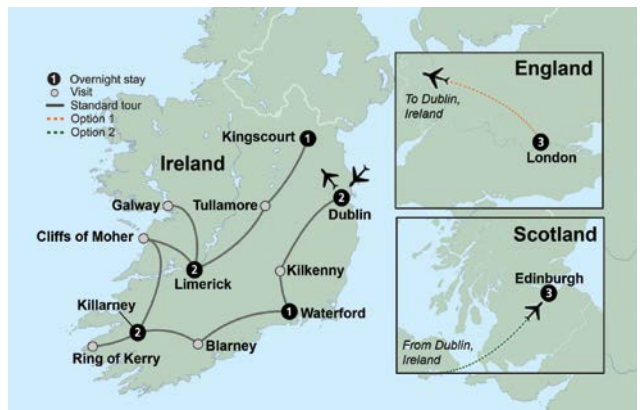
Pass through the windswept, limestone landscape of the Burren, known for its stark beauty and Neolithic tombs. See border collies in action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration. Continue on to Galway for a brief tour that showcases "The City of Tribes". Return to Limerick to relax over dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Limerick - Tullamore - Kingscourt

You don't have to be a connoisseur to appreciate the old-world heritage of Ireland's whiskey territory. Your journey brings you to Tullamore in the heart of Ireland, where a superb distillery brings whiskey craftsmanship to life and gives you a taste of the final product. Top your day off with an overnight stay on the regal grounds of Cabra Castle where you toast the end of a fabulous trip during your farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Kingscourt - Tour Ends

Your journey ends in Kingscourt. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

Choose to add more time to your trip:

1-2 NIGHTS

PRE/POST NIGHTS
PRE: DUBLIN
POST: KINGSCOURT
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UP TO 1 WEEK

STOPOVER
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SPECIAL EVENT



St. Patrick's Day
Celebrate in Ireland in the birthplace of St. Patrick, the "Apostle of Ireland."

★ 10, 14 & 16 MARCH 2023

This trip requires a passport. Effective immediately and until further notice, all guests will be required to bring one of the following: proof of vaccination (official vaccination certificate in paper or electronic form), proof of recovery from COVID-19 or a negative test result (FDA Approved diagnostic) for a test performed 72-hours or less from the start date of the tour with you on tour to verify information you will be providing to Collette when filling out the Wellness Declaration upon arrival. Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from Dublin. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Jaunting car ride and/or boat cruise are included, weather permitting.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

FEATURED TOUR EXTENSIONS

LONDON
3-NIGHT PRE TOUR

STARTING AT: \$965 PP



EDINBURGH
3-NIGHT POST TOUR

STARTING AT: \$830 PP



COUNTRYSIDE OF THE EMERALD ISLE

9 DAYS · 13 MEALS
STARTING AT \$4349

Price based on 22 May, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

Dublin • Cooking Class • Irish National Stud • Rock of Cashel • Distillery Tour • Kinsale • Garnish Island • Dingle Peninsula • Cliffs of Moher • Aran Islands



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Overnight on the enchanting Aran Islands and jump head-first into Irish culture.
- Enjoy an after-hours private tour and reception at Christ Church Cathedral.
- Discover a hidden garden island nestled in Bantry Bay.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 6** - Explore Dingle's country lanes on foot **-OR-** enjoy time at leisure in Dingle Town.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

8 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Dinners (D)

- Put a modern twist on Irish cuisine during a cooking class at a premier culinary institution in Dublin.
- Explore the Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson Irish Whiskey.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1, 2	Hampton Hotel, Dublin
Days 3, 4	Garryvoe Hotel, East Cork, Cork
Days 5, 6	Muckross Park Hotel & Spa or The Dunloe Hotel & Gardens, Killarney
Day 7	Tigh Ruairí, Inisheer, Aran Islands
Day 8	Old Ground Hotel, Ennis

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
SMALL GROUP
EXPLORATIONS
MAXIMUM 24 GUESTS



Aran Islands

Embrace the pure tranquility found in Ireland's quaint villages, less-travelled roads and storybook castles.

Day 1: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

Fáilte and welcome to Dublin, Ireland's cosmopolitan capital. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome reception in the crypt of Christ Church Cathedral. Within the medieval walls of the city's oldest structure, surrounded by nearly 1,000 years of Irish myths and legends, toast the start of an incredible adventure.

Day 2: Dublin

A local expert escorts you through Dublin's magnificent sights. Exalt in the culture and colour of Ireland's world-famous shopping thoroughfare, Grafton Street. Get lost inside the gardens of St. Stephen's Green, and marvel at the electric green expanse of the largest enclosed city park in all of Europe, Phoenix Park. This evening, enjoy some good *craic* — Gaelic for fun — as we put a modern twist on Irish cuisine during a cooking class at one of Dublin's premier culinary institutions. (B, D)

Day 3: Dublin - Irish National Stud - Cashel - East Cork

Take to Ireland's country roads. Tour the Irish National Stud, an area of incredible natural beauty that's home to regal thoroughbreds

and opulent gardens. Continue south to the awe-inspiring Rock of Cashel. Be amazed by its imposing facade and visit the spot where St. Patrick preached. (B, D)

Day 4: East Cork - Kinsale - Midleton - East Cork

After a relaxing morning head to the coastal village of Kinsale. Enjoy time to peruse the charming shops, galleries and cafes before joining a local expert for a leisurely walking tour. Later this afternoon, visit the Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson Irish Whiskey. Give it a go with a tasting of the distillery's production. (B)

Day 5: East Cork - Garnish Island - Killarney

Travel through forty shades of green before arriving in the charming town of Glengarriff. Board a ferry and sail to a place that must be seen to be believed, Garnish Island. Sheltered in the Glengarriff harbour of Bantry Bay, this hidden island is home to one of Ireland's most beautiful gardens. Continue over the Cork and Kerry mountains to Killarney via the breathtaking Caha Pass. (B, D)



Kinsale



Traditional Irish Cider Stew



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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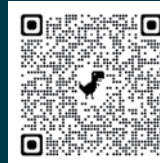
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DOUBLE Starting at \$4349
SOLO Starting at \$5349

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Price based on 22 May, 2023 departure.



Departures available Sept 2022 – May 2024.
View the website for additional dates.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Dublin and depart from Shannon. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Killarney café is available April through September. Christ Church Cathedral is a working cathedral, so closure may occur unexpectedly. Ferry crossings and overnights on the Aran Islands are subject to weather conditions. If weather conditions prohibit crossing to the Aran Islands, alternative arrangements will be made for accommodation and activities. The overnight accommodations on Aran Island require that you bring an overnight bag only. Your large luggage will be stored on the bus in a secure location. Guests interested in the sunrise hike should pack a flashlight.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

Day 6: Killarney – Dingle – Killarney

Not far from the spirited pubs of Killarney await the enchanting hills and weather-worn bluffs of Dingle. Travel through a maze of green to Ireland's most westerly point, Sleat Head, where the locals will remind you that, "the next parish over is Boston." Then, **it's your choice!**

Explore Dingle's country lanes on foot **-OR-** enjoy time at leisure in Dingle Town, a place where pubs double as hardware stores and the Guinness is always freshly tapped. Upon your return to Killarney, stop by a tea house for some scrumptious homemade treats at a café that employs individuals with intellectual disabilities. (B)

Day 7: Killarney – Cliffs of Moher – Aran Islands (Inisheer)

Leave the rugged southern coast behind and embark on an adventure, the likes of which you've never seen. Board a ferry bound for Inisheer, the smallest of the three Aran Islands. Take in unrivalled views while sailing beneath the iconic Cliffs of Moher. Upon arriving in Inisheer's ethereal landscape, take a private tour through the labyrinth of stone walls blanketing

the island. Learn about the island's 250 inhabitants, their livelihoods and devotion to traditional culture and customs. As the last ferry leaves for mainland Ireland, settle into your island abode amid desolate yet striking beauty for an experience that's totally unparalleled. (B, D)

Day 8: Aran Islands (Inisheer) – Ennis

Enjoy a morning to sleep in, or wake early for a sunrise hike to O'Brien Castle. Greet the sun as it rises over the Irish mainland and illuminates Inisheer's picturesque stone walls. Later, dive into local culture during a knitting workshop and learn traditional methods and stitches used to make the famous Aran sweaters. Don't worry if you're not a knitter, you'll be a pro before you know it! Next, experience the traditional craft of making the St. Brigid's Cross. Throughout Ireland you will see these crosses affixed to homes to ward off evil and danger. This evening, after ferrying back to the mainland, toast the end of an incredible adventure! (B, D)

Day 9: Ennis – Tour Ends

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

“ We had the trip of a lifetime. ”

— Collette Traveller

BRITISH LANDSCAPES

9 DAYS • 12 MEALS
STARTING AT \$3599

Price based on 22 April, 2024 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Edinburgh Castle • York
- Chester • Llangollen • Wales
- Stratford-upon-Avon • Oxford • London



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Behold the Crown Jewels of Scotland on a guided tour of Edinburgh Castle.
- Discover the narrow Snickelway lanes of York.
- Explore Wales during a tour of Llangollen.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- Day 2** - Explore Edinburgh by coach **-OR-** walk through Edinburgh with a local guide.
- Day 7** - Relax on a traditional boat ride through Oxford **-OR-** explore Oxford on foot during a guided walking tour.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

8 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Dinners (D)

- Attend a private dinner at Hall's Croft, a 400-year-old Shakespeare family home.
- Enjoy London's culinary renaissance at a dinner highlighting contemporary British cuisine.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Days 1, 2** Mercure Haymarket, Edinburgh
- Day 3** Holiday Inn York City Centre, York
- Days 4, 5** Hallmark Hotel Chester, The Queen, Chester
- Day 6** Hotel Indigo, Stratford-upon-Avon
- Days 7, 8** H10 London Waterloo, London

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



An adventure fit for a Shakespearean tale takes you from verdant hillsides to bustling British cities rich with culture.

Day 1: Edinburgh, Scotland - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Edinburgh, the historic capital of Scotland, where rocky hills tower in the distance and the shadows of history can be seen around every corner. Discover Scotland's capital and see how medieval crossroads blend seamlessly with a vibrant modern energy. This evening, get a taste of contemporary Scottish fare as you join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner highlighting the flavors of Scotland. (D)

Day 2: Edinburgh Y

Today, **it's your choice!** Get acquainted with this regal city on a locally guided tour of the city via coach **-OR-** join a local expert and explore the city on foot. Both tours include a visit to Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels, with a guided experience inside the castle with your local guides. The rest of the day is yours to explore the city independently. (B)

Day 3: Edinburgh - Borders Region - York, England

Say farewell to the rolling hills of Scotland while travelling south through the Borders Region. Stop to visit the archeological site of Vindolanda,

an Ancient Roman fortress built along Hadrian's Wall in the 2nd century to protect Roman Britain from the tribes of Scotland. Upon arrival in the medieval city of York, enjoy a brief orientation tour to get the lay of the land. Tonight, stay within the historic walled section of the city. (B)

Day 4: York - Chester

Enjoy a leisurely morning to explore York at your own pace. Meander the labyrinth of quaint, narrow streets the locals call Snickelways or maybe visit the city's famous Minster. End the day in Chester, your home for the next two nights, where ancient walls enclose charming Tudor and Victorian houses. (B, D)

Day 5: Chester - Llangollen, Wales - Chester, England

Embark on a panoramic city tour and then walk through Chester's Rows. Here you'll peer into the city's hidden secrets, hopping in and out of the iconic 2-tiered shopping galleries with a local guide. Cross over into Wales and discover Llangollen, one of the country's most picturesque villages. Enjoy some free time in town, before enjoying a traditional afternoon tea at a local tea room. (B)



Hall's Croft



Edinburgh Castle

Day 6: Chester - Stratford-upon-Avon

Step back in time on a journey through the English countryside to Stratford-upon-Avon. This afternoon visit the Bard's birthplace - the childhood home of William Shakespeare. After touring the home, enjoy time at leisure to explore on your own. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Stratford-upon-Avon - Oxford - London

Bid *adieu* to Stratford and travel to the charming university city of Oxford. Upon arrival, **it's your choice!** Glide gently past Oxford's spires on a traditional punting boat experience -**OR-** join an expert local guide for a walking tour, including one of the Colleges used as a filming location for *Harry Potter*. Continue on to London, England's storied capital city. (B)

Day 8: London

Take in the sites of London on a panoramic tour of the city's quintessential sights, making your way past famous icons including the Tower of London, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, and the Royal Buckingham Palace. Today is yours to explore this cosmopolitan and dynamic city at your leisure. Perhaps you will take

an optional excursion to infamous Tower of London. This evening, toast the end of a wonderful journey during a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 9: London - Tour Ends

Your journey through Britain comes to a close today. (B)

Featured Post Tour Extension



Optional 3-Night Paris Post-Tour Starting at \$1645 pp

Day 9: London, England - Paris, France

Head to the train station and zip through the underwater tunnel that runs beneath the English Channel - known commonly as the "Chunnel." In less than 3 hours, you'll be in Paris, the "City of Light." For dinner, get a taste of the city's local flavours at a Parisian bistro, situated at the base of the Eiffel Tower. As the day draws to a close, admire the city from a relaxing sightseeing cruise, passing by illuminated landmarks as you drift softly along the Seine. Settle into your hotel, just steps away from the Eiffel Tower. (D)

Day 10: Paris

Step into a time gone by as you slide into the backseat of a vintage retro car. Your driver-guide will pick you up at your hotel, providing commentary on the Parisian boulevards as you see some of the city's most famous sights. After your drive, take advantage of time at leisure to explore on your own. (B)

Day 11: Paris

It's your last day in Paris - how will you spend it? Perhaps you will visit the highly acclaimed Musée D'Orsay and enjoy your included ticket to this former railroad station which now houses some of the world's best impressionist art. Or maybe you'll hop on the metro and spend time in the hip bohemian neighbourhood of Montmartre. No matter how you spend your day - you'll get a true taste of the Parisian lifestyle. (B)

Day 12: Paris - Depart for Home

Wish Paris goodbye as you transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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Price based on 22 April, 2024 departure.



Departures available Sept 2022 - March 2024.
View the website for additional dates.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Edinburgh and depart from London. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Due to tour scheduling, arrival flights should arrive prior to 4:00 p.m. The Palace of Holyroodhouse may occasionally be closed when the Queen is in residence or for official state functions. Travellers arriving in Edinburgh from August 5-27, 2022 will receive tickets to Edinburgh's famous Military Tattoo show. Please inquire at time of reservation.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

SCOTLAND: ISLES OF LORE & LEGEND

11 DAYS • 17 MEALS
STARTING AT \$5699

Price based on 6 August, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Glasgow • Inveraray • Auchindrain
- Islay • Whisky Distillery • Loch Melfort
- Isle of Iona • Fingal's Cave at Staffa
- Kilmartin Glen • Loch Lomond • Luss
- Scottish Highlands • Balmoral Castle
- St. Andrews & Old Course Tour
- *Invisible Cities* Walking Tour



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Hit the waves and see a different side of the Scottish Isles via RIB boats.
- Tour the Old Course at St. Andrews — the world capital of golf.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 2** - In Glasgow, visit the Kelvingrove Art Gallery with its iconic art collection **-OR-** explore the Riverside Museum, dedicated to transport.
- **Day 9** - In Dunee, see the ship RRS Discovery that transported Shackleton to Antarctica **-OR-** explore the Victoria & Albert Design Museum.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

10 Breakfasts (B) • 7 Dinners (D)

- Sip the famous "water of life" in a local whisky distillery.
- Following a bagpiping lesson with an expert piper, enjoy a farm-to-table meal at the National Piping Centre.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Hilton Glasgow, Glasgow
Days 2, 3 The Machrie Hotel, Islay
Days 4 - 6 Loch Melfort Hotel, Arduaine, Oban
Days 7, 8 Fishers Hotel, Pitlochry
Days 9, 10 Voco Hotel, Edinburgh

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
SMALL GROUP
EXPLORATIONS
MAXIMUM 24 GUESTS



Discover the mystical side of Scotland — where rocky coastlines and rolling clouds meet a history built upon legends, whisky, and clans.

Day 1: Glasgow, Scotland - Tour Begins

Welcome to Glasgow, a cultural trove of art, music, and history. Get ready to experience the eclectic architecture, friendly locals (Glaswegians), and rich traditions that make this city such a fascinating place. Settle into your hotel before joining your fellow travellers this evening for dinner. (D)

Day 2: Glasgow

Soak in the rich culture of Glasgow. Join a local guide on a walking and coach tour that leads you through historic George Square and the beautiful Beaux-Arts style architecture that surrounds it; to Provands Lordship—the oldest surviving house in the city; the medieval Glasgow Cathedral; prestigious Blythswood Square; and the futuristic-looking Science Centre. After lunch on your own in central Glasgow, **it's your choice!** View one of Europe's great art collections at the Kelvingrove Art Gallery **-OR-** see the city's fabulous technology and transport collections at the Riverside Museum, situated on the banks of the River Clyde. (B)

Day 3: Glasgow - Loch Lomond - Auchindrain - Loch Melfort

Leave the city behind, travelling along sloping fields and rolling clouds to arrive in Loch Lomond. Visit a family-run farm with spectacular views of the lake and surrounding hills.

See border collies in action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration and enjoy Scottish snacks before departing for Luss. Explore this quaint lakeside village of stone cottages and bright flowers, then enjoy lunch on your own before jumping back on the bus to Auchindrain. Learn about Scotland's rural history during a guided tour of this well-preserved farm township that dates back to the 16th century. Continue to Loch Melfort and settle into your hotel for the next three nights. Take in a stunning view of the ocean from your room before wandering the grounds, home to friendly Highland cows and neighbouring the National Trust's Arduaine Gardens. (B, D)

Day 4: Loch Melfort - Oban - Loch Melfort

This morning, put on your comfy shoes and embark on a guided walking tour of historic Oban. Learn why the town is considered the "Gateway to the Isles", uncover the history of the iconic McCaig's Tower, and find out what's buried under the North Pier as you traverse the scenic harborside town with a local expert. Afterwards, enjoy some free time, perhaps exploring Oban's food stalls and seeing for yourself why it's considered the seafood capital of Scotland. Return to your hotel in Loch Melfort to relax and spend the remainder of the day as you please. (B, D)

Day 5: Loch Melfort – Isle of Mull – Isle of Iona – Loch Melfort

It's time to island hop. Take the ferry from Oban to the Isle of Mull, a picturesque island that is the largest of the Inner Hebridean Islands. Continue to the Isle of Iona, one of Western Europe's oldest Christian religious centres. Journey to Iona Abbey on foot and enjoy free time to explore the tranquility of the grounds on your own before returning to Mull and back to your hotel in Loch Melfort. (B, D)

Day 6: Loch Melfort – Glencoe – Loch Ness – Inverness

Geological wonders await you in the Highlands. Head to the National Nature Reserve in Glencoe and stop at the visitor centre to learn about the spectacular Glencoe mountain range, then walk the trails and experience this unique landscape for yourself. After lunch, continue on to Loch Ness. Wander the ruins of the legendary Urquhart Castle and imagine all that transpired inside the walls of this 13th-century medieval fortress. Afterwards, travel to Inverness, capital of the highlands, to settle in to your hotel for the night. (B, D)

Day 7: Inverness

Head out on the water and cruise Moray Firth, travelling up the Beaulieu Firth to the Caledonian Canal and then back out as far as Munlochy Bay. Keep your eyes peeled for otters, porpoises, seals, and numerous shore birds along the way. Continue to Culloden Battlefield, where in 1746, a half hour battle changed the course of Scotland's history. Experience the 360° battle-immersion theater at the visitor centre, and see artifacts from the conflict. Later this afternoon, return to Inverness, and have some time at leisure to explore. (B)

Day 8: Inverness – Blair Atholl – Dundee

Immerse yourself in history today at Blair Castle & Gardens, the ancestral home of Clan Murray. Explore the ornate 18th century interiors and wander the nine acres of walled gardens where you may spot a peacock roaming free. After lunch, continue to Bamff Ecotourism. Meet the owners of this tranquil estate and learn why they're helping to reintroduce the wild beaver population to Scotland. Continue on to Dundee, an up-and-coming city on the banks of the River Tay. (B, D)

Day 9: Dundee – Edinburgh

This morning, **it's your choice!** Visit Discovery Point, home to the RRS Discovery, the ship that took Scott and Shackleton to Antarctica in 1901 –**OR**– get inspired at the V&A Dundee, Scotland's highly acclaimed design museum. This afternoon, enjoy a

whisky tasting tour at a distillery built on an old monastery. Your day ends in Scotland's capital city, Edinburgh, where this evening you'll take your seat at the world-famous Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, one of Scotland's greatest events. (B)

Day 10: Edinburgh

Start the morning with an impact moment and get a local's perspective with a guide from Invisible Cities – a social enterprise that trains people affected by homelessness to become tour guides of their own city. After your tour, visit Edinburgh Castle, a former military fortress, royal residence and prison of war. The rest of the day is yours. Perhaps you'll take a stroll among the Georgian architecture of the New Town or journey to Leith for a visit to the Royal Yacht Britannia. Gather in the evening for a farewell dinner and toast to your Scottish explorations. (B, D)

Day 11: Edinburgh – Tour Ends

Wish Scotland a fond farewell as you depart for home. (B)

Featured Post Tour Extension



Optional 3-Night London Post-Tour
Starting at \$910 pp

Day 12: Edinburgh, Scotland – London, England

Today, travel by train to experience London, the esteemed capital of the United Kingdom.

Day 13: London

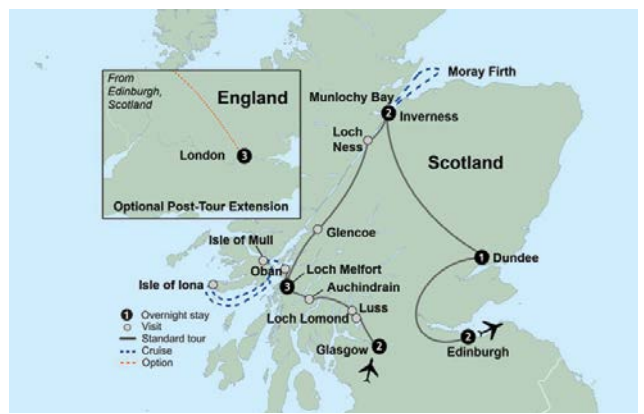
Navigate the city with a local expert. Using your included Oyster card, hop on the famous underground Tube and zoom to the city's most beloved attractions. Visit Kensington Palace, once the home of Queen Victoria and Princess Diana. Enjoy some free time to explore the city. (B)

Day 14: London

The day is yours! Take advantage of your day at leisure and included Tower of London pass. London's bustling city streets are lined with beautiful gardens, fascinating museums, celebrated monuments, and grand theaters – and you'll be a part of it all! (B)

Day 15: London – Tour Ends

Wish London goodbye as your visit ends today. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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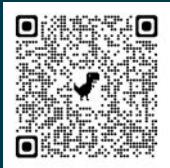
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This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Glasgow and depart from Edinburgh. Airport transfers are available for purchase. If you choose to arrange your own air, please note you must arrive into Glasgow airport no later than 4:00 p.m. If your flight arrives into Edinburgh airport, you must arrive no later than 2:00 p.m. Days 6 and 7 may be swapped based upon sea and weather conditions. Days and features are interchangeable.

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SPECTACULAR SCANDINAVIA

13 DAYS • 20 MEALS
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HIGHLIGHTS

Copenhagen • Farm Visit • Manor House Stay • Stockholm • Oslo • Fram Museum • Stave Church • Flåm Railway • Sognefjord • Briksdal Glacier • Geirangerfjord Cruise • Bergen



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- See the intricately-designed Borgund Stave Church, erected in 1180.
- Overnight in a historic manor house in the Swedish countryside.
- Take a ride to the Briksdal Glacier on a traditional "troll car."



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 5** - In Stockholm, choose to explore the Vasa Ship Museum and learn about the vessel's shocking maiden voyage, when it sank in a single nautical mile **-OR-** visit the ABBA Museum, an interactive exhibition about the Swedish pop sensation.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

12 Breakfasts (B) • 8 Dinners (D)

- Savour Swedish cuisine in Stockholm's old town.
- Experience the New Nordic Cuisine movement in Copenhagen.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1, 2 Copenhagen Admiral Hotel, Copenhagen
Day 3 Toftaholm Herrgård, Vittaryd
Days 4, 5 Scandic Grand Central, Stockholm
Days 6, 7 Hotel Bristol, Oslo
Day 8 Fretheim Hotel, Flåm
Days 9, 10 Alexandra Hotel, Loen or Hotel Union, Geiranger
Days 11, 12 Scandic Neptun, Bergen

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Copenhagen

Watch a Nordic postcard unfold before your eyes and discover the lands where Vikings reigned.

Day 1: Copenhagen, Denmark - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in the beautiful city of Copenhagen. Take some time to venture out on your own and come to know this cosmopolitan capital, dubbed the "gastro capital of Scandinavia." Tonight, meet your fellow travellers during a local dining experience highlighting the New Nordic Cuisine movement of Copenhagen. (D)

Day 2: Copenhagen

Join a local expert and set off on an engaging walking tour of Denmark's capital city. Explore Nyhavn, the picturesque harbour lined with colourful facades and charming cafes, as well as Amalienborg Palace, the residence of the Danish royal family. See the Royal Theater and Marble Church before enjoying some free time to enjoy Copenhagen on your own. (B)

Day 3: Copenhagen - Farm Visit - Swedish Countryside

Bid farewell to Copenhagen and travel north to meet the Hage family on their organic farm. Learn about their work conserving ancient grains and the old Danish livestock breeds before enjoying some homemade treats. Continue on to Helsingør, home of Kronborg Castle, and board a local ferry for a short ride across the famous Oresund to Sweden. This afternoon, arrive at Toftaholm Herrgård, a family-run lakeside manor house and your home for the evening. Before dinner, a local storyteller will enchant you with fabled stories from Sweden's past. (B, D)

Day 4: Swedish Countryside - Granna - Stockholm

Bid farewell to your countryside retreat and travel to Granna, a town situated on the shores of Lake Vättern and famous for its charming wooden houses, cobblestone streets and delectable candy shops. Continue north to Stockholm, Sweden's capital city. Tonight, enjoy a twist on modern dishes from Swedish and European cuisine at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 5: Stockholm

View Stockholm's greatest vistas and attractions, including Gamla Stan (Old Town), Riddarholm Church, the Royal Palace and the Parliament. You'll also enjoy a visit inside Stockholm's stunning City Hall which displays towering brick walls paired with an opulent interior. This afternoon **it's your choice!** You may choose to explore the Vasa Ship Museum and learn about the vessel's shocking maiden voyage, when it sank in a single nautical mile; the perfectly preserved ship, commissioned in the 1600s by King Vasa, was raised 334 years later from the bottom of the harbour **-OR-** visit the ABBA Museum, an interactive exhibition about the Swedish pop sensation. The remainder of the day is yours to explore Stockholm independently. Discover its strikingly colourful architecture and sample its innovative cuisine. (B)

Day 6: Stockholm - Oslo, Norway

Take a quick flight to Oslo, one of Europe's fastest-growing cities. As Norway's capital since

1814, Oslo is the centre of the country's government and the home to the royal family. Here, you'll find a vibrant, cosmopolitan hub with an abundance of world-class museums, restaurants and art. This evening, enjoy traditional Norwegian fare in one of Oslo's oldest buildings. (B, D)

Day 7: Oslo

A tour of Oslo begins at the remarkable Fram Museum, dedicated to telling the story of Norwegian polar exploration. Continue along Karl Johan Street and view the Royal Palace and city hall in quaint downtown Oslo. Next, visit Vigeland Park, home to the collection of statues and sculptures that comprise Gustav Vigeland's life's work. Later this afternoon, enjoy some free time to explore Oslo independently. (B)

Day 8: Oslo - Flåm

Travel north from Norway's capital to the majestic fjord region. Visit the Borgund Stave Church, the intricate structure built in dedication to the Apostle Andrew in 1180. Arrive next in the quaint village of Flåm, nestled at the entrance to the stunning Aurlandsfjord. Embark on the renowned Flåm Railway, one of the world's steepest train rides, and ascend 3,000 feet past mighty waterfalls, towering mountains and amazing valleys. Journey to the mountain plateau of Myrdal and cascade down to the fjord of Flåm, taking in the breathtaking views each way. (B, D)

Day 9: Flåm - Loen/Geiranger

Travel across the dramatic Sognefjord to the Briksdal Glacier, considered to be one of the most beautiful glaciers in Norway. Climb the glacier in a traditional "troll car" before arriving for a relaxing stay in the heart of Norway's fjord region. (B, D)

Day 10: Loen/Geiranger - Fjord Cruise - Loen/Geiranger

Spend the day enchanted by the inspiring landscape of the fjord region of Norway. While in Geiranger, a UNESCO World Heritage site, embark on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise, soaking in some of Norway's most beautiful scenery along the way. Known to be one of the most famous fjords in the world, Geirangerfjord is where you'll find Norway's mightiest waterfalls: the Seven Sisters, the Bridal Veil and the Suitor. You'll notice that homesteads are a continued presence on the steep sides of the mountains, where these farms have been kept for centuries. (B, D)

Day 11: Loen/Geiranger - Bergen

Be inspired by Norway's most impressive landscapes en route to Bergen — the gateway to the fjords. Founded with Viking roots, the Bergen of today

is known for its old-world charm and scenic landscapes. (B)

Day 12: Bergen

Join a guided walking tour of Bergen. Stroll along the historic and iconic harbour front, known as the Bryggen (UNESCO). Enjoy the afternoon at leisure and reunite with your fellow passengers for an atmospheric farewell dinner in the historic Bryggen neighbourhood. (B, D)

Day 13: Bergen - Tour Ends

Depart for home today with incredible memories of your Scandinavian journey. (B)

Featured Post Tour Extension



Optional 3-Night Iceland Post-Tour

Starting at \$965† pp

Day 13: Bergen - Fly to Reykjavík, Iceland

Discover Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice. Tonight, enjoy an Icelandic dinner at a popular local restaurant. (D)

Day 14: Reykjavík

This morning, join a local expert for a walking tour of the city's old section featuring Hallgrímskirkja church, city hall, the harbour, and Reykjavík's oldest building — home of the Kraum Icelandic design centre. Enjoy the remainder of your day at leisure. Perhaps you will choose to relax on a scenic whale watching cruise; venture out on a horseback riding excursion; or travel out to the Reykjanes peninsula to spend quality time relaxing in the geo-thermal waters of the famed Blue Lagoon. (B)

Day 15: Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Reykjavík

Travel the incredible Golden Circle, a route that encompasses many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders. Marvel at the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Journey to Thingvellir National Park, the nation's most historic area. Find yourself standing upon one of the globe's most geologically significant landscapes, Thingvellir's rugged rift valley (UNESCO) that marks the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Return to Reykjavík and have time to explore the city on your own. (B)

Day 16: Reykjavík - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today. (B)

† Additional air segment purchase required.



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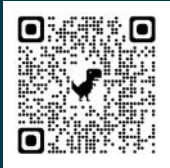
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This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Copenhagen and depart from Bergen. Airport transfers are available for purchase. The internal flight on this program is included in the land price of your tour.

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“ This was an incredible trip through Scandinavia. A perfect balance of large cities (Copenhagen, Stockholm, Oslo) with a lot of natural beauty in western Norway. ”

— Collette Traveller

ICELAND'S MAGICAL NORTHERN LIGHTS

6 DAYS · 10 MEALS
STARTING AT \$3399

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Reykjavík • Northern Lights Cruise
 - Search for the Northern Lights
- Golden Circle • Thingvellir National Park
 - Gullfoss • Lava Exhibition Centre
- Vík • Seljalandsfoss • Skógar Museum
- Skógafoss • Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon
 - Skaftafell • Vatnajökull Glacier
 - Blue Lagoon



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Explore Skógar Museum, covering all aspects of Icelandic life.
- Experience the energy at the geothermal fields of Geysir.
- Learn about the volcanic nature of the island of Iceland during a visit to the Lava Exhibition Centre.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

5 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Dinners (D)

- Savour gourmet Icelandic cuisine at a popular local restaurant.
- Challenge your taste buds and sample traditional hákarl (cured shark) and brennivín (Icelandic schnapps.)



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Centerhotel Plaza,
Centerhotel Midgardur,
Centerhotel Laugavegur,
or Centerhotel Grandi,
Reykjavík
- Days 2 - 4** Hotel Katla by Kea
or Hotel Dyrhólaey, Vík
- Day 5** Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavík

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Northern Lights

Experience the “land of fire and ice”
and chase the aurora borealis across
an ethereal wonderland.

Day 1: Reykjavík, Iceland - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Reykjavík, Iceland's capital city. Get acquainted with old town Reykjavík on a walking tour featuring the harbour, city hall, the Parliament building, and the nearby cathedral, dating back to 1796. Gather with your fellow travellers at a popular restaurant for dinner featuring Icelandic cuisine. This evening, take an exhilarating northern lights cruise and sail into the darkness of Faxaflói Bay in search of the aurora borealis. (D)

Day 2: Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Lava Exhibition Centre - Vík

Travel the Golden Circle to experience renowned natural wonders, including the explosive Geysir

thermal area, the double-cascade Gullfoss waterfall, and the famous Thingvellir National Park, where you'll stand upon the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. Stop at the Lava Exhibition Centre and delve into Iceland's past and present volcanic eruptions. Continue to Vík. Drive out into the stillness of rural Iceland in search of the northern lights or venture out on foot. Enjoy three nights of searching to increase your likelihood of spotting the lights. (B, D)

Day 3: Vík - Seljalandsfoss - Skógar Museum - Vík

Journey to Seljalandsfoss, one of Iceland's most famous and unique waterfalls. Visit Skógar Museum and discover its turf-built homes



Blue Lagoon



Seljalandsfoss

and artifacts. Stand in awe before the impressive Skógafoss waterfall, one of Iceland's tallest. Your journey continues to Reynisfjara, a volcanic sand beach surrounded by basalt formations and rich bird life. Look out over the natural rock formations at Dyrhólaey, a volcanic peninsula towering over the ocean. Get a sense of the local culture as you challenge your taste buds and sample traditional delicacies — *hákarl* (cured shark) and *brennivín* (schnapps). After dinner, gaze at the sky in search of the northern lights. (B, D)

Day 4: Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon – Skaftafell – Vík

Travel to Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs. Explore this extraordinary landscape and search for seals swimming in cold waters. Travel to Skaftafell National Park, gateway to

Vatnajökull Glacier. Vatnajökull is known for having Iceland's highest mountains and Europe's largest ice cap. After dinner, continue searching for the northern lights dancing across the night sky. (B, D)

Day 5: Vík – Blue Lagoon – Reykjavík

Drive along the south shore towards the Reykjanes Peninsula. Known for its rugged landscape, lava fields, and numerous hot springs, the peninsula is home to the Blue Lagoon. Take a dip in the warm, mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool, located in the heart of a dramatic lava field. Return to Reykjavík for your farewell dinner and overnight stay. (B, D)

Day 6: Reykjavík – Tour Ends
Depart for home with many incredible memories. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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SOLO Starting at **\$4099**

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Departures available Sept 2022 – March 2024.
View the website for additional dates.

This trip requires a passport. Effective for travel after January 2023, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorisation, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>. Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from Reykjavik. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Due to tour scheduling, arrival flights should arrive prior to 10:00 a.m. Due to flight schedules, a post night may be required in some Icelandic gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please enquire at time of reservation. The northern lights cruise is weather dependent and may be postponed or cancelled in the event of adverse weather or sea conditions. This tour takes place in the winter. You can expect varying weather conditions with brisk days and limited daylight. We seek to best utilise your time while on tour; to account for the potential for adverse weather, some activities or days may need to be altered, shifted, or cancelled. In addition, museum visits and shopping may be affected by observance of religious or local holidays. The northern lights are in the Northern Hemisphere from September through April and are only visible when the sky is clear and free of clouds. As this tour is weather dependent, sightings of the northern lights are not guaranteed.

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EXPLORING GREECE AND ITS ISLANDS

15 DAYS • 24 MEALS
STARTING AT \$6114

Price based on 12 April, 2024 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Athens • The Acropolis • Parthenon
- Metéora • Delphi • Olympia
- Greek Farm Visit • Cooking Class
- Greek Dance Class • Mykonos
- Santorini • Ancient Akrotiri



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Come to know two breathtaking Byzantine monasteries in Metéora, built over 600 years ago.
- Experience the Delphi Museum and its collection of ancient artifacts.
- Broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek music with a delightful Greek dance class.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 8** - Journey to ancient Mycenae, once ruled by mythological King Agamemnon, and visit the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate **-OR-** linger in Nafplio, and join a walking tour of Greece's first capital city.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

14 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 8 Dinners (D)

- Taste olive oil and homemade jams at a local farm in the Peloponnese countryside.
- Partake in a Mediterranean cooking experience followed by a traditional Greek lunch.
- Sample the finest wines in Greece during a winery tour in Santorini.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Days 1, 2** Crowne Plaza City Centre or Wyndham Grand, Athens
- Day 3** Grand Hotel Meteora, Kalambaka
- Day 4** Domotel Anemolia Mountain Resort or Nafsika Palace, Itea, Arachova
- Days 5, 6** Europa Hotel, Olympia
- Days 7, 8** Nafplia Palace Hotel & Villas, Amphitryon Hotel, or Amalia Hotel, Nafplio
- Days 9, 10** San Marco Hotel or Petinos Hotel, Mykonos
- Days 11-13** Aegean Plaza, Santorini Palace, or El Greco Resort, Santorini
- Day 14** Crowne Plaza City Centre or Holiday Inn Attica, Athens

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Discover the magnificent ruins of ancient Greece and bask in the brilliance of the Mediterranean.

Day 1: Athens, Greece - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in the capital city of Athens. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner featuring Greek specialties at a local restaurant in Athens. (D)

Day 2: Athens

Enjoy a panoramic tour of the highlights in Athens showcasing the city's ancient and glorious monuments, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Parliament, and the Olympic Stadium. Next, ascend the steep hill of the Acropolis. Greek for "highest city," the Acropolis was the religious centre of ancient Athens and is crowned by the Parthenon, considered the pinnacle of classical Greek architecture. This evening, perhaps you'll choose to join an optional local food tour of Athens. (B)

Day 3: Athens - Thermopylae - Metéora - Kalambaka

Travel north through central Greece to Thermopylae. Stop to see a monument

dedicated to Leonidas who died defending the city against the Persians. Arrive in Metéora and visit two remote monasteries situated in a unique landscape of limestone rock "towers" that extend nearly 900 feet into the air. Over 600 years ago, Byzantine monks chose to build their monastic community perched atop these virtually inaccessible rocks. End your day at a family-owned taverna where you will savour a delicious meal with recipes passed down from generations. (B, D)

Day 4: Kalambaka - Delphi - Arachova

This morning, visit a local studio to see painters at work creating beautiful Byzantine icons. Continue to the ancient city of Delphi, one of Greece's most important religious centres during Classical times. A local expert guides you on a visit to the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple, the ancient theatre, and the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artifacts. It was here that the famous Oracle was consulted to

foretell the destiny of Man. Continue on to charming Arachova, a popular ski resort town with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. (B, D)

Day 5: Arachova – Olympia

Travel along the Gulf of Corinth, crossing into the Peloponnese to the historic city of Olympia, a testament to the grandeur of ancient Greek civilization. Visit a local farm in the countryside and meet with the owners to learn about everyday life. Following the tour, enjoy a tasting of local wines, olive oil, homemade jams, marmalades and sweets. (B, D)

Day 6: Olympia

Your guided visit to ancient Olympia includes a tour of the sanctuary of Zeus, the Olympic Stadium — where the first Olympic Games were held in 776 B.C. — and the museum. Next, learn how to cook some of the region’s best dishes as you partake in a Mediterranean cooking experience followed by a traditional Greek lunch. This evening, broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek musical instruments and folkloric dances with a delightful Greek dance class. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Olympia – Nafplio

Enjoy spectacular scenery as you cross the Arcadian Mountains en route to the picturesque seaside resort of Nafplio. En route, stop at a family-owned ouzo distillery producing Greece’s signature anise-flavored aperitif since 1869. (B)

Day 8: Nafplio

Today, **it’s your choice!** Journey to ancient Mycenae, once ruled by mythological King Agamemnon, commander-in-chief of the Greeks during the Trojan War. Explore the excavations during a guided visit featuring the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate **-OR-** linger in Nafplio, and join a walking tour of Greece’s first capital city. Nafplio’s mix of Venetian and Neo-classical architectural influences make it Greece’s most elegant city. (B)

Day 9: Nafplio – Athens – Mykonos

Early this morning, transfer to the port of Athens for the high-speed ferry ride to Mykonos, the whitewashed

jewel of the Cyclades Islands. Enjoy magnificent views as you cruise across the brilliant Aegean Sea to this island paradise. (B, D)

Day 10: Mykonos

Enjoy a relaxing day to independently explore the charms of Mykonos. Don’t miss Mykonos Town, where mazes of narrow streets link the whitewashed buildings and traditional life continues amidst the bustling activity. Or join an optional excursion to the nearby island of Delos, the fabled birthplace of Apollo and Artemis. (B)

Day 11: Mykonos – Santorini

Cruise to the most spectacular destination in the Mediterranean, the fabled island of Santorini. Next, travel through a fascinating landscape of vineyards, whitewashed chapels, and volcanic cliffs to the spectacular town of Oia, where the best views of the crater are found. (B, D)

Day 12: Santorini – Oia – Santorini

Begin your day with a visit to the excavation site of ancient Akrotiri, the most important prehistoric settlement found anywhere in the Eastern Mediterranean. Known as the “Minoan Pompeii,” the flourishing town was at once destroyed and preserved by a volcanic eruption around 1450 B.C. End your day with a visit to a local winery that produces the unique and famous wines of Santorini. (B)

Day 13: Santorini

Your day is at leisure to relax or independently explore Santorini, considered one of the most stunning landscapes in the world. Shop in Thira’s charming town centre, take in the breathtaking scenery, visit a local museum or simply enjoy the amenities of your hotel. (B)

Day 14: Santorini – Athens

Bid farewell to the Greek Islands and fly back to Athens for your overnight stay. Celebrate the end of a memorable trip to Greece with a delightful farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 15: Athens – Tour Ends

Your tour ends today. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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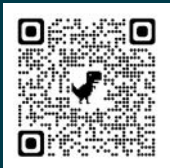
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Departures available Sept 2022 – May 2024.

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This trip requires a passport. Effective for travel after January 2023, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorization, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com.au/>. Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from Athens. Airport transfers are available for purchase. The internal flights on this program are included in the land price of your tour. Due to ferry schedules on some departures, you may be required to depart the hotel as early as 3:30 a.m. Should this be the case, a boxed breakfast will be provided in place of the regular hotel breakfast. The “Ancient Delos: Apollo’s Sacred Island” option must be purchased at least 10 days prior to departure. This option is subject to weather and sea conditions. In order to access the Acropolis archaeological site, you will be required to climb about 30–40 uneven steps and walking over rugged terrain with loose stones and without railings. You will be travelling by public ferries between Athens, Mykonos and Santorini. In addition to handling your own luggage on and off the ferries, you must be prepared to climb 1 or 2 flights of steep steps to access the passenger section of the ferryboats. If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may find these transfers challenging and may want to consider an alternate program with us. Our Reservations Team can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect trip for you.

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FEATURED TOUR EXTENSIONS

ROME 3-NIGHT PRE TOUR

STARTING AT: \$1520 PP



ISTANBUL 3-NIGHT POST TOUR

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CULTURAL TREASURES OF JAPAN

13 DAYS • 19 MEALS
STARTING AT \$8099

Price based on 25 March, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Tokyo • Asakusa Sensoji Shrine • Ginza
- Tea Ceremony • Hakone • Lake Ashi Cruise • Matsumoto Castle • Takayama
- Sake Tasting and Hida Beef Dinner
- Shirakawa-go • Kanazawa • Kyoto
- Bullet Train • Hiroshima • Kaiseki Dinner



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Try your hand at the centuries-old art of the Japanese tea ceremony, gold leaf decorating and stencilling.
- Travel by the famous Shinkansen bullet train.
- Explore the famous Ginza District, the first Western-style shopping district in Japan where modern and history blends.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

12 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

- Enjoy a sake tasting at a local sake brewery followed by a Hida beef dinner.
- Experience a traditional kaiseki dinner with geisha show in Kyoto.
- Participate in a sushi-making class.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1 - 3 Grand Nikko Daiba, Tokyo

Day 4 Odakyu Hotel de Yama, Hakone

Days 5, 6 Takayama Green Hotel, Takayama

Days 7, 8 Kanazawa Tokyu Hotel, Kanazawa

Days 9 - 12 Kyoto Tokyu Hotel, Kyoto

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Fushimi Inari Taisha

From the tranquility of ancient temples to the energy of bustling cities, find a blend of all things old and new in Japan.

Day 1: Tokyo, Japan - Tour Begins

Explore ancient and modern Japanese culture firsthand. Discover peaceful temples and technological marvels set against unimaginable natural beauty. Welcome to Japan, the "Land of the Rising Sun." Begin in the electrifying city of Tokyo, where pop culture is turned all the way up and traditions are rich and long-kept.

Day 2: Tokyo

Feel the excitement start to build as you pass by the grounds of the Imperial Palace and see the Niji Bridge and Sakurada Gate, the well-known symbols of the Imperial Palace. Walk through Ginza, one of the most elegant and luxurious streets in the world, where modern landscape meets rich history. Enjoy shopping at some of the most renowned "department stores" in Japan. Later, amid a lush forest outside of Tokyo, visit the Meiji Shrine, dedicated to Emperor Meiji and his wife, Empress Shoken. Tonight, join your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Tokyo

Begin the day exploring Asakusa, Tokyo's oldest Geisha district. Visit the famous Buddhist temple, Senso-ji, the colourful temple famous for the red chochin (lantern) hanging at the entrance gate. Experience the long standing tradition of the Japanese tea ceremony, dating back to the 15th century. During your free time, explore the Nakamise Shopping Arcade and feel the

energy of the oldest shopping street in Japan. Then, head to Edo Tokyo Museum to learn about the fascinating history and culture of Tokyo. The museum displays life-size and model scale replicas of towns and buildings of old Tokyo. (B)

Day 4: Tokyo - Hakone

Journey to the lakeside resort of Hakone, renowned for its hot springs. In the shadow of Mt. Fuji (UNESCO), this scenic town hugs the shorelines of Lake Ashi. Make a stop at Owakudani, located in an active volcanic zone. The Owakudani crater was created some 3,000 years ago, when Mt. Hakone erupted. Climb aboard the Hakone Ropeway, an aerial cable car descending from Owakudani for a breathtaking view of Mt. Fuji. Next, take to the deep-blue waters of Lake Ashi on a cruise where you'll see epic views of the local mountains before stopping in the charming town of Moto-Hakone. (B, D)

Day 5: Hakone - Matsumoto - Takayama

This breathtaking day begins in Matsumoto at Matsumoto Castle, known as the "Crow Castle" because of its striking black exterior. Enjoy the local cuisine as we stop for lunch at a Soba noodle shop. Later, you'll step back in time in the rural Edo-period town of Takayama, nestled in the Japanese Alps. Well known to the locals for its connection to sake, this is the perfect place to gather for a visit to one of Japan's



200-year-old sake breweries. Afterward, experience a true Japanese epicurean treat — traditional rice wine paired with a special Hida beef dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Takayama

The ancient cultures of Takayama come alive this morning in the town's historic district. Take a walk through the past and glimpse the 19th-century Jinya government building. Stroll through the morning market, a 600-year-old open air market with locally grown and produced products, located along the Miyagawa River. Circuit the winding streets, where the town's traditional charms are preserved in the inns and houses. This afternoon, relish some free time to continue your exploration of Takayama on your own. (B)

Day 7: Takayama – Shirakawa-go – Kanazawa

Today, embrace the unique charms of Shirakawa-go (UNESCO). Hidden away in the mountain, this harmonious village is famous for its gassho-zukuri-style houses — thatched-rooftops designed to resemble two hands joined in prayer. Journey to Kanazawa, the origin of gold-leaf making since the 16th century. Visit the Samurai district where we will enter the former home of the Nomuras, a wealthy samurai family who served the ruling Maeda family. Then, travel to the Geisha quarters of Kanazawa, the Higashi Tea district. (B, D)

Day 8: Kanazawa

More than 25 acres of absolute beauty await you today at Kenroku-En — Garden of Six Qualities. From the beauty of Japan's most stunning gardens, dive into the ancient craft of gold leaf making during a hands-on lesson in decorating your own lacquer box! In the centre of town, take in the action of the Omicho fish market before venturing out on your own to really immerse yourself in Kanazawa's dynamic culture. (B)

Day 9: Kanazawa – Kyoto

Kyoto awaits! The former Imperial capital of Japan is now one of the nation's top cosmopolitan cities. At the same time, Kyoto's connection with its past is strong; you won't need to look far to see one of its 2,000 temples and shrines. For lunch, participate in a sushi making class and master the art of sushi making. This afternoon, visit Kinkakuji (UNESCO), the Golden Pavilion, a Zen temple whose top two floors are completely covered in gold leaf. (B, L)

Day 10: Kyoto – Bullet Train – Hiroshima – Kyoto

All aboard the Shinkansen bullet train to Hiroshima. Upon arrival, board a ferry for the short trip to Miyajima Island, or "Shrine Island" (UNESCO). Afterwards, head into Hiroshima city to visit the Peace Memorial Park, and pause to see the ruined Atomic Dome (UNESCO). Reflect at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum. As this long and moving day comes to a close, return to Kyoto by the Shinkansen bullet train. (B)

Day 11: Kyoto

This morning, explore Fushimi Inari Taisha for a tour of the most revered shrine of Inari. Follow the spectacular rows of orange torii (made famous in the movie *Memoirs of a Geisha*) that weave through the forest, leading you to the inner shrine. Move on to the home of the first Shogun, Nijo Castle (UNESCO), and see intricate woodcarvings, wall paintings, and the Ninomaru Garden, designed by Kobori Enshu, a landscape architect and tea master. Next, learn about the ancient craft of stencilling during a hands on lesson. (B)

Day 12: Kyoto

Today, spend some time relaxing or set out to explore Kyoto on your own. Fully immerse yourself in Japanese culture tonight during a special *kaiseki* farewell dinner and geisha show. (B, D)

Day 13: Kyoto – Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close in this fascinating land. As you depart, reflect on its beauty and all you have learned about its rich history and culture. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



Walking for longer periods of time isn't a big deal for you. You can navigate uneven ground and climb into various modes of transportation.

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Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

“ A really great tour. We were very fortunate to see Mt. Fuji in all its glory! The geisha show at our farewell dinner capped off a very memorable experience. ”

— Collette Traveller

NEW TOUR

JAPAN: PAST & PRESENT

13 DAYS • 19 MEALS

STARTING AT \$8349

Price based on 8 March, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Tokyo • Ginza • Asakusa • Tea Ceremony
 - Edo Tokyo Museum • Bullet Train
 - Ise-Shima • Ise Grand Shrine
- Kaiseki Dinner • Mikimoto Pearl Museum
 - Ama Pearl Divers Dinner • Kyoto
- Golden Pavilion • Arashiyama Bamboo Forest • Women's Association of Kyoto
 - Gion • Okunoin Cemetery
 - Monastery Stay • Hiroshima
- Okonomiyaki Cooking Class & Lunch
 - Peace Memorial Park & Museum
- Discussion with an A-Bomb Survivor
 - Osaka



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Stay among Buddhist monks at a monastery on Mount Koya.
- Meet Japan's Ama pearl divers and learn more about their elite profession.
- Visit Hiroshima's Peace Park and Memorial Museum and hear accounts of the atomic bomb's devastation.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

12 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 6 Dinners (D)

- Dive deep into the culture and social norms of Japan over dinner with the Women's Association of Kyoto.
- Enjoy a traditional, multi-course kaiseki meal.
- Make delicious okonomiyaki, savoury pancakes that are a Japanese favourite.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Days 1 - 3** Hotel the Celestine Tokyo Shiba, Tokyo
- Days 4, 5** Nemu Resort, Ise-Shima
- Days 6 - 8** Hotel Granvia, Kyoto
- Day 9** Sekishoin, Mt. Koya
- Days 10, 11** ANA Crowne Plaza, Hiroshima
- Day 12** ANA Crowne Plaza, Osaka

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
SMALL GROUP
EXPLORATIONS
MAXIMUM 24 GUESTS



Ama Hut Dining Experience ©Ama Hut SATOUMIAN

From neon-lit streets filled with people to quiet shrines filled only with silence, come face-to-face with a culture thousands of years in the making.

Day 1: Tokyo, Japan - Tour Begins

Say "Konichiwa!" to the incredible city of Tokyo. Japan is a land of contrasts, and you're about to discover the thousand facets of culture, art, and life that make up its incredible spirit. From neon-lit streets filled with people to quiet shrines filled only with silence, you'll come face-to-face with a culture thousands of years in the making.

Day 2: Tokyo

This morning, start your first day in Tokyo like a true local — by hopping on the subway. Clean, efficient, fast, and easy to use, the Tokyo subway system is one of the best in the world. Follow your Tour Manager on a walk through Ginza, one of the most elegant and luxurious streets in the world. Enjoy shopping at some of the most renowned "department stores" in Japan. This afternoon, visit Zojoji Temple, standing in the shadow of Tokyo Tower and painting a powerful picture of Tokyo's ancient roots and modern culture. Zojoji is the centre of Japanese Buddhism in the region, and the resting place of the royal Tokugawa family. Head back to the hotel through the lush and beautiful Shiba park, a green oasis in the urban landscape. Tonight, sit down and get to know your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Tokyo

Head to Asakusa, passing by the grounds of the Imperial Palace and see the Nijubashi Bridge and Sakurada Gate. Experience the subtle and gentle art of the green tea ceremony. In a special demonstration, you'll learn about the ancient

practice that is used to calm the mind, shift the focus away from the day-to-day of life, and appreciate the moment. Enjoy free time exploring Nakamise shopping street, where you can stroll between the stalls leading to the Sensoji temple to buy local souvenirs and sweets. Then, head to the Edo Tokyo Museum to learn about the fascinating history and culture of the city. The museum displays life-size and model scale replicas of towns and buildings of old Tokyo. (B)

Day 4: Tokyo - Ise-Shima

Climb aboard the high-speed shinkansen, or bullet train. Sleek, modern, and comfortable, the bullet train will flash through the idyllic Japanese countryside at 200 miles per hour, but you'll barely feel or hear a thing. Keep an eye peeled for Mt. Fuji in the distance. Arrive at one of the most important shrines in Japan — Ise Shrine. This grand shrine is built to honour the Shinto sun goddess Amaterasu. Wander among the thatched roofs, taking in the serenity of this spiritual wonder. Tonight, your meal will be a traditional and delicious Japanese kaiseki dinner, an artfully prepared and presented, multi-course meal using ingredients at the absolute peak of freshness. (B, D)

Day 5: Ise-Shima

Enjoy a relaxing start today. Perhaps you'll take advantage of the hotel's scenic walking trails that lead to a picturesque beach. Later this morning, you'll head to the Mikimoto Pearl Museum. Explore the island and the legacy of the skilled Ama pearl divers, women who defied conventional gender roles to dive in the sea to harvest oysters and

their pearls. Watch divers take the plunge and learn about the history and science of pearl diving. This evening, set out for Azurihama Beach, where you'll venture across the sands to an Ama hut for an incredible dining experience. While local seafood is grilled in a charcoal fire right before your eyes, hear tales from the Ama women about their lives and the sacred rights of their profession. (B, D)

Day 6: Ise-Shima - Kyoto

Kyoto awaits! Before arriving in Japan's former capital city stop at Nara park and Todaiji Temple. Venture inside the massive building to take some time in this sacred place, and find the huge bronze Buddha statue. Wander the grounds outside and discover the famous "bowing" deer of Nara. Next, it's off to Kyoto. (B)

Day 7: Kyoto

Begin your day at Kinkakuji (UNESCO), the Golden Pavilion, a Zen temple whose top two floors are completely covered in gold leaf. Once the lavish retirement home of a shogun, it was converted to a Zen temple in the 1400s. Depart for the Arashiyama bamboo forest. Set out among the towering bamboo stalks that shade the forest paths and gently sway in the breeze. Later, visit the Women's Association of Kyoto in a traditional Kyoto town house. Here, delve into a wide array of enlightening Japanese activities, guided by your knowledgeable hostess. Sip different sakes, try your hand at making sushi, fold intricate origami shapes, and speak to your hostess about Japan, its culture, and women's roles in this complex society. (B, D)

Day 8: Kyoto

Head to Gion, Kyoto's famous geisha district. Here, your Tour Manager leads you through the narrow cobblestone streets and if you're lucky, you may see a woman in full traditional geisha regalia headed to one of the hidden, exclusive tea houses. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure to explore how you want. Perhaps you'll stay in the Gion district to wander among its temples, shrines, traditional shops and charming cafes. Or, you could make your way to the Nishiki Market, where colourful stalls are filled with fresh foods and local specialties, like pickles, dried seafood, and sushi. (B)

Day 9: Kyoto - Mt. Koya

Today, head for the mountain village atop Mount Koya. A special and sacred site, Mount Koya is filled with shrines, temples, and monasteries. When you arrive, walk into the heart of the awe-inspiring Okuninon Cemetery, and make your way to the mausoleum of Kobo Daishi, the founder of Shingon Buddhism. Kobo Daishi hasn't passed on

— Buddhist belief says he waits in eternal meditation, answering the calls of those who would pray to him. Settle into your accommodations for the night — a traditional Japanese monastery, complete with sliding paper doors and tatami mats. Meet with one of the monks of the temple and learn about life there before sitting down for dinner, where you'll eat an incredibly delicious vegetarian meal, featuring tempura-fried favourites. (B, D)

Day 10: Mt. Koya - Hiroshima

If you so choose, you can rise in the early morning to join the Buddhist monks in prayer. Sit in the serenity of the temple shrine as the monks ring their gongs, chant, burn incense, and centre themselves for the activities of the day ahead. Then, you'll once again board the shinkansen bullet train to Hiroshima. Enjoy lunch at a local cooking studio, where you'll learn how to make Japanese okonomiyaki, or savoury pancake, a favourite of Hiroshima residents. After, visit the Peace Memorial Park, and pause to see the ruined Atomic Dome (UNESCO), a sobering reminder of the devastation caused by the dropping of the atomic bomb during World War II. Reflect at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum. (B, L)

Day 11: Hiroshima

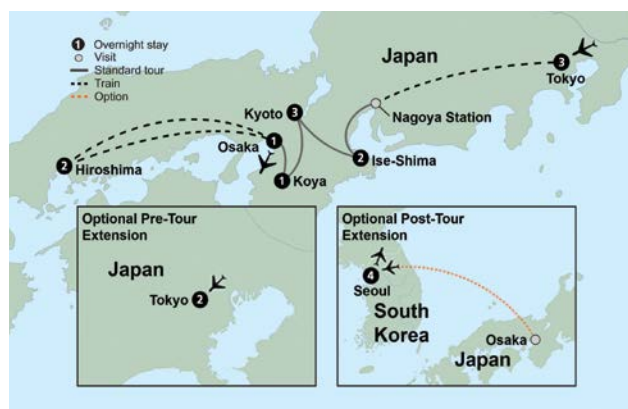
Head back to the Peace Park and Memorial Museum this morning for a powerful **Impact Moment**, a meeting with someone who experienced the devastating effects of the Atomic bomb firsthand. They'll talk about what it was like to live in Japan during that time, the aftermath of that terrible day, and how they keep the memories of those who were lost alive. After, board a ferry for the short trip to Miyajima Island, or "Shrine Island" (UNESCO), famous for the Itsukushima Shrine and its mythic O-torii Gate standing proudly in the water. (B)

Day 12: Hiroshima - Osaka

Today, journey to your final destination, the energetic city of Osaka. Set out on a walking tour through the famous Dotonbori district. From shopping, to dining, to nightlife, Dotonbori has it all — bathed in the neon glow of huge electric signs. Learn why Osaka is known as the "Kitchen of Japan" as you sample its famous and delicious street food. Tonight, sit down and say your fond farewells to your travel companions at a farewell dinner. Raise a cup of sake and toast to the colourful spirit of Japan, and the adventures you've had. (B, D)

Day 13: Osaka - Tour Ends

Take a quiet moment to reflect on all the new memories you have created before heading home. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



Unfortunately, this tour isn't appropriate for guests who use wheelchairs or walkers as it requires walking on uneven terrain.

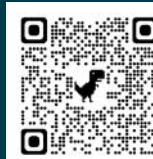
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DOUBLE Starting at \$8349

SOLO Starting at \$10,699

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date.

Price based on 8 March, 2023 departure.



Departures available Sept 2022 - April 2023.
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FEATURED TOUR EXTENSIONS

TOKYO
2-NIGHT POST TOUR
STARTING AT: \$830 PP



SEOUL
4-NIGHT POST TOUR
STARTING AT: \$1655 PP



This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Tokyo and depart from Osaka. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Some venues, such as temples and shrines, require guests to remove their shoes in order to enter. We recommend wearing footwear that is easily removed for sightseeing on these days. Mt Fuji is only visible from train on a clear day and cannot be guaranteed based on weather conditions. In the event that an atomic bomb survivor is unavailable, a legacy successor (relative or friend of a survivor) will meet the group and share their relative's experiences and stories. Each guest is responsible for proper documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Please contact your local travel clinic or personal physician for specific details on the destinations you are travelling to and from. This tour features a one-night experiential stay at a traditional monastery. During this stay, portage is not available and rolling luggage is not allowed inside. An overnight bag is required and your main luggage will stay on the coach. You will not be able to access your main luggage until we check-in at our Hiroshima Hotel (approx. 5pm following day.) Accommodations at the monastery are traditional. All guests will sleep on tatami mats that are placed on the floor. Western-style beds are not available. Therefore, this tour is not recommended for those with mobility restrictions. Shoes are not permitted inside the monastery. Socks are highly recommended for use during your time here. Meals are also traditional and served on trays that you eat from while sitting on the floor on a cushion. All meals served at the monastery are vegetarian. This tour provides authentic Japanese dining experiences. Any special meal requests, including vegan, vegetarian, or gluten-free may not be able to be accommodated as these are not widely catered to. If you have any dietary restrictions, please notify us at time of booking so we can accommodate you as best as possible.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

AMERICA'S NATIONAL PARKS & DENVER

14 DAYS • 20 MEALS
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Price based on 24 September, 2022 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Scottsdale • Lake Powell • Grand Canyon
- Bryce Canyon • Zion • Salt Lake City
- Jackson Hole • Grand Teton & Yellowstone National Parks • Old Faithful
- Sheridan • Bighorn Mountains
- Crazy Horse Memorial • Mount Rushmore
- Denver • Rocky Mountain National Park



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Explore the Buffalo Bill Centre of the West, a tribute to Buffalo Bill Cody.
- Meet Native Americans and discuss their unique and colourful culture.
- Make yourself at home with a 2-night stay in Denver, the "Mile High City."



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 5** - Delve into the area's native heritage and pioneer culture at the Zion Human History Museum -**OR**- venture off on your own to explore the park independently.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

13 Breakfasts (B) • 7 Dinners (D)

- Experience a chuck wagon dinner and cowboy entertainment.
- Discover a world of colour and light on a breakfast cruise on Lake Powell.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Courtyard by Marriott, Scottsdale, AZ
- Day 2** Lake Powell Resort, Page, AZ
- Day 3** Grand Canyon Lodges* North Rim or South Rim, Grand Canyon, AZ
- Days 4, 5** Holiday Inn Express, Springdale, UT
- Day 6** Radisson Hotel Salt Lake Downtown, Salt Lake Marriott Downtown at City Creek, Salt Lake City Marriott City Centre, Salt Lake City, UT
- Days 7, 8** Snow King Resort or SpringHill Suites by Marriott, Jackson Hole, WY
- Day 9** Yellowstone Lodges***, Yellowstone National Park
- Day 10** Holiday Inn, Sheridan, WY
- Day 11** Courtyard by Marriott, Rapid City, SD
- Days 12, 13** Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel, Denver, CO

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Experience the grandeur of the American West as you explore six fantastic national parks on this exciting journey.

Day 1: Scottsdale, Arizona - Tour Begins

Journey through six of America's most incredible national parks. Your tour opens in Arizona where you will enjoy a stay in the world-famous resort town of Scottsdale. This evening, join your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Scottsdale - Sedona - Lake Powell

Begin the day with a visit to the artists' colony of Sedona and see the amazing rock formations that change hue with each turn in the road. Later today, arrive at Lake Powell for dinner and sunset views of the lake. (B, D)

Day 3: Lake Powell - Grand Canyon

Embark on a delightful breakfast cruise on scenic Lake Powell. Head to the Carl Hayden Visitors Centre and look out over Glen Canyon Dam to see to the end of Lake Powell. Afterward, travel through the beautiful scenery before arriving at one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World - the spectacular Grand Canyon.* Upon arrival, relax at one of the many public seating areas overlooking the immense and colourful canyon. Take a moment to reflect as you stand in awe of this iconic natural treasure. Before dinner you may wish to take a short hike to explore the area. (B, D)

Day 4: Grand Canyon - Bryce Canyon - Springdale, Utah

Today's journey takes you to Bryce Canyon National Park, truly one of the most spectacular scenic wonders of the world. The formations within the park, called Hoodoos, are the creation of wind and water erosion over eons of time. Iron oxidizing within the rock causes the natural orange and red hues that colour these formations. End your day in Springdale, the gateway to Zion National Park. (B, D)

Day 5: Zion National Park **Y**

In terms of sheer magnitude and colour, few places on Earth match the beauty of Zion National Park. Marvel at red and white sandstone cliffs as you take a full day to explore Utah's first national park. Climb aboard Zion's open-air tram and wind your way alongside the Virgin River and through the 2,400-foot deep, half-mile wide Zion Canyon. This afternoon, **it's your choice!** Delve into the area's native American heritage and pioneer culture at the Zion Human History Museum -**OR**- venture off on your own to explore the park independently. (B)



Lake Powell



Rocky Mountain National Park

Day 6: Springdale - Salt Lake City

Enjoy a tour of Salt Lake City featuring the Great Salt Lake and the Utah State Capitol building. Then, take the rest of the day and evening to relax or explore more on your own. Perhaps you will choose to explore Temple Square — a beautifully landscaped area set in the heart of downtown. The square's centrepiece is the 6-spired granite Salt Lake Temple, and adjacent to this imposing structure is the domed Tabernacle, home of the famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the great Tabernacle organ. (B)

Day 7: Salt Lake City - Jackson Hole, Wyoming

En route to Wyoming you will see the majestic Bear Lake Summit. Later, arrive in the cowboy town of Jackson and experience a fun-filled evening of cowboy entertainment and a traditional chuck wagon** dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Jackson Hole

The day is yours to enjoy Jackson Hole. From hiking and river-rafting to shopping and sampling the local cuisine, there are endless activities to make the most of your day. (B)

Day 9: Jackson Hole - Grand Teton & Yellowstone National Parks

From Jackson Hole, pass through Grand Teton National Park. Towering more than a mile above the valley of Jackson Hole, the Grand Teton rises to 13,770 feet. Twelve Teton peaks reach above 12,000 feet and support a dozen mountain glaciers. The Teton Range is the youngest range in the Rockies and displays some of North America's oldest rocks. Later, arrive at the amazing Yellowstone National Park*** and explore the park's incredible sights. Experience the world-famous Old Faithful Geyser, a fountain of steam that rises more than 130 feet in the air. (B)

Day 10: Yellowstone - Cody - Sheridan

A delightful day of sightseeing begins with a trip along Yellowstone Lake and over Sylvan Pass. As you pass through Cody, stop at the Buffalo Bill Centre of the West, a tribute to one of the most well known figures of the Old West. Before turning in for the night in Sheridan, drive through the incredible Bighorn Mountains and journey through the territory of the Great Sioux Nation. (B)

Day 11: Sheridan - Rapid City, South Dakota

Visit Crazy Horse Memorial, a monument dedicated to Native Americans. Visit the Native American Cultural Centre to learn about local customs, when Native Americans discuss the movements of their dances and the significance of different clothes. Later, see one of the country's most famous landmarks, Mount Rushmore, whose four figures carved in stone represent the first 150 years of American history. At tonight's dinner you will meet a local Lakota Native American and learn all about their fascinating way of life, past and present. (B, D)

Day 12: Rapid City - Denver, Colorado

Today's adventure takes you south into Wyoming and through Cheyenne, the state capital. Later, arrive in Denver, Colorado — the "Mile High City." Relax and make yourself at home for the next two nights. (B)

Day 13: Denver - Rocky Mountain National Park - Denver

Set out for spectacular Rocky Mountain National Park. Here, the beauty of the West is preserved and the term "sweeping vistas" takes on a whole new meaning. Return to Denver and enjoy the remainder of the afternoon at leisure. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 14: Denver - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



You're confident walking 30–45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains — from cobblestone streets to a few flights of stairs.

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MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

Choose to add more time to your trip:

1-2 NIGHTS

PRE NIGHT
SCOTTSDALE
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Price based on 27 May, 2023 departure.



Departures available August – October 2023.
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RUSTIC ACCOMMODATIONS

On this tour you'll stay overnight right in or near the stunning national parks, which necessitates lodging in more rustic accommodations. Though the quality is not at our usual standards, the setting is incomparable. (Except on Day 13 where you'll travel from Denver to Rocky Mountain National Park and return to Denver for the night). Also, to see six national parks in 14 days, there will be some longer drives.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Phoenix and depart from Denver. Airport transfers are available for purchase. *Grand Canyon hotel accommodations will be confirmed 60 days prior to departure at the Grand Canyon Lodge North Rim or at several other hotels at the South Rim. If your accommodations are confirmed at the South Rim, your itinerary will vary slightly. **The chuck wagon experience is available from late May through the last Saturday in September. During all other times, dinner will be substituted at a local restaurant. ***Certain departure dates may be confirmed outside of Yellowstone National Park.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

AMERICA'S MUSIC CITIES

8 DAYS · 10 MEALS

STARTING AT \$4499

Price based on 16 April, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

French Quarter ▪ Swamp Tour ▪ Mardi Gras World ▪ Jazz Revue ▪ Graceland ▪ West Delta Heritage Centre ▪ Ryman Auditorium ▪ Grand Ole Opry Show ▪ Country Music Hall of Fame ▪ Historic RCA Studio B ▪ Hands-on Chocolate-making Lesson



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Embark on a one-of-a-kind tour of Memphis where local musicians share the story of the city's musical heritage and history.
- Enjoy reserved seats at the Grand Ole Opry, the "home of American music."
- Tour the historic RCA Studio B for an up-close look at Nashville's oldest remaining recording studio.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 2** - In New Orleans, enjoy a walking tour of the French Quarter **-OR-** set out on a panoramic motor coach tour through the city with a local guide.
- **Day 5** - In Memphis, visit Graceland and tour Elvis' 14-acre estate **-OR-** embark on a Civil Rights tour and follow the route of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s last march by coach.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

7 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

- Enjoy Creole delights at a favourite French Quarter restaurant in New Orleans.
- Stop to taste a New Orleans favourite — beignets at Café Du Monde.
- Create your own Goo Goo Cluster Candy at a chocolate-making lesson.
- Indulge in a king cake tasting at Mardi Gras World.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1 - 3 Sheraton Hotel, New Orleans, LA

Days 4, 5 The Guest House at Graceland, Memphis, TN

Days 6, 7 Gaylord Opryland Resort, Nashville, TN

ROOM UPGRADE AVAILABLE

During your stay at the Gaylord Opryland Resort, you can choose to upgrade your room to a Premium Garden View room.

CALL FOR DETAILS

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



New Orleans ©Photo by João Francisco on Unsplash

Enjoy a finger-snapping, toe-tapping time on a tour of America's most famed musical cities — New Orleans, Memphis, and Nashville.

Day 1: New Orleans, Louisiana - Tour Begins

Step back in time on a cultural getaway that opens in the "Jazz Capital of the World," New Orleans! This soulful city abounds with rich history, mouthwatering Cajun and Creole cuisine, and of course, an incomparable soundtrack.

Day 2: French Quarter

It's your choice! Embark on a walking tour of New Orleans' famous French Quarter, viewing St. Louis Cathedral, the bustling French Marketplace, Pirates Alley and more **-OR-** set out on a panoramic motor coach tour of New Orleans with a local guide, seeing the famous St. Louis Cemetery #3 and stunning mansions. Later, taste a true New Orleans favourite — beignets at the famed Café Du Monde. Tonight, get to know your travel companions at a festive New Orleans-style welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: New Orleans

Journey through Louisiana's swamp on a cruise narrated by the captain himself. Learn about the ecosystem's history and ecology while keeping an eye out for wildlife including bald eagles,

herons, turtles and alligators. Then, celebrate New Orleans' festive side at Mardi Gras World, the working warehouse where artisans create the floats for the famous parades, and get a tasting of king cake. Tonight, enjoy dinner on your own before meeting your fellow travel companions at Maison Bourbon, a live jazz club in the French Quarter. (B)

Day 4: New Orleans - Memphis, Tennessee

Travel north to Memphis, the birthplace of the Blues, Rock 'n' Roll, and Soul. Enjoy Southern hospitality at your hotel just steps away from the iconic Graceland. (B, D)

Day 5: Memphis

This morning, **it's your choice!** Live along to "Jailhouse Rock" as you visit Graceland, the stately mansion of the "King" himself, and tour Elvis' 14-acre estate, home, private jets and Meditation Garden **-OR-** embark on a Civil Rights tour and follow the route of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s last march by coach, stopping at Mason Temple where he gave his famous "I've Been to the Mountaintop" speech the night before he was assassinated.



Graceland



Beale Street

Enjoy free time to grab lunch on your own before hopping back on the coach with some local musicians, who explain why Memphis embraces its title as the "Home of the Blues." The remainder of the day is yours. You may opt to join a Memphis Musical History Tour with included dinner, or simply absorb the city's vibrancy at your own pace! (B)

Day 6: Memphis - Nashville
Roll along Music Highway to Nashville — the "Music Capital of the World." Along the way, stop in Brownsville at the West Delta Heritage Centre to discover the roots of the country blues sound and the hometown of Tina Turner — the Queen of Rock. Arrive in Nashville and tour the historic Ryman Auditorium, the original home of the Grand Ole Opry. What began as a building where a local radio broadcast show aired once a week in 1925 has grown to become an entertainment complex that attracts music fans from all over the world. This evening, take your reserved seat at the renowned Grand Ole Opry. (B)

Day 7: Nashville
Explore the Country Music Hall of Fame, the world's largest museum of popular music, and check out

the vast collections of memorabilia, costumes, recordings, and instruments. Tour RCA Studio B and gain an insider's look at Nashville's oldest remaining recording studio, where Elvis Presley, Dolly Parton, and Charley Pride once recorded classic hits. You may even have the opportunity to record your own hit! Then, test your culinary skills at a hands-on chocolate-making lesson at the iconic Goo Goo Candy Shop. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Nashville - Tour Ends
Your rockin' musical journey comes to a close today. (B)

ALSO AVAILABLE



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TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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1-2 NIGHTS

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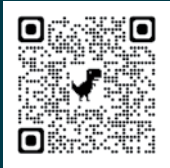
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Departures available September 2022 - April 2023.
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This trip requires a passport and visa. An ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) visa is required for all Australian passport holders travelling to or via the USA, at your own expense. This visa may apply due to your airline scheduling. Most other passport holders will also require an ESTA visa to travel to or via the US, to check please go to <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/> or contact CIBT at www.cibtvisas.com.au/collette, alternatively check with your consulate for more information. Our air passengers will arrive into New Orleans and depart from Nashville. Airport transfers are available for purchase. The swamp tour is subject to change due to severe inclement weather. These changes may include items being missed during the trip; however, every effort will be made to substitute for another attraction if possible. On some dates, the Old Ryman Auditorium may be closed for special events. The Grand Ole Opry may move to the Ryman Auditorium during the months of November and December and throughout the year during special events. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

ISLANDS OF NEW ENGLAND

8 DAYS • 11 MEALS

STARTING AT \$3999

Price based on 6 October, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

Providence • Newport • Block Island • Cranberry Bog • Plymouth Rock • Cape Cod • Lobster Dinner • Martha's Vineyard • Provincetown • Hyannis • Nantucket



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Step back in time and see Plymouth Rock, the Pilgrims' landing spot in 1620.
- Visit a working New England cranberry bog, a thriving crop of Cape Cod.
- Experience the charming, once-famous whaling port — "the Vineyard."



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 2** - Explore the stunning Marble House —**OR**— the elegant Rosecliff mansion in Newport.
- **Day 6** - Search for whales on a cruise to Cape Cod Bay —**OR**— head out on a scenic adventure through the sand dunes.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

7 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

- Learn to cook like a New Englander during a chef-led demonstration.
- Celebrate the taste of Cape Cod with a traditional New England seafood and lobster dinner.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1 - 3 Hilton Providence, Providence, RI

Days 4 - 7 Sea Crest Beach Hotel, Falmouth, MA

ROOM UPGRADE AVAILABLE

While staying at the Sea Crest Beach Hotel, you can choose to upgrade to a Oceanview Room with a balcony or patio.

CALL FOR DETAILS

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Cape Cod

The Atlantic coast is calling. Explore New England's shores, from Rhode Island to Cape Cod.

Day 1: Providence, Rhode Island - Tour Begins

Discover the natural beauty that lies along the shores of New England. Come to know its coastal charm, friendly people and fresh-from-the-sea cuisine. Your tour opens in Providence, the capital of Rhode Island.

Day 2: Providence - Newport - Providence

Tour Providence, "America's Renaissance City." See prestigious Brown University and learn about the city's vibrant art, cultural, and culinary scenes. Then depart for Newport. Return to America's Gilded Age as you traverse breathtaking Ocean Drive en route to Bellevue Avenue. Lined with extraordinary 19th-century summer "cottages," this road is home to seven mansions designated National Historic Landmarks.

It's your choice! Explore stunning Marble House, built by Mr. and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt and modelled after the Petit Trianon at Versailles —**OR**— tour Rosecliff, the opulent former residence of silver heiress Theresa Fair Oelrichs, well-known for her lavish parties. (B, D)

Day 3: Providence - Boston, Massachusetts - Providence

Travel north to the historic city of Boston. Come to know Boston's Yankee charm during a tour that highlights Beacon Hill, the Old South Meeting House, Boston Public Garden, the historic North End and Faneuil Hall Marketplace. Enjoy leisure time to stroll along part of the famed Freedom Trail, a walking path showcasing the city's historic sites; or, return to explore the lively marketplace at Faneuil Hall. (B)

Day 4: Providence - Plymouth, Massachusetts - Cape Cod

Delve into rural life as you tour a New England cranberry bog where you'll learn about dry harvesting. Then, step back in time with a stop in the celebrated town of Plymouth where the Pilgrims landed in 1620. See legendary Plymouth Rock and board a true reproduction of the Mayflower, the 102-passenger ship used by the Pilgrims on their 65-day journey from England. Experience the days of the Pilgrims with a visit to Plimoth Plantation, an incredible



New England Lobster

artist colony remains famous for its crafts and bright seagoing flair. Then, **it's your choice!** Set out on a whale watch cruise to Cape Cod Bay in search of these magnificent creatures **-OR-** enjoy a scenic adventure through the iconic sand dunes of the Cape. (B)

Day 7: Cape Cod - Hyannis - Nantucket - Cape Cod

Catch a glimpse of the Camelot era in Hyannisport, home of the Kennedy compound, and visit the poignant Kennedy Memorial. Next, set off via ferry to explore the idyllic island of Nantucket. From its cobblestone Main Street to its beaches and lighthouses, this place truly lives up to its reputation. During time at leisure, you may meander the waterfront where sailboats and yachts sway in the harbour or shop for a famous Nantucket basket. Tonight, enjoy a wonderful farewell dinner and chef-led demonstration highlighting a local speciality. (B, D)

Day 8: Cape Cod - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close, leaving you with many fond memories. (B)

re-creation of a 17th-century village. Today's lunch teaches you how to "eat like a Pilgrim." Sample recipes from that time, learn some Pilgrim etiquette, and enjoy a Thanksgiving feast with your fellow travellers. Later, arrive at your beachfront hotel for a 4-night stay. (B, L)

Day 5: Cape Cod - Martha's Vineyard - Cape Cod

A ferry ride transports you to beautiful Martha's Vineyard. Known for visits by presidents and royalty, this summer home of many artists, writers and celebrities is full of surprises. You'll see all the highlights of "the Vineyard" (as the locals call it), including quaint gingerbread-styled cottages and a once-famous whaling port resplendent with sea captain's homes and widow's walks. Later, depart the island and cruise back to Cape Cod. Tonight, enjoy a traditional New England experience as you indulge in a seafood and lobster feast. (B, D)

Day 6: Cape Cod - Provincetown - Cape Cod

Travel to Provincetown, located on the tip of the Cape. This lively



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



You're confident walking 30–45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains — from cobblestone streets to a few flights of stairs.

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This trip requires a passport and visa. 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. Most other passport holders will also require an ESTA visa to travel to or via the US, to check please go to <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/> or contact CIBT at www.cibtvisas.com.au/collette, alternatively check with your consulate for more information. Effective immediately and until further notice, all guests will be required to bring one of the following: proof of vaccination (official vaccination certificate in paper or electronic form), proof of recovery from COVID-19 or a negative test result (FDA Approved diagnostic) for a test performed 72-hours or less from the start date of the tour with you on tour to verify information you will be providing to Collette when filling out the Wellness Declaration upon arrival. Our air passengers will arrive into Providence, RI and depart from Boston, MA. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Due to itinerary scheduling, return flights should not be booked prior to 12:00 noon.

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“We were 41 strangers at the start of the tour but close acquaintances by its conclusion... The entire tour was fondly memorable.”

— Collette Traveller

NEW TOUR

MONTANA: EXPLORING BIG SKY COUNTRY

11 DAYS • 16 MEALS

STARTING AT \$7999

Price based on 14 September, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Bozeman • Yellowstone • Old Faithful
- Gardiner • Yellowstone Grand Canyon
- Mammoth Hot Springs • Paradise Valley
 - Helena • Gates of the Mountains
 - Great Falls • Glacier National Park
 - Going-to-the-Sun Road • Whitefish
 - White Water Rafting • Flathead Lake
 - Kootenai Traditions • Missoula
 - Smokejumper Visitor's Centre



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Experience both the Northern and Southern Loops of Yellowstone National Park.
- Learn about native culture on the Flathead Reservation.
- **Impact Moment:** Visit River Pines Farm Horse Sanctuary.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 6** - Visit the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Centre **-OR-** explore the exhibits of the C.M. Russell Art Museum.
- **Day 8** - Grab a paddle and get ready for a white-water rafting adventure **-OR-** take the calmer, scenic route on a float down the Flathead River.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- 10 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)
- Dig into a mouth-watering barbecue dinner.
 - Sample traditional food of the Kootenai people.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Hilton Garden Inn, Bozeman
Days 2, 3 Holiday Inn, West Yellowstone
Days 4, 5 DoubleTree by Hilton Downtown, Helena
Days 6 Great Bear Lodge, St. Mary Village
Day 7, 8 Firebrand Hotel, Whitefish
Days 9 - 11 Holiday Inn Downtown, Missoula

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
SMALL GROUP
EXPLORATIONS
MAXIMUM 24 GUESTS



Glacier National Park

Step outside, take a deep breath in,
and look towards the mountains
— you're in the big sky country of Montana.

Day 1: Bozeman, Montana - Tour Begins

Step outside, take a deep breath in, and look around you — you're in big sky country. Montana is wilderness, adventure, and beauty, and you're about to see what makes it unique, as well as its crown jewels. Today, arrive in Bozeman, the jumping off point to explore Yellowstone, America's first national park.

Day 2: Bozeman - Yellowstone Southern Loop - Gardiner

This morning, pass through Yellowstone's western gate and venture into the Lower Loop, the road that encircles the entire lower half of the national park. Your first stop will be at the Grand Prismatic Spring, where steaming azure-blue waters clash brilliantly with the bright orange of the clay earth surrounding it. The best spot to take it all in is at the overlook, and you'll have enough time to take the 20-minute hike up if you choose. Afterwards, head to Old Faithful, the legendary geyser that you can "set your watch to." Enjoy lunch on your own and walk the boardwalk trails surrounding Old Faithful. Bison, elk, bears, eagles, wolves, and antelope call this incredible slice of wilderness their home. (B, D)

Day 3: Gardiner - Yellowstone Northern Loop - Gardiner

Today, explore Yellowstone's northern loop. Your first stop will be Mammoth Hot Springs. Here, bubbling pots of geothermal water trickle down the step-like terraces, creating incredible

shapes and colours. Explore the boardwalks that wind through the steaming landscape. Next, head to the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone lookout, where you'll find yourself standing over the massive, 32km long canyon. Its craggy walls are streaked with brilliant whites, pinks, and oranges from the volcanic minerals contained in the rocks. The Yellowstone River roars along at the bottom over three different waterfalls. (B)

Day 4: West Yellowstone - Butte - Helena

Today, you'll stop in Butte, "the Richest Hill on Earth." For more than a century, copper was king in Butte and this city became one of the world's important sources for copper. Today, Butte is home to one of the nation's largest National Historic Landmark Districts with more than 4,000 historic structures. Next, you'll arrive in the capital of Montana, Helena, a city with rich gold rush history and beautiful Victorian era architecture. These days, the "Queen City of the Rockies" is less known for gold and more known for its great local restaurants and microbreweries, as well as a stunning trail system in the surrounding landscape. (B, D)

Day 5: Helena - Gates of the Mountains - Helena

Start your day today with a local guide showing you around the beautiful and welcoming mountain city of Helena on a narrated train trolley tour. See the opulent mansion district,

marvel at the Cathedral of St. Helena, and roll by governor's homes. Pass by a restored miners' village, enjoy the unique architecture along Last Chance Gulch, and catch a glimpse of the Old Fire Tower. After exploring the city a bit, you'll have time on your own to enjoy the charm of downtown Helena before heading to the Gates of the Mountains. Here, on the shores of the Missouri River, you'll follow in the footsteps of the most renowned explorers in American history — Lewis and Clark. Climb aboard a boat and cruise these storied waters, follow the path Lewis and Clark took on their legendary journey across this vast wilderness, and take in the natural beauty. Meriwether Lewis himself named this stunning canyon the Gates of the Mountains, and you'll discover just how it must have felt to come across this awe-inspiring sight. Tonight, return to Helena for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 6: Helena - Great Falls - St. Mary Village, Glacier National Park

Today, venture to Great Falls, where the mighty Missouri River thunders down from the Rocky Mountains over five waterfalls to the great plains below. This was a massive obstacle for Lewis and Clark's expedition in 1805. They had to carry their boats over land for a month to make it from the lower falls to the upper falls. You will not have to work that hard, because **It's Your Choice!** Visit the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Centre where you can learn about the trials and travails of the legendary expedition —**OR—** explore the exhibits at the C.M. Russell Art Museum during a guided tour. See the art of Charles Russell, a cowboy-turned-artist from the turn of the century, as well as his original home and log studio. Afterwards, continue to St. Mary Village, the eastern entryway to Glacier National Park. (B, D)

Day 7: Glacier National Park - Going-to-the-Sun Road - Whitefish

Head into Glacier National Park to board one of the 1930s vintage red buses and venture down one of the most breathtaking roads in North America, Going-to-the-Sun Road. Sit back and admire the views of the valley as your "jammer", one of the experienced guides, drives you through this natural landscape. Relax and take in all the majestic sights, before heading to the town of Whitefish where forests, lakes, rivers, and mountains unfold in every direction. (B, L)

Day 8: Whitefish

This morning, enjoy some leisure time in the picturesque town of Whitefish.

Always listed as one of America's 25 prettiest towns, enjoy a stroll around, do some shopping, or just relax. Perhaps you'll stop for lunch at one of the great restaurants found along Central Avenue or buy some Huckleberry jam from a local shop. Your morning leads into an adventurous afternoon, because **it's your choice!** Grab a paddle and get ready for a white-water rafting adventure —**OR—** take the calmer, scenic route on a float down the Flathead River. No matter which style river journey you choose, the awe-inspiring views of Glacier National Park await. Tonight, sit down for a mouth-watering barbecue dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Whitefish - Flathead Lake - Missoula

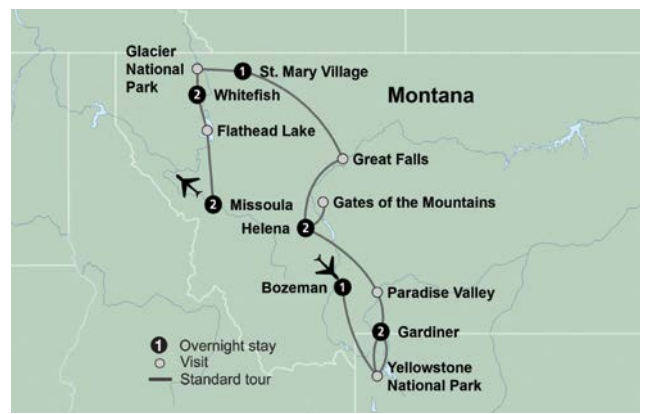
Depart Whitefish and drive south, journeying along the western edge of beautiful Flathead Lake. Carved by the ancient glaciers that give Glacier National Park its name, Flathead Lake stretches almost 200 square miles. You might even spot some orchards, growing Flathead cherries. Encompassing most of the lake is the Flathead Reservation, home to the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Nation. At one point, these tribes had territories that stretched out of Montana and into Idaho, British Columbia, and Wyoming. The Hellgate Treaty of 1855 set aside Flathead Lake for the tribes, reducing their lands to a fraction of what it once was. Tribal land was once again shrunk in 1904 by over half a million acres. Despite all of this, the Tribal way of life continues on to this day, passed down from elders to children through a rich oral and spiritual tradition. Get a glimpse into these traditions when you meet a descendant of the last Kootenai chief, and learn about the importance of the land in native life. Afterwards, head to the eclectic city of Missoula, where you can enjoy a relaxing evening at leisure. (B)

Day 10: Missoula

Your day in Missoula starts off with a visit to the Smokejumper Visitor Centre. Learn how and why these legendary firefighters do what they do — jump out of planes and parachute into dangerous wildfires. Missoula is home to the largest smokejumper base in the United States, and you'll visit the ready room, smokejumper loft, the National Smokejumper Memorial, and a fire lookout tower originally built in 1930. This evening, enjoy a memorable farewell dinner with your fellow travellers, where you can raise a glass and toast to a wildly fun Montana adventure. (B, D)

Day 11: Missoula - Tour Ends

Say goodbye to Big Sky Country and its beautiful sights as you head home. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



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This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Bozeman and depart from Missoula. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Please be advised baggage fees may apply on most trans-border flights. These fees are levied by each specific airline and may be subject to change.

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST & CALIFORNIA

8 DAYS • 11 MEALS
STARTING AT \$4459

Price based on 1 October, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

Seattle • Mount St. Helens Visitor Centre
• Portland • Columbia River Gorge
• Hood River • Yaquina Head Lighthouse
• Newport • Bandon State Natural Area
• Rogue River Cruise • Redwood National Park • Avenue of the Giants • San Francisco



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Visit lively Pike Place Market, Seattle's famous fish and vegetable market.
- Venture to Mount St. Helens Visitor Centre to learn about its volcanic activity.
- Visit Columbia River Gorge and Multnomah Falls.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- 6 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 3 Dinners (D)
- Enjoy a farewell lunch in one of San Francisco's delightful restaurants.
 - Savour a wine-tasting while gazing at views of Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Thompson Hotel, Seattle, WA
- Days 2, 3** Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront, Portland, OR
- Day 4** The Mill Casino, North Bend, OR
- Day 5** Best Western Plus Bayshore Inn, Eureka, CA
- Days 6, 7** The Park Central, San Francisco, CA

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



Oregon Coast

From Mount St. Helens to the giant Redwoods, fall under the spell of the Pacific Northwest and California.

Day 1: Seattle, Washington – Tour Begins

Your tour opens with an overnight stay in Seattle, dubbed the "Emerald City" for its lush green surroundings. Get to know your fellow travellers at tonight's welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Seattle – Mt. St. Helen's – Portland, Oregon

Explore Seattle's colourful waterfront area and historic Pioneer Square with a local guide. Mingle with artisans at the lively Pike Place Market, a famous fish and vegetable market dotted with restaurants and shops. Ride the Washington State Ferry from Seattle to Bremerton, enjoying great views of Seattle's skyline from the waters of Puget Sound. Travel south through Olympia, stopping at the Mount St. Helens Visitor Centre. Learn about its 1980 volcanic eruption as well as the history and geology of the state park. Continue to Portland, Oregon for a two-night stay in the picturesque "City of Roses." (B)

Day 3: Portland – Columbia River Gorge – Portland

Visit the International Rose Test Garden and walk among the thousands of roses. Afterwards, drive along the Mt. Hood route to the lush Columbia River Gorge. Take in the unforgettable views of

Mt. Hood as you leave the valley and enter the Cascade Mountains. Discover the awe-inspiring landscapes of the magnificent Columbia River and Multnomah Falls, a 611-foot-tall roaring cascade. Later, enjoy a wine-tasting at a local vineyard followed by a visit to a lavender farm. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Portland – Willamette Valley – Newport – North Bend (Oregon Coast)

On the way to the Oregon coast, journey through the Willamette Valley. Today known for its wine that rivals that Napa, this was once the "Promised Land" for the pioneers who followed the Oregon Trail. On the coast, stop at the Yaquina Head Lighthouse, a 93-foot tower buffeted by wind and rain since 1872. Enjoy time at the interpretive centre or make your way down to Cobble Beach to explore the tide pools of colourful sea anemones and starfish. Stop in the seaside town of Newport before travelling further along the coast. End your day strolling North Bend's lively boardwalk, perched along scenic Coos Bay. (B, D)

Day 5: North Bend – Bandon Natural Area – Redwood National Park, CA – Eureka

Drive to Bandon State Natural Area.



Redwood National Park



Golden Gate Bridge

Take in the breathtaking scenery as we travel along the striking Beach Loop. See Bandon Rocks and Face Rock, famous for their American Indian legends. Stop to enjoy a cruise up the spectacular Rogue River, taking you into Oregon's rugged wilderness for a chance to see bald eagles, cormorants, seals and blue heron. Continuing south to California's redwood country, travel through Redwood National Park, home to trees that can reach nearly 300 feet. See for yourself why the sun seldom hits the ground. Tonight, enjoy dinner at the last operating lumber-camp style cookhouse in the West. (B)

Day 6: Blue Lake - San Francisco

Return to the majestic beauty and splendid grandeur of the redwood forest as you traverse the "Avenue of the Giants," a scenic highway loaded

with towering redwoods. Next, drive over the legendary Golden Gate Bridge and arrive in "the City by the Bay," San Francisco. Tonight, enjoy dinner on your own at one of the many restaurants in this eclectic city. (B)

Day 7: San Francisco

Today, join a local guide to hear stories of the city's past and present as you drive past its famous landmarks including Fisherman's Wharf, the Presidio and the Golden Gate Bridge. You'll also see the iconic neighbourhoods of Chinatown, North Beach and Haight Ashbury. After a farewell lunch, the remainder of your day is at leisure to explore San Francisco independently. (B, L)

Day 8: San Francisco - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today, but the memories will stay with you forever.



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



You're confident walking 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains — from cobblestone streets to a few flights of stairs.

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MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

Choose to add more time to your trip:

1-2 NIGHTS

POST NIGHT
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LOW SINGLE SUPPLEMENT!!!

DOUBLE Starting at \$4549

SOLO Starting at \$5499

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Price based on 1 October, 2023 departure.



Departures available September 2022 - April 2024.
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This trip requires a passport and visa. 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. Most other passport holders will also require an ESTA visa to travel to or via the US, to check please go to <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/> or contact CIBT at www.cibtvisas.com.au/collette, alternatively check with your consulate for more information. Effective immediately and until further notice, all guests will be required to bring one of the following: proof of vaccination (official vaccination certificate in paper or electronic form), proof of recovery from COVID-19 or a negative test result (FDA Approved diagnostic) for a test performed 72-hours or less from the start date of the tour with you on tour to verify information you will be providing to Collette when filling out the Wellness Declaration upon arrival. Our air passengers will arrive into Seattle and depart from San Francisco. Airport transfers are available for purchase. If you would like to visit Alcatraz in San Francisco, arrangements must be made on your own in advance.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

FEATURED TOUR EXTENSION: SEATTLE
ADD 1 NIGHT IN SEATTLE



POST TOUR EXTENSION STARTING AT \$530 PP

Begin your trip with a night in Seattle, the "Emerald City". Enjoy a walking tour of the famous Pike Place Market. Travel on Seattle's Monorail to the Seattle Centre to experience the iconic Space Needle and Chihuly Garden and Glass art museum.

“This was our first Collette vacation, but it won't be our last! Both of them, the bus driver and the tour guide, did an outstanding job.”

— Collette Traveller

THE BEST OF EASTERN CANADA

9 DAYS · 11 MEALS
STARTING AT \$3599

Price based on 21 April, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Toronto • Niagara Falls
- Niagara-on-the-Lake
- Thousand Islands National Park • Ottawa
- Quebec City • Montmorency Falls
- Maple Sugar Shack • Montreal



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Discover Niagara-on-the-Lake with quaint local shops and a charming atmosphere.
- Admire some of the 1864 islands of the Thousand Islands National Park with a boat tour along St. Lawrence River.
- Witness the incredible power of Mother Nature at breathtaking Niagara Falls.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 6** - Join a local guide and stroll the streets of Old Quebec City on foot -**OR**- embark on a panoramic coach tour to experience the beauty and history of both Old and New Quebec.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

8 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

- Savour brunch at a local sugar shack nestled in the Quebec countryside.
- Enjoy an evening out and sample the local cuisine at a lovely restaurant on Ile d'Orleans.

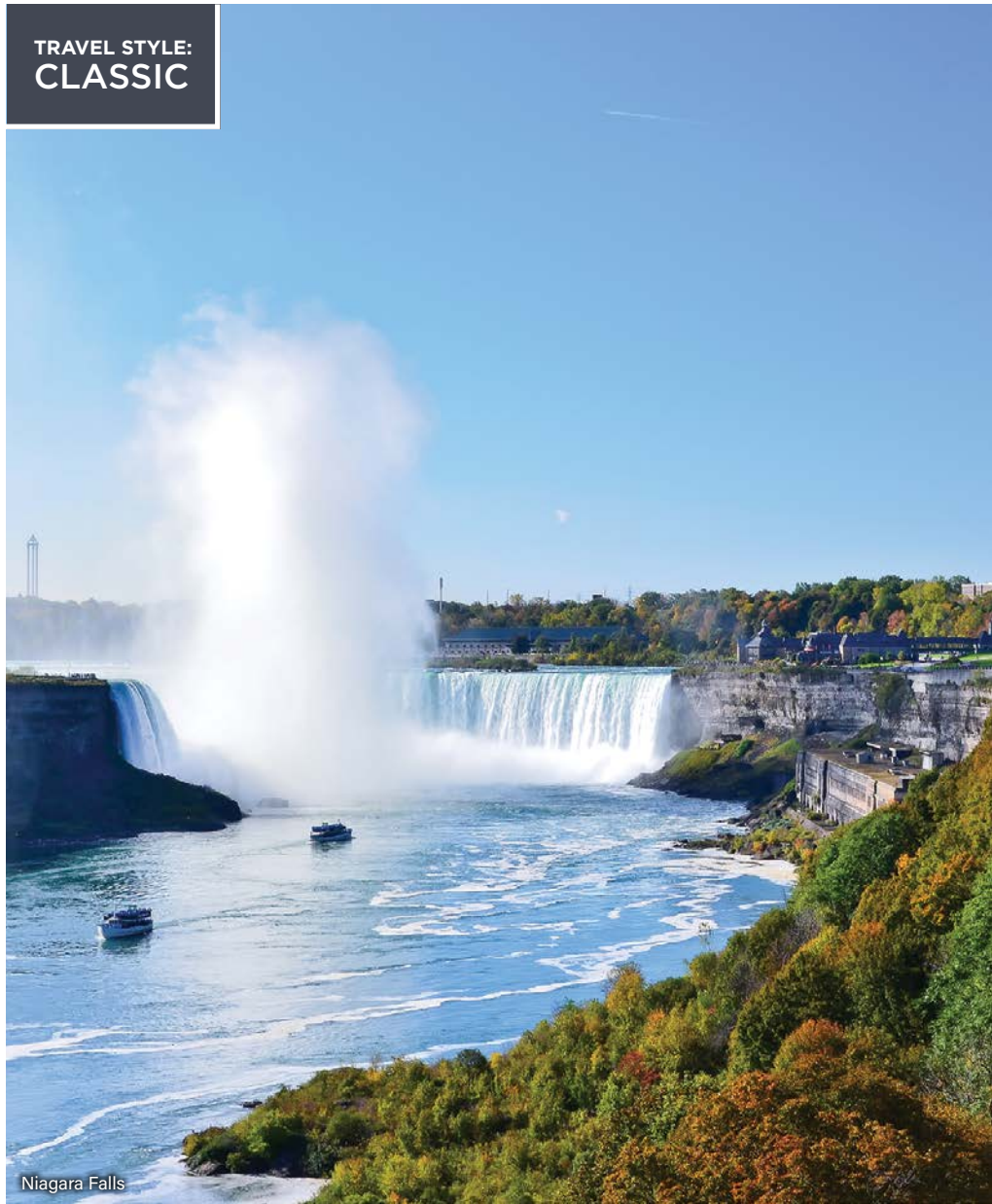


ACCOMMODATIONS

- Days 1, 2** Sheraton Centre, Toronto, ON
- Days 3, 4** Westin Ottawa, Ottawa, ON
- Days 5, 6** Delta Hotels by Marriott, Quebec City, QC
- Days 7, 8** Hotel Omni Mont Royal, Montreal, QC

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



From the old-world style of Quebec City
to the power of Niagara Falls,
say *bienvenue* to Eastern Canada.

Day 1: Toronto, Ontario – Tour Begins

Your tour opens in cosmopolitan Toronto, capital of Ontario and Canada's largest city. Enjoy time to discover the area as you settle in.

Day 2: Toronto – Niagara Falls – Toronto

This morning travel to Niagara Falls, home to the awe-inspiring set of waterfalls nestled along the border between the United States and Canada. Embark on a boat cruise to the base of the Falls and witness the thundering water from up-close. Continue on to Niagara-on-the-Lake and take advantage of some free time to discover the "loveliest town in Canada." This evening, experience Toronto's culinary scene as you linger with your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Toronto – Ottawa

This morning stop in Rockport, gateway to the spectacular Thousand Islands National Park. Enjoy a memorable cruise through this

unspoiled region, located along the St. Lawrence River. Then, take in the surrounding landscape of Ontario as you set off for Ottawa, Canada's culturally rich capital. A seamless blend of French and Canadian customs, the city's dynamic energy will capture your spirit. (B)

Day 4: Ottawa

Get acquainted with Ottawa as you explore the city. Venture past the Prime Minister's residence, multiple embassies, and the impressive National Art Gallery. You'll also see the gothic parliament buildings and the Rideau Canal — which becomes the world's largest skating rink in wintertime. The remainder of the day is yours to do as you please. (B)

Day 5: Ottawa – Quebec City, Quebec

Say bonjour to Quebec City, the heart of Canada's French heritage. Enjoy free time in the late afternoon to explore the Old Town (UNESCO), strolling along picturesque cobblestone



Maple Sugar Shack



Old Quebec

streets and 17th-century buildings. Sample local cuisine at a restaurant on Ile d'Orleans, a farmland island on the Saint Lawrence River. (B, D)

Day 6: Quebec City

This morning, **it's your choice!** Join a local guide and stroll the streets of Old Quebec City on foot; see the Place Royale and listen to stories of days gone by in historic squares **-OR-** embark on a panoramic coach tour to experience the beauty and history of both Old and New Quebec; you'll see the stately Chateau Frontenac, the provincial Parliament, and the St. Louis Arch. Enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Quebec City - Montreal

Begin your day with a visit to the impressive Montmorency Falls and marvel at this natural wonder plunging 272 feet off the Canadian Shield, approximately 100 feet higher than Niagara Falls. Next, enjoy brunch at a local sugar shack, situated in the heart of the Quebec countryside. Learn about

the traditions of maple syrup-making and enjoy samples of delicious traditional foods. Before leaving, try a favourite regional treat — maple taffy on the snow! Your journey continues to Montreal. From skyscrapers and cathedrals to rushing waterways and lush gardens, Montreal is a blend of all things old and new. The evening is yours to continue exploring the city independently. (B)

Day 8: Montreal

Today, enjoy a fantastic sightseeing tour of Montreal highlighting Jacques Cartier Square and McGill University, among other spots. Your city tour concludes with a stop high atop Mount Royal from which the surrounding view is spectacular. Ascended by Jacques Cartier in 1535, Mount Royal is a small mountain in the city that gave its name to Montreal. The afternoon is yours to explore the city at leisure. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. (B, D)

Day 9: Montreal - Tour Ends

Your journey draws to a close today. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



You're confident walking 30–45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains — from cobblestone streets to a few flights of stairs.

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MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

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1-2 NIGHTS

PRE NIGHT
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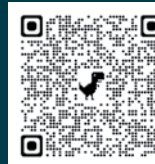
LOW SINGLE SUPPLEMENT!!!

DOUBLE Starting at \$3599

SOLO Starting at \$4299

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Price based on 21 April, 2023 departure.



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“ Collette did an outstanding job putting this trip together. The tour guide was awesome. ”

— Collette Traveller

EXPLORING SOUTH AFRICA, VICTORIA FALLS & BOTSWANA

14 DAYS · 29 MEALS
STARTING AT \$7694

Price based on 22 April, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Pilanesberg National Park • Victoria Falls
- Chobe National Park • 8 Wildlife Safaris
- Cape Winelands • Cape Town
- Table Mountain



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Head out for an African sundowner via 4x4 and enjoy the sunset.
- Interact with African elephants.
- Explore the Dutch architecture and vineyards of the Cape winelands.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 8** - Continue the wildlife search by land on an afternoon game drive -**OR**- venture down the river for a different perspective on a safari cruise.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

13 Breakfasts (B) • 6 Lunches (L) • 10 Dinners (D)

- Experience an authentic bush dinner under the stars in Pilanesberg National Park.
- Sample South African wines at a vineyard tasting.
- Get to know a Capetonian family over dinner in their home.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Southern Sun O.R. Tambo, Johannesburg
- Days 2 - 4** Shepherd's Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg National Park
- Days 5, 6** The Wallow, Victoria Falls
- Days 7, 8** Chobe Marina Lodge, Kasane
- Days 9, 10** Spier Hotel, or De Zalze Lodge, Stellenbosch
- Days 11 - 13** Southern Sun the Cullinan Hotel, Cape Town

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
SMALL GROUP
EXPLORATIONS
MAXIMUM 24 GUESTS



Chobe National Park

Get ready for an unparalleled journey through the cultural diversity and abundant wildlife of southern Africa.

Day 1: Johannesburg, South Africa - Tour Begins

Your adventure starts in Johannesburg — a vibrant city that revolves around modernity and a gold-mining history. As South Africa's largest city, Johannesburg is home to a wide collection of cultures, museums, and attractions. Enjoy time to get settled on your own before tomorrow's exploration into the wild.

Day 2: Johannesburg - Pilanesberg National Park

Leave the city behind and head to Pilanesberg National Park, a game reserve set within an ancient crater and where the lions reign as kings. This is the wild Africa you've always dreamt of — now laid out before you just waiting to be discovered. Venture out in a 4x4 in search of the "Big 5" across vast marshlands and craggy landscapes. Enjoy a drink at a traditional African sundowner and watch as the sun disappears behind the mountain. (B, D)

Day 3: Pilanesberg National Park

Before sunrise, in the open expanse of Pilanesberg, drive out in your 4x4 on a search for the elusive "Big 5." Enjoy coffee and tea amongst the wildlife prior to your return. In the afternoon, drive past the big cats preparing for the hunt before you indulge in a bush dinner under the stars. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Pilanesberg National Park

Discover the wildlife around you with another full day in Pilanesberg. On morning and afternoon game drives, continue your search for the

"Big 5" and other local animals, such as giraffes or cheetahs. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Pilanesberg National Park - Johannesburg - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Fly to Victoria Falls today — an awe-inspiring Natural Wonder of the World. When you arrive, check in to your lodge — an authentic African tent camp with all of the amenities of a luxury resort. This afternoon, when rainbows are at their best, witness the awesome power of Victoria Falls. As the sun sets and the animals gather around the watering hole, toast the stunning African landscape with a sundowner. Your evening continues with dinner on the shores of the Zambezi River overlooking Victoria Falls. (B, D)

Day 6: Victoria Falls

Embark on the experience of a lifetime greeting African elephants and interacting with them in their own habitat. Learn about the conservation of wildlife at the Victoria Falls Wildlife Trust before continuing to the Chinotimba Township to meet a local artisan for a craft demonstration. Join a local family for a home hosted lunch. You may join an optional sunset cruise on the Zambezi River this evening. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Victoria Falls - Chobe, Botswana

Cross the border into Botswana and arrive in Chobe — an untamed national park whose namesake river twists its way throughout the area. During a captivating safari cruise along the Chobe River, spot elephants and hippos that linger along the shores. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Chobe National Park

On a game drive through Chobe National Park, take in diverse ecosystems and unparalleled biodiversity. After lunch, **it's your choice!** Continue the wildlife search by land on an afternoon game drive **-OR-** venture down the river again for a different perspective on a safari cruise. Tonight, gather by the river for an unforgettable dinner. Learn the secret to cooking a traditional braai, complete with some local favourites and delicacies. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Chobe – Cape Town, South Africa – Stellenbosch

The winelands of the Western Cape await. Head to Victoria Falls and board your flight to Cape Town, South Africa. A short drive takes you to the idyllic town of Stellenbosch — one of South Africa's most famous wine regions. Settle in for a two-night stay among rolling vineyards and Cape Dutch architecture. (B)

Day 10: Stellenbosch – Franschhoek – Stellenbosch

Sip the South African specialties with a full day exploring the country's winelands. Start in the Stellenbosch Valley and enjoy a tasting at your first winery of the day. Travel to the charming village of Franschhoek for lunch. Take advantage of time at leisure before visiting a second winery in the afternoon. Cap the evening off with a dinner featuring locally-sourced ingredients. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Stellenbosch – Cape Town

Say hello to Cape Town, South Africa's electric cultural mecca. Explore Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, a Cape Town hotspot. From historic landmarks to shops, and restaurants, the waterfront is one of South Africa's most compelling destinations. On arrival, rise over the South African landscape in a cable car to Table Mountain, taking in views of Cape Town, Lions Head, and Robben Island. Return to the city via Table Bay. Pass through the Moorish Malay Quarter and pause at Milnerton Lighthouse. (B)

Day 12: Cape Town

Travel to Cape Point, the southwestern tip of Africa. Marvel at the vibrant green foliage blanketing the rocky outcrops, set as a contrast to the bright blue waves below. Set out on an easy hike down the mountain, wandering by diverse patches of native flowers. Stop at Boulders Beach for the rarest of black-tie events — a rendezvous with endangered African penguins! Tonight, you're an honoured guest in a Capetonian family's home. Over dinner, exchange stories and get to know what everyday life is like here in Cape Town. (B, D)

Day 13: Cape Town

Enjoy your final day at leisure before gathering with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner, starring a host of South African specialties and delicacies. (B, D)

Day 14: Cape Town – Tour Ends

Today you bid farewell to your fellow travellers when you leave Cape Town. Depending on your departure flight time, you will have access to a day room. (B)

Featured Post Tour Extension



Optional 3-Night Dubai Pre-Tour

Starting at \$1105[†] pp

Day 1: Dubai, United Arab Emirates – Tour 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 city independently. With its many world-famous man-made structures, Dubai is a must-see destination for any traveller.

Day 2: Dubai

Dubai is a city that provides a new setting at every turn — richly mixing together the old and the new. This afternoon your route takes you to a magnificent view of Dubai Creek, passing by the heritage area of Bastakiya, with its fascinating old 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 make a photo stop at Jumeirah Mosque. (B)

Day 3: Dubai

Your morning is at leisure. This afternoon your safari guide will take you into the golden sand dunes of Arabia on a 4-wheel drive vehicle. 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 – Johannesburg, South Africa

Today, board your flight to Johannesburg, South Africa. (B)

[†] Additional air segment purchase required.



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



Walking for longer periods of time isn't a big deal for you. You can navigate uneven ground and climb into various modes of transportation.

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1-2 NIGHTS

PRE NIGHT
JOHANNESBURG
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POST NIGHT
CAPE TOWN
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EVEN MORE TIME? Combine Exploring South Africa, Victoria Falls & Botswana with another tour for one seamless, non-stop travel experience.

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DOUBLE SOLO Starting at **\$7694**
Starting at **\$8944**

Pricing is per person, land only,
and varies by departure date.

Price based on 22 April, 2023 departure.



Departures available September 2022 – April 2023.
View the website for additional dates.

This trip requires a passport. Important Passport Information: You must have at least 4 blank pages (with visa hologram) remaining in your passport to allow for the entry stamps issued for South Africa and Botswana as well as the visa for Zimbabwe. 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. If you have questions please see your travel professional or call us. A valid multiple entry visa is required for Zimbabwe. 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 AUD70 for single entry and AUD115 for a double entry. You must hold sufficient funds to cover the stay and hold proof of onward travel to a third destination. (Other nationalities may also be eligible for a visa on arrival. Please consult with your travel professional or call us). Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Our air passengers will arrive into Johannesburg and depart from Cape Town. Airport transfers are available for purchase. The internal flights on this program are included in the land price of your tour. Park fees (approximately \$125 AUD) are included in the land price of your tour. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment. Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed. Due to economic difficulty in Zimbabwe, local shops only accept payment in local currency or credit card. US dollars, Canadian dollars, British pounds, Australian dollars and South African rand are no longer accepted for local payment. Foreign credit cards continue to be accepted at hotels, shops, and restaurants. For tipping, US dollars are acceptable, and we advise all our guests to carry smaller denominations, as change is not always available. Table Mountain Cableway is subject to weather conditions. Each guest is responsible for proper documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Please contact your local travel clinic or personal physician for specific details on the destinations you are travelling to and from. Malaria pills are recommended when visiting Zimbabwe and Botswana. Consult your physician 2-3 weeks prior to departure. To experience Africa fully, we recommend that all guests be in reasonably good health and prepare properly. Unfortunately, wheelchairs cannot be accommodated on this trip. In addition, passengers who require assistance walking or who travel with oxygen tanks will not fully enjoy this trip and we strongly recommend a different tour.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.

ALASKA DISCOVERY LAND & CRUISE

12 DAYS • 26 MEALS
STARTING AT \$6209

Price based on 6 September, 2023 departure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Fairbanks • Sternwheeler Discovery
- Fannie Q's Saloon • Denali National Park
 - Tundra Wilderness Tour
 - Luxury Domed Rail • Anchorage
- Hubbard Glacier • Glacier Bay • Skagway
 - Juneau • Ketchikan • Inside Passage



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Enjoy an unforgettable rail journey from Denali to Talkeetna in a luxury domed railcar.
- Enjoy an expert guided Tundra Wilderness Tour in Denali National Park.
- Relive Alaska's Gold Rush days in historic Skagway.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- 11 Breakfasts (B) • 7 Lunches (L) • 8 Dinners (D)
- In a modern saloon, enjoy dishes inspired by Fannie Q, the Alaskan pioneer.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Fairbanks hotel, Fairbanks
- Days 2, 3** Denali Princess Wilderness Lodge, Denali National Park
- Day 4** Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge
- Days 5 - 11** Relax aboard a 7-night Holland America cruise

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CRUISE



Glacier Bay

Traverse the Pacific coast by land and sea on this breathtaking journey through Alaska.

Day 1: Fairbanks, Alaska – Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Fairbanks, in the great state of Alaska, on an adventure that brings together the best of both land and sea.

Day 2: Fairbanks - Denali National Park

Step aboard an amazing cruise on the popular Sternwheeler Discovery, an unforgettable journey showcasing Alaska's diverse culture and rich history. Make stops along the way to meet the people and get a taste of local life. Take a scenic motorcoach ride to Denali National Park. Tonight, enjoy an authentic meal at Fannie Q's Saloon, where you'll dig into dishes inspired by the Alaskan mining pioneer Fannie "Q" Quigley. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Denali National Park

This morning, travel deep into Denali National Park on the Tundra Wilderness Tour which affords the best opportunities to view the region's wildlife. Learn about the history of the park and see why Denali is one of the top three reasons that people visit Alaska. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Denali National Park – Talkeetna

Your day begins with a scenic train ride to Talkeetna. Savor every moment inside your luxury domed railcar. View the incredible landscape from glass-ceiling railcars and open-air observation platforms as rail guides provide expert commentary. Check into the iconic Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, perched on a ridge offering unforgettable views of Denali. (B)

Day 5: Denali – Anchorage – Whittier – Board Cruise Ship

Depart for your ship, stopping en route in Anchorage, Alaska's largest city. Continue with a scenic drive along the Alaska Range. Drive along the Turnagain Arm to the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center. With a local guide, discover where orphaned or injured bears, wolves, porcupines, and moose are cared for in a 200-acre rehabilitation site. Arrive in the port of Whittier where you'll embark on your 7-night Holland America cruise aboard a fabulous floating resort designed to make your stay on



Ketchikan



Denali National Park



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



You can handle at least one flight of stairs, board a coach, and walk for 15-30 minutes at a time with little difficulty.

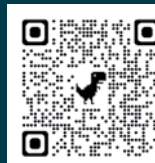
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DOUBLE Starting at \$6209

SOLO Starting at \$9559

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Price based on 6 September, 2023 departure.



Departures available September 2022 – April 2023.
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MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR



MULTI-TOUR

EVEN MORE TIME? Combine **Alaska Discovery Land & Cruise** with **Canadian Rockies** featuring **Rocky Mountaineer** for one seamless, non-stop travel experience. Save time and money, with a **\$400 per person**** saving on your second tour and any subsequent tour! See pages 50 & 51.

CALL FOR DETAILS

This trip requires a passport and visa. 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. Most other passport holders will also require an ESTA visa to travel to or via the US, to check please go to <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/> or contact CIBT at www.cibtvisas.com.au/collette, alternatively check with your consulate for more information. Our air passengers will arrive into Fairbanks and depart from Vancouver. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Due to tour scheduling, return flights should not be booked prior to 12:00 noon. Port taxes and fees are included in the land only tour cost. Order of ports may be changed by the cruise line. The following categories will be utilized when confirming cabin assignments: Balcony Cat BD; Outside Cat OC; Inside Cat ID. Cruise ships have a limited quantity of cabins available in each cabin category. We will make every effort to accommodate your cabin category preference at the time of booking. 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 Tundra Wilderness tour is a fully narrated 7-9-hour tour, including frequent rest stops. During the off season, this tour will be substituted with a shorter 4-hour tour due to inclement weather. Accommodations in Fairbanks will be assigned prior to departure. Some attractions may not be available during the off-season months. This is reflected in the price of your tour. Onboard gratuities are not included in the price of your tour.

** Offer valid on new multi tour bookings made between 29/07/2021 – 31/12/2022 for travel through 31/12/2023. Offers can expire earlier due to space or inventory availability. Space is on a first come, first served basis. Offers are not valid on existing bookings. Offers are combinable with member benefits any other offer. Other restrictions may apply.

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board truly memorable. You will be dazzled by the entertainment in the state-of-the-art lounges and a myriad of dining options. While on board, breakfast, lunch, dinner and nightly entertainment are included. (B, D)

Day 6: Cruising – Hubbard Glacier

Your ship cruises past the mammoth Hubbard Glacier, one of Alaska's largest glaciers. Have your camera ready and take in the natural beauty of the glacier's stunning surface. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Cruising - Glacier Bay

Cruise through Glacier Bay, a spectacular national park and preserve that is a treasure trove of tidewater glaciers and scenic coastal islands. Its rich world of marine life and large concentration of tidewater glaciers is Alaska at its best. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Cruising – Skagway

Relive Alaska's Gold Rush days in this "Gateway to the Klondike" and home of the famed Chilkoot Trail. In historic Skagway, Alaska's past lives on in a

spectacular natural setting and cries of "gold in the Yukon!" can still be heard. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Cruising – Juneau

From massive scenic mountains to historic buildings, there is so much to explore in Alaska's capital city of Juneau. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Cruising – Ketchikan

Your port of call today is Ketchikan, known as the "Salmon Capital of the World" and the "City of Totems." Located on the tranquil Revillagigedo Island, Ketchikan is home to the world's largest collection of totem poles. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Cruising – Inside Passage

A wonderful day of sightseeing awaits as your ship sails along the amazing Inside Passage. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Vancouver, B.C. – Disembark Cruise – Tour Ends

Your cruise ends this morning in the vibrant Canadian city of Vancouver, leaving you with many wonderful memories of your tour to the last of the great frontiers. (B)

CANADIAN ROCKIES FEATURING ROCKY MOUNTAINEER

8 DAYS · 13 MEALS
STARTING AT \$7449

Pricing is per person, land only, double occupancy, and varies by departure date.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Vancouver • Stanley Park • Calgary
- Rocky Mountaineer • Kamloops
- Lake Louise Banff • Icefields Parkway
- Glacier Adventure Choice on Tour



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Spend two days onboard Rocky Mountaineer viewing coastal forests, roaring river canyons and lofty mountain peaks.
- Enjoy an overnight in Lake Louise.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Be sure to choose your option before departure.

- **Day 6** — In Banff, take a fun ride across a 1,000-foot thick mass of glacial ice **-OR-** take a walk on the Glacier Skywalk to experience the breathtaking views of the Sunwapta Valley from the glass-floored platform.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

7 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (D) • 4 Dinners (D)

- Enjoy elegant dining aboard the Rocky Mountaineer, as well as unlimited alcohol.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1, 2 Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre, Vancouver, BC

Day 3 Kamloops hotel

Day 4 Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, Lake Louise, AB

Days 5, 6 The Rimrock Resort, Banff, AB

Day 7 Calgary Marriott Downtown, Calgary, AB

ROOM UPGRADE AVAILABLE
While travelling on the Rocky Mountaineer Train, you may choose to upgrade to GoldLeaf Service.

CALL FOR DETAILS

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TRAVEL STYLE:
CLASSIC



©Rocky Mountaineer

From scenic mountains and valleys to the stunning Lake Louise, explore the best of Western Canada via the famous Rocky Mountaineer train.

Day 1: Vancouver, British Columbia – Tour Begins

Set out to explore the beautiful Canadian Rockies by train. This timeless adventure begins in the beautiful city of Vancouver.

Day 2: Vancouver

Begin your Vancouver sightseeing tour at beautiful Stanley Park, Canada's renowned urban rainforest. Follow the park's famous seawall and discover views of the mountains along trails, beaches, historical landmarks and colourful gardens. Make your way to picturesque Granville Island Public Market to stroll through its fascinating stalls of handmade crafts and artisan food producers. This evening, enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 3: Vancouver – Rocky Mountaineer – Kamloops

Onboard Rocky Mountaineer, embark on an awe-inspiring rail journey as you travel through some of the world's most majestic scenery. Beyond your sparkling glass window, enjoy views of coastal deep-green forests, roaring

river canyons, and snowcapped mountain peaks. From Vancouver, B.C. to Banff, Alberta, let the Rocky Mountaineer bring you on a spectacular voyage through the verdant farmlands of the Fraser Valley and the towering peaks of the Coast Mountains. Inside your single-level dome coach, gaze out at the stunning panoramas of the mighty Fraser River and the raging white waters of Hell's Gate. Watch the landscape transform again, this time to a semi-arid desert, as you travel towards the city of Kamloops for your overnight stay in a hotel. (B, L)

Day 4: Kamloops – Rocky Mountaineer – Lake Louise, Alberta

Continue east this morning to the spectacular Canadian Rocky Mountains. History comes alive as you travel this legendary rail route that united Canada as a nation, through the century-old Spiral Tunnels and along the powerful Kicking Horse River. Traverse the Continental Divide and keep an eye out for moose, elk, and bighorn sheep — not to mention osprey, soaring eagles, even the occasional bear. After another beautiful day



Chateau Lake Louise



Stanley Park

onboard Rocky Mountaineer, raise a glass for a final toast. Arrive this evening in the picturesque village of Lake Louise and settle into the famous Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, a stunning property nestled along the banks of the lake. This evening **it's Diner's Choice...** choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise's great restaurants. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Lake Louise – Banff

Enjoy a leisurely morning and admire the enchanting turquoise waters of the lake. Set off for a scenic drive through Banff featuring the powerful Bow Falls and Surprise Corner, known for its picture-perfect panoramic views. Next, meet a local ammolite specialist to learn about this rare gemstone found only in Alberta. During an afternoon at leisure, perhaps you will take a stroll through Banff's charming downtown. (B)

Day 6: Banff – Icefields Parkway – Banff

A wonderful day of sightseeing awaits as you set out along the unforgettable Icefields Parkway. Marvel at impressive waterfalls, rushing rivers, glacial peaks, imposing cliffs and the picture-perfect snowcapped mountain ranges.

Stop at the Athabasca Glacier where **it's your choice!** Take a fun ride across this 1,000 feet thick mass of glacial ice – the largest accumulation of ice south of the Arctic Circle –OR– take a walk on the Glacier Skywalk to experience the breathtaking views of the Sunwapta Valley and witness the dramatic landscape from the glass-floored platform. This afternoon, stop at Bow Lake – a beautiful crystal clear lake fed by Bow Glacier – for photographs and a walk along its shore. Be on the lookout for bears and stately elk on your return to Banff. (B, D)

Day 7: Banff – Calgary

Enjoy a morning at leisure in Banff before heading to Calgary – where the wild West meets industrial skyscrapers. Stop at Cave and Basin National Historic Site, whose protected land led to the birth of Canada's first national park. Tonight, join in a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. (B, D)

Day 8: Calgary – Tour Ends

Your adventure comes to a close today, leaving you with many memories of your extraordinary journey through the awe-inspiring Canadian Rockies. (B)



TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



You're confident walking 30–45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains – from cobblestone streets to a few flights of stairs.

SEE "TOUR PACING" ON PAGE 53 FOR DETAILS

MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

Choose to add more time to your trip:

1-2 NIGHTS

PRE NIGHT
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CALL FOR DETAILS

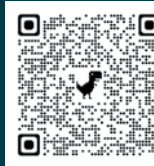
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CALGARY
CALL FOR DETAILS

DOUBLE Starting at \$7449

SOLO Starting at \$9549

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date.

Price based on 21 May, 2023 departure.



Departures available May – September 2023.
View the website for additional dates.

MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR



EVEN MORE TIME? Combine **Canadian Rockies** featuring **Rocky Mountaineer** with **Alaska Discovery Land & Cruise** for one seamless, non-stop travel experience. Save time and money, with a **\$400 per person**** saving on your second tour and any subsequent tour! See pages 48 & 49.

CALL FOR DETAILS

This trip requires a passport and visa. An ETA (Electronic Travel Authorisation) visa is required for all Australian passport holders travelling to Canada, at your own expense. Apply for an eTA: <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/eta.asp>. The cost is approx CAD\$7 per person. To apply you must have a valid passport, credit card and email address. To verify please contact CIBT at www.cibtvisas.com.au/collette, alternatively check with your consulate for more information. If you travel by land or sea, you will not need an eTA to enter Canada. However, you must travel with proper identification. Our air passengers will arrive into Vancouver and depart from Calgary. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Some attractions may not be available during the "off-season" months due to weather and is reflected in the tour price. Glacier Experience is weather permitting throughout the travel season. Maximum elevation: 2,130 metres. All accommodation in Kamloops is of moderate standard. These hotels are assigned closer to departure by Rocky Mountaineer. Triple accommodations are on a bed share basis only.

** Offer valid on new multi tour bookings made between 29/07/2021 – 31/12/2022 for travel through 31/12/2023. Offers can expire earlier due to space or inventory availability. Space is on a first come, first served basis. Offers are not valid on existing bookings. Offers are combinable with member benefits any other offer. Other restrictions may apply.

Please note: there might be slight changes in the itinerary depending on the departure date.



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 on certain tours only. 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 rooms *are not* always an option on every tour. 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.

flights

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 page 53.

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 three blank pages. Passports and visas are the responsibility of each traveller.

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 land price does not include international air travel from Australia, travel insurance, airline fees, airport or departure taxes, transfers, visas, customary end-of-trip gratuities for your tour manager, driver, local guides, hotel housekeepers, cruise ship waitstaff, government quarantine fees, and any incidental charges.

gratuities

Are gratuities included? Collette offers a pre-paid tipping option for guests. This allows guests to purchase the package up to 45 days prior to departure and know that all tipping is covered.

Gratuities are not included in the tour price and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Customary gratuities have not been included for hotel housekeeping staff, local sightseeing guides, transfer drivers, motor coach drivers and tour managers. Gratuities should be given in direct proportion to the level of professionalism and personal service extended to you. With this in mind, we have created a guide for you:

- Tour Manager: 5-8 US Dollars (or equivalent in local currency) per person for each travel day
- Local Guide: 2-3 US Dollars (or equivalent in local currency) per person
- Motor Coach Driver: 3-5 US Dollars (or equivalent in local currency) per person for each travel day
- Hotel Housekeeping Staff: 2-3 US Dollars (or equivalent in local currency) per room per day
- Applicable gratuities for bellmen, doormen and dining room staff for group meals have been included.

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 prior for standard departures and 120 days prior for cruises.



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.** Flights booked through Collette will be protected. We cannot be held responsible for penalties incurred if you secured your own flights.

Can I make changes to my reservation? Should you decide to change your reservation after initial booking and 45 days or more prior to tour start date, 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 sightseeing and activities are unique. Pacing is subject to personal interpretation. At Collette, we do include the best a destination has to offer, enhancing your overall tour experience. For overnight pacing of a tour, as well as day-by-day descriptions of the tour, please refer to our website.

The **Tour Activity Level Ranking** is featured on each tour itinerary webpage in a circle. The definition of each activity level is listed here. If you have additional questions regarding a specific tour, please enquire at time of reservation. For your comfort, we recommend packing comfortable walking shoes so you can fully enjoy every aspect of your tour.

Level 1: You're a leisurely traveller. You like to discover the energy of a new place, but typically take it easy. You can handle at least one flight of stairs, board a coach, and walk for 15-30 minutes at a time with little difficulty.

Level 2: You like a balanced approach to travel. You feel confident walking at least 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains - from cobblestone streets to easy straightaways to a couple hills or flights of stairs. You're comfortable walking a few city blocks at a time, but need some time to unwind and relax.

Level 3: You're an on-the-go traveller. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure.

Level 4: You're ready to seize the day, whatever it may bring. You lead an active life at home (walking, biking, and hiking are things you may enjoy) and few thousand steps a day isn't out of the norm. You can handle longer walking tours (more than 90 minutes), traversing dusty or uneven terrain, standing for periods of time, varying altitudes and temperatures, and don't mind being on the go with some early starts, late-night experiences, and full days. Unfortunately, this level is not appropriate for individuals who use wheelchairs or walkers.

transfers

Are airport and hotel transfers available? Roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers are provided for all passengers who purchase airfare through Collette. These transfers also 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.

What is the private chauffeur service? It's your ticket to and from the airport if you purchase international air through Collette. This personalised service is included within a 40km radius 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.

Visit gocollette.com.au/chauffeur for a video and more details on this amazing service!

travel loyalty

What is the Collette Passport Club? Collette Passport Club members receive a \$150 travel credit for each trip they take* along with various other benefits.

* 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.





FLIGHT *information*

ADDING FLIGHTS TO YOUR COLLETTE TOUR

Enjoy the benefits of air-inclusive bookings. Allow us to be your liaison with the airlines and to handle all the details.

	Flex Economy Airfare	Instant Purchase Economy Class³	Premium Economy, Business & First Class⁴
Roundtrip home to airport transfers included ¹	•	•	•
Roundtrip airport to hotel destination transfers included ²	•	•	•
Dedicated Concierge Service			•
Lounge Passes ⁵			•
Express Check-In ⁵			•
Eligible for Collette's Cancellation Waiver	•		
Benefit from our flexible change and refund policies	•		⌘
Deposit now, pay the balance later ⁶	•		•
Eliminates future surcharges by locking in price		•	
All the perks of upgraded air (more space, comfort and service)			•

treat yourself *& enjoy*

Experience the added comfort and convenience when you upgrade your flights.

Features such as express check-in, airport lounge access, additional legroom and in-flight services enhance your international flight experience. Whichever option you choose, you'll enjoy the ease and peace of mind that comes with booking your flights with Collette.

¹Roundtrip home to airport transfers included for guests within 40kms of an Australian international airport when you purchase an air-inclusive tour. One transfer per room booking. Additional stops not permitted on route. Not valid on group travel. ² These are available on the first and last day of the actual tour dates and when you are travelling on select flights. 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. ³ Instant Purchase Airfare is offered on select dates; consult your booking agent. ⁴ Upgrade 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. ⁵ Lounge 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. ⁶ Payment date is subject to the airline ticket terms and conditions. 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 **PO Box 7237 Alexandria NSW 2015** ('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 \$395 non-refundable deposit is due with your land only reservation.
- For Antarctica and Cruises, a non-refundable \$500 deposit is required.
- An additional \$1000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.

Internal Air Inclusive Package Deposit

- A \$695 non-refundable deposit is due with your internal air inclusive reservation.
- For Antarctica and Cruises, internal air inclusive reservations, a non-refundable \$750 deposit is required. An additional \$1000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.

International Instant Purchase Air

- If you have selected International Instant Purchase Air, the deposit required is the full cost of the airfare plus the land package deposit noted above, all of which is non-refundable.
- For Antarctica and Cruises, International Instant Purchase Air reservations, the full cost of the airfare plus a \$995 deposit is required all of which is non-refundable. An additional \$1,000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.
- International Instant Purchase Non-refundable Airfare includes round trip airport /hotel transfers. International 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, Antarctica and Galapagos. The balance is due 120 days before departure for cruises, Antarctica and Galapagos. Payment may be made by Direct Credit, bank account details on invoice, charging to clients' MasterCard, Visa, or by sending a cheque or bank transfer. All land rates are guaranteed upon deposit.

TRAVEL PROFESSIONALS PLEASE CONTACT:

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

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 Policy

To assist you to avoid cancellation fees, we include a cancellation waiver policy for your Collette tour (land arrangements). The Collette waiver policy guarantees a full refund of all Collette tour payments (excluding deposit), 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.



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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. If cancellation is confirmed prior to 24 hours before date of departure, your non-refundable deposit will be retained. **If cancellation is confirmed within 24 hours of date of departure full payment will be retained.**

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

Upon cancellation of transport 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.

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).

Up to date travel advice can be obtained from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, visit www.dfat.gov.au or www.smarttraveller.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, PO Box 7327, Alexandria, NSW, 2015, 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. 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.

27. Checked Baggage Charges

Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies.

28. Holiday & Museum Closures

Museum visits and personal shopping time may be disrupted due to unforeseen circumstances or many religious, state and local holidays observed throughout the world.

29. Motorcoach Washrooms

Most motorcoaches used on our tours are equipped with washrooms (except safari vehicles, exotic locations, and some of our Explorations tours). These are typically for emergency use, as we make plenty of comfort stops, allowing you the opportunity to use public restrooms and/or stretch your legs.

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