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## KEEPING IT *in the family*

Collette has been family owned for three generations. Today, Dan Sullivan Jr., CEO, works alongside his daughter and President, Jaclyn Leibl-Cote, to craft the perfect travel experience for each and every guest.

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### "Travel is good for the soul.

Expand your horizons, making new friends and tasting new foods, seeing wonders you've always wanted to see and finding things along the way you didn't even know you were waiting for that's what travel is all about.

> So why don't we travel more often?"

Dan J. Sullivan Jr. CEO



### "We're here to make it simple.

Simple to find the right travel experience for you. Simple to engage with a new culture. Simple to just sit back and truly shift your perspective on the world. Simple to figure out why Collette has been in the travel business for over a hundred years.

We want to make travel simple, so you can make the most out of every moment."

Jaclyn Leibl-Cote

President

## MAKE MOMENTS your souvenirs

Travel affords us such enriching experiences. It reveals new cultures. It ignites a sense of adventure within us. And, it has the power to humble us. As you look out over the serene, emerald waters of Ha Long Bay, zip line your way through Costa Rican cloud forests, or embrace the artful dance of tango in Buenos Aires, you'll realize that moments like this are really what matter in travel – and in life.

It's time to make moments like these yours. The only question is: what are you waiting for?



### **COVER:** Giza Pyramids, Egypt Take in the majesty of the Giza Pyramids, a stunning vestige of ancient Egyptian architecture, on Treasures of Egypt (pg. 42) and Journey through Egypt and Jordan (pg. 84).

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## NEW TRAVEL TRENDS

# Uncovering Petra's legacy



Inhabited since prehistoric Limes, Petra is an archeological wonder. The city appears as if it had emerged straight from the rock bed - and it practically did. Half built and half carved, Petra's landscape is a perfect union of wind-hewn desert and chiseled feats of architecture. The city has served as a crossroads between the Red Sea and the Dead Sea and has been a part of trade routes since its creation. Within that time, the people of Petra absorbed rich traditions that are as vibrant and storied as the sandstone landscapes it's comprised of.

One such tradition Petra's Bedouin women have kept up over generations is the crafting of kilims, or woven rugs. With homemade looms and wooden spindles, the women weave intricate patterns into functional - and beautiful rugs based on Byzantine designs. On the new Journey through Egypt & Jordan tour, you'll be introduced to a local women's rug weaving cooperative known as the Bani Hamida Women's Weaving Project. Here, you'll peruse the rugs and learn about how these women artisans are helping to provide for their family while preserving their unique heritage. It's a way to connect authentically with locals and leave a positive impact on this beguiling place - a travel trend we can all get behind.









DISCOVER PETRA ON THE *new* Journey Through Egypt & Jordan Tour.

## OLÁ · NAMASTE · OHAYŌ traveler insight from *around the world*

Our travelers mean a lot to us, and a ringing endorsement from our travelers is worth its weight in gold. Across Feefo (**an independent, third-party review platform**), social media and in letters written to our home office, we've gathered a few of our current favorites.

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ELEPHANT ISLAND, ANTARCTICA

The trip was everything Collette promised. Our Tour Manager was one of the best we have had. We hope to travel with him again. If Collette offers a tour we are interested in, they would be our first choice. (As they have been in the past). We have recommended the company to others.





Wonderful tour manager and tour covered all the sights we wanted to see or experience. The optional trips helped to enhance our total experience. We made some wonderful new friends.

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Kyle Regan @kylethomasregan

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EGYPT

## WHY TRAVEL WITH US? start to finish, we take care of *everything*

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Planning your travel can feel overwhelming, and Collette's here to solve it. Let us focus on the logistics of arranging transportation, accommodations, food, and sightseeing. You want to focus on the incredible times ahead. Collette guided tours are the best way to travel, hands down.





### all your logistics are handled.

We believe that the only thing you should be planning on is enjoying yourself, so we'll take care of the transportation and logistics all during your tour.



### your accommodations are arranged.

Stay in 4-star and above accommodations throughout your trip, with expertly paced itineraries keeping one-night stays to a minimum.



### plenty of meals are included.

To get a true taste of a destination, you need to sample it, which is why each tour includes many delicious meals, along with culinary experiences designed to delight your palate.



**your travel itinerary is honed to perfection.** Our handcrafted tours are planned by industry

experts who walk the streets and experience them. We perfectly balance tours between must-sees, cultural experiences, and plenty of free time.



### plenty of choices you can make.

With 160+ tours, four different travel styles, and the all new Explorations, you can pick your ideal travel experience.



### for us, social responsiblity is a way of life.

We believe that travel should be a force for good and by uniting with our employees, partners and travelers, we can make a positive impact in our local and global communities.



### flex your creative planning muscles.

Make your trip your own with It's Your Choice, optional experiences, pre- and post-night stays, tour extensions, and more.



### we're in this together.

We're all behind you – before your tour, during, and after. Our 24/7 customer support is ready to guide you on your perfect tour.

## MORE PEACE OF MIND by your side every step of the way

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



### unpack less, enjoy more PERFECTED TOUR PACING

More than 40 of our tours feature zero onenight hotel stays. It means you'll spend the right amount of time in each destination and less time packing and unpacking.



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## guaranteed to go

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### private sedan service INCLUDED PERSONAL TOUCHES

Leave the hassle of getting to the airport behind. Enjoy round-trip home to airport sedan service with the purchase of air. It's the perfect way to begin (and end) your journey. (SEE PAGE 103 FOR MORE DETAILS)



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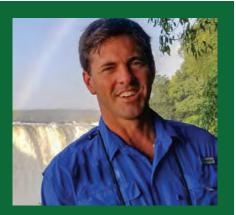
### the collette passport club

### **RECOGNIZING OUR LOYAL GUESTS**

Travel with Collette to become members of Collette's loyalty program, the Collette Passport Club. Members automatically earn a \$150 credit every time they travel along with various other benefits. (SEE PAGE 103 FOR MORE DETAILS)

## GET TO KNOW our tour managers

### Ian Pletzer, Tour Manager weighs in on the jungles, cultures and wildlife you'll find in **south africa**



### MEET *ian pletzer*

collette tour manager for **2 years** 

hometown: PLETTENBERG BAY, SOUTH AFRICA

favorite country to travel to: ANYWHERE I CAN GO ON SAFARI What made you choose the adventurous life of a Tour Manager? I love the flexibility of being a Tour Manager as well as seeing the beautiful sights of my region at different times of the year through the different eyes of our travelers.

### What makes you unique as a Tour Manager?

I think my expertise and personal experience on safari is something unique that I get to share with guests. My father first took me to Botswana on safari 35 years ago. We ran out of gas, camped in the wild, hyenas stole our cooler filled with food and there was nobody else in the park to help. It was definitely an adventure! While that experience might have scared others, it only made me want to explore Africa even more.

What's a must-try experience on tour? For those adventurous eaters, I recommend trying mopane worms, a South African delicacy. The mopane worm is actually a caterpillar of a species of the emperor moth. They are very nutritious and in many rural areas of Africa, mopane worms are a staple food item.

### What's your go-to Tour Manager "fun fact?"

We have some of the most delicious wine in South Africa, and I like to tell our guests about Route 62 – the longest wine route in the world. Apparently it is modeled after Route 66 in the United States, but we like to say it's better because you'll get to see stunning scenery and drink wine along the way.

### lan's top 3 travel tips

- Always expect the unexpected and keep this acronym in mind: T.I.A.: This is Africa.
- Have a positive attitude.

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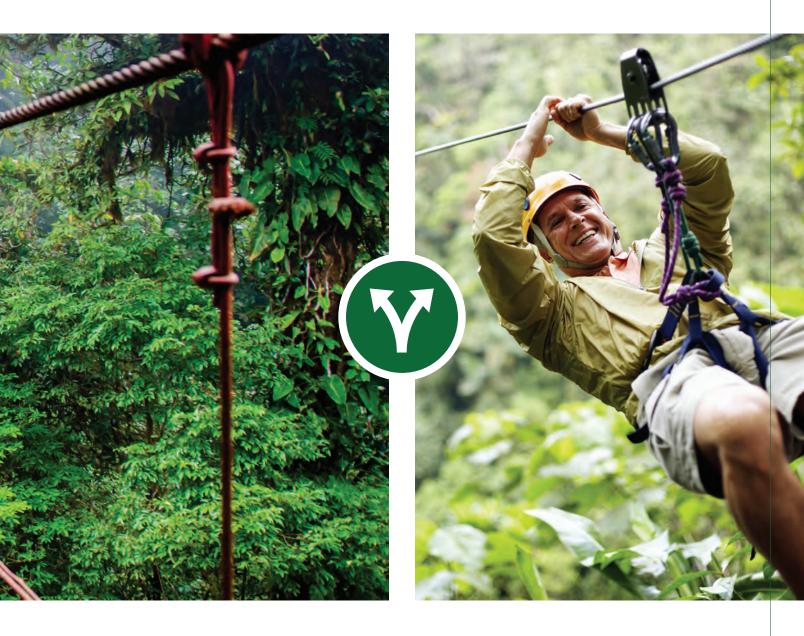
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Always remember your binoculars while on safari!



## IT'S YOUR CHOICE enjoy more *freedom* to explore

Everyone's road is different, and that's why Collette offers **It's Your Choice** excursions. Many of our itineraries now feature different paths you can take. Before your departure, simply select the included excursions that best suit your interest. On select days, you'll set out on these customized included experiences.





### ENCOUNTER EPIC WILDLIFE

Set out on an exhilarating afternoon game drive in search of amazing wildlife **OR** spot amazing fauna from the river while aboard a safari cruise. **EXPLORING SOUTH AFRICA, VICTORIA FALLS** & BOTSWANA - PAGE 80



### DISCOVER FLOATING VILLAGES

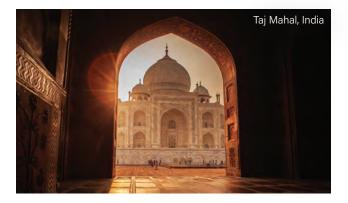
Explore one of Ha Long Bay's enchanting floating villages by traditional row boat **OR** absorb its beauty as you float by it from the seat of your kayak. **TASTE OF VIETNAM - PAGE 92** 

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## MORE INCLUDED

### you're not just going on tour you're having a *travel experience*

Every time you set out on one of our travel experiences, we're striving to give you the most inclusive travel experience possible. What does that mean for you? More iconic must-see sights and more cultural immersion selected by our experts. More meals at local restaurants, and more authentic dining experiences. 4-star and above accommodations, strategically selected to capture the destination. We're not just taking you on a tour, we're making it a travel experience you'll never forget.











### 🔊 must-sees

They're called "must-sees" for a reason. Our carefully crafted itineraries include those iconic, can't-miss, must-see sights for each of our incredible destinations.

### accommodations

### Settle in to 4-star accommodations.

We carefully choose each hotel to enrich your experience, making sure they're located in strategically selected spots that capture the destination.

### 💿 cultural experiences

**Liven things up by meeting a new culture.** Our cultural experiences, hand-crafted by our experts, allow you to truly get to know both the destination and the people who call it home.

### 🔇 culinary inclusions

### Meals become memorable

**moments.** Our meals are culinary experiences that allow you to explore new cultures in an engaging, not to mention flavorful, way.

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## VIETNAMESE street food

### A can't miss culinary experience

In Vietnam, those who are in the know know that some of Vietnam's tastiest, most authentic dishes are found on its humble streets. Street food is this Southeast Asian country's culinary equalizer where you'll find men in sharp suits dining alongside locals in flip flops and shorts. As you make your way through Vietnam's food stalls, here are some staple dishes to seek out and savor:



### Bún chả

### VIETNAMESE BBQ

Follow the scent of barbequing meat in any urban area, and you're almost sure to find Bún chả. Grilled pork patties and sliced marinated pork belly are served up with a bowl of broth, green veggies, and rice noodles. It's a staple of the lunchtime rush for a reason.



### Bánh mì

### VIETNAMESE SANDWICH

When Vietnam was under French colonial rule, they made their own version of the baguette with wheat and rice flour, and the Bánh mì was born. The crispy roll is filled with roast pork, pickled veggies, and soy sauce.



### Bánh tét

### BANANA AND STICKY RICE DESSERT

Bánh tét is the perfect sweet treat after a long day of exploring. Banana and sweet red beans are rolled up into a banana leaf with sticky rice, and thrown onto a grill. Once it's pulled off, it's cut into slices and dished out with a side of coconut milk custard, and dusted with sesame seeds.



### Cà Phê Sua Vietnamese coffee

The Vietnamese people love to drink coffee. Their preferred method of brewing a cup is the "drip" method. Add in some condensed milk and pour it over ice or drink it hot and you've got a delicious beverage that'll keep you energized all day.

Savor some *scrumptious* street food on the **Taste of Vietnam** Tour.



## MORE TRAVEL STYLES

### choose a travel style that best suits you



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## spotlights

city stays and quick getaways

the city with plenty of free time.

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5-9 day stays make perfect getaways.

**Calling all overpackers:** unpack just once at a centrally located hotel.

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Know where the locals go with a guide by your side.



## faith

journeys that inspire



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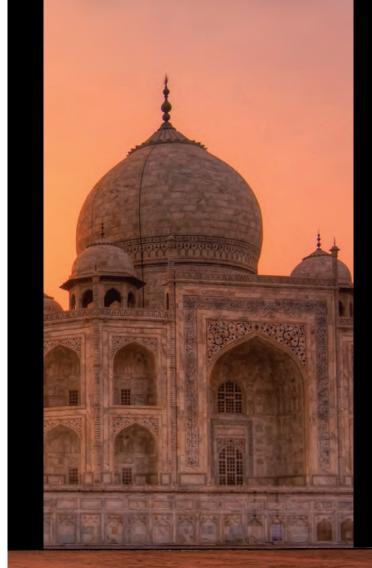
Ideal for those who wish to connect with their faith on a deeper level.

**Take a personal pilgrimage:** walk in footsteps of your faith's forefathers.

**Reverent and reflective:** from shrines and holy sites to included Mass on many tours.

**Modest accommodations** capture the humble surroundings in which they sit.





### SMALL GROUP, TRAVEL, reinvented

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IT'S TIME TO SPARK YOUR SENSE OF WANDER.

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Buenos Aires • Tango Show • Estancia Barbecue • Iguaçu Falls • Rio de Janeiro • Sugarloaf Mountain • Christ the Redeemer • *Churrascaria* Dinner

### CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Move to the passionate rhythms of tango during a stunning performance.
- Step behind-the-scenes at Carnival and meet the artists who are designing the floats, costumes and dances for Rio's biggest event.



- Day 3 In Buenos Aires, experience the lively capital with a local guide either by bus or on a walking tour.
- Day 4 In San Antonio de Areco, go horseback riding through the countryside or take a scenic horse-drawn carriage ride.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)



### CULINARY INCLUSIONS

#### · 8 breakfasts - 1 lunch - 4 dinners

- Dine on a traditional Argentinian barbecue (*asado*) at a countryside estancia.
- Learn how to craft *caipirinhas* a Brazilian cocktail with sugar cane liquor and lime.
- Dine in a typical Brazilian *churrascaria*.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1 Overnight Flight
- Days 2 4 Sofitel Buenos Aires Recoleta, Buenos Aires
- Days 5, 6 Bourbon Cataratas Convention & Spa Resort, Foz do Iguazu
- Day 7 9 Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort, Rio de Janeiro

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



Savor South America as you journey from Argentina's lively Buenos Aires to Brazil's beautiful Iguazu Falls and marvelous Rio de Janeiro.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Your adventure begins with an overnight flight to Argentina.

### **Day 2:** Buenos Aires, Argentina - Tour Begins

Welcome to Buenos Aires. Stretching along the banks of the Rio de la Plata, the "Paris of South America" is a mosaic of Europeanstyled architecture and South American spirit. Meet your fellow travelers and enjoy a cocktail reception at your beautiful hotel located in the heart of the chic Recoleta neighborhood. Tonight, head to La Ventana Tango House, located in the San Telmo neighborhood in a beautifully restored building, and savor Argentine cuisine and wine before witnessing a stunning tango performance. (D)

### Day 3: Buenos Aires 😵

It's your choice! Join a panoramic city tour by bus of lively Buenos Aires featuring the famous Avenida 9 de Julio, Teatro Colon opera house, and the Metropolitan Cathedral. Make stops at the Plaza de Mayo, La Casa Rosada Presidential mansion, and the famous Recoleta Cemetery, resting place of Eva Peron. Continue your city tour on the motorcoach with free time to explore colorful San Telmo, the oldest neighborhood of the city and the birthplace of tango -ORembark on a walking tour with a local guide highlighting the Recoleta and Palermo neighborhoods; see the city's architectural gems, monuments and museums including embassy row, the largest Japanese garden outside of Japan, and the Decorative Art Museum, which is known as one of the city's most beautiful buildings. The remainder of the day is yours to create your own adventure. Maybe you'll stroll through San Martin Park or Calle de Florida, a shopper's paradise. (B)

### Day 4: Buenos Aires - San Antonio de Areco - Buenos Aires 😵

This morning we cross the Argentine Pampas, the nation's version of the "wild west." Embark on a guided tour of the charming country village of San Antonio de Areco, the birthplace of *gaucho* traditions. Head to a typical *estancia* where you'll dine on a hearty *asado* lunch – a traditional Argentine barbecue. While on the ranch, **it's your choice!** Go horseback riding through



the countryside -OR- take a scenic horse-drawn carriage ride. Meet authentic gauchos who will share stories about what life is like in the countryside. You'll get the chance to relax on the estancia grounds before heading back to Buenos Aires for a free evening. (B, L)

#### Day 5: Buenos Aires - Iguazu Falls, Brazil

Fly to Iguazu Falls – located at the crossroads of Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay – hailed as the most beautiful waterfalls in the world and one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. Board the Rainforest Ecological Train inside the national park on the Argentine side and walk to the platform overlooking powerful Devil's Throat. Discover unparalleled views of five waterfalls as they plummet into the Iguazu River. Cross to the Brazilian side and check into your resort. Cap off your day with a relaxing dinner. (B, D)

### Day 6: Iguazu Falls

Soak up the breathtaking views of the waterfalls from the Brazilian side. Join your local guide as you discover how Brazil and Argentina have both fought to protect the falls by making each side a national park. You will see first-hand why Eleanor Roosevelt, upon seeing Iguazu Falls, exclaimed "Poor Niagara." The afternoon is yours to relax and enjoy the many amenities at your resort or you may choose an optional jungle boat ride at the base of the falls. (B)

### Day 7: Iguazu Falls - Rio de Janeiro

Fly to Rio de Janeiro, Magnificent views, beautiful beaches, flambovant Carnival costumes, great cuisine and friendly people make Rio the cultural capital of Brazil. Venture to the top of Sugarloaf Mountain for breathtaking views. Check into your beachfront hotel in the exclusive Leblon neighborhood. Then, cap the night off at Rio Scenarium, a lavishly decorated restaurant and music venue in the historic Lapa district. Meet local Cariocas (the name for people from Rio de Janeiro) for a night of dinner, music and dancing. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Rio de Janeiro

Journey to Corcovado by train to see Christ the Redeemer, one of the largest Art Deco statues in the world. Take in the panoramic vistas from Tijuca Forest National Park and 360-degree views around the city. Then spend time with locals at one of the city's open-air markets. Break into small groups with market guides as you discover and taste over a dozen different types of exotic fruits from Brazil. Your afternoon is at leisure. Relax by the beach or take in the sights. (B)

#### Dav 9: Rio de Janeiro

This morning, step behind-the-scenes of Carnival and meet the artists who are designing the floats, costumes and dances during their year-round preparations for Rio's biggest event. Later, enjoy a panoramic city tour that includes a visit to the Metropolitan Cathedral with architecture that was inspired by a Mayan pyramid. Stop by the Maracanã football stadium, which hosted the 2014 World Cup finals, before continuing on to the Carnival parade route, the Sambadrome. Learn how to craft caipirinhas - Brazil's famous cocktail made with sugar cane liquor and lime. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a farewell feast in a typical Brazilian churrascaria. Indulge in wine and meats slow-roasted to perfection. (B, D)

### Day 10: Rio de Janeiro - Tour Ends

Your tour ends this morning. For guests with evening flights, enjoy additional time to prepare for your flight and absorb the pulse of this amazing city. (B)

### TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

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### MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

Add more time to your trip with these options:



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This trip requires a passport. Due to flight schedules, a pre/post night may be required in some gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of reservation. 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 traveling to and from. Rates do not include the internal flights on tour. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us. Our air passengers will arrive into Buenos Aires and depart from Rio de Janeiro. Airport transfers are available for purchase.

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23 DAYS • 35 MEALS FROM <sup>\$</sup> 4999

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### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Lima • Sacred Valley of the Incas • Pisac Market • Ollantaytambo • Machu Picchu • Culinary Demonstration • Cuzco • Santiago • Patagonia • Torres del Paine • Patagonian Estancia • Perito Moreno Glacier • Buenos Aires • Tango Show • Iguazu Falls • Rio de Janeiro • Christ the Redeemer Statue • Brazilian *Churrascaria* 

### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Learn centuries-old Andean textile methods at a living museum.
- Discover the majestic nature of Iguazu Falls.
- Embrace the art of tango at a live performance.

### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

- Day 2 Discover Lima's history during a colonial tour through the historic city center or encounter the daily life of the Limeños during a walking tour through the fashionable Barranco and Miraflores districts.
- Day 16 Enjoy a panoramic city tour of Buenos Aires or take a scenic walking tour and explore some of the city's most iconic neighborhoods and landmarks.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

#### TOUR EXTENSIONS

### EXTEND YOUR TOUR WITH THESE OPTIONS



- Peruvian Amazon 3-night pre-tour extension. Explore the wonders of the Amazon with a naturalist guide by your side.
- Brazilian Amazon 3-night post-tour extension. Stand in awe of one of the world's seven natural wonders.
- Salvador de Bahia 3-night post-tour extension. Witness colonial architecture, a charming fishing village and a folklore performance.

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### Embark on an epic trip through South America, journeying from the fabled ruins of Machu Picchu to the mammoth Perito Moreno Glacier.

#### Day 1: Lima, Peru - Tour Begins

Welcome to Peru, one of the treasures of South America. The enduring cultures and breathtaking beauty of the Andes await. Travel through this intriguing land and visit some of the world's most legendary sites, including Machu Picchu, the "Lost City of the Incas." Arrive late this evening in Lima, the "City of Kings."

### Day 2: Lima 😵

Today, it's your choice! Discover Lima's fascinating history during a colonial tour through the historic city center, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Admire the artwork at San Francisco Monastery and enter the catacombs; view the elegant Cathedral at Plaza de Armas and visit the Casa de Aliaga - former house of the conquistador Jerónimo de Aliaga y Ramirez - where the energy of colonial and republican Lima comes to life -OR- choose to explore Lima's modern side. Visit the fashionable suburbs of Barranco and Miraflores for insight into the daily life of the Limeños during a walking tour; see the Park of Love, featuring unique sculptures and artwork, along with a stop at the Pyramid Huaca Pucllana; visit the Pedro de Osma

Museum featuring Peruvian art from the fifth to the eighteenth century. This evening, get to know your fellow travelers during a welcome dinner of artfully crafted Peruvian dishes; you will quickly discover why Peru is consistently named the world's top food travel destination. (B, D)

### **Day 3:** Lima - Cuzco - Sacred Valley of the Incas

Fly to Cuzco, in the heart of the Inca civilization. Journey through the Andes to the majestic Sacred Valley of the Incas, the agricultural center of their grand empire. Learn the centuries-old methods of spinning, dyeing and weaving traditional textiles during a visit to Awana Kancha, a living museum of the Peruvian Andes. Stop in a Pisac village to browse the colorful handicraft market. This evening, settle in at your hotel nestled in the heart of the Sacred Valley. (B, D)

**Day 4:** Sacred Valley of the Incas -Ollantaytambo - Sacred Valley of the Incas This morning you visit the spectacular Ollantaytambo ruins, the only Incan settlement that has been continually inhabited since its inception. A uniquely







terraced complex topped with carved stone panels, these ruins reflect ancient Incan architecture and heritage. Then, head to the Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio where you'll get first-hand knowledge of this internationally-renowned artist's techniques and designs, inspired by ancient Peruvian cultures. Experience the lifestyle of the modern Andean people and delve into their culture when you travel to a nearby community and interact with the locals. You'll get a true taste of their daily life when participating in small group workshops that teach you traditional methods of growing, harvesting and weaving. Celebrate their culture as you learn their dances and listen to their musical instruments before enjoying a home-hosted, farm-to-table lunch featuring local specialties. (B, L)

### **Day 5:** Sacred Valley of the Incas - Machu Picchu, Aguas Calientes

Climb aboard the Machu Picchu Vistadome train for breathtaking views through domed windows as you ride through the Andes to the "Lost City of the Incas." Hidden by mountains and semi-tropical jungle, Machu Picchu is considered the most spectacular sight in South America. Spend the afternoon with your guide uncovering the mysteries of these majestic ruins. Tonight, stay at the base of Machu Picchu for a chance to further soak up its atmosphere. Enjoy a culinary demonstration before experiencing a tasting menu at your resort. (B, D)

### Day 6: Machu Picchu - Cuzco

With leisure time this morning, you may take an optional tour to return to Machu Picchu and view the sunrise or explore the local markets in Aguas Calientes on your own. Return by Vistadome train to the Sacred Valley. This evening you may join an optional home hosted meal experience with a local Cuzco family. (B)

### Day 7: Cuzco

The morning is yours to relax or explore Cuzco on your own. Perhaps you'll choose to take an optional tour of the San Blas neighborhood to peruse its artisan shops, or delve further into Peruvian cuisine at an optional cooking class. This afternoon, join your local guide and travel above the city to discover the important sacred Incan ruins of Sacsayhuaman Fortress, followed by a visit to explore Cuzco's central market. Continue on a walking tour of the city, visiting Plaza de Armas, the Cuzco Cathedral and the Santo Domingo Convent. This evening you are treated to an authentic dinner highlighting local flavors in the heart of Cuzco. (B, D)

### Day 8: Cuzco - Santiago, Chile

Say farewell to the mystical land of the Incas and fly south to cosmopolitan Santiago, Chile's vibrant capital city and cultural hub. (B)

### Day 9: Santiago

Embark on a panoramic city tour featuring

La Moneda Presidential Palace, Plaza de Armas, Santiago's Cathedral and many other Neoclassical buildings. Peruse the shops and interact with handicraft vendors on the Paseo Ahumada pedestrian avenue. Savor the freshness of the Mercado Central; Santiago's celebrated fresh fish market, which was listed by National Geographic as one of the top 10 food markets in the world. Enjoy the remainder of your afternoon at leisure. Perhaps vou'll visit the Museo Chileno de Arte Pre-Colombino, a museum dedicated to the study and display of pre-columbian artwork and artifacts from Central and South America, or joinan optional tour to a local winery for an educational winemaking tour followed by a tasting of the locally-produced wines. (B)

### Day 10: Santiago - Punta Arenas - Puerto Natales

Leave Santiago behind and fly to the region of Patagonia, the southern portion of Chile and Argentina that is filled with natural wonders. Arrive in Punta Arenas, built along the Strait of Magellan. Take in the stunning scenery before heading to Puerto Natales, the stepping off point to Chile's Torres del Paine National Park. (B, D)

### **Day 11:** Puerto Natales - Torres del Paine -Puerto Natales

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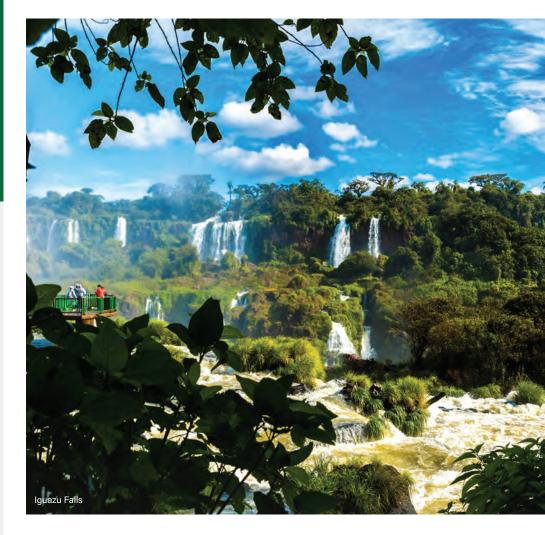
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- Enjoy a cooking demonstration featuring Peruvian cuisine.
- Take part in a lamb roast at a typical Patagonian *estancia*.



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biosphere reserve – Torres del Paine National Park. Take in the panoramas of jagged mountains and emerald-blue lakes. Marvel at the cascading waterfalls and the flora & fauna that are unique to the area. You are sure to be awed at every turn when exploring what is known as one of South America's most incredible national parks. (B)

#### Day 12: Puerto Natales

Enjoy a day at leisure to explore the charming town of Puerto Natales. Or, you may join an optional full-day cruise through the Chilean Fjords, visiting the breathtaking Serrano and Balmaceda glaciers. As you pass through the Seno Ultima Esperanza – "Channel of Last Hope" – behold the pristine beauty of Bernardo O'Higgins National Park, Chile's largest natural reserve. This rugged landscape and unspoiled territory is a site you will never forget. (B)

### **Day 13:** Puerto Natales - El Calafate, Argentina

Make your way from the Chilean side of Patagonia to El Calafate in Argentina, the gateway to Los Glaciares National Park. En route, meet local *gauchos* at a typical Patagonian *estancia*. Partake in a traditional lamb roast lunch and learn about the local culture. Then you are treated to a dog show and sheep shearing demonstration. Revel in the beauty of the landscape during your drive through the countryside before settling into your hotel, perfectly situated near downtown and featuring spectacular views of magnificent Lake Argentino. (B, L)

### Day 14: El Calafate - Perito Moreno Glacier

Discover the jewel of Argentina's Patagonia – Perito Moreno Glacier in Los Glaciares National Park. This UNESCO site forms part of the Patagonian Continental Ice Field and is one of the few glaciers in the world still advancing. Gaze off the shoreline in search of floating icebergs as you listen to the sounds of crashing ice breaking off the massive glacier. (B, L, D)

#### Day 15: El Calafate - Buenos Aires

Board your flight to Buenos Aires, birthplace of the tango and the "Paris of South America." Stretching along the banks of the Rio de la Plata, the city is a mosaic of European-styled architecture and South American spirit. This evening explore the city at leisure. (B)

### Day 16: Buenos Aires 😵

**It's your choice!** Join a panoramic city tour by bus of lively Buenos Aires featuring the famous Avenida 9 de Julio, Teatro Colón opera house, and the Metropolitan

Cathedral. Make stops at the Plaza de Mayo, La Casa Rosada Presidential mansion, and the famous Recoleta Cemetery, resting place of Eva Peron. Continue your city tour on the motorcoach with free time to explore colorful San Telmo, the oldest neighborhood of the city and the birthplace of tango -ORembark on a walking tour with a local guide highlighting the Recoleta and Palermo neighborhoods; see the city's monuments, museums and architectural gems including embassy row; the largest Japanese garden outside of Japan; and the Decorative Art Museum, known as one of the city's most beautiful buildings. Tonight, head to La Ventana Tango House, located in the San Telmo neighborhood in a beautifully restored building, and savor Argentine cuisine and wine before witnessing a stunning tango performance. (B, D)

#### Day 17: Buenos Aires

Today is yours to create your own adventure in Buenos Aires! Maybe you'll stroll through San Martin Park or Calle Florida, a shopper's paradise. (B)

#### **Day 18:** Buenos Aires - Iguazu Falls, Brazil

Fly to Iguazu Falls - located at the crossroads of Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay - hailed as one of the most beautiful waterfalls in the world and one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. Board the Rainforest Ecological Train inside the national park on the Argentine side and walk to the platform overlooking powerful Devil's Throat. Discover unparalleled views of five waterfalls as they plummet into the Iguazu River. Cross to the Brazilian side and check into your resort. Tonight, perhaps you will join the optional Three Borders Landmark Dinner & Show overlooking the river at the conjunction of three nations. (B)

#### Day 19: Iguazu Falls

Soak up the breathtaking views of the waterfalls from the Brazilian side. Join your local guide as you discover how Brazil and Argentina have fought to protect the beauty and raw power of the falls by making each side a national park. You will see firsthand why Eleanor Roosevelt, upon seeing Iguazu Falls, exclaimed "Poor Niagara." The afternoon is yours to relax and enjoy the many amenities at your resort or you may choose an optional jungle boat ride at the base of the falls. Cap off your day with a relaxing dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 20: Iguazu Falls - Rio de Janeiro

Fly to Rio de Janeiro. Magnificent views, beautiful beaches, flamboyant Carnival costumes, great cuisine and friendly people make Rio the cultural capital of Brazil. Venture to the top of Sugarloaf Mountain for breathtaking views. Check in to your beachfront hotel in the exclusive Leblon neighborhood. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for an exciting dinner at Rio Scenarium, a lavishly decorated restaurant and music venue in the historic Lapa district. Meet local Cariocas (the name for people from Rio de Janeiro) for a night of dinner, music and dancing. (B, D)

#### Day 21: Rio de Janeiro

Journey to Corcovado by train to see Christ the Redeemer, one of the largest Art Deco statues in the world. Take in the panoramic vistas from Tijuca Forest National Park. With 360-degree views around the city, you'll soon realize why this statue is one of the new Seven Wonders of the World. Next, spend time with locals at one of the city's open-air markets. Break into small groups with market guides as you discover and taste over a dozen different types of exotic fruits from Brazil. This afternoon, step behind-the-scenes at Carnival and meet the artists who are designing the floats, costumes and dances during their year-round preparations for Rio's biggest event. This evening we gather to enjoy a panoramic city tour that includes a visit to the Metropolitan Cathedral with architecture that was inspired by a Mayan pyramid. Stop by the Maracanã football stadium, which hosted the 2014 World Cup finals, before continuing on to the Carnival parade route, the Sambadrome. (B)

#### Day 22: Rio de Janeiro

Your morning is at leisure to explore fabulous Rio de Janeiro on your own. Relax by the beach at your resort or take a shuttle to Copacabana. This evening, learn how to craft *caipirinhas* – Brazil's famous cocktail made with sugar cane liquor and lime. Then, cap the night off with a farewell feast in a typical Brazilian *churrascaria*. Indulge in wine and meats slow-roasted to perfection. (B, D)

### Day 23: Rio de Janeiro - Tour Ends

As your tour comes to a close, transfer to the airport for your flight home. For guests with evening flights, enjoy additional time to prepare for your flight and absorb the pulse of this amazing city. (B)

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Sacred Valley of the Incas . Local Andean Cultures • Ollantaytambo Ruins • Home-Hosted Lunches - Machu Picchu • Cuzco • Lake Titicaca • **Uros Floating Islands** 

### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Explore the colorful markets of Peru, including the famous Pisac village market.
- Discover the artist's techniques and designs at Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio.



• Day 7 - Discover the sacred ruins of Sacsayhuaman Fortress or embark on a walking tour of San Blas, the traditional old quarter of Cuzco.

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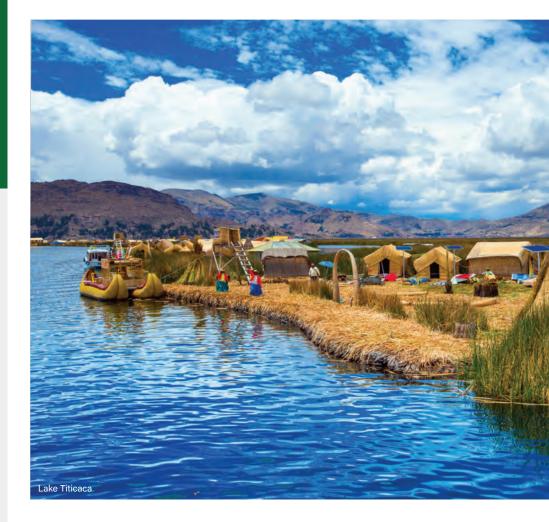
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From the sacred citadel of Machu Picchu to the floating islands of Lake Titicaca, the magical wonders of Peru are waiting behind every corner.

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Welcome to Peru, one of the treasures of South America. Travel through this intriguing land visiting some of the world's most legendary sites, including Machu Picchu, the "Lost City of the Incas." Arrive late this evening in Lima, the "City of Kings."

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Discover Lima's fascinating history during a colonial tour through the historic city center, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Admire the artwork at San Francisco Monastery and enter the catacombs. View the elegant Cathedral at Plaza de Armas and visit the Casa de Aliaga - former house of the conquistador Jeronimo de Aliaga y Ramirez where the energy of colonial and republican Lima comes to life. See the fashionable suburbs of Barranco and Miraflores. Get to know your fellow travelers at a welcome dinner. Featuring artfully crafted Peruvian dishes, the meal will give you a taste of why Peru is consistently named the world's top food travel destination. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Lima - Cuzco - Sacred Valley of the Incas

Fly to Cuzco, in the heart of the Inca

civilization. Journey through the Andes to the majestic Sacred Valley of the Incas, the agricultural center of their grand empire. While en route to your hotel, explore different towns in the valley, each a representation of the region's unique culture. After a short lesson on the local language, stop in Pisac village to browse the colorful handicraft market. Settle into your hotel nestled in the heart of the Sacred Valley. (B)

### Day 4: Sacred Valley of the Incas -Ollantaytambo - Sacred Valley of the Incas

This morning, visit the spectacular Ollantaytambo ruins, the only Incan settlement that has been continually inhabited since its inception. A uniquely terraced complex topped with carved stone panels, these ruins reflect ancient Incan architecture and heritage. Then, head to the Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio where you'll get first-hand knowledge of this internationally renowned artist's techniques and designs, inspired by ancient Peruvian cultures. Experience the lifestyle of the modern Andean people and delve into their culture when you travel to a nearby Quechua community and interact with



the locals. You'll get a true taste of their daily life when participating in small group workshops that teach you traditional methods of growing, harvesting and weaving. Celebrate their culture as you learn their dances and listen to their musical instruments before enjoying a homehosted farm-to-table lunch featuring local specialties. (B, L)

#### Day 5: Sacred Valley of the Incas -Machu Picchu

Climb aboard the Machu Picchu Vistadome train for breathtaking views through domed windows as you ride through the Andes to the "Lost City of the Incas." Hidden by mountains and semi-tropical jungle, Machu Picchu is considered the most spectacular sight in South America. Spend the afternoon with your guide uncovering the mysteries of these majestic ruins. Tonight, stay at the base of Machu Picchu for a chance to further soak up its atmosphere. Enjoy an exclusive culinary demonstration and learn how to craft the perfect ceviche and pisco sour before your dinner featuring a Peruvian menu. (B, D)

### Day 6: Machu Picchu - Cuzco

This morning, take advantage of free time and explore the local markets in

Aguas Calientes on your own. Return to the Sacred Valley by Vistadome train. Upon arriving in Cuzco, take time to explore the captivating city at your leisure. (B)

### Day 7: Cuzco 😵

Start your morning with a local guide on a tour of Cuzco, visiting the San Pedro Market, the Koricancha temple, the central Plaza de Armas, and the Cuzco Cathedral. Later, it's your choice! Travel above the city to discover the important sacred Incan ruins of Sacsayhuaman Fortress -OR- embark on a walking tour of San Blas, the traditional old guarter of Cuzco, lined with restaurants and artisan shops. The rest of the afternoon is yours. This evening, you are treated to an authentic dinner highlighting local flavors in the heart of Cuzco. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Cuzco - Puno

This morning, fly to Puno, hugging the shores of Lake Titicaca. Known as the birthplace of the Inca Empire, ancient legends say that life began here. Have time to meet the locals and discover the history of this region as you explore the village center before checking into your lakeside hotel. Tonight, enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

#### **Day 9:** Puno-Uros Floating Islands-Lake Titicaca-Chullpas de Sillustan-Puno

The Titicaca area, steeped in tradition and folklore, is the center of Incan legends. Enjoy a morning cruise to the floating islands of the Uros people of Lake Titicaca; experience walking on the island's spongy surface made from compacted beds of tortora reeds and meet the locals, learning about their history and lifestyle. Later, cruise to a local rustic village for a home-hosted meal and swap stories with Peruvian families before visiting the mystical Chullpas de Sillustani – an archaeological area boasting 13thcentury funerary monuments. (B, L)

#### Day 10: Puno - Lima - Tour Ends

As your tour comes to a close, spend the morning relaxing on the shores of Lake Titicaca before flying to Lima. Upon arrival, head to the Larco Museum, a former mansion built on the site of a pre-Columbian temple. The museum offers a collection of over 3,000 years of ceramic, textile, and precious metal artifacts. After this incredible trip through history, your tour concludes with a sumptuous farewell dinner on the grounds of the museum before departing for Lima's airport and your connecting flight home. (B, D)

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### **HIGHLIGHTS**

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### CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

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### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Discover multitudes of Antarctic wildlife including seals, whales, albatross and Chinstrap, Gentoo and Adélie penguins.
- Enjoy nearly 24 hours of sunlight as you absorb your surroundings ashore and from the expedition ship's many observatory decks.
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### CULINARY INCLUSIONS

#### · 12 breakfasts • 12 lunches • 10 dinners

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### **Day 2:** Buenos Aires, Argentina - Tour Begins

Arrive in cosmopolitan Buenos Aires, birthplace of the tango and the "Paris of South America." Stretching along the banks of the Río de la Plata, the city is a mosaic of European-style architecture and South American spirit. This afternoon, enjoy a panoramic city tour highlighting its Beaux-Arts palaces, grand boulevards, and the famous balcony forever associated with Eva Perón. In the early evening, gather for an informal reception at the hotel. (L)

### Day 3: Fly to Ushuaia - Embark Ship - At Sea

This morning we fly over Patagonia before landing in Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world. Enjoy lunch while cruising the Beagle Channel. Later, embark the National Geographic Explorer, an authentic expedition ship uniquely equipped with a hull strengthened to "ice-class" and advanced navigation equipment for polar expeditions. With just 81 cabins and a maximum capacity of 148 passengers, the spacious and modern Explorer offers a roster of tools for exploration and a variety of public areas for viewing the incredible passing landscape. In the ship's spacious lounge, you will have informative presentations and a nightly recap of the day's activities. (B, L, D)

### Day 4: The Drake Passage - At Sea

Cruise south through the fabled Drake Passage, named after the explorer Sir Francis Drake. Set between Cape Horn and the Antarctic Peninsula, a crossing of the legendary Drake Passage is unforgettable — a milestone in any adventurer's personal travel history. Warmer waters of the north meet the colder, denser waters of the south here in the Antarctic Convergence, making the area rich in marine life. (B, L, D)







#### Day 5: Antarctica

The next six days are filled with discovering Antarctica, the last great wilderness stretching across icecovered desert and mountains for over five million square miles. The ethereal beauty and immense scale of the continent is like nowhere else on the planet. (B, L, D)

#### Day 6: Antarctica

The voyage keeps a flexible schedule (daily activities are contingent on weather conditions) to take advantage of the unexpected. With nearly 24 hours of daylight, make the most of your days with daily explorations. (B, L, D)

### Day 7: Antarctica

You may take a Zodiac foray amongst towering icebergs under a bright sun, walk along the shoreline amid a huge penguin colony, hike to a summit for a breathtaking view, or kayak along a cliff-side rookery in search of blueeyed shags. (B, L, D)

#### Day 8: Antarctica

Today you could have the thrill of watching the ship crunch through the packed ice or step ashore to the cries of thousands of Gentoo penguins. (B, L, D)

#### Day 9: Antarctica

Learn from the experts how to identify different penguin species and get photo tips from a National Geographic photographer while watching those same penguins. (B, L, D)

#### Day 10: Antarctica

Onboard, the undersea specialist may present video from that day's dive with rare images taken up to 1,000 feet below the surface. The expert staff will craft an expedition where you will learn more, see more and experience more. (B, L, D)

#### Day 11: At Sea

Leave Antarctica and sail back to Ushuaia, crossing the southern waters of the Drake Passage. The ship's spotters will keep an eye out for marine life, albatross and seabirds that cross the ship's bow. (B, L, D)

#### Day 12: At Sea

You may want to enjoy a wellness treatment, spend time in the gym, catch up on the book you haven't had a minute to read, or participate in on board discussions reflecting on all you have seen and learned. (B, L, D)

#### Day 13: Ushuaia - Disembark Ship -Fly to Buenos Aires

After breakfast, disembark in Ushuaia with time for independent exploration before proceeding to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires for an overnight stay. (B, L)

### Day 14: Buenos Aires - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today. (B)



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This trip requires a passport. The Ushuaia airport departure tax, park fees and permits are included in the cost of your tour. Onboard gratuities and alcohol (except super-premium brands) are included in the price of your tour. Special clothing is required for shore landings; please refer to your pre-departure documents for important details. Guests will receive a complimentary parka for use during landings; rubber boots can be purchased or rented through ship-to-shore at your own expense. Transfers to/ from the ship are by small Zodiac boats. Landings are either "dry" or "wet" and you might have to wade ashore in shallow water. In some cases, the terrain can be a little strenuous. Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed. We will make every effort to accommodate your cabin category preference at the time of booking. If your preferred category is not available, the next closest category available will be offered and a surcharge may apply. In accordance with IAATO and Lindblad Expeditions, all guests traveling to Antarctica must complete a confidential medical declaration form, signed by a doctor, stating that they are fit to travel. This form will be sent to guests well in advance. The form must be completely filled out and returned to our office 120 days prior to your tour's departure. Boarding may be denied if this form is not returned to Collette. Prior to full payment for the program, the cruise line reserves the right to impose a supplemental fuel charge. Should this occur, you will be notified of the additional charges. This tour is operated by Lindblad Expeditions and will have Lindblad representatives accompanying you throughout the program. This program is not Collette exclusive and a Collette Tour Manager will not be accompanying you. Upon your return to Buenos Aires, a representative will not be accompanying you, but will be available at an off-site location. The internal flights are not included in the land-only cost of your tour. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us. Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from Buenos Aires. Airport transfers are available for purchase.

### TROPICAL COSTA RICA

### 9 DAYS · 14 MEALS FROM \$1399

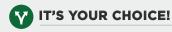
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### **HIGHLIGHTS**

San Jose • Coffee Plantation • Guanacaste • Monteverde Cloud Forest • Arenal Volcano • Lake Arenal Cruise • Cano Negro Refuge • Zarcero

### CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Uncover the importance of conservation in Costa Rica during a visit to a tree nursery.
- Discover the charming town of Zarcero and its whimsical topiary garden.
- Spot indigenous wildlife while on a riverboat cruise.



 Day 5 – Climb high into the trees for your choice of a "Hanging Bridges" tour or Zip Lining in the cloud forest.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

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#### 8 breakfasts - 6 dinners

- Discover the history of coffee in Costa Rica during your visit to a coffee plantation.
- Taste your way through a cooking demonstration featuring local ingredients.

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- Day 1 DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari, San Jose
- Days 2, 3 Nammbu Beachfront Bungalows - Playa Carrillo, Guanacaste
- Days 4, 5 El Establo Hotel, Monteverde Cloud Forest
- Days 6, 7 Mountain Paradise Hotel, Arenal
- Day 8 DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari, San Jose

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# Discover Costa Rica's good life on a rendezvous with exotic fauna, lush rainforests, and endless coastlines.

### Day 1: San Jose, Costa Rica - Tour Begins

Explore lush forests and stunning waterfalls...exotic wildlife and endless coastlines. Your tour opens in the colorful capital city of San Jose, the perfect place to relax and soak up the sights as your adventure begins.

### **Day 2:** San Jose - Coffee Plantation - Guanacaste

Welcome to the Central Valley. Begin with a tour of a local coffee plantation highlighting the history and cultivation of this driver of the Costa Rican economy. This afternoon, arrive in breathtaking Guanacaste, known for its fine sandy beaches. Settle in for a relaxing 2-night stay at your resort and take in the mesmerizing ocean views. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Guanacaste

Fun in the sun is in store today as you explore the nearby beaches, or simply relax by the pool and take advantage of your resort's lovely amenities. This afternoon, visit the delightful beach town of Samara, one of the top sunset spots in Costa Rica. Soak in the spectacular colors as the sun illuminates the natural landscape. (B, D)

### Day 4: Guanacaste - Monteverde

It's off to the secluded Monteverde Cloud Forest, a place you have to see to believe, where trees grow to heights of 100 feet! Set off on a nature walk through this spectacular ecosystem, where you're sure to encounter many incredible species of flora and fauna. Keep your eyes peeled and you may be lucky enough to spot the elusive quetzal! (B, D)

### Day 5: Monteverde 🛇

It's your choice! Explore one of the world's largest butterfly gardens and a dazzling gallery containing more than 100 beautiful hummingbirds. Then, join an expert for a leisurely paced "Hanging Bridges" walking tour to gain a different perspective of the cloud forest's lush ecosystem -OR- take an exhilarating ride on one of the longest canopy zip line tours in Costa Rica. If you



would like to do both the hanging bridges and the zip line tour, you may purchase the second as an option on tour. This evening, take part in an expert-led discussion about the migratory birds that flock to Costa Rica. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Monteverde - Lake Arenal Cruise - Arenal

Uncover the importance of conservation in Costa Rica during a visit to a tree nursery. Learn about indigenous trees and Monteverde's reforestation efforts. Cross beautiful mountainous landscapes to Arenal, where spectacular views of the famous volcano await your discovery. Enjoy a delightful cruise on Lake Arenal, Costa Rica's largest and most important lake. Later, check in for another 2-night stay at a lodge overlooking the majestic Arenal Volcano. Get to know the Costa Rican culture this evening. Taste your way through a cooking demonstration featuring local ingredients. End your evening dining on the recipes of Costa Rica as a guitarist serenades you. (B, D)





## Day 7: Arenal - Cano Negro - Arenal

What's next? A Cano Negro guided riverboat trip in a covered canoe known as a panga. These 20,000 acres are home to the largest viewable collection of indigenous wildlife in all of Costa Rica. Go in search of caimans, river otters, sloths, monkeys, river turtles, exotic birds and rare butterflies. Later, return to Arenal for the chance to relax during an optional spa visit. (B)

#### Day 8: Arenal - Zarcero - San Jose

Today, get a little whimsical as we journey to the charming town of Zarcero to explore its fanciful topiary garden. Continue to San Jose to see the treasures of the city on a panoramic tour. See the bustling Plaza de Cultura. This evening, bid farewell to paradise over a wonderful dinner with your fellow travelers. (B, D)

#### Day 9: San Jose - Tour Ends

Today you depart for home with fabulous memories of your Costa Rican adventure. (B)





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# JUNGLE ADVENTURE

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December 5, 28 January 9, 11, 16, 18 January 23, 25, 30 February 1, 6, 8, 13, 15 February 20, 22, 27 March 1, 6, 8, 13, 15 March 20, 22 April 10, 17, 19, 24

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from San Jose. Airport transfers are available for purchase.

> The service on this tour was excellent from the knowledgeable tour manager, excellent bus driver, sightseeing options and beautiful hotels. 99

-Collette Traveler



# DISCOVER PANAMA

9 DAYS · 15 MEALS FROM \$1799

Land only, per person, double occupancy.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Panama City • Gamboa Rainforest Reserve • Emberá Indigenous Village • Panama Canal Cruise • Miraflores Locks • Anton Valley • Chitré • Pollera Dress Making Visit • Finca Experience • Rum Tasting • Playa Bonita

# CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Join your guide for a nature walk through the jungle forest.
- Travel by dugout canoe to an Emberá village to learn about indigenous culture.
- Peruse a local handicraft market filled with crafts made by local artisans.



 Day 4 — With a guide, embark on a short walking tour that showcases the Plaza de la Independencia and the National Theater or journey through the neighborhood with a local resident who will take you through the place he calls home.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

## CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- · 8 breakfasts 3 lunches 4 dinners
- Sample fresh Panamanian ceviche at the Mercado de Mariscos.
- Taste the sweet sugarcane juice called *guarapa* at a sugar mill.
- Immerse yourself in the local culture at dinner featuring a folkloric dance performance.



- Days 1 3 Le Méridien Hotel, Panama City
- Days 4, 5 Los Mandarinos Hotel, Anton Valley
- Days 6, 7 Cubitá Boutique Resort and Spa, Chitré
- Day 8 Westin Playa Bonita, Playa Bonita
  - On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# Encounter a land nestled between turquoise seas in enchanting Panama, where jungle forests, diverse culture and stunning coastlines abound.

#### Day 1: Panama City, Panama - Tour Begins

Experience a land of contrasts. Remote rainforests, rich history, diverse wildlife and spectacular coastlines abound in Panama. Your tour opens in vibrant Panama City.

#### Day 2: Panama City - Emberá Village -Panama City

Meet your fellow travelers during a welcome breakfast. Then travel north to the Gamboa Rainforest Reserve. Board dugout canoes and set off on an excursion up the Chagres River to an Emberá indigenous village. As the "Keepers of the Rainforest," the Emberá strive to preserve their heritage and take pride in sharing their traditional techniques of home building and handicrafts – such as basket weaving and tagua nut carving. Join in their dances and partake in a traditional lunch. The remainder of your day is free to enjoy at leisure. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 3:** Panama City - Panama Canal Cruise - Panama City

Today we explore the canal! Board the Pacific Queen for a partial transit cruise through the Panama Canal. Enjoy lunch onboard and pass through two locks as you revel in a once-in-a-lifetime chance to see this incredible engineering feat firsthand. Learn all about its construction and operation from your onboard guides. Disembark at Flamenco Marina in Panama City. (B, L)

#### Day 4: Panama City - Anton Valley 😵

Arrive at Miraflores Locks Visitor Center to view the Panama Canal and learn about its past, present and future as you watch ships traverse the lock system. Continue to Casco Viejo, the Old Quarter (UNESCO). Then, it's your choice! Follow your guide for a short walking tour showcasing the Plaza de la Independencia and the National Theater -OR- for a more immersive experience, journey through this same neighborhood with a local resident...hear the story of Casco Viejo's comeback from a member of the community who will take you through the place he calls home, highlighting the incredible revitalization of this historic area and its people. Everyone then gathers for a visit to the Mercado de Mariscos, a seafood market, to try fresh Panamanian ceviche. Drive a short distance on the famed



Pan-American Highway before heading to Anton Valley, a community nestled inside the world's second largest volcanic crater. Afterwards, check in to your hotel at the base of the mountains that make up the crater. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Anton Valley

Delve into history and biodiversity. This morning, visit a frog conservation center that protects critically endangered species, including the emblematic Panamanian Golden Frog, said to bring good luck to anyone who sees it. Then we explore a nonprofit orchid nursery which dedicates itself to conserving regional orchids. We follow that with a visit to the Butterfly Haven exhibit; stroll through the screened tropical displays that are home to over 250 live butterflies. Meet the locals at the handicraft market. Try your hand at negotiations (a local pastime) as you peruse items made by indigenous peoples, including the "mola" embroidery of the Guna Yala. This afternoon, visit El Chorro Macho waterfall. Embark on a moderate hike along the rainforest trails, crossing several bridges before arriving at the impressive waterfall. You may even take a swim in the

natural pool. The evening is yours to continue exploring this charming mountain community. (B)

#### Day 6: Anton Valley - Chitré

Step into the heartland of Panama as you visit a village of artists. Interact with makers of the famous Panama hat and see firsthand how these wearable works of art come to life. Next, meet the legendary cigar rollers of Panama. Head north to Chitré. Established in 1558, it is one of Panama's first Spanish settlements. Spend the day meeting the people of Chitré, the "folklore capital" of Panama. Talk to a famous local artist whose whimsical masks are used in traditional Panamanian parades. Then, pause to experience the region's pre-Columbian and colonial times at the local museum. Tonight, immerse yourself in the local culture during dinner. Learn about the various Panamanian drums and how they are incorporated into song and dance during a folkloric dance performance. (B, D)

## Day 7: Chitré

Today we're off to spend time with Panamanian women who have dedicated their lives to making the handwoven pollera dress. Later, see what a typical day in the life of a Panamanian farmer is like during an inclusive finca experience. Choose to explore the farm by horseback or carriage, milk the cows or feed the sheep. Put your hands to work as you prepare some local dishes to accompany a farm-to-table lunch. Savor the tastes of a well-known, locally crafted rum cocktail. The remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at your hotel. Tonight you may opt to join a home hosted dinner experience; take this opportunity to learn about a local family's life, culture and food while enjoying the warmth of their home. (B, L)

#### Day 8: Chitré - Playa Bonita

Before departing Chitré, get to know a traditional way of cooking at a clay oven bakery and sample artisanal bread and sweets along with some sugarcane juice known as *guarapa*. Your journey continues to Playa Bonita, just outside of Panama City. Arrive midday to soak up the sun and scenery from your beachfront property. After enjoying some fun and relaxation at your resort, bid farewell to Panama at a special dinner. (B, D)

## Day 9: Playa Bonita - Tour Ends

Your journey comes to a close today. (B) TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL SEE PAGE 103 FOR DETAILS

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#### DOUBLE SOLO Starting at \$1799 Starting at \$2299 Land only, per person, double occupancy. Prices based on June 11, 2020 departure.

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This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from Panama City. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Panama charges an international airport departure tax of approximately \$40 USD – the cost of this may be included in your air ticket (subject to change). Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Due to flight schedules, a pre or post night may be required in Atlanta, Georgia, or Miami, Florida, (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of booking. 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 traveling to and from.

Our tour guide was excellent. He was very knowledgeable, funny and helpful. Our driver was awesome. The two of them made the trip. The Panama Canal was fantastic, loved the Emberá village... **99** 

–Collette Traveler

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# SPAIN & MOROCCO

13 DAYS · 18 MEALS FROM \$2949

Land only, per person, double occupancy.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Madrid • Córdoba • Granada's Royal Chapel • Seville • Paella Demonstration • Flamenco Show • Jerez de la Frontera • Sherry Tasting • Tangier • Chefchaouen • Fes • Rabat • Mausoleum of Mohammed V • Marrakech • El Bahia Palace • Koutoubia Mosque • Casablanca • Hassan II Mosque

# CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Embark on a walking tour of Córdoba's religious marvel, the Mezquita.
- Visit the final resting place of the Catholic Monarchs at the Royal Chapel of Granada.
- Stroll through the cobbled alleyways of the ancient Medina of Fes.

# **W** IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

 Day 11 — Visit the Jardin Majorelle Botanical Gardens and the Berber Museum or visit the Yves Saint Laurent Museum.

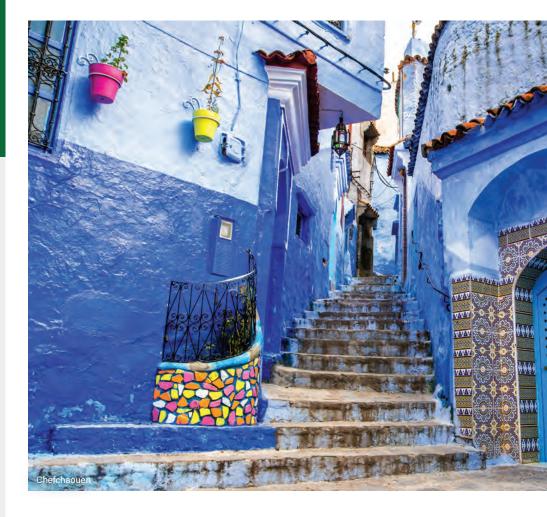
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# CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- 11 breakfasts 1 lunch 6 dinners
- Enjoy a tour and tasting of sherry at a bodega.
- Learn the secrets of paella in the region of Andalusia.
- Savor traditional Moroccan fare at a family run *riad*.



- Day 1 Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3Riu Plaza Espana, MadridDay 4Barceló Carmen, GranadaDays 5, 6Eurostars Torre Sevilla, Seville
- Day 7 Hilton Tanger City Center, Tangier
- Days 8, 9 Barceló Fès Medina, Fes
- Days 10, 11 Radisson Blu Marrakech Carre Eden, Marrakech
- Day 12 Mövenpick Hotel, Casablanca On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# Make your way across two continents and discover a vivid tapestry of cultures, customs, and cuisines.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Visit two continents and enjoy a true taste of Spain and Morocco's centuries-old customs, cuisine and colorful culture.

#### Day 2: Madrid, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Madrid, Spain's dynamic capital city. Gather with new friends tonight for a welcome dinner. (D)

#### Day 3: Madrid

On a locally guided tour of Madrid's historic center, see the Puerta del Sol and Plaza Mayor. An expert-led tour of the Royal Palace reveals lavish halls, the throne room and the palace's impressive courtyard. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. Perhaps you'll go on an optional tour to magnificent Toledo, a 192 B.C. city on the Tagus River. (B)

#### Day 4: Madrid - Córdoba - Granada

Travel to the Moorish city of Córdoba. Reduce travel time and increase leisure time when you choose to take the optional AVE high-speed train! On arrival, embark on a walking tour of the Mezquita (UNESCO). Originally built as a mosque, it was converted into a cathedral when the Christians conquered the region in 1236. Stroll the historic Jewish Quarter, and later, travel along the peaceful Sierra Nevada to Granada. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Granada - Seville

Join a local expert for a tour of the Moorishinfluenced city of Granada. Explore the city's main sights and enjoy a visit to the Royal Chapel. Get a glimpse of what life was like when the Moors occupied the city on a short walk through the Albayzín neighborhood. Later, arrive in Seville, Spain's cultural capital. (B)

#### **Day 6:** Seville - Paella Demonstration -Flamenco - Seville

Join a local expert and uncover the intriguing myths, stories and legends of Seville. Tour the Royal Alcázar (UNESCO) and walk through its beautiful courtyards. Stroll the sprawling Alcázar grounds to find one garden after another. See the Giralda Bell Tower and the Seville Cathedral (UNESCO). Continue on to the narrow streets and whitewashed buildings of Barrio Santa Cruz, the old Jewish Quarter of Seville. At a local restaurant this evening, learn the secrets of paella. Then, take your reserved seats for an authentic flamenco



show (UNESCO) featuring Seville's top performers. (B, D)

#### **Day 7:** Seville - Jerez de la Frontera -Tarifa - Tangier, Morocco

Depart Seville and journey to Spain's sherry region. Stop at a bodega in Jerez de la Frontera for a tour and tasting before sitting down for locallycurated tapas. After lunch, head to Tarifa and board the high speed ferry to the incredible continent of Africa! A short ride across the Strait of Gibraltar brings you to Morocco and the city of Tangier. Enjoy a free evening to explore this revitalized seaside city. (B, L)

#### Day 8: Tangier - Chefchaouen - Fes

Journey from Tangier to Chefchaouen - the "Blue City" of Morocco. Take in the beauty of the surrounding mountains, enhanced by the contrast of the brightly painted Medina. Enjoy free time to explore the famous indigo-blue streets of this small town and stop in one of the many handicraft shops. This afternoon, arrive in Fes (UNESCO). The "Mecca of the West," Fes has retained its position as a religious capital of the region. This evening, dine at a family run riad and taste traditional Moroccan delights, the recipes of which have been passed down from generation to generation. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Fes

Discover Fes, one of the holiest cities in the world. Learn of its historical importance as a center of government, philosophy, medicine, and religion during a fascinating panoramic tour that includes the Medersa Bou Inania, built in 1325. See the Jewish Quarter, the city ramparts and the gates of the Palace. Then, set out on a walking tour in the Medina. Founded in the 9th century, it is home to the world's oldest continuously functioning university. Amid the cobbled alleyways of this ancient market, you'll find donkeys and mules laden with goods walking alongside buyers. Spend time at the famous leather tanneries that date back to the 11th century and are considered to be among the oldest tanneries in the world. (B)

## Day 10: Fes - Rabat - Marrakech

It's off to Rabat, the capital of Morocco. Visit the Mausoleum of Mohammed V and explore the Oudaya Kasbah. This evening, arrive in the exotic city of Marrakech. Explore the city by night during an optional excursion to Jemaa el-Fna, Marrakech's main square, complete with a horse and carriage ride and a unique fusion dining experience. (B)

#### Day 11: Marrakech 😵

Explore Marrakech and its ancient El Bahia Palace where you will find nesting storks standing guard. Visit the vibrant Jewish Mellah and see the majestic 12th-century Koutoubia Mosque. Pass by the Royal Palace during a tour of the ancient city wall. Enter the 11th-century walled Medina and enjoy time to mingle with locals and artisans as you shop at the ancient market. Then, it's your choice! Visit one of the most beautiful botanical gardens in Morocco, Jardin Majorelle, before venturing to the Berber Museum -OR- visit the Yves Saint Laurent Museum - a showcase of art, fashion, and design by the iconic Algerian designer. Tonight, an unforgettable dining experience awaits you behind the doors of an opulent palace. (B, D)

#### Day 12: Marrakech - Casablanca

This morning, venture to Casablanca and tour the Hassan II Mosque, a stunning and impressive high-tech architectural masterpiece. See the city by night on your drive along the seashore to your farewell dinner at Rick's Café, the legendary saloon from the film *Casablanca*. (B, D)

#### Day 13: Casablanca - Tour Ends

Your tour of two countries with a rich, history comes to a close today. (B)

# TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

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This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Madrid and depart from Casablanca. Airport transfers are available for purchase. At times, without advance notice, the Royal Palace in Madrid may be closed due to official government business. When this happens, the Royal Palace will be substituted with a visit to the Prado Museum or the Modern Art Museum. Should the Royal Alcázar of Seville close for a government function, it will be replaced with a visit to the Seville Cathedral.

# TREASURES OF EGYPT

## 13 DAYS · 22 MEALS FROM \$2449

Land only, per person, double occupancy.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Giza • Pyramids • Sphinx • Memphis • Sakkara • Grand Egyptian Museum

• Luxor • Valley of the Kings • Deluxe

4-Night Nile River Cruise • Temple of Karnak • Kom Ombo • Aswan • Old Cairo

# CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Embark on a leisurely paced 4-night cruise and discover the secrets of the Nile, the world's longest river.
- Dress up and join the fun during a traditional galabaya party.
- Take in a sound and light show at Karnak Temple.



 Day 10 – Board a felucca (wooden sail boat) and sail to Kitchener Island for a stroll through the botanical garden or experience Nubian culture past and present during a visit to a museum.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

# CULINARY INCLUSIONS

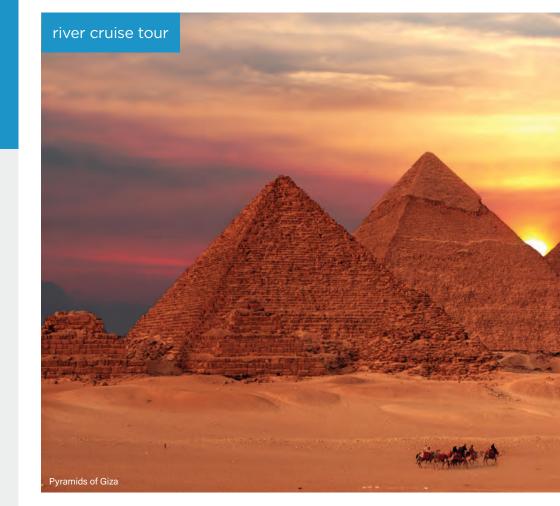
#### • 11 breakfasts • 4 lunches • 7 dinners

• Enjoy a special welcome dinner overlooking the banks of the Nile.



- Day 1 Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3 Fairmont Nile City Hotel or Kempinski Nile Hotel, Cairo
- Days 4, 5 Sonesta St. George Hotel, Luxor
- Days 6 9 Movenpick *Royal Lily* or Movenpick *Royal Lotus*
- Day 10 Movenpick Resort, Aswan
- Days 11, 12 Intercontinental Citystars Hotel, Cairo

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# Follow the allure of the Nile as you uncover complex legends and retrace the steps of the pharaohs in ancient Egypt.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Step back in time and explore thousands of years of history, legend and lore as you view Egypt's timeless wonders.

#### Day 2: Cairo, Egypt - Tour Begins

Begin your journey in Cairo, an ancient city with an intriguing past.

#### Day 3: Cairo - Giza - Sakkara - Memphis - Cairo

Fulfill a lifelong dream! This morning we travel to nearby Giza where we'll meet a local archaeologist who will lead us on a visit to the Pyramids of Giza, one of the seven ancient wonders of the world. Marvel at the iconic Great Sphinx, one of the oldest and largest monuments in the world. This afternoon, travel south to Sakkara. Explore the site of ancient Memphis, home to a nearly 40-foot statue of Ramses II, and stand before the oldest of all pyramids, the Step Pyramid. This evening, enjoy a special welcome dinner overlooking the banks of the Nile. (B, D)

#### Day 4: Cairo - Luxor

Spend the morning discovering the remarkable collections of the Grand

Egyptian Museum. See the statues, reliefs, sarcophagi and the treasures from the tomb of Tutankhamun himself. Later, we transfer to the airport for our flight to Luxor. (B)

#### Day 5: Luxor

Travel thousands of years into the past. Cross over to the West Bank of the Nile to begin your day in ancient Thebes. Explore its remarkable sights – the Valley of the Kings and Queens, the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir El Bahari, and the Colossi of Mennon. This afternoon, return to the East Bank and behold the Luxor Temple, a creation of kings Amenhotep III and Ramses II. (B)

#### Day 6: Luxor - Board Cruise Ship

We return to the West Bank this morning and head to the tombs in the Valley of Nobles and the well-preserved temple complex of Medinet Habu. This afternoon, board your cruise ship and begin your adventure on the Nile River. This evening, enjoy the sound and light show at the Karnak Temple. (B, L, D)

## Day 7: Luxor - Esna - Edfu

This morning, explore the expansive Karnak







Temple, dating back to 2000 B.C. Then we begin our sail down the Nile towards Esna on your way to Edfu. This evening, dress up and join the fun during a traditional galabaya party. (B, L, D)

#### Day 8: Edfu - Kom Ombo - Aswan

Step into another world at the well-preserved Temple of Horus at Edfu. Peruse the endless carvings of scenes depicting the power and grandeur of the pharaohs. After lunch, set sail for Kom Ombo and continue to Aswan, the Nubian City. Following dinner, enjoy a folkloric show featuring a belly dancing performance. (B, L, D)

#### Day 9: Aswan

Discover the Philae Temple. Relocated and preserved by a special UNESCO project, this structure remains an architectural wonder. Later, enjoy a free afternoon to explore Aswan. (B, L, D)

#### Day 10: Aswan - Disembark Cruise Ship - Abu Simbel Optional Tour 😵

Disembark the ship this morning in Aswan. You may choose to partake in an optional tour to Abu Simbel and see the extraordinary temples of Ramses II relocated here during the construction of the High Dam. Then,

#### it's your choice! You may choose to board a felucca (wooden sail boat) and sail to the lush oasis of Kitchener Island for a short stroll through the botanical garden -OR- perhaps you would prefer to experience Nubian culture past and present during a visit to a fascinating museum. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Aswan - Cairo

Return to Cairo. After our flight, the remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

#### Day 12: Cairo

Venture to the Citadel, a medieval fortification resting on a hill overlooking the city. It's the perfect place to take in grand views. Learn about the city's rich history on a walking tour of Old Cairo before enjoying some free time to shop in the world-famous souk of Khan el Khalil. Perhaps you'll stop for a traditional cup of tea. Join your fellow travellers this evening for a farewell dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 13: Cairo - Tour Ends

Your epic adventure comes to a close today. Return home with a new understanding of this mystical land. (B)

#### TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL SEE PAGE 103 FOR DETAILS

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#### MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

#### Add more time to your trip with these options:



EXTENSION

PRE OR POST: CAIRO

JORDAN SEE PAGE 98 FOR DETAILS

**EVEN MORE TIME?** Combine Treasures of Egypt with another tour for one seamless, non-stop travel experience. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### DOUBLE Starting at \$2449 Land only, per person, double occupancy. SOLO Starting at \$3149 Prices based on September 16, 2020 departure

January- April 2020 (different itinerary - see note) January 8, 15, 22, 29 February 5, 12, 19, 26 March 4, 11, 18, 25

May 2020 - April 2021 (featured itinerary) May 6, 13 September 16, 23, 30 October 7, 14, 21, 28

November 4, 11, 18

December 2, 9, 30 January 6, 13, 20, 27 February 3, 10, 17, 24 March 3, 10, 17, 31 April 7, 14, 21, 28

Itinerary featured is for May 2020 – April 2021 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

April 1, 15, 22, 29

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See pages 100-101 for ship deck plans.

This trip requires a passport and visa. An Egyptian visa is required for this tour and costs approximately \$25 USD. You must obtain your own visa upon your arrival in Egypt. Visas can be obtained at the airport and payment should be made in cash. Rates are subject to change at any time based on governing authority. Passport numbers are required in advance, at time of booking. Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from Cairo. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Some days will have early departures for excursions to avoid the midday high temperatures. The Abu Simbel option must be purchased at time of booking. Due to flight schedules, departures on last day of the tour may be very early in the morning. Internal flights are not included in the land price. These flights must be purchased from us based on limited availability.

Our accommodations and transportation were first class. Our tour guide, that accompanied us every step of the way, was absolutely excellent. 99

–Collette Traveler



10 DAYS · 15 MEALS FROM \$2499

Land only, per person, double occupancy.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Tel Aviv • Jaffa • Carmel Market Food Tour • Caesarea • Druze Lunch • Acre • Sea of Galilee • Golan Heights • Nazareth • Mount of Olives • Jerusalem • Home-Hosted Dinner • The Western Wall • Bethlehem • Yad Vashem • Holocaust Survivor Discussion • Dead Sea

## CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Connect with the Orthodox Jewish community at a home-hosted dinner in Jerusalem.
- Engage in a conversation with a Holocaust survivor at Yad Vashem.
- Enjoy two nights in Tel Aviv, Israel's dynamic and thriving strip of metropolitan life.



 Day 9 – Choose to learn about the world-famous cosmetics that come from the Dead Sea or "float" in the tranquil, healing waters of the Dead Sea.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

#### CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- · 8 breakfasts · 3 lunches · 4 dinners
- Sample wines integral to Israeli traditions at a vineyard in Golan Heights.
- Enjoy a traditional Druze lunch and learn about this Arab-Israeli community.
- Get a taste for Israeli cuisine on a walking food tour in Carmel Market.



- Day 1 Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3 Isrotel Tower Hotel, Tel Aviv
- Days 4, 5 Leonardo Plaza Hotel, Tiberias
- Days 6 9 Dan Panorama or Dan Jerusalem Hotel, Jerusalem On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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Discover the ancient world of Israel, where legendary stories of humanity's collective history blend with the thriving dynamic of modern life.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Explore Israel, an ancient land rich in tradition. Step into a living history museum and discover some of the most celebrated treasures in the world.

#### Day 2: Tel Aviv, Israel - Tour Begins

Welcome to Tel Aviv, a thriving, reinvented city on the Mediterranean coast. Feel the bustling energy humming around you and jump right into this epicenter of Israelichic. The city cultivates an ever-evolving restaurant scene paired with sparkling coastlines, resulting in an hub of urban sophistication. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome reception at your hotel.

#### Day 3: Tel Aviv

This morning, walk the narrow stone streets of Jaffa, an ancient port city. Then it's on to Carmel Market for a walking food tour. Sample fresh hummus and savory street foods as you connect with the locals, getting a true taste of everyday life. This afternoon you may soak up the sun on sandy beaches or join your Tour Manager to explore the "White City," the UNESCO World Heritage section of Tel Aviv, highlighting the famous Bauhaus architecture. Enjoy an evening at leisure to take in the city's captivating nightlife. Experience Tel Aviv's dynamic boardwalk, rooftop lounges, sophisticated cocktail bars, and more. (B, L)

#### Day 4: Tel Aviv - Caesarea - Haifa - Acre -Tiberias

Follow the coast to the ruins of the ancient Roman capital of Caesarea, built around 22 B.C. Chat with locals over a plate of enticing Arabic food as you bond with members of the Druze community at an intimate lunch in their home. Afterward, take in the breathtaking panorama of Haifa and the Baha'I Shrine and Gardens on Mount Carmel (UNESCO). Step back in time in the ancient Crusader city of Acre. Your day comes to a close in Tiberias, a sacred city overlooking the Sea of Galilee. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 5:** Tiberias - Sea of Galilee - Golan Heights - Tiberias

Begin your day by exploring the Galilee Boat Museum. Stand in awe before a boat that sailed the Sea of Galilee approximately 2,000 years ago before heading out on a cruise on those same waters. Enjoy lunch at a winery in the Golan Heights, a slice of fertile agriculture set on a rocky plateau. Wine has been a part of Israeli life since biblical times, deeply rooted in tradition but also evolving with modern life. (B, L, D)







#### Day 6: Tiberias - Nazareth - Mount of Olives - Jerusalem

Depart Tiberias for the historic city of Nazareth. Visit the Church of the Annunciation and Mary's Well. Continue south to the Mount of Olives and marvel at the all-encompassing view of Jerusalem. Housing layers of history and heritage, allow the resilient spirit of the city to capture your senses. Tonight, get to know a local family as you enjoy a traditional meal in their home. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Jerusalem

Walk in the footsteps of millions before you and discover the old walled city of Jerusalem (UNESCO). On this walking tour, you'll see the Western (Wailing) Wall, the Temple area, the outside of the Dome of the Rock, the Pool of Bethesda, and the Church of St. Anne. Next, walk the Stations of the Cross as you traverse the Via Dolorosa, beginning at Pilate's Judgment Hall and ending at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Then, immerse yourself in the everyday culture of Israel at the Mahane Yehuda Market; smell the wafting aroma of spices, admire the tiers of fresh fruit, and hear the constant chatter of hungry locals. The remainder of the day is at your leisure. Perhaps you will choose an optional walking tour that delves into Jerusalem's current political climate. (B)

#### Day 8: Jerusalem - Bethlehem -Jerusalem

Begin your day in the city of Bethlehem, spread along the Judean Hills. Visit the Church of the Nativity - the birthplace of Jesus and the first church ever built. This afternoon, return to Jerusalem for a poignant visit to Yad Vashem, the World Holocaust Remembrance Center. You won't just tour this powerful museum, but you'll get to have an open conversation with a Holocaust survivor. The rest of your day is at leisure. (B)

#### Dav 9: Jerusalem 🚱

Travel to the desert fortress of Masada (UNESCO), situated on a cliff next to the Dead Sea. Ascend the ancient walls of Masada by cable car and explore Herod's Palaces, the Roman Camp, and the Synagogue. Then, it's your choice! Stop at the AHAVA Visitors Center and learn about the world-famous cosmetics that come from the Dead Sea -ORexperience the natural buoyancy of the Dead Sea during a tranquil "float" in its healing waters, rich with salt and minerals. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner and toast the end to an incredible journey. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Jerusalem - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

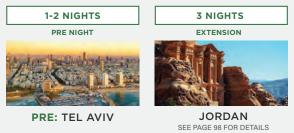
#### TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL SEE PAGE 103 FOR DETAILS





## MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

#### Add more time to your trip with these options:



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

#### DOUBLE Starting at **\$2499** Starting at **\$3399** Land only, per person, double occupancy. SOLO Prices based on December 1, 2020 departure. January - April 2020 May 2020 - April 2021 December 1 (different itinerary - see note) (featured itinerary) May 5, 12, 19, 26 January 12, 16, 30 January 15, 22 June 9.16 February 2, 6, 9, 16 February 5, 12, 19, 26 March 4, 11, 18, 25 March 2, 9, 13, 16 July 7

April 8, 13, 15, 22, 29 Itinerary featured is for May 2020 - April 2021 tour departures. Departures prior November 3, 7, 10 to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

August 18, 25 September 1, 5, 8 October 10, 13, 17, 20 October 24, 27, 31

April 6, 10, 13, 20, 27

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from Tel Aviv. Our air passengers will depart from Jerusalem for Tel Aviv. Airport transfers are available for purchase. Due to flight schedules, you may require a very early morning departure from the hotel on the last day (Day 10). Travel distance from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion airport is approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes. It is recommended that you arrive at Ben Gurion airport approximately 3 hours prior to departure. In addition to Israel, this tour travels through the occupied Palestinian territory of the West Bank.

Every day was memorable. The guide went the extra mile to indicate at every location the historical event that took place. 99

-Collette Traveler

# SPECTACULAR SOUTH AFRICA

# 14 DAYS · 24 MEALS FROM \$2899

Land only, per person, double occupancy.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Johannesburg • Soweto • Panoramic Route • Kruger National Park • Safari Game Drives • Garden Route • Knysna • Featherbed Nature Reserve • Stellenbosch • Wine Tasting & Dinner • Cape Town • Table Mountain

# CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Experience a thrilling cable car ride rising more than 3,000 feet.
- Learn the local beat with a lesson on the djembe drums.
- Taste the incredible wines that Stellenbosch is acclaimed for.

# V IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

 Day 8 — Visit Plettenberg Bay and take in views of beaches and dramatic rock formations or enjoy an afternoon at leisure in Knysna.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

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## **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

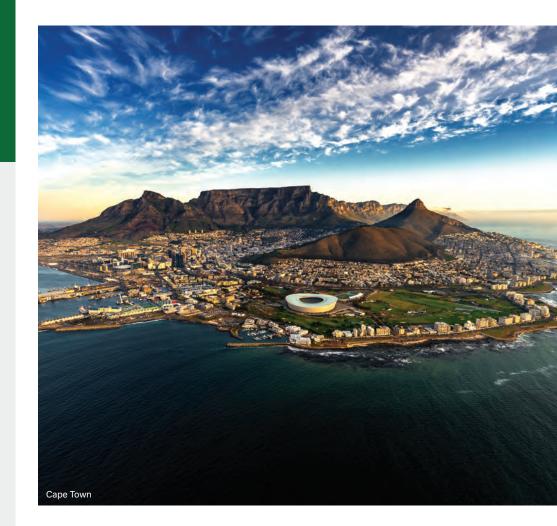
#### • 12 breakfasts • 5 lunches • 7 dinners

- Join locals for lunch at a nearby Shebeen, or house tavern.
- Experience an unforgettable African Boma dinner.
- Enjoy lunch amongst the ancient milkwood trees in Knysna.



- Day 1Overnight FlightDays 2, 3Da Vinci Hotel and Suites,
- Sandton
  Days 4 6 Casa do Sol Hotel & Resort,
- Kruger National Park
- Days 7, 8 The Rex Hotel, Knysna
- Days 9, 10 De Zalze Lodge, Stellenbosch
- Days 11 13 Commodore Hotel, Cape Town

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# Experience a harmony of intriguing cultures, stunning wildlife, lush winelands, and elaborate history.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

One country with a world of treasures, South Africa awaits your arrival. Breathtaking mountain scenery, winding coastlines, remarkable cultural diversity and abundant wildlife in its natural habitat comprise this incredible experience.

#### Day 2: Sandton, South Africa - Tour Begins

Your journey begins in Sandton, a city established in 1969. Famous for its rich veins of gold and other valuable minerals, it is now the bustling cosmopolitan center of greater Johannesburg.

#### Day 3: Sandton - Soweto - Sandton

Today, have some time to ponder history at Liliesleaf, the former center of the liberation movement and the site of the police raid that led to Nelson Mandela's lifetime prison sentence. Following this, a guided tour of Soweto – South West Township – showcases luxurious mansions and informal settlements as you learn about the historical significance of the area. Experience the regional lifestyle when joining locals for lunch at a nearby *Shebeen*, or house tavern. This afternoon, visit the Apartheid Museum commemorating the rise and fall of apartheid in South Africa. Gather this evening with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 4:** Sandton - Panoramic Route -Kruger National Park

Travel through the spectacular Northern Drakensberg Mountain Range en route to Kruger National Park, the largest game reserve in South Africa. Scenic wonders surround you as you pass through the Blyde River Canyon, made mostly of red sandstone, and known as one of Africa's greatest natural wonders. Along this magnificent route, stop at God's Window and stand at what seems like the edge of creation. On clear days, you can see as far as Mozambique. This evening, enjoy a traditional Boma dinner where you may sample some local game meat! (B, D)

# **Day 5:** Kruger National Park - Safari Game Drive

Have your camera ready for an unforgettable day of adventure and

excitement! Enjoy a full day openair-vehicle safari game drive. A local expert leads you in search of the "Big 5" – elephant, buffalo, lion, leopard and rhino – and provides insight into these fascinating animals along the way. Watch carefully – you may also see a graceful impala, dazzling zebra or gorgeous giraffe. Relax with a picnic lunch surrounded by giraffes in the natural beauty of Kruger National Park. (B, L, D)

# **Day 6:** Kruger National Park - Safari Game Drive

Embrace the rare opportunity to head back into the wild on another safari game drive in Kruger National Park. Enjoy this second attempt to see any elusive animals you may have missed yesterday or get another look at your favorites. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 7:** Kruger National Park -Johannesburg - George - Knysna

Travel back to Johannesburg to board your flight to George. Upon arrival, travel to the picturesque resort town of Knysna in the heart of the Garden Route. Located on the coast, Knysna is your gateway to the natural beauty of South Africa. (B)

## Day 8: Knysna 😵

This morning's township tour will highlight the diversity of this community, followed by a touching experience as you visit a school. Learn about the efforts of the Collette Foundation and the local community to conquer the challenges of educating the children of the region. Visit the nearby Featherbed Nature Reserve, looking out over the Indian Ocean. Begin with a lagoon cruise out to the famous Knysna Heads, which mark the entrance to the lagoon. Next, board a 4x4 vehicle and travel deep into the forest. Discover the local flora and fauna during a leisurely-paced nature walk. Enjoy lunch amongst the ancient milkwood trees - so called because of their white latex sap - before your return cruise. This afternoon, it's your choice! Visit Plettenberg Bay, a tranquil and charming town originally known as Bahia Formosa (Beautiful Bay) and witness views of beaches, dramatic rock formations and lagoons -OR- enjoy your afternoon at leisure in Knysna with time to independently explore the charming waterfront. (B, L, D)

#### Day 9: Knysna - Stellenbosch

Say goodbye to Knysna as you begin your journey to Stellenbosch. Get a taste of the culture when you join your fellow travelers for dinner and a wine tasting. (B, D)

## Day 10: Stellenbosch -Franschhoek - Stellenbosch

Start your day with a walking tour of Stellenbosch, a university town known for its vineyards and mountainous nature reserves. Get a chance to taste some wine before continuing on to nearby Franschhoek. Experience the town's renowned wine culture with a cellar tour and tasting followed by lunch before returning to Stellenbosch. With the remainder of your day at leisure, discover the town on your own. Maybe you'll taste some more of the legendary wine, wander along the oak-lined avenues, or explore the surrounding nature. (B, L)

#### Day 11: Stellenbosch - Cape Town

Travel to the beautiful harborside city of Cape Town, the oldest city in South Africa. Settle in for your 3-night stay in the "Mother City," nestled in the valley between towering mountains and the glistening sea. (B)

## Day 12: Cape Town

See the highlights of the city on a panoramic tour. Take in the celebrated architecture that fuses the traditions of the French. German and Dutch. Enjoy a thrilling ride on a cable car that whisks you to an altitude of more than 3,000 feet, landing atop the aptly named - and flat-topped - Table Mountain. The views of Cape Town, Robben Island and Lion's Head will leave you breathless. Return to the city via Table Bay, passing through the Malay Quarter with its mosques and minarets. Make a special stop at the massive Milnerton Lighthouse. (B)

#### Day 13: Cape Town

Explore the coastal scenery and charming towns that populate the Cape Peninsula. Travel out to Cape Point, stopping for a visit with the penguins at Boulders Beach. This evening, experience a unique farewell to Africa as you enjoy a lesson on the djembe drums before a communal African dining experience with dishes from all over the continent! (B, D)

**Day 14:** Cape Town - Tour Ends Your tour ends today in Cape Town. (B)

# TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

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# MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

#### Add more time to your trip with these options:





3+ NIGHTS

PRE: SANDTON POST: CAPE TOWN CALL FOR DETAILS

#### PRE: DUBAI POST: VICTORIA FALLS SEE PAGE 96 & 97 FOR DETAILS

**EVEN MORE TIME?** Combine Spectacular South Africa with another tour for one seamless, non-stop travel experience. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### DOUBLE SOLO Starting at Starting at Prices based on June 4, 2020 departure. Land only, per person, double occupancy.

January - April 2020 (different itinerary - see note) January 16, 23 February 6, 20 March 5, 12, 19 April 2, 16, 19, 23
Itinerary featured is for May 2020 – April 2021 tour departures. Departures prior

to this date will vary. Please

confirm at time of reservation.

(featured itinerary) May 28 June 4 July 9 August 6

September 3, 6, 10, 17, 24

May 2020 - April 2021

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 November 5, 12 January 14, 21 February 4, 11, 18, 21, 25 March 4, 11, 18 April 8, 15, 22

This trip requires a passport and visa. You must have at least 2 blank pages (with visa hologram) remaining in your passport to allow for the entry stamp issued for South Africa. 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 choose to continue on with the Victoria Falls extension, you must have at least 2 additional blank pages remaining in your passport. If you have questions please see your travel professional or call us. Collette will not be responsible for costs incurred for missed flights or canceled tours where a guest fails to secure proper documentation. Our air passengers will arrive into Johannesburg and depart from Cape Town. Our air passengers will arrive on Day 2 at Johannesburg airport. All of our transfers on Day 2 will be from Johannesburg airport to Sandton. Airport transfers are available for purchase. The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us. For guests transiting via Europe, an additional overnight flight will be required. Day rooms or overnight stays can be arranged for a cost upon request. Malaria pills are recommended when visiting Kruger National Park. Consult your physician 2-3 weeks prior to departure. 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 traveling to and from.

# WONDERS OF CHINA & THE YANGTZE RIVER

16 DAYS • 35 MEALS FROM \$2999

Land only, per person, double occupancy.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Tiananmen Square • Forbidden City • The Great Wall • Temple of Heaven • Rickshaw Tour • Hutongs • Xian • Terracotta Warriors • Yangtze River Cruise • Three Gorges Dam • Chengdu • Giant Panda Breeding Research Base • Shanghai • Acrobatics Show •

Yuyuan Garden

## **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Take your seat at an amazing acrobatics show.
- All aboard the Maglev train reach speeds over 260 miles per hour!
- Interact with China's national treasure at the Giant Panda Breeding Research Base.

# CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- · 14 breakfasts 12 lunches 9 dinners
- Savor traditional Chinese food including dumplings, noodles and Peking Duck.
- Share lunch with a local family in their Hutong home.
- · Partake in a traditional tea ceremony.



Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 - 5	Jianguo Hotel Qianmen, Beijing
Days 6, 7	Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel, Xian
Days 8 - 11	<i>Century Paragon</i> , Century Cruises
Days 12, 13	Tianfu Sunshine Hotel, Chengdu

Days 14, 15 Hongqiao Jin Jiang Hotel, Shanghai

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



The allure of the Eastern world unfolds before you on a spellbinding journey through the ancient and modern marvels of China.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out on a journey that takes you to Beijing, Xian, Chengdu and Shanghai. Your adventure also includes a 4-night cruise on the captivating Yangtze River.

## Day 2: Beijing, China - Tour Begins

Arrive in the ancient capital of China. As the political center of China for the past 800 years, and the world's third most populous city, Beijing is rich in history with both modern and traditional architecture.

#### Day 3: Beijing

We begin our day with a stroll through iconic Tiananmen Square. Afterwards, set out to discover the Forbidden City, an aweinspiring 15th-century complex of palaces, courtyards and gardens that were once the home of the Ming and Qing emperors. The remainder of your day is at leisure. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

#### Day 4: Beijing

Today's destination is the Great Wall of China, one of the world's most incredible wonders. Learn about the wall's history before taking a memorable walk on the Juyongguan section, one of the most famous passes along this epic structure. After this bucket list event, visit a jade museum to learn about the jade-making process. (B, L)

#### Day 5: Beijing

Your day begins at the spiritual Temple of Heaven (a UNESCO World Heritage site), a complex of buildings that symbolizes the connection between the earth and heaven. Afterwards, take a rickshaw ride through the hutongs, the traditional alleys of Beijing. Meet a local family and enjoy a dumplingmaking class before a traditional calligraphy lesson. Then, share a simple lunch with them. Later, take part in a traditional Chinese tea ceremony. Tonight, dine on delicious Peking Duck, a favorite of the emperors. (B, L, D)

#### Day 6: Beijing - Xian

Fly to the ancient city of Xian where the legendary Silk Road comes to an end. This evening, dine on delicious Shui Jiao dumplings. (B, L, D)

#### Day 7: Xian

Today, explore the incredible excavation site of the Terracotta Warriors. This vast clay army of 8,000 soldiers was created to guard China's first emperor in the afterlife. You'll be amazed at the detail – each statue has a different face. Next, visit the Xian Arts



and Ceramic exhibition center to see life-sized models of the warriors being made. At lunch enjoy a Xian specialty – hand-pulled noodles – with a demonstration on how they are made. (B, L)

#### **Day 8:** Xian - Yichang - Board Cruise Ship

After a short flight to Yichang, board your ship for a 4-night cruise up the Yangtze River. Relax as this exciting leg of your journey gets underway. (B, D)

# **Day 9:** Cruising - Three Gorges Dam - Xiling Gorge

You may choose to begin your day with a tai chi lesson on the sundeck as we sail towards the dramatic Xiling Gorge, the longest section of the Three Gorges. Discover the state-ofthe-art site, Three Gorges Dam, the world's largest hydroelectric project. Tonight, enjoy the Captain's welcome dinner and show. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 10:** Cruising - Shennv Stream -Wu Gorge - Qutang Gorge

Take in the tranquil surroundings on a ride up the remote Shennv Stream in traditional pea boats. Upon returning to the ship, enjoy the majestic vistas as we sail through Wu Gorge, known for its 12 forest-covered peaks. This afternoon, continue on past the dramatic cliffs that surround the Qutang Gorge. (B, L, D)

#### Day 11: Cruising - Shibaozhai

Arrive at Shibaozhai (Precious Stone Fortress). This imposing hill along the banks of the river is adorned with a 9-story red pagoda. You may climb the stairs to the top for a picture perfect view of the river and surrounding countryside. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 12:** Chongqing - Disembark Cruise Ship - Chengdu

We disembark this morning in the mountain city of Chongqing and travel to Chengdu, the capital of the Sichuan Province. Spend time on your own strolling through its ancient streets. Come to know the leisurely lifestyle and teahouse culture that make this city so captivating. Tonight, sample the fresh, bold flavors of the local Sichuan cuisine. (B, L, D)

#### Day 13: Chengdu

Your morning begins with a visit to the Giant Panda Breeding Research Base. Learn how China's national treasure is being brought back from the edge of extinction. Your guided tour allows you the rare opportunity to see the Giant Panda in its natural environment. The sanctuary is also home to the rare Red Panda. Enjoy an afternoon visit to the Du Fu Thatched Cottage, the former home to the poet known as the "Shakespeare of China." End your day by exploring Jinli Ancient Street with its traditionalstyle buildings. (B, L)

## Day 14: Chengdu - Shanghai

Fly to Shanghai, the economic capital of the People's Republic of China. This bustling city's futuristic skyline will leave you speechless. Experience the modern side of China as you take the super-fast Maglev train into central Shanghai. Later this evening prepare to be amazed at a Chinese acrobatics show. (B, L)

#### Day 15: Shanghai

Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Shanghai. Famous for its impressive colonial buildings, you'll feel as though you have returned to 19th-century Europe. Explore Old Town's narrow streets and relax in the tranquil Yuyuan Garden before discovering ancient Chinese art and historical treasures during a visit to the Shanghai Museum. Set out for the waterfront district, known as the Bund, which runs along the Huangpu River. Enjoy lunch at a celebrated local restaurant known for its xiao long bao soup dumplings. Then explore the past as we visit a silk museum. Later, celebrate your adventure with a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

#### Day 16: Shanghai - Tour Ends

Your adventure comes to an end today. (B)

# TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

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## MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

Add more time to your trip with these options:



PRE: BEIJING POST: SHANGHAI CALL FOR DETAILS

	Starting at <b>\$2999</b> Starting at <b>\$4299</b>	Land only, per person, double occupancy.
	Prices based on April 24, 2020	departure.
<b>April - Novembe</b> April 24 May 8, 22 June 12	er 2020 September 4, 11, 18, 25 October 2, 9, 16 November 6	See pages 100-101 for ship deck plans.

This trip requires a passport and visa. A visa is required for this tour at your expense. The approximate visa cost is \$140 USD. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Visit www.travel.state.gov (the U.S. State Department) for the latest details with regard to passports and visa requirements. All guests will be confirmed in Balcony cabins during the cruise portion of the tour. Our air passengers will arrive into Beijing and depart from Shanghai. Airport transfers are available for purchase. The internal flights are not included in the tour price. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us.

We had an outstanding tour manager. He brought his love of his country to us in the food he introduced us to, the history he presented, the happiness of the Chinese people, and the beauty of the country. **99** 

-Collette Traveler

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# CULTURAL TREASURES OF JAPAN

14 DAYS • 21 MEALS FROM <sup>\$</sup>4499

Land only, per person, double occupancy.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

Tokyo • Asakusa and Ginza • Tea Ceremony • Hakone • Lake Ashi Cruise • Scenic Cable Car • Matsumoto Castle • Takayama • Sake Tasting and Hida Beef Dinner • Shirakawa-go • Kanazawa • Kyoto • Bullet Train • Hiroshima • Geisha Show

# CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

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

# CULINARY INCLUSIONS

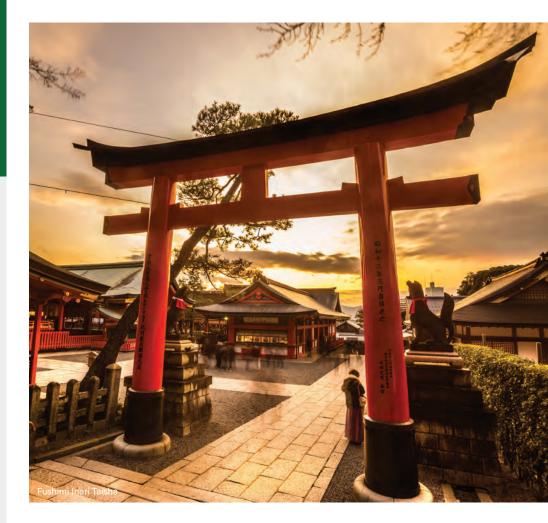
- · 12 breakfasts · 2 lunches · 7 dinners
- Participate in a sushi making class given by a professional sushi chef.
- Enjoy a Hida beef dinner and sake tasting at a local sake brewery.
- Experience a traditional kaiseki dinner with Geisha show in Kyoto.

# ACCOMMODATIONS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 - 4	Tokyo Prince Hotel, Tokyo or Shiba Park Hotel, Tokyo
Day 5	Odakyu Hotel de Yama or The Prince Hakone Lake Ashinoko, Hakone
Days 6, 7	Takayama Green Hotel, Takayama
Days 8, 9	Kanazawa Tokyu Hotel or ANA Crowne Plaza, Kanazawa
Dave 10 - 13	Westin Miyako, Kyoto or

Days 10 - 13 Westin Miyako, Kyoto or Kyoto Tokyu Hotel, Kyoto

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# From the tranquility of ancient temples to the kinetic energy of bustling city streets, the blend of old and new is alive and well in Japan.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Explore ancient and modern Japanese culture firsthand. Discover peaceful temples and technological marvels set against unimaginable natural beauty.

#### Day 2: Tokyo, Japan - Tour Begins

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. Tonight, experience a traditional Japanesestyle meal alongside your fellow travelers at a festive welcome dinner. (D)

#### Day 3: Tokyo

Feel the excitement start to build when you see the magnificent view of the city from above at Tokyo Tower, the iconic symbol of Tokyo. Then, enjoy a morning stroll through the outside grounds of the Imperial Palace, the Kokyo Gaien National Gardens, and see the Niju 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, visit the Meiji Shrine, dedicated to Emperor Meiji and his wife, Empress Shoken. (B)

#### Day 4: Tokyo

Begin the day exploring Asakusa, Tokyo's oldest Geisha district. Visit the famous Buddhist temple, Senso-ji, the colorful 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. Tonight, dine as the locals do at an Izakaya, a preferred establishment among the Japanese "salary man" (business man), featuring Japanese tapas-style food. (B, D)

#### Day 5: 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 6: Hakone - Matsumoto -Takavama

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, you will 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 7: 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 along the Miyagawa River, a 600-year-old open air market with locally grown products. This afternoon, relish some free time to continue your exploration of Takayama on your own. (B)

#### Day 8: 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'll enter the former home of the Nomuras, a wealthy samurai family who served the ruling Maeda family. Then, travel to the Geisha guarters of Kanazawa, the Higashi Tea district. Gather in town this evening for dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Kanazawa

More than 25 acres of beauty awaits you today at *Kenroku-En* – Garden of Six Qualities. From the beauty of Japan's most stunning gardens, dive in to the ancient craft of gold leaf making during a hands-on lesson in decorating your own lacquer box at

Kanazawa Katani! In the center 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 10: 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. Visit Kinkakuji (UNESCO), the Golden Pavilion, a zen temple whose top two floors are completely covered in gold leaf. Then, stroll through the Gion district where you may spot women in traditional dress along the narrow lanes of teahouses. Tonight, dine in the heart of the city at a traditional vakitori (grilled chicken) restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 11: 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), where the iconic torii gate and the Itsukushima Shrine appear to float on water. After lunch, 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 moving day comes to a close, return to Kyoto by the Shinkansen bullet train. (B)

#### Day 12: Kyoto

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. For lunch, participate in a sushi making class given by a professional sushi chef and master the art of sushi making. 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, visit Marumasu Nishumuraya for a lesson in the art of stenciling at a traditional Kyoto townhouse. (B, L)

#### Day 13: 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 14: Kyoto - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close in this fascinating land. (B)

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This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Tokyo and depart from Osaka. Our air passengers will be departing from Kansai Airport or Itami Airport (depending upon your flight schedule). All transfers will depart from the Kyoto hotel for either Kansai Airport or Itami Airport. Return flights should not be booked from Kansai Airport or Itami Airport prior to 9:00 a.m. Airport transfers are available for purchase. 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.

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. 99

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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

Cairns • Great Barrier Reef • Melbourne • Alice Springs • Uluru • Sydney • Sydney Opera House • Queenstown • Milford Sound • Mt. Cook National Park • Christchurch

# CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Overnight in the majestic Mt. Cook National Park.
- Take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House – an architectural wonder.
- Visit Hartley's Croc Farm for a chance to get up close and personal with crocodiles.

# CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- 17 breakfasts 2 lunches 8 dinners
- Witness Ayers Rock at sunset while you sip champagne.
- Take in the sights during a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour.
- Dine with a Kiwi family in their home.

#### 3 NIGHTS • 4 MEALS

# EXTEND YOUR TOUR WITH 3 NIGHTS **in fiji!**



**Escape to a tropical paradise** and relax with a fresh fruit drink, read a book, go for a swim, or just bask in the atmosphere of this stunning archipelago.

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Venture through the natural splendor of New Zealand's Southern Alps and the stillness of Australia's rugged Outback.

#### Day 1 - Day 2: Depart from Home

Cross the International Dateline (skipping a day ahead) for an adventure discovering the treasures of Australia and New Zealand, including their unparalleled beauty and captivating culture.

#### Day 3: Cairns, Australia - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Cairns, the tropical gateway to one of the world's most spectacular natural attractions – the Great Barrier Reef (UNESCO). Established as a marine park in 1975, the reef is a haven for thousands of species of sea life, as well as turtles and birds. (D)

#### Day 4: Cairns

The morning is yours to explore the town at your own pace or simply relax and soak up the tropical atmosphere. Perhaps you will take an optional tour on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for an unforgettable experience that takes you above the rainforest canopy for a bird's-eye view of unspoiled natural beauty. This afternoon, visit Hartley's Croc Farm for a chance to get up-close with crocodiles in their natural habitat. Boardwalks take you on a path of adventure through rainforests and woodlands to see animals such as wild birds, reptiles and wallabies. You may meet some of the local koalas and chat with a wildlife naturalist to learn more about these arboreal herbivores. (B)

**Day 5:** Cairns - Great Barrier Reef - Cairns Board a catamaran and sail to the Low Isles to explore the fascinating underwater world of the Great Barrier Reef. Choose how you want to spend your day in paradise by making your time on the reef as educational or as laid back as you like. Perhaps you





 Queenstown

will relax and independently explore the pristine shores of this tiny sand island located on the outer reef. Or maybe you are a bit more adventurous and choose to snorkel, revealing a wealth of vibrant sea life. You also have the opportunity to meet with a marine biologist during an informative presentation. Or you may opt to join an expert for a beach and heritage trail walk along the island. (B, L)

#### Day 6: Cairns - Melbourne

Fly to the beautiful Victorian city of Melbourne. Set upon the shores of Port Phillip Bay and the Yarra River. The city exudes a lively and cosmopolitan atmosphere. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Melbourne

Set out on a city tour and see Fitzroy Gardens, valued for their historic and horticultural significance, and the bustling "laneways" of Melbourne. Later, you may participate in an optional tour to Phillip Island, a renowned nature reserve and home of the world's largest colony of Little Penguins. Protected and studied by rangers, hundreds waddle out of the sea and cross the beach to their burrows in the dunes. At the interpretation center, you have a chance to learn about the lives of the Little Penguins and their significance to the area. (B)

#### Day 8: Melbourne - Alice Springs

It's on to the vast landscapes and tranquility of the Outback. Your flight takes you to Alice Springs, the perfect place to begin exploring this unique land. Tonight, continue your cultural immersion with a memorable bush dinner set against the backdrop of this unique desert environment. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Alice Springs

Access the history and culture of the Warlpiri Aboriginal people during a "Dreamtime Tour." A specialist guide shares Aboriginal creation stories and explains everyday life. This afternoon, discover a more modern side to Outback living when you visit the Royal Flying Doctor Service, a lifeline to thousands across the vast terrain of Central Australia. Later, tour the Old Telegraph Station and Anzac Hill with its excellent views of Alice Springs and the surrounding area. (B)

#### Day 10: Alice Springs - Uluru

Traverse the "Red Centre" as you drive to Uluru (the Aboriginal name for Ayers Rock) in the heart of the Australian Outback. This huge monolith and the sandstone domes known as Kata Tjuta were created through the process of upheaval and erosion. Tour the base of "the Rock," learning about its geology and significance to Aboriginal culture. Prepare for a truly majestic sunset as you witness the changing colors of Uluru accompanied by a champagne toast. (B)

#### Day 11: Uluru - Sydney

This morning, tour Kata Tjuta before saying farewell to the rugged Outback. Fly to Sydney, an energetic metropolis. Upon arrival in Sydney, enjoy dinner in lively Darling Harbour. (B, D)

#### Day 12: Sydney

See where the original English colonists first settled in 1788 during a city tour of Sydney. Highlights of your tour include Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks,

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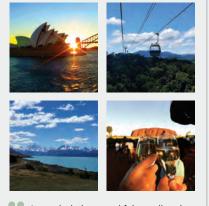
Cairns • Great Barrier Reef • Melbourne • Alice Springs • Uluru • Sydney • Sydney Opera House • Queenstown • Milford Sound • Mt. Cook National Park • Christchurch

# ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3 - 5	Flynn Crystalbrook Collection Hotel, Cairns
Days 6, 7	Mantra on Little Bourke, Melbourne
Days 8, 9	DoubleTree by Hilton, Alice Springs
Day 10	Desert Gardens, Uluru
Days 11 - 13	The Tank Stream Hotel, Sydney
Days 14 - 16	Novotel Queenstown Lakeside, Queenstown
Day 17	The Hermitage, Mount Cook
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Days 18, 19	Novotel Christchurch Cathedral Square, Christchurch

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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**C** I traveled alone and felt totally taken care of. I had a great tour manager who looked out for me. I loved the itinerary and felt we had time to ask questions and relax between activities. **99** 

-Collette Traveler





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Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and the fashionable suburb of Darlinghurst. Discover one of the world's most fascinating architectural sights as you take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. Then you're in for a unique experience as you learn firsthand about opals during a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. Later this evening, you may choose to take in an optional dinner and performance at the famous Opera House. (B)

#### Day 13: Sydney

Deepen your exploration of Sydney's many wonders with a day at leisure. Tonight, say your farewell to Australia by chatting with new friends and taking in the sights during a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour. Marvel at the scenic vistas the harbour has to offer including Sydney's magnificent skyline and iconic attractions: the Sydney Opera House and the Harbour Bridge. (B, D)



# **Day 14:** Sydney - Queenstown, New Zealand

Leave Australia behind and fly to Queenstown, New Zealand. One of New Zealand's most popular towns, Queenstown is nestled against a picturesque bay and snowcapped mountains. Home to ski resorts, hiking trails and an abundance of natural beauty, the city is known as the "Adventure Capital of the World." Settle into your new home for 3 nights. (B)

# Day 15: Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown

Soak in the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley as you travel through an ancient beech forest to Milford Sound via the Homer Tunnel. During a cruise, you'll see why this fjord is one of the most visited sights on the South Island. With rock faces that rise nearly 4,000 feet on either side, the scenery will take your breath away. Following the cruise, return to Queenstown. You may choose to return via a short optional flight (weather permitting) for spectacular views of New Zealand's Southern Alps. (B, L)



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#### Day 16: Queenstown

Enjoy a day at leisure. Shop in the bustling village center or enjoy an optional and exhilarating jet boat ride on the Shotover River. Consider joining an optional tour through the majestic Queenstown countryside showcasing many of the locations where blockbuster movies have been filmed. (B)

#### Day 17: Queenstown - Mt. Cook National Park

Set off for the beautiful 19th-century gold rush settlement of Arrowtown, a boomtown during the 1860's gold fever. Sample the freshness of the Central Otago region with a stop at a local fruit stand. Follow the Kawarau River and cross Lindis Pass before arriving in New Zealand's most famous national park – Mt. Cook. Savor some free time in this alpine paradise. You may choose to take a nature walk, enjoy an optional glacier flightseeing tour (weather permitting) or simply meditate on the beauty of the Southern Alps. (B, D)

#### Day 18: Mt. Cook National Park -Christchurch

Depart for Christchurch this morning and pay a visit to Willowbank Wildlife Reserve. A leader in the conservation of New Zealand species, Willowbank offers the chance to view New Zealand's "Big 5" up close and personal. Later, join a local Kiwi family for a home hosted dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 19: Christchurch

Devastated by an earthquake in early 2011, see firsthand how the "Garden City" is recreating itself during a sightseeing tour that highlights the city's magnificent gardens and elegant park district. The remainder of your day is free to continue exploring Christchurch on your own or perhaps enjoy an optional excursion to the International Antarctic Centre. (B, D)

#### Day 20: Christchurch - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close, leaving you with many unforgettable memories of your South Pacific journey. (B)

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This trip requires a passport and a visa. ETAs (Electronic Travel Authority) are required for US and Canadian citizens to travel to Australia and New Zealand. Our air passengers will arrive into Cairns and depart from Christchurch. Airport transfers are available for purchase. The internal flights on this tour are not included in the land price of your tour. All flights, including internal air, can be purchased through us.

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## CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Learn about the endangered Tasmanian Devil and the conservation efforts aimed at its survival.
- See koalas in their natural setting during a stop at a koala conservation center.
- Explore the Great Barrier Reef.

# CULINARY INCLUSIONS

#### · 24 breakfasts • 2 lunches • 10 dinners

- Savor a memorable bush dinner in the Australian Outback.
- Join a local Kiwi family for a home hosted dinner.

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# From the underwater glory of the Great Barrier Reef to the towering peak of Mt. Cook – this is the South Pacific.

#### Day 1 - Day 2: Depart from Home

Cross the International Dateline as you begin a comprehensive adventure through Australia and New Zealand.

#### Day 3: Cairns, Australia - Tour Begins

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#### Day 4: Cairns

Rise high on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for an unforgettable ride over the rainforest canopy. Embrace the opportunity to explore the forest floor up close with access to specially designed boardwalks. Your evening is at leisure to enjoy your tropical surroundings. (B)

#### Day 5: Cairns - Great Barrier Reef - Cairns

Board a catamaran and sail to the Low Isles to explore the fascinating underwater world of the Great Barrier Reef. Choose how you want to spend your day in paradise by making your time as educational or as laid back as you like. Perhaps you will relax and independently explore the pristine shores of this tiny island located on the outer reef. Maybe you are a bit more adventurous and choose to snorkel, revealing a wealth of vibrant sea life. Or you may opt to join an expert for a walk along the beach and heritage trail. You also have the opportunity to meet with a marine biologist during an informative presentation. (B, L)

## Day 6: Cairns - Uluru (Ayers Rock)

Fly to Uluru (the Aboriginal name for Ayers Rock) in the heart of the Australian Outback. Tour the sandstone domes known as Kata Tjuta and the beautiful area surrounding the base of "The Rock." Later, witness a stunning sunset over a glass of champagne as the Rock's hues change dramatically with the setting sun. (B)

#### Day 7: Uluru - Alice Springs

Hop over the "Red Centre" on a short flight to Alice Springs. Immerse yourself in Aboriginal culture with a memorable bush dinner, set against the unique environment of the Outback desert. (B, D)







#### Day 8: Alice Springs

Access the history and culture of the Aboriginal people during a "Dreamtime Tour." A specialist guide shares Aboriginal creation stories and explains everyday life, even providing a taste of the native cuisine. Your glimpse into the culture continues with a tour of the area. Visit the School of the Air to find out more about how the Australian educational system serves students living in remote areas of the Outback. Learn how people once communicated in the remote Outback at the Old Telegraph Station, dating back to the 1800s. (B)

#### Day 9: Alice Springs - Melbourne

Transfer to the Alice Springs airport for your flight to the beautiful Victorian city of Melbourne. (B)

#### Day 10: Melbourne

Set out on a city tour and see Fitzroy Gardens and bustling "laneways" of Melbourne. There is time at leisure to explore the city independently. Later, arrive at Phillip Island to see koalas in their natural setting during a stop at a koala conservation center. Continue to the renowned nature reserve and home of the world's largest colony of Little Penguins. Protected and studied by rangers, hundreds of them waddle out of the sea and cross the beach to their burrows in the dunes. At the interpretation center, you have a chance to learn about the lives of the Little Penguins and their significance to the region. (B)

#### Day 11: Melbourne - Hobart

A flight to Hobart, Tasmania brings you to Australia's second oldest city. The rugged and pristine beauty of Tasmania provides the backdrop to your 3-night stay. (B, D)

#### Day 12: Hobart

Visit the Tasmanian Devil Conservation Center and learn about this unique marsupial, its fight for survival, and the efforts in place to save it from extinction. Later, take a guided tour of the Port Arthur Historic Site, the best-preserved example of Australia's original penal colonies and home to stabilized ruins and restored buildings dating back to 1833. En route, witness the spectacular coastal rock formations known as Tasman Arch, Devil's Kitchen and the Blow Hole. (B)

#### Day 13: Hobart

Enjoy a free day to explore Tasmania's capital city. Indulge in the city's up-andcoming café culture, meander along the lively harbour, or just take some time to relax. (B)

#### Day 14: Hobart - Sydney

Return to mainland Australia today via flight and arrive in the bustling city of Sydney. This evening, its Diner's Choice: choose from a variety of local restaurants along bustling Darling Harbour. (B, D)

#### Day 15: Sydney

See where the original English colonists first settled in 1788 during a city tour of Sydney. Highlights of your tour include Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and the fashionable suburb of Darlinghurst. Discover one of the world's most fascinating architectural sights as you take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. Then you're in for a unique experience as you learn firsthand about opals during a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. In the evening, you may go on an optional excursion which includes dinner and a oncein-a-lifetime performance at the famous Sydney Opera House. (B)

#### Day 16: Sydney

Enjoy a day at leisure. Marvel at the scenic vistas of the harbour showcasing Sydney's magnificent skyline, the iconic Sydney Opera House and the Harbour Bridge. (B)

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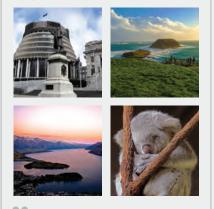
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# ACCOMMODATIONS

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Day 6	Desert Gardens, Uluru
Days 7, 8	DoubleTree by Hilton, Alice Springs
Days 9, 10	Melbourne hotel, Melbourne
Days 11 - 13	Hadley's Orient Hotel, Hobart
Days 14 - 16	West Hotel, Sydney
Days 17 - 19	Heritage Hotel, Queenstown
Day 20	The Hermitage, Mount Cook
Day 21	Novotel Hotel Cathedral Square, Christchurch
Days 22, 23	Novotel Wellington, Wellington
Days 24, 25	Millennium Hotel, Rotorua
Day 26	Rydges Hotel, Auckland
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.	

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This tour was well organized and the itinerary was awesome. We saw so much. There was enough down time to recharge a bit, but the coordination and the timing of all the stops was outstanding. **9** 

-Collette Traveler





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# **Day 17:** Sydney - Queenstown, New Zealand

Fly to one of the world's best-kept secrets – New Zealand! Arrive in gorgeous Queenstown. Enjoy dinner overlooking Lake Wakatipu and the Remarkable Mountains. (B, D)

# Day 18: Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown

En route to Milford Sound, enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley as you travel through a beech forest via the Homer Tunnel. During a cruise of the breathtakingly beautiful Milford Sound, you'll see why this fjord is one of the most visited sights on the South Island. With rock faces that rise nearly 4,000 feet on either side, the scenery will take your breath away. Following your cruise, you return to Queenstown. You may choose to return via a short optional flight (weather permitting) for spectacular views of New Zealand's Southern Alps. (B, L)

#### Day 19: Queenstown

A free day in Queenstown offers limitless diversions set amidst breathtaking Alpine scenery. Shop in the charming village center or enjoy an optional and exhilarating jet boat ride on the Shotover River. Or, perhaps you will join an optional tour through the charming Queenstown countryside, which showcases the filming locations of many blockbuster movies. (B)

# **Day 20:** Queenstown - Arrowtown - Mt. Cook National Park

Set out for the beautiful turn-of-the-century gold rush settlement of Arrowtown. Take time to explore independently and stroll its quaint, historic streets. Next, follow the Kawarau River and cross Lindis Pass before arriving in New Zealand's most famous national park, Mt. Cook. Revel in the Alpine paradise of Mt. Cook – a larger-than-life experience. You may choose to take a nature walk, enjoy an optional glacier flightseeing tour (weather permitting) or simply meditate on the beauty of the Southern Alps. (B, D)

#### Day 21: Mt. Cook National Park -Christchurch

Travel to the historic city of Christchurch, the "Garden City". Enjoy some free time to explore. Perhaps you'll stroll the city's magnificent gardens or learn about its more recent history at the Quake City exhibition. This evening, join a local Kiwi family for a home hosted dinner. (B, D)



#### Day 22: Christchurch - Picton -Wellington

On your journey to Picton, admire the coastal views, scenic river valleys and vineyards. From there, sail across Cook Strait to experience what has been called "the most beautiful ferry ride in the world." Your final destination is Wellington, New Zealand's capital city. (B, D)

#### Day 23: Wellington

Come to know Wellington on a tour viewing the Beehive, New Zealand's Parliament; historic St. Paul's Church; and the Old Government Building the largest wooden building in the Southern Hemisphere. Later you will have the opportunity to explore the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongawera, a fascinating center dedicated to art, history and the Maori culture. (B)

#### Day 24: Wellington - Rotorua

Drive to Rotorua with its dramatic geothermal landscape. Over onethird of its population boasts Maori roots making it known as the Maori capital of New Zealand. (B, D)

#### Day 25: Rotorua

Discover Te Puia - New Zealand's premier Maori cultural and

geothermal experience. Witness how the Maori keep their culture alive by teaching the tribal youth traditional carving and weaving. Enjoy the chance to see the Kiwi bird and learn about the preservation efforts to remove this iconic creature from the endangered species list. At the Agrodome, see a sheep shearing demonstration and learn about the importance of agriculture to the nation. Meet the skilled carvers who work with pounamu, New Zealand greenstone, at a jade factory. (B)

#### Day 26: Rotorua - Auckland

Travel through the majestic countryside of the North Island, arriving in New Zealand's largest city, Auckland, "The City of Sails." A panoramic city tour features the America's Cup Village, the War Memorial, vibrant Queen Street, the Auckland Harbour Bridge, and spectacular views from the harbourside. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner where you will toast the end of a fabulous trip! (B, D)

#### Day 27: Auckland - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close in Auckland. (B)

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September 13

October 4, 11, 18

November 1

January - April 2020 (different itinerary - see note) January 11, 18, 25

February 1, 8, 15, 22 March 7, 14, 21 April 18, 25

Itinerary featured is for September 2020 - April 2021 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

#### September 2020 - April 2021 (featured itinerary)

February 7, 21, 28 March 14

January 10, 24, 31 April 18

This trip requires a passport and a visa. Our air passengers will arrive into Cairns and depart from Auckland. Airport transfers are available for purchase. ETAs (Electronic Travel Authority) are required for US and Canadian citizens to travel to Australia and New Zealand. The internal flights on this tour are not included in the land price of the tour. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us.

# SOUTH PACIFIC WONDERS

15 DAYS · 21 MEALS FROM \$3999

Land only, per person, double occupancy.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Cairns • Great Barrier Reef • Sydney Opera House • Christchurch • Mt. Cook Region • Arrowtown • Queenstown • Milford Sound • Merino Sheep Farm

# CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Come to know Australia's people at the Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Center.
- Get up close and personal with koalas and native crocodiles at Hartley's Croc Farm.
- Take a guided tour of the fascinating Sydney Opera House.



• Day 14 – Go bird watching at the Kiwi Birdlife Park or take a gondola to the top of Bob's Peak.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

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#### • 12 breakfasts • 3 lunches • 6 dinners

- Take in the sights during a dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour.
- Dine with a Kiwi family in their home.

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Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3 - 5	Flynn Crystalbrook Collection Hotel, Cairns
Days 6 - 8	Novotel Sydney Darling Square, Sydney
Day 9	Pavilions Hotel, Christchurch
Day 10	MacKenzie Country Hotel, Twizel
Days 11 - 14	Millennium Hotel,

Queenstown

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# See what life is like "Down Under" on this incredible journey through the great countries of Australia and New Zealand.

#### Day 1 - Day 2: Depart From Home

Cross the International Dateline, skipping a day ahead. Travel on an adventure of a lifetime.

## Day 3: Cairns, Australia - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Cairns, the tropical gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. Established as a marine park in 1975, the reef is a haven for thousands of species of sea life, as well as turtles and birds. (D)

#### Day 4: Cairns

Come to know the history of Australia's original inhabitants at the Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Center. See traditional dances, learn how to play a didgeridoo or even throw a boomerang. Browse the renowned art gallery and artifact collection. At Hartley's Croc Farm, get up-close with crocodiles! Boardwalks take you on a path of adventure through rainforests and woodlands, home to birds, reptiles and wallabies. You may meet some of the local koalas and chat with a wildlife naturalist to learn more about these arboreal herbivores. Take an exciting cruise on the lagoon and watch for crocodiles before enjoying a delicious Aussie barbecue. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Cairns - Great Barrier Reef - Cairns

Board a high speed catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great Barrier Reef. These 2,800 coral reefs are home to amazingly diverse marine life. Explore the reef from your base on Green Island. Enjoy a glass bottom boat ride, stroll the walking trails, relax on the beaches, snorkel or just watch the fish and sea turtles swim past from the pier. For a more adventurous encounter, an outer reef tour is also available. Whichever you choose, you'll see some of the world's most fascinating marine and plant life. (B, L)

#### Day 6: Cairns - Sydney

This morning, create your own adventure or simply relax and take in the tropical atmosphere. Later today, fly to the bustling city of Sydney. (B)

#### Day 7: Sydney

See where the original English colonists first settled during a city tour of Sydney. Highlights of your tour include the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and the fashionable suburb of Darlinghurst. Take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically



on Sydney Harbour. Then you're in for a unique experience as you learn about opals during a presentation at the National Opal Collection. Later this evening, you may choose an optional dinner and performance at the Sydney Opera House. (B)

#### Day 8: Sydney

Embrace the city of Sydney during a day of independent exploration. Tonight, say farewell to Australia, taking in the sights during a dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour. Marvel at the scenic vistas of the harbour showcasing the magnificent skyline, the iconic Sydney Opera House and the Harbour Bridge. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Sydney - Christchurch, New Zealand

Fly to Christchurch, New Zealand. Devastated by an earthquake in early 2011, see how "the Garden City" is recreating itself. Make yourself right at home this evening when a New Zealand family welcomes you into their home for dinner. This is sure to be an unforgettable experience. Make new friends, learn about the customs of the "Kiwis," and enjoy a homecooked meal. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Christchurch - Mt. Cook Region

Journey through New Zealand's unspoiled wilderness and arrive in the Mt. Cook region, where permanent ice fields and glaciers blanket the ragged peaks. This is where famed New Zealand mountaineer Sir Edmund Hillary honed his skills before conquering Everest. You may choose to take a nature walk or simply meditate on the beauty of the Southern Alps. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Mt. Cook Region -Arrowtown - Queenstown

Traverse the countryside as you set off for the beautiful Gold Rush settlement of Arrowtown. Take time to stroll its quaint, historic streets. Arrive in Queenstown and explore independently. (B)

#### Day 12: Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown

En route to Milford Sound, enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley as you travel through an ancient beech forest via the Homer Tunnel. During a breaktaking cruise you will see why this fjord is one of the most visited sights on the South Island, with rock faces that rise nearly 4,000 feet on either side. Following your cruise, return to Queenstown. You may choose to return via a short optional flight (weather permitting) for spectacular views of the Southern Alps. (B, L)

#### Day 13: Queenstown

A free day offers a variety of optional activities. Shop or people-watch in the village; partake in an optional jet boat ride on the Shotover River; or join an optional tour through the Queenstown countryside showcasing many of the locations where blockbuster movies have been filmed. (B)

#### Day 14: Queenstown 😵

Enjoy the scenery of the Remarkables, Cecil Peak, Bob's Cove and Mt. Earnslaw as you cruise across spectacular Lake Wakatipu to Mt. Nicholas High Country Farm. During an exclusive, behind-thescenes visit to this authentic familyrun merino sheep farm, you will follow the journey of merino wool from mustering sheep through the creation of modern wool garments. Enjoy a freshly prepared farmer's lunch before sailing back to Queenstown. Later this afternoon, it's your choice! You may go bird watching at the Kiwi Birdlife Park -OR- take a gondola to the top of Bob's Peak for stunning panoramic views of the region. Gather for a farewell dinner overlooking Lake Wakatipu and the Remarkable Mountains. (B, L, D)

## Day 15: Queenstown - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories of a wonderful adventure. (B)

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April 14 Itinerary featured is for June 2020 - April 2021 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. August 4 September 1, 8

October 6, 20, 27

March 9, 16 April 6, 27

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Well organized. Excellent local guides. Awesome tour manager. Great hotels. 99

–Collette Traveler

# SOUTH PACIFIC **WONDERS** INCLUDING **NEW ZEALAND'S NORTH ISLAND**

18 DAYS · 26 MEALS FROM \$4899

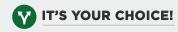
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#### HIGHLIGHTS

Cairns • Great Barrier Reef • Sydney Opera House • Auckland • Rotorua • Christchurch • Mt. Cook Region • Arrowtown - Queenstown - Milford Sound • Merino Sheep Farm

#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Come to know Australia's people at the Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Center.
- Experience the dramatic geothermal landscape of Rotorua.
- Visit the Agrodome for a fun sheep shearing demonstration.



 Day 17 — Go bird watching at the Kiwi Birdlife Park or take a gondola to the top of Bob's Peak.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

## **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · 15 breakfasts 3 lunches 8 dinners
- · Take in the sights during a dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour.
- Dine with a Kiwi family in their home.
- · Experience a memorable authentic hangi dinner celebration.



	CCOMMODATIONS
Days 1.2	Overnight Elight

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Days 10, 11	Millennium Hotel, Rotorua
Day 12	Pavilions Hotel, Christchurch
Day 13	MacKenzie Country Hotel, Twizel
Days 14 - 17	Millennium Hotel, Queenstown

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# See what life is like "Down Under" on this journey along the coast of Australia and through New Zealand's North and South Islands.

Day 1 - Day 2: Depart From Home Cross the International Dateline, skipping a day ahead.

Day 3: Cairns, Australia - Tour Begins Your tour opens in Cairns, the gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. (D)

#### Day 4: Cairns

Come to know the history of Australia's original inhabitants at the Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Center. See traditional dances, learn how to play a didgeridoo or even throw a boomerang. Browse the art gallery and artifact collection. At Hartley's Croc Farm, get up-close with crocodiles! Boardwalks take you on a path of adventure through rainforests and woodlands, home to birds, reptiles and wallabies. You may meet some of the local koalas and chat with a wildlife naturalist to learn about these herbivores. Take a cruise on the lagoon and watch for crocodiles before enjoying a delicious Aussie barbecue. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Cairns - Great Barrier Reef - Cairns

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#### Day 8: Sydney

Embrace the exciting city of Sydney during a day of independent exploration. Tonight, say farewell to Australia on a dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour. (B, D)

# **Day 9:** Sydney - Auckland, New Zealand

Fly to one of the world's most inspiring and sought after destinations – New Zealand. Arrive in Auckland, the "City of Sails." Auckland has the highest Polynesian population in the world, and displays the vibrant feel of the Pacific Islands. The evening is yours to explore New Zealand's largest city. (B)

#### Day 10: Auckland - Rotorua

Get to know Auckland on a panoramic city tour featuring the America's Cup Village, Queen Street and the Auckland Harbour Bridge. Travel to the dramatic geothermal landscape of Rotorua, known as the Maori capital of New Zealand. Tonight, experience an authentic *hangi* dinner celebration featuring authentic Maori entertainment such as the poi dance and the famous *Haka* war challenge. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Rotorua

This morning you visit Te Puia, New Zealand's premier Maori cultural and geothermal experience. Witness a landscape of erupting geysers, bubbling mud pools and other geothermal wonders. The National Carving School and National Weaving School are located here, passing on age-old customs by teaching the tribal youth these traditional skills. Take part in an interactive demonstration on the art of weaving. You will also view the Kiwi bird and learn what is being done in an effort to remove the Kiwi from the endangered species list. Next, meet the skilled carvers who work with pounamu – New Zealand greenstone - at a local jade factory. Then, visit the Agrodome for a fun sheep shearing demonstration and learn about the importance of agriculture to the nation. Tonight, relax or explore this lovely city on your own. (B, D)

## Day 12: Rotorua - Christchurch

A short flight brings you to the historic city of Christchurch. Devastated by an earthquake in early 2011, see firsthand how the city is recreating itself. Make yourself right at home this evening when a New Zealand family welcomes you into their home for dinner. Make new friends, learn about the customs of the "Kiwis," and enjoy a home-cooked meal. (B, D)

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## Day 16: Queenstown

A free day offers a variety of optional activities to enhance your tour. Partake in an optional jet boat ride on the Shotover River or join an optional tour through the majestic Queenstown countryside, showcasing many of the locations where movies have been filmed. (B)

## Day 17: Queenstown 😵

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## Day 18: Queenstown - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories of a your adventure. (B)

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Good tour manager and guides with local knowledge and hotels in central locations. Well organized and interesting excursions. **?** 

-Collette Traveler

# EXPLORING AUSTRALIA

18 DAYS · 22 MEALS FROM <sup>\$</sup>4499

Land only, per person, double occupancy.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Melbourne - Barossa Valley - Hutton Vale Farm and Winery - Alice Springs - Uluru - Cairns - Great Barrier Reef -Sydney - Sydney Opera House

# D CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Come to know the Warlpiri Aboriginal people during a "Dreamtime Tour."
- Enjoy a private wine tasting and tour of Seppeltsfield Winery.
- Tour Kata Tjuta and the base of "The Rock" (Ayers Rock).



 Day 16 — Travel to the Blue Mountains of New South Wales to see geological wonders or experience Sydney at your own pace with a Sydney cruise pass.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

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- 15 breakfasts 1 lunch 6 dinners
- Delight in a bush dinner in the Australian Outback.
- At sunset, enjoy a champagne toast while gazing at Uluru.
- Take in the sights during a dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour.



Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3, 4	Mantra on Little Bourke, Melbourne
Days 5, 6	Novotel Barossa Valley Resort, Barossa Valley
Days 7, 8	DoubleTree by Hilton, Alice Springs
Day 9	Desert Gardens or Sails in the Desert, Uluru
Days 10 - 13	Flynn Crystalbrook Collection Hotel, Cairns
Days 14 - 17	Holiday Inn Darling Harbour, Sydney

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# Explore Australia's diverse landscapes and cultures as you take in the best of the land "Down Under."

#### Day 1 - Day 2: Depart from Home

The adventure of a lifetime awaits. Cross the International Dateline, skipping a day ahead as you set out to see Australia's vibrant cities, coastal gems, captivating Outback, and so much more!

#### Day 3: Melbourne, Australia - Tour Begins

Arrive today in Melbourne, a Victorian city with an energetic modern vibe. This evening, get together with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

#### Day 4: Melbourne

Get to know Melbourne on a tour that features the historic Fitzroy Gardens. Later, you may join an optional tour to Phillip Island, the home of the world's largest colony of Little Penguins. Protected and studied by rangers, hundreds of them waddle out of the sea and cross the beach to their burrows in the dunes. At the interpretation center, you have a chance to learn more about the Little Penguin. (B)

# **Day 5:** Melbourne - Adelaide - Barossa Valley

Fly to Adelaide and explore this coastal city before proceeding to the Barossa

Valley, Australia's most famous wine region. Renowned among connoisseurs, the valley's award-winning winemakers attract visitors from around the world. Tonight, enjoy a scenic dinner overlooking the vineyards. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Barossa Valley

Set out for the 19th-century Hutton Vale Farm, an 8th generation working farm and winery set on 2,000 acres of picturesque countryside. Caretakers John and Jan Angas will welcome you and share their family's story that extends back to the founding of Australia. Tour the farm's historic buildings, see their livestock and one of the many vineyards before partaking in some tea and homemade specialties. Perhaps you'll give their sweet crisp Riesling a try. Next, travel to the Seppeltsfield Winery for a private tour, followed by a tasting of their world-class wines. Quench your palate with varietals ranging from fruit-forward Chardonnays to earthy Pinot Noirs. (B)

#### Day 7: Barossa Valley - Alice Springs

A short flight will take you to Alice Springs in the Australian Outback. After some leisure time this afternoon, savor a memorable bush dinner set against the desert backdrop. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Alice Springs

Come to know the history and culture of the Warlpiri Aboriginal people during a "Dreamtime Tour." A specialist guide shares Aboriginal creation stories and explains everyday life. Visit the Old Telegraph Station and Anzac Hill, with amazing panoramas of the area. Next, gain insight into the educational system in the Outback at the School of the Air. (B)

# **Day 9:** Alice Springs - Uluru (Ayers Rock)

Traverse the "Red Centre" as you drive to Uluru (the Aboriginal name for Ayers Rock). This huge monolith and the sandstone domes known as Kata Tjuta were created through the process of upheaval and erosion. Prepare for a truly majestic sunset as you witness the changing colors of Uluru while enjoying a champagne toast. (B)

#### Day 10: Uluru - Cairns

Set off in the cool of the morning for Kata Tjuta and the base of "The Rock" to learn about its geology and significance to Aboriginal culture. Later, fly to Cairns, the tropical gateway to the Great Barrier Reef (UNESCO). Established as a marine park in 1975, the reef is a haven for thousands of species of sea life, as well as turtles and birds. (B)

#### Day 11: Cairns

Board the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for an unforgettable ride above the rainforest canopy. There are two stops where you may get off and experience the forest floor's diversity of plants, birds and animals from specially designed boardwalks. The afternoon is at leisure to enjoy the tropical surroundings. (B, D)

# Day 12: Cairns - Great Barrier Reef - Cairns

Board a catamaran and sail to the Low Isles to explore the fascinating underwater world of the Great Barrier Reef. Choose how you want to spend your day in paradise by making your time on the reef as educational or as laid back as you like. Perhaps you will relax and independently explore the pristine shores of this tiny island located on the outer reef. Or maybe you are a bit more adventurous and choose to snorkel; revealing a wealth of vibrant sea life. You also have the opportunity to meet with a marine biologist during an informative presentation. Or you may opt to join an expert for a beach and heritage trail walk along the island. (B, L)

#### Day 13: Cairns

This morning, explore the town at your own pace or simply relax. Later, set out for Hartley's Croc Farm. Get up close and personal with crocodiles! Boardwalks take you on a path of adventure through rainforests and woodlands; home to birds, reptiles and wallabies. You may meet some of the local koalas and chat with a wildlife naturalist to learn more about these herbivores. Then, take an exciting cruise on the lagoon and watch for crocodiles before enjoying an authentic Aussie barbecue. (B, D)

#### Day 14: Cairns - Sydney

After a leisurely morning, fly to Sydney, Australia's largest city. (B)

#### Day 15: Sydney

See where the English colonists first settled during a city tour of Sydney. Highlights of the tour include Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens, and the fashionable suburb of Darlinghurst. Discover the world's most fascinating architectural sights as you take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. Then, learn first-hand about opals during a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. (B)

# **Day 16:** Sydney - Choice of the Blue Mountains or Sydney by Sea 😵

Today, it's your choice! Travel to the stunning Blue Mountains of New South Wales (UNESCO) and come to know its countless geological wonders - see the Three Sisters sandstone rock formations, the region's most notable attraction, as well as sandstone plateaus, rich valleys, river gorges and endless pristine wilderness -OR- further experience Sydney at your own pace with a Sydney cruise pass; travel by high-speed boat to a variety of spots on Sydney Harbour, visit the famous beach resorts of Manly and Watsons bays, historic Fort Denison or Taronga Zoo; and hop off to explore places of interest...or stay on and relax during a narrated cruise. (B)

#### Day 17: Sydney

Enjoy a day at leisure. Perhaps you will explore more of Sydney's fascinating attractions, do some shopping or find yourself relaxing at a local café. This evening, say farewell to Sydney and take in the sights during a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour. Marvel at the scenic vistas of the harbor showcasing Sydney's magnificent skyline, the iconic Sydney Opera House, and the Harbour Bridge. (B, D)

#### Day 18: Sydney - Tour Ends

You depart for home with wonderful memories of this inspiring country. (B)

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#### DOUBLE SOLO Starting at Starting at Prices based on September 12, 2020 departure. Land only, per person, double occupancy.

January - April 2020 (different itinerary - see note) January 17, 24, 31 February 21 March 6, 20

April 17, 24

September 2020 - April 2021 (featured itinerary) September 12

October 10, 31

January 23

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# EXPLORING NEW ZEALAND

## 22 DAYS · 29 MEALS FROM <sup>\$</sup>5499

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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

Auckland • Bay of Islands • Rotorua • Napier • Wellington • Christchurch • Mt. Cook Region • Dunedin • Te Anau • Milford Sound • Queenstown



## **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Cruise through the Bay of Islands' famous "Hole in the Rock."
- Overnight in the spectacular Mt. Cook region where permanent ice fields and glaciers blanket the ragged peaks.
- Visit a family-owned farm and learn about daily life in New Zealand's high country.



 Day 21 — Go bird watching at the Kiwi Birdlife Park or take a gondola to the top of Bob's Peak for stunning views of the region.

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

# CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- · 19 breakfasts · 2 lunches · 8 dinners
- Experience an authentic *hangi* dinner and learn about Maori culture.
- Sample local specialties of the South Island at a "Taste of Fiordland" dinner.
- Enjoy a farewell dinner on the shores of stunning Lake Wakatipu.

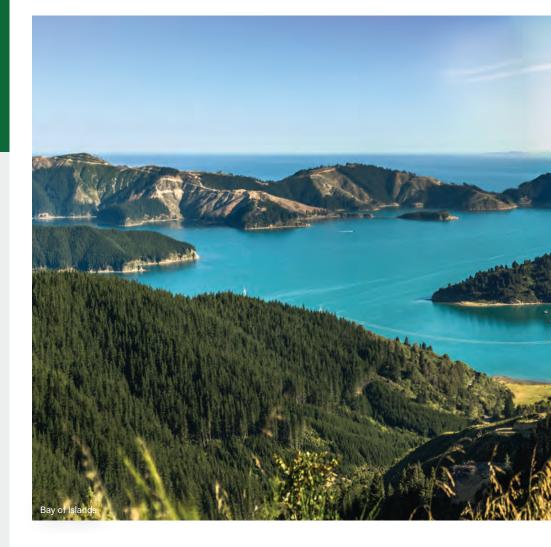
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See page 99 for more information.



# From geothermal springs and ice fields to stunning fjords and Maori culture, experience New Zealand at its best.

#### Day 1 - Day 2: Depart from Home

Cross the International Dateline and begin the adventure of a lifetime by skipping a day ahead.

# **Day 3:** Auckland, New Zealand - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Auckland, the "City of Sails," consistently rated one of the best places in the world to live. Auckland's Polynesian population instills into its chic atmosphere the vibrant feel of the Pacific Islands. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

#### Day 4: Auckland

Come to know the best of Auckland during a panoramic city tour featuring the America's Cup Village, the War Memorial, bustling Queen Street and the Auckland Harbour Bridge. The afternoon is yours to explore New Zealand's largest city on your own. Perhaps you will choose to go on an optional America's Cup sailing experience. (B)

#### Day 5: Auckland - Bay of Islands

Depart Auckland and travel north to the Bay of Islands, your home for the next two nights. This sun-soaked region boasts more than 144 islands and warm waters with abundant marine life. Visit the Waitangi Treaty House, the site where Maori and British leaders signed the 1840 treaty establishing New Zealand as a nation. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Bay of Islands

Begin the day with a cruise that features the bay's famous Hole in the Rock and a stop off at picturesque Urupukapuka Island. Relax on the beach or walk to a higher elevation to enjoy 360° views. Look out at the Cape Brett Lighthouse, standing nearly 500 feet above sea level at the edge of the Cape Brett Peninsula. The rest of the day is yours to independently explore Paihia – the quaint town known as "the jewel of the Bay of Islands." (B)

## Day 7: Bay of Islands - Matakohe - Rotorua

Leave the sparkling waters of the Bay of Islands behind and head to Matakohe in the







heartland of the North Island. Make a stop at the Kauri Museum and come to know the stories surrounding the giant kauri tree that can live for 2,000 years. Discover how the early settlers used this abundant tree to build a life for themselves. Later, continue on to the town of Rotorua, known for geothermal activity and Maori culture. (B, D)

## Day 8: Rotorua

Today, find yourself amid the dramatic geothermal landscape of Rotorua. With over one-third of its population boasting Maori roots, this city is known as the Maori capital of New Zealand. Visit Te Puia, New Zealand's premier Maori cultural and geothermal experience. The National Carving School and National Weaving School are located here, passing on age-old customs by teaching the tribal youth these traditional skills. Enjoy the chance to view the Kiwi bird and learn what is being done in an effort to remove this marvelous creature from the endangered species list. In the evening, experience ceremonial Maori rituals at an authentic hangi dinner and performance. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Rotorua - Taupo - Napier

Travel through the North Island's rolling countryside to Taupo, a lakeside town

situated in a natural caldera. Stop for a morning tea at a working art glass studio. See the artists work their craft before exploring the colorful sculpture garden. Continue on to Napier, a quaint harbor town situated on the shores of Hawke's Bay. (B)

#### Day 10: Napier

Start your morning with a guided tour of Napier. Venture along some of the world's greatest Art Deco architecture and learn why the city took on such an eclectic design style. Take advantage of an afternoon at leisure, perhaps strolling down the oceanfront promenade or relaxing at an open-air restaurant. (B)

#### Day 11: Napier - Wellington

Continue your way south through rural vistas. The rugged Remutaka Range slowly gives way to Wellington, a coastal city nestled against the mountains. Embark on a tour of New Zealand's capital city, known as the "Windy City." See the Beehive – New Zealand's Parliament; historic St. Paul's Church; and the Old Government Building, the largest wooden building in the Southern Hemisphere. (B, D)

## Day 12: Wellington

Enjoy a day at leisure to relax or explore Wellington. You may want to visit the Te

Papa Tongarewa Museum, a fascinating center dedicated to art, history and the Maori culture, or perhaps ride the Wellington Cable Car to the suburb of Kelburn for stunning panoramic views of the city. (B)

#### Day 13: Wellington - Picton - Christchurch

Board a ferry and sail across Cook Strait. Experience what has been called "the most beautiful ferry ride in the world." Arrive in Picton on the South Island where you will have free time for lunch. Continue along the breathtaking east coast to the largest city on the South Island, Christchurch. (B)

#### Day 14: Christchurch - Mt. Cook Region

The Maori word for Mt. Cook is *Aoraki*, which means "cloud piercer." Journey through New Zealand's unspoiled wilderness and arrive at the Mt. Cook region, where permanent ice fields and glaciers blanket the ragged peaks. This is where famed New Zealand mountaineer Sir Edmund Hillary honed his skills before conquering Everest. You may choose to take a nature walk, enjoy an optional glacier flightseeing tour (weather permitting), or simply meditate on the

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# EXPLORING NEW ZEALAND

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## HIGHLIGHTS

Auckland • Bay of Islands • Rotorua • Napier • Wellington • Christchurch • Mt. Cook Region • Dunedin • Te Anau • Milford Sound • Queenstown



## ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight	
Days 3, 4	Rydges, Auckland	
Days 5, 6	Copthorne Hotel and Resort, Waitangi, Bay of Islands	
Days 7, 8	Millennium Hotel, Rotorua	
Days 9, 10	Scenic Hotel Te Pania, Napier	
Days 11, 12	Novotel, Wellington	
Day 13	Novotel Christchurch Cathedral Square, Christchurch	
Day 14	The Hermitage Hotel, Mount Cook or MacKenzie Country Hotel, Twizel	
Days 15, 16	Scenic Hotel Southern Cross, Dunedin	
Days 17, 18	Distinction Te Anau Hotel and Villas, Te Anau	
Days 19 - 21	Novotel Queenstown Lakeside, Queenstown	
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## captured on tour



The trip was probably our best to date. What made it outstanding was the everyday information provided by the coach driver and the Tour Manager. ??

-Collette Traveler





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beauty of the Southern Alps. (B, D)

#### Day 15: Mt. Cook Region - Dunedin

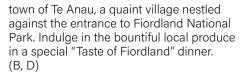
Travel to Dunedin, on the southeast coast of New Zealand. One of the earliest European settlements on the islands, Dunedin holds proudly to its Scottish heritage and traditions. (B)

#### Day 16: Dunedin

This morning's panoramic drive reveals Larnach Castle as well as Baldwin Street, the world's steepest public road. Later, visit the Royal Albatross Centre, the only mainland breeding location in the world for these magnificent birds. Their epic wingspan can reach nearly 10 feet! (B)

#### Day 17: Dunedin - Manapouri - Te Anau

Make your way through lush farmland and quaint villages to the lakeside town of Manapouri. Stop at a working alpaca farm and get up-close to these domesticated animals. Meet with a local artist and gain insight into what it's like to live in remote New Zealand. Continue on to the lakeside



#### Day 18: Te Anau

Take a short walk to the Fiordland National Park Visitor Centre. This site is your gateway to the natural beauty of New Zealand's fjords. An expert guide will provide information about the natural and human history of the region, as well as ongoing conservation projects. With the rest of the day at leisure, perhaps you will hike through the park, visit the Te Anau Bird Conservation Center, or take an optional tour to the Waitomo Glow Worm caves. (B)

#### Day 19: Te Anau - Milford Sound -Queenstown

During a cruise of the beautiful Milford Sound, you will see why this fjord is one of the most visited sites on the South Island. With rock faces that rise nearly 4,000 feet on



either side, the scenery will take your breath away. Depart Milford Sound and enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley and the Homer Tunnel as you head to Queenstown, a mountainside town set against the shores of Lake Wakatipu. (B, L)

#### Day 20: Queenstown

Take advantage of a full day at leisure to enjoy Queenstown. The town has earned the nickname of "Adventure Capital of the World" due to its rugged terrain and the adventurous Kiwi spirit. With the Remarkables Mountains surrounding the town and adjacent lake, there is no shortage of natural beauty and outdoor excursions. (B)

#### Day 21: Queenstown 😵

Journey into the heart of New Zealand's high country to visit an authentic, family-owned merino sheep farm. En route, enjoy the spectacular scenery of the Remarkables, Cecil Peak, Bob's Cove and Mt. Earnslaw as you cruise across spectacular Lake Wakatipu to Mt. Nicholas High Country Farm. During your exclusive, behind-thescenes visit, follow the journey of merino wool from mustering sheep through the creation of modern wool garments. Enjoy a freshly prepared farmer's lunch before sailing back to Queenstown. Later this afternoon, it's your choice! You may go bird watching at the Kiwi Birdlife Park -OR- take a gondola to the top of Bob's Peak for stunning panoramic views of the region. Gather for a farewell dinner overlooking Lake Wakatipu and the Remarkables mountain range. (B, L, D)

## Day 22: Queenstown - Tour Ends

Your adventure comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories of a wonderful trip. (B)

#### TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL SEE PAGE 103 FOR DETAILS

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## MAKE MORE OF YOUR TOUR

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(different itinerary - see note) January 11, 18, 25 February 8, 22 March 7, 14 April 18

(featured itinerary) October 14 November 4

January 13, 27

February 3, 24 March 24 April 14

Itinerary featured is for October 2020 - April 2021 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Auckland and depart from Queenstown. Airport transfers are available for purchase. An ETA (Electronic Travel Authorization) and Tourism Levy are required for travel to New Zealand. These must be processed in advance of travel through the New Zealand Immigration website (approximate cost of 12 NZD for ETA) or through their mobile app (approximate cost of 9 NZD for ETA). The Tourism Levy has a cost of approximately 35 NZD when paid through either method. Rates are approximate and are subject to change at any time by the governing authority.



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### WHERE YOU'LL STAY: AUTHENTIC SURROUNDINGS

Explorations includes a variety of unique places to rest during your travels. Each 4-star and above hotel is chosen for its history, the view, the location, or the amenities to capture the spirit of your destination. Visit collette.com/explorations to see specific hotel details for your trip.

### WHAT YOU'LL DO: UNIQUE EXPERIENCES

It's often said that experience is the best teacher and we couldn't agree more. Some are active, some a little adventurous, and some have the power to change your life. Hard to replicate and impossible to forget, these experiences will shape your understanding of a destination and ultimately your vision of the world.

### WHAT'S ON THE MENU: CULINARY ADVENTURES

Local cuisine is all about the experience and ambiance served up alongside a mouthwatering

**meal.** Explorations seeks to delight the palate with an unforgettable and hard to replicate epicurean adventure designed to provide you with the local flavors your destination has to offer.



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# MACHU PICCHU & THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

Uncover mysteries that dwell among the wonders, ruins, and unspoiled lands of South America. From the **"Lost City of the Incas"** to the mysteries of the **Galápagos Islands**, you'll delve deep into ancient cultures, then dive deeper into the wonders of nature.

#### STARTING AT \$7619\* DAYS 15 MEALS 30

\*Price based on February 18, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only. Rates do not include inter-tour air. This tour may vary for departures after April 2020. Call or visit our website for complete information on tours departing May 2020-April 2021.

#### Where You'll Stay

#### Included Meals

14 Breakfasts

**Activity Level** 

1 2 3 4 5

See pg. 103 for details

on our activity levels.

6 Lunches 10 Dinners

Lima 2 Nights Casa Andina Premium Miraflores

Sacred Valley 2 Nights Casa Andina Premium Sacred Valley

**Aguas Calientes 1 Night** Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel

Cuzco 2 Nights Casa Andina Premium

Quito 2 Nights Mercure Grand Hotel Alameda

Galápagos Islands 4 Nights m/v Galápagos Legend

#### Quito 1 Night Mercure Grand Hotel Alameda



# MACHU PICCHU & THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

3 EXPERIENCES beyond expectation



#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

# DAYS 1-4 LIMA • SACRED VALLEY

#### Get a Taste of Authentic Peru

- Uncover Lima's historic past on a city tour, followed by a trip to a former home of a conquistador.
- Kick up your heels during a private salsa class.
- Learn centuries-old methods of creating traditional textiles at Awana Kancha and stroll through Pisac's local handicraft market.
- Visit the ruins of Ollantaytambo.
- Learn of the thriving culture of the Andean people during a farmto-table lunch.

#### DAYS 5-7 AGUAS CALIENTES • CUZCO

# Reach the Peak of Incan Culture

- Uncover the mysteries of Machu Picchu, the "Lost City of the Incas."
- Witness an exclusive culinary demonstration and savor an eclectic tasting.
- Enjoy a morning of leisure at the foot of Machu Picchu, where you may choose an optional excursion to see the ruins again at sunrise, or wander through the local village for a taste of Andean culture.
- Immerse yourself in Peru's heart and soul during a special community dining experience.
- ♥ IT'S YOUR CHOICE in the former Incan capital of Cuzco. Head out on a comprehensive city tour OR walk the artisan neighborhood of San Blas.

# **D** EMBARK ON A NATURE CRUISE OF A LIFETIME

With wildlife that seems anything but wild and landscapes that are anything but tame, the Galápagos Islands aren't just a destination, it's an experience that will be forever seared into your memory. Accompanied by a naturalist guide for expert exploration, your 4-night cruise will be simply unforgettable.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS DAYS 10-13 IN THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS.

### 2 SPEND A LEISURELY MORNING AT THE FOOT OF RUINS

For some, visiting Machu Picchu once is not enough. This is why we give you a morning of leisure during your stay there. Whether you take an optional excursion to see the ruins at sunrise, or wander through the local markets of Aguas Calientes for a taste of Andean culture, you'll soak up every bit of this iconic site.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 6 IN MACHU PICCHU.





# **3** TRY YOUR HAND AT MAKING WORLD-RENOWNED CUISINE

Peru's cuisine consistently ranks high amongst the world's foodies. Discover why during an interactive cooking class. Hone your skills as you craft signature Peruvian starters like ceviche and pisco sours, then delight in more of the region's specialties over dinner. >> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 3 IN SACRED VALLEY.

#### DAYS 8-9 QUITO

#### Check Out Quito's Colonial Charm

- Meet some of the children thriving at the Children International community centre, supported by the Collette Foundation.
- Tour the Presidential Palace.
- Stand at the "Middle of the World" at the Equatorial Line Monument and Museum.
- Take some free time to explore the city on your own.

#### DAYS 10-13 GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

# Become One with Nature in the Galápagos Islands

- Embark on a 4-night cruise in the company of a naturalist guide.
- Get an up-close look at the endangered tortoises at the Cerro Colorado Tortoise Reserve.
- Sail to Española Island in Gardner Bay aboard a panga.
- Swim and snorkel with manta rays and white-tipped sharks.

#### DAYS 10-13 CONTINUED

- Hike the volcanic terrain of Suarez Point.
- Stand before giant tortoises, the stars of the Charles Darwin Research Station.
- Walk inside dormant lava tubes for a peek into how these primordial islands formed.
- Enjoy time on your own to explore Port Ayora.

#### DAYS 14-15 QUITO

#### **Celebrate Your Journey in Quito**

- Take an evening city tour of colonial Quito.
- Feast in a historical restaurant and toast to your memorable journey.

Visit collette.com/366 for complete tour details.

EXTEND YOUR TRIP with 3 nights in Otavalo See pg. 99 for details on this post-tour extension.



# COSTA RICA: A WORLD OF NATURE

By land and by sea, thrilling journeys await as you seek out to discover the essence of *pura vida*. Pull back the curtain of the rainforest and step inside to experience life unfiltered. This is where the wild things are.

#### STARTING AT \$2699\* DAYS 12 MEALS 24

\*Price based on September 6, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only.

#### Where You'll Stay

San José 1 Night Doubletree by Hilton Cariari Hotel

Tortuguero 2 Nights Evergreen Lodge

San Carlos 2 Nights Tilajari Hotel Resort

Arenal 3 Nights Arenal Springs Resort & Spa

Manuel Antonio 2 Nights Parador Resort and Spa

San José 1 Night Doubletree by Hilton Cariari Hotel

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

# Arenal Volcano San Carlos San Jose Manuel Antonio Nat'l Park COSTA RICA

#### Included Meals

- 11 Breakfasts
- 5 Lunches
- 8 Dinners





# 3 EXPERIENCES beyond expectation

**OWN ADVENTURE** 

When in the birthplace of zip lining, you zip line! Experience Costa Rica's thrilling landscapes from above as you glide over lush green canopies **OR** make your way across lava fields for an upclose-and-personal look at Arenal Volcano on a moderate hike along the trails.

» EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 7 IN ARENAL.

# **2** BECOME ONE WITH NATURE

From a jungle oasis in Tortuguero, to the remote wonders of Manuel Antonio National Park, nature is truly all around you. Enjoy two nights in each locale, where you can seek out the elusive green macaw and let monkeys be your alarm clock in Tortuguero, and enjoy free time in Manuel Antonio to hike or go for a swim in turquoise waters.

EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAYS 2-3 AND 9-10 IN TORTUGUERO AND MANUEL ANTONIO.

**COSTA RICA:** 

A WORLD OF NATURE







# **3** TAKE A FLOAT ON THE WILD SIDE

Get up close with crocodiles as you head down the Tárcoles River on an exhilarating jungle safari. Float along beneath the towering jungle, looking just below the water's surface for a glimpse of these incredible creatures that heavily populate this section of the river.

» EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 9 IN TÁRCOLES.

#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

#### DAYS 1-3 SAN JOSÉ • TORTUGUERO

#### Welcome to the Jungle

- Start your journey in Costa Rica's culture hub, the capital of San José.
- Venture to Tortuguero National Park, where you'll stay two nights amongst the wildlife.
- Visit the world's first sea turtle research station.
- Embark on a nature cruise through Tortuguero for a peek behind the rainforest's lush green walls.

#### DAYS 4-5 SAN CARLOS

# Embrace the Essence of the Rainforest

- Cut through the mists of the rainforest as you travel from Tortuguero to Sarapiquí.
- Learn how the magical cacao seed is converted from bean to bar and taste for yourself why cacao translates to the "food of the gods."
- Paddle and float down the river on a peaceful adventure, taking in the sights and sounds of the rainforest as your naturalist guide describes the intricacies of the wildlife around you.
- IT'S YOUR CHOICE! Explore the rich landscape on horseback OR take a guided walk through a private, primary forest reserve.

#### DAYS 6-8 ARENAL

#### Awaken Your Sense of Adventure in Arenal

- Suspended over the rainforest floor, take in a birds-eye view of the jungle on a guided tour of Arenal's famous hanging bridges.
- IT'S YOUR CHOICE! Zip line over lush green canopies OR take a moderate hike past Arenal's lava fields.
- Explore a family owned Finca and savor a farm-to-table lunch complete with a cooking demonstration.
- Enjoy a full day at leisure to wander the grounds of your resort, soak in the famous hot springs, or set off on an optional excursion.

#### DAYS 9-12 MANUEL ANTONIO • SAN JOSÉ

#### Get in Touch with Nature at Manuel Antonio

- Witness colorful birds, hike rugged rainforests, and enjoy pristine beaches prime for swimming and snorkeling in Manuel Antonio National Park.
- Get up close with crocodiles as you head down the Tárcoles River on an exhilarating jungle safari.
- Wake up and smell the coffee at a local farm that produces some of Costa Rica's wellknown beans.
- Return to San José and recount your memories and special moments as you bid farewell to Costa Rica and your fellow explorers.

#### Visit collette.com/294 for complete tour details.





# THE PLAINS OF AFRICA

Prepare to see an Africa you've only known in your dreams, and one you never knew existed. Explore Kenya's wildlife, up close and personal, against a stunningly untamed backdrop.

#### STARTING AT \$4299\* DAYS 14 MEALS 33

\*Price based on June 14, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only, including park fees.

#### Where You'll Stay

Nairobi 1 Night Sarova Stanley Hotel

Nyeri 1 Night Aberdare Country Club

Shaba Reserve 2 Nights Sarova Shaba Lodge

Nyeri 1 Night The Ark Hotel

Lake Nakuru 2 Nights Sarova Lion Hill Lodge

Masai Mara 2 Nights Sarova Mara Camp

Nairobi 1 Night Sarova Stanley Hotel

Amboseli 2 Nights Ol Tukai Lodge

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

#### Included Meals

12 Breakfasts11 Lunches10 Dinners

#### Activity Level

**1 2 3 4 5** See pg. 103 for details on our activity levels.



# **THE PLAINS OF AFRICA 3** EXPERIENCES beyond expectation

### HEAD INTO THE WILD ON ELEVEN GAME DRIVES

Get ready to fill up your mind and memory card with the images of Kenya's striking landscapes and variety of wildlife, including the "Big 5." Early morning and late afternoon drives seek to deliver you the best opportunity to spy the animals that call each destination home.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS THROUGHOUT YOUR TRAVELS IN KENYA.

# **2** CONNECT WITH MASAI CULTURE

Spend an afternoon getting to know the Masai people. You'll be a welcomed visitor in a local village (called an *enkeng* in Maa, the Masai language) and see a slice of everyday life. Later, as you indulge in a traditional bush dinner, take in the incredible sights of a Masai dance performance.



#### >> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 9 IN MASAI MARA.

#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

#### DAYS 1-3 NAIROBI • NYERI

#### Getting Back to Nature in Nairobi & Nyeri

- IMPACT MOMENT: Seize an opportunity to give back to nature with a "seedball." The compact balls of seed limit the cost of planting indigenous trees.
- Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore Aberdare Country Club's amenities like golfing, nature walks, and spa treatments.

#### DAYS 4-5 SHABA RESERVE

#### Shaba Reserve: The Africa You've Always Imagined

- Discover the magic of the Shaba, Samburu and Buffalo Springs reserves on three game drives.
- Enjoy a traditional Sundowner as the sun sets over the banks of the Ewaso Ng'iro River.
- In the company of a Samburu tribe member, learn about the culture, traditions, and folklore of the Samburu region and its people.







# **3** THIS IS TRUE SAFARI LIFE

Tucked in a deluxe tented camp for two nights, you'll experience the adventure of sleeping in the heart of nature (with plenty of creature comforts). This relaxing retreat in the wilds of the Masai Mara Game Reserve is the perfect way to live the safari life without giving up the amenities of a lodge.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAYS 9-10 IN MASAI MARA GAME RESERVE.

#### DAYS 6-8 NYERI • LAKE NAKURU

#### Stay Where the Wild Things Are

- Join a discussion about conservation efforts and antipoaching measures in the region.
- Stay amongst the wildlife at The Ark Hotel, and spy animal activity at the floodlit water hole.
- Embark on two game drives in the wildlife haven of Lake Nakuru, your home for two nights.
- Get a true taste of Africa with a traditional breakfast prepared right in the bush.

#### DAYS 9-10 MASAI MARA

#### Dreaming in the Wilds of Masai Mara

- Embark on three game drives in arguably the most stunning game viewing reserve in all of Kenya the Masai Mara.
- Visit a local Masai village and see a slice of everyday life.
- Indulge in a traditional bush dinner, complete with a Masai dance performance.
- Take in the vast landscape of the Mara during a picnic stop.
- Spend 2 nights in a deluxe tented camp, surrounded by nature.

**EXTEND YOUR TRIP with 4 nights in Tanzania** See pg. 97 for details on this post-tour extension.

#### DAYS 11-14 NAIROBI • AMBOSELI

# In the Land of Giants in Amboseli

- Return to Nairobi and visit the house of Karen Blixen, author of *Out of Africa*.
- Seek a glimpse of free-running lions, roaming herds of elephants, wildebeests, zebras and more during three game drives in Amboseli National Park.

Visit collette.com/146 for complete tour details.



## EXPLORING SOUTH AFRICA, VICTORIA FALLS & BOTSWANA

Thread by thread, the tapestry of African life comes alive before your very eyes. From the "Big 5" to connecting with the people who call this place home, this is a journey you will never forget.

#### STARTING AT \$4487\* DAYS 14 MEALS 28

\*Price based on August 19, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only, including park fees. Rates do not include inter-tour air.



# EXPLORING SOUTH AFRICA, VICTORIA FALLS & BOTSWANA

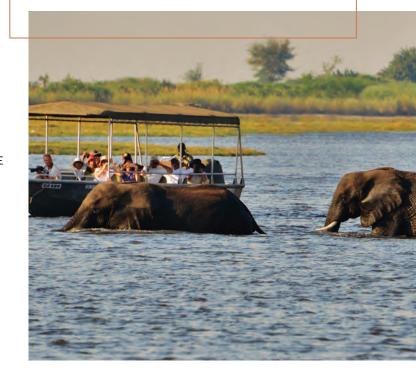
**3** EXPERIENCES beyond expectation



# 2 SEEK OUT THE "BIG 5" ON 9 WILDLIFE SAFARIS

Cruise down the Chobe River, keeping your eyes peeled for hippos splashing in the water or birds fluttering along the riverbank. Venture out into the grasslands on a 4x4, where you might see prowling felines in the brush or giraffes reaching into the branches for a snack. Experience a variety of ways to spot wildlife on 9 adventurous safaris.

» EXPERIENCE THROUGHOUT YOUR TRAVELS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.





### 3 SPEND 2 DAYS IN STELLENBOSCH'S WINELANDS

Taste the flavors of the Western Cape as you visit one of the world's most beautiful wine countries. Among rolling vineyards and historic Cape Dutch architecture, learn about South Africa's renowned vintages at 3 different wine tastings.

EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 5 AND 6 IN STELLENBOSCH.

### 1 STAND IN AWE BEFORE VICTORIA FALLS

There are some things in this world that defy definition. Standing before the thunderous rush of water at Victoria Falls will certainly be one of those events. Enjoy time here in the afternoon, when the rainbows just off the water are simply spectacular.

#### EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 10 IN VICTORIA FALLS.



#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

#### DAYS 1-4 CAPE TOWN

#### Get to Know Cosmopolitan Cape Town

- Whisk away to the top of Table Mountain for incredible views of Cape Town and beyond.
- Enjoy free time to explore Cape Town how you choose.
- Take an easy hike along Cape of Good Hope, ending at Boulders Beach, home to endangered African penguins.
- · Eat a delicious meal in a local family's home.

#### DAYS 5-6 STELLENBOSCH

# Sip and Savor Stellenbosch's Wine Country

- Enjoy an afternoon at leisure in Stellenbosch's picturesque wine country.
- Sample the region's most renowned wines at 3 different tastings.
- Visit the charming village of Franschhoek for lunch.

#### DAYS 7-9 PILANESBERG NATIONAL PARK

# Experience the Wild Africa of Your Dreams

- Head out in search of the "Big 5" on 5 different game drives through the national park.
- Enjoy a drink during a traditional African sundowner.
- Sip coffee and tea amongst the wildlife.

#### DAYS 10-11 VICTORIA FALLS

# Behold the Power of Victoria Falls

- Stand before stunning Victoria Falls in the afternoon, when the rainbows are at their best.
- Indulge in dinner on the shores of the Zambezi, overlooking Victoria Falls.
- Interact with African elephants in their own habitat.
- Join a local Zambian family for a homehosted lunch.

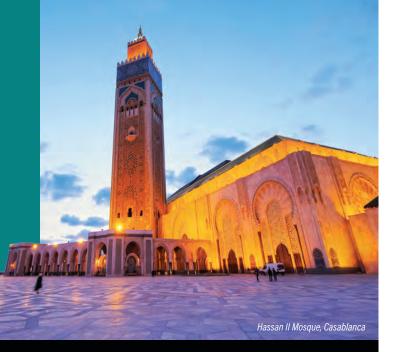
#### DAYS 12-14 KASANE

#### **Discovering Life in Chobe**

- Look for elephants, hippos, crocodiles and more on a safari cruise along Botswana's Chobe River.
- Explore the diverse ecosystems of Chobe National Park.
- IT'S YOUR CHOICE! Continue the wildlife search by land on an afternoon game drive, OR hit the river for a safari cruise.
- Learn the secrets to cooking a traditional braai (African barbecue) during a chef-hosted dinner by the river.

EXTEND YOUR TRIP with 3 nights in Dubai See pg. 96 for details on this pre-tour extension.

#### Visit collette.com/466 for complete tour details.



# COLORS OF MOROCCO

From vibrant cities to the still of the desert, Morocco will enchant you with its deep history, unique atmosphere and welcoming people.

#### STARTING AT \$2349\* DAYS 11 MEALS 17

\*Price based on October 18, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only.

#### Where You'll Stay

**Casablanca 1 Night** Barcelo Anfa

Fes 2 Nights **Riad Yacout** 

Sahara Desert 2 Nights Xaluca Luxe Bivouacs Belle Etoile

Boumalne du Dades 1 Night Hotel Xaluca Dades

#### Marrakech 3 Nights Es Saadi Hotel

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



### **Included Meals**

- 9 Breakfasts
- 2 Lunches
- 6 Dinners

#### **Activity Level**

#### 1 2 3 4 5 See pg. 103 for details on our activity levels.

### **1** LOCAL **LEATHER** TANNERIES CAPTIVATE WITH COLOR

COLORS OF MOROCCO

EXPERIENCES beyond expectation



In the heart of Fes, you'll see merchants selling vibrant leather

goods in every shade of the rainbow. You'll get a bird's-eye view of the tanneries where these goods are fashioned and witness an eye-catching honeycomb of vats in brilliant colors. Watch as artisans work their craft that's remained virtually unchanged for centuries.

> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 4 IN FES.

### **3** EXPERIENCE TWO **NIGHTS OF SERENITY** IN THE DESERT

A 4x4 Jeep provides your transportation to a desert camp in the Sahara. For the next two nights, in the tranquil silence of the desert, you'll drift off to sleep in a fully equipped Berber-style tent. As each morning dawns, enjoy amazing views of the sunrise and the perfect stillness of the desert. Return from the camp via camel, as the morning light greets the dunes.



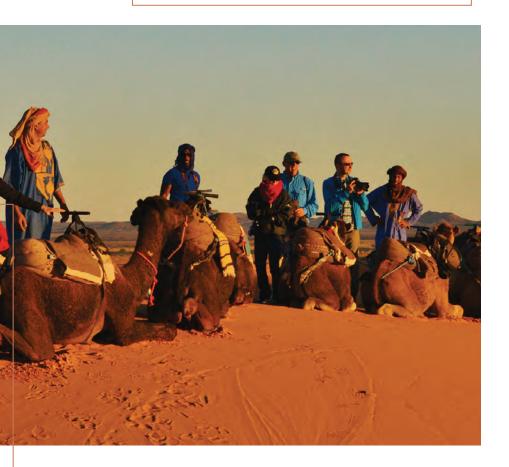
» EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAYS 5 AND 6 IN THE SAHARA DESERT.



# 2 PREPARE A LUNCH AND HELP LOCAL WOMEN STAND STRONG

Gather fresh and local ingredients and prepare for a special culinary workshop at the Amal Center, a social enterprise benefitting disadvantaged women. Here at Amal, women are trained in every aspect of the restaurant industry to help them secure a job and their own financial independence.

» EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 10 IN MARRAKECH.



#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

#### DAYS 1-4 CASABLANCA • FES

#### We'll Always Have Morocco: Casablanca to Fes

- Gaze upon a rainbow of ceramic tile (called *zellij*) and the hand-carved stone of the Hassan II Mosque.
- Visit the Mausoleum of Mohammed V in Rabat, the capital of Morocco.
- Discover Fes: see the Jewish Quarter, the city ramparts, and the gates of the palace, then take a walking tour of the Medina.
- Witness the brilliantly hued honeycomb of vats at Fes' leather tanneries.
- Spend two nights in a traditional riad.

#### DAYS 5-7 SAHARA DESERT • BOUMALNE DU DADES

#### Into the Desert

- Jump into a 4x4 vehicle to explore the Sahara before spending the next two nights in a luxury desert camp.
- Meet a desert farmer, visit a local village, and meet with a nomadic community before watching the sun set over the dunes.
- Soak in the tranquil silence of the desert, under a stunning blanket of stars.
- Return from your desert stay via camel.
- Visit and overnight in Morocco's "Grand Canyon," Boumalne du Dades.

#### DAYS 8-11 MARRAKECH

#### Awaken Your Senses in Marrakech

- Discover the treasures of Marrakech: ancient El Bahia Palace, historic Jewish Mellah, and the majestic 12th-century Koutoubia Mosque.
- Select fresh and local ingredients for your culinary workshop at a social enterprise benefitting women.
- Wander the expansive labyrinth of souks, homes, and businesses within the 1,000-year-old walls of the Medina.
- In Marrakech, IT'S YOUR CHOICE! Tour Jardin Majorelle and the Berber Museum OR explore the Yves Saint Laurent Museum.
- Conclude your journey with dinner in a palace.

Collette.com/564 for complete tour details.



### JOURNEY THROUGH EGYPT & JORDAN

Eons of history and iconic wonders. Overnight cruises along the legendary Nile. Stretching sunsets fading against the desert horizon. Discover the essence of Egypt and Jordan.

#### STARTING AT \$3799\* DAYS 13 MEALS 23

\*Price based on November 30, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only. Rates do not include inter-tour air.

**Included Meals** 

11 Breakfasts

**Activity Level** 

1 2 3 4 5

See pg. 103 for details

on our activity levels.

5 Lunches

7 Dinners

#### Where You'll Stay

**Cairo 3 Nights** Kempinski Nile Hotel Garden City

Nile River Cruise 3 Nights Sonesta St. George

Amman 1 Night Amman Marriott Hotel

Petra 2 Nights Movenpick Resort

**Dead Sea 2 Nights** Movenpick Resort and Spa



# JOURNEY THROUGH EGYPT & JORDAN

**3** EXPERIENCES beyond expectation



### 1 ENJOY AN EXCLUSIVE VIEWING OF RENOWNED ROYALS

Hop off your ship at Luxor's West Bank, spending the morning in the Valley of the Kings. Walk in the footsteps of pharaohs as you make your way along elaborate Egyptian tombs. Delve even further into Egyptian legends as you enjoy an exclusive viewing of the tombs of King Tut and Ramses VI, two of the country's most famous leaders

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 7 IN LUXOR.

## 2 STEP INTO THE PAST IN PETRA

Weave along sandstone carvings as you make your way through Petra with an expert insider. The city appears as if it has emerged straight from the rock bed - and it practically did. Half built and half carved, Petra combines eras of architectural styles to create a single entity. Spend 2 nights here in the "Rose Red City," where cliffs tower above you and create an air filled with mystery, intrigue, and wonder.

» EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 9 AND 10 IN PETRA.

# **3** REJUVENATE AND REFRESH AT THE DEAD SEA

As your adventure draws to a close, allow the healing powers of the Dead Sea to soothe you. With a salt concentration that will make you float and legendary mud that softens the skin, the Dead Sea is your relaxing getaway in the middle of the desert. Enjoy 2 nights on the Jordanian shore, indulging in the luxuries of your hotel and spa.

EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 11 AND 12 AT THE DEAD SEA.





#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

#### DAYS 1-4 CAIRO

#### Feel the Energy of Cairo

- Spend time with an Egyptologist to learn about the ancient culture.
- Peruse a collection of artifacts at the Egyptian Museum.
- Stand in awe before the Pyramids of Giza

   one of the seven ancient wonders of the world – and the stoic Great Sphinx.

#### DAYS 5-7 NILE RIVER CRUISE

#### Cruise Along History on the Nile

- Pass by riverside temples on a 3-night cruise along the Nile.
- Connect with Egypt's culture at an ancient Nubian show.
- Enjoy a festive Galabeya Party, where you might don a traditional Egyptian gown.
- Enjoy an exclusive viewing of the tombs of King Tut and Ramses VI during a tour of the Valley of the Kings.
- Visit a local farm along the banks of the Nile and chat with the owners between sips of freshly brewed tea.
- ▼ IT'S YOUR CHOICE! Head to the Luxor Temple, a creation of kings Amenhotep III and Ramses II OR enjoy high tea at the Old Winter Palace, where many elite guests frequently dine.
- Enjoy the sound and light show at Karnak Temple.

#### DAYS 8-10 AMMAN • WADI RUM • PETRA

# Explore Desert and Stone in Wadi Rum and Petra

- Experience Amman, the capital of Jordan.
- Indulge in a dinner featuring street food, including local specialties of hummus, falafels and kunafa.
- On an open-air vehicle, explore the isolated desert of Wadi Rum, nicknamed the Valley of the Moon.
- Participate in an authentic Arabic cooking class in Petra.
- Explore the "Rose Red" city of Petra with a local guide before enjoying time at leisure.

#### DAYS 11-13 THE DEAD SEA

# Connect with Culture at the Dead Sea

- Bond with local women at a rug weaving cooperative, where you'll find rugs woven in traditional styles.
- Enjoy 2 nights in a spa resort at the Dead Sea.
- Visit Bethany Beyond the Jordan, the venerated site of Jesus Christ's baptism.
- In Madaba, explore the famous byzantine mosaic of St. George's Church.
- Connect with an inspiring local who encourages literacy through his bookstore and enjoy a traditional lunch as you chat with the philanthropic entrepreneur.

Visit collette.com/651 for complete tour details.



### AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND UNCOVERED

Uncover the core of Maori culture in New Zealand. Dive into the unparalleled Outback of Australia. This is Oceania, a paradise in the South Pacific.

#### STARTING AT \$6299\* DAYS 22 MEALS 31

\*Price based on September 14, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only. Rates do not include inter-tour air.

#### Where You'll Stay

Wellington 2 Nights Rydges

Nelson 2 Nights Rutherford Hotel

**Punakaiki or Hokitika 1 Night** Punakaiki Resort or Beachfront Hotel

Franz Josef 2 Nights Rainforest Retreat

Queenstown 3 Nights Peppers Beacon

Sydney 3 Nights Quay West Suites

Hahndorf 2 Nights The Manna of Hahndorf

Ayers Rock 1 Night Desert Gardens Hotel

Cairns 3 Nights Flynn Crystalbrook Collection Hotel

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

#### Included Meals

**19** Breakfasts**5** Lunches**7** Dinners

#### **Activity Level**





### AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND UNCOVERED

3 EXPERIENCES beyond expectation

### 1 DINE UNDER THE STARS IN ULURU (AYERS ROCK)

Although many adventurers experience the great monolith of Uluru during the day — few experience it after hours. Gather for an unforgettable evening in Australia, set at the stunning backdrop of this beloved and sacred Aboriginal destination. Experience the Sounds of Silence dinner, a gourmet meal next to the glowing Uluru. As the sun drops behind the horizon and the Milky Way starts to twinkle, relax as you eat dinner under a bed of stars, overlooking Australia's greatest natural wonder.

» EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 18 IN ULURU (AYERS ROCK).



### 3 CONNECT WITH CENTURIES OF MAORI CULTURE

Jump right into Maori culture as you are greeted with a traditional *mihi whakatau*, an elaborate ceremony for welcoming guests. Connect with Maori culture throughout your day, highlighted through exclusive access to an archaeological site of Te Aro Pā (Maori village) not open to the public. During the guided exploration of the waterfront *pā*, you'll get a glimpse into the country's indigenous heritage. Cap the day off by enjoying a *hāngi* dish and discovering more at Te Papa Tongarewa Museum of New Zealand.

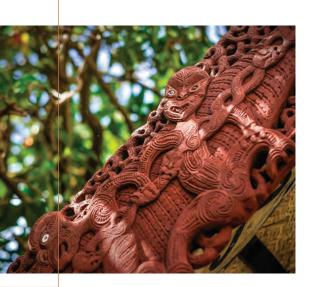
» EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 4 IN WELLINGTON.



### 2 CRUISE THROUGH UNSPOILED NATURE

Set sail through the graceful beauty of Abel Tasman National Park, New Zealand's smallest national park. What the park lacks in size, it makes up for in its ethereal nature and picture-perfect vistas. Relax as you coast over the crystal-clear waters, passing by verdant swathes of reaching trees huddled along the shoreline. A picnic lunch awaits at the Anchorage, a scenic bay set amongst a backdrop of gentle waves and sandy coasts.

» EXPERIENCE THIS DAY 6 IN ABEL TASMAN NATIONAL PARK.



#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

#### DAYS 1-5 WELLINGTON

#### Experience Maori Culture in Wellington

- Be greeted with a traditional powhiri.
- Get exclusive access to an archaeological site of a waterfront pa (Maori for village), not open to the public.
- Taste Maori heritage in a hangi dish.
- Cruise over the stunning waters of the Cook Strait.

#### DAYS 6-9 NELSON • FRANZ JOSEF Enter a World of Nature and Kiwi Crafts in Nelson and Franz Josef

- Explore Nelson's bustling open airmarket and chat with Kiwi artisans.
- Sail over the crystal-clear waters of Abel Tasman National Park and enjoy a picnic in the bay.
- Visit a local studio to learn about New Zealand greenstone carving.
- Experience Punakaiki's famous Pancake Rocks.
- Spend time in the "cool little town" of Hokitika.
- Choose how you explore Franz Josef – traversing an exclusive trail with a local guide OR visiting kiwis at the West Coast Wildlife Centre.

#### DAYS 10-12 QUEENSTOWN

#### Experience Queenstown, the "Adventure Capital of the World"

- Journey through the rainforest and mountains along New Zealand's "wild" west coast.
- Cruise through the dramatic Milford Sound.
- Enjoy a day at leisure to explore the adventure-filled city of Queenstown.
- Join a local Kiwi family for a homecooked dinner.

#### DAYS 13-15 SYDNEY

#### Feel Sydney's Captivating Energy

- Admire the city skyline on a dinner cruise through Sydney Harbour.
- Explore Sydney's historic Rocks neighborhood.

#### DAYS 13-15 SYDNEY CONTINUED

- Delve into Aboriginal culture along the winding paths of the Royal Botanical Gardens.
- Go behind the scenes of the Sydney Opera House with an expert insider.
- Make the most of a full day at leisure in Australia's largest city.

#### DAYS 16-17 HAHNDORF • BAROSSA VALLEY

# Taste the Best of Hahndorf and the Barossa Valley

- Indulge in a wine tasting at d'Arenberg Cube, an avant-garde winery with a sensory experience like no other.
- Get a taste of German cuisine in Hahndorf, the country's oldest surviving German settlement.
- Sip lavender tea and enjoy light treats at a lavender farm in Barossa Valley.
- Visit Seppeltsfield Winery, one of the oldest in Barossa Valley.

#### DAYS 18-19 ULURU (AYERS ROCK)

#### Stand in Awe before the Famous Uluru (Ayers Rock)

- Experience the Sound of Silence dinner, a gourmet meal overlooking the glowing Uluru.
- Embark on a guided tour of Uluru's base and the neighboring Kata Tjuta rock formations.
- Discover the heritage of Australia's Aboriginal people as you explore these sacred grounds.

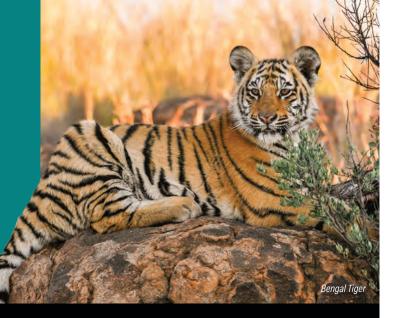
#### DAYS 20-22 CAIRNS

#### Dive into Tropical Adventure in Cairns

- Board a catamaran and sail to the Low Isles for a day at the Great Barrier Reef.
- From your island base, spend the day at the at leisure – with included options to snorkel, hike, or chat with a marine biologist.
- Make the most of a free day in Cairns to relax or explore.
- Toast to the end of your journey at a farewell dinner.

**EXTEND YOUR TRIP with 3 nights in Fiji** See pg. 99 for details on this post-tour extension.

Visit collette.com/644 for complete tour details.



### **MYSTERIES OF INDIA**

Welcome to India—a perfect synthesis of nature, spirituality, and regal legacy. Breathe new life into the soul and resurrect the senses on this electrifying plunge into India's stunningly vibrant culture.

#### STARTING AT \$3099\* DAYS 15 MEALS 25

\*Price based on February 13, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only. Rates do not include inter-tour air. This tour may vary for departures after April 2020. Call or visit our website for complete information on tours departing May 2020-April 2021.

#### Where You'll Stay

Delhi 2 Nights Hyatt Regency

Udaipur 2 Nights Lalit Laxmi Vilas

Jaipur 2 Nights ITC Rajputana

Ranthambore 2 Nights Juna Mahal

Agra 2 Nights ITC Mughal

Khajuraho 1 Night Radisson Jass Hotel

#### **Varanasi 2 Nights** Rivatas Hotel

Udaipu

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

#### Included Meals

- **13** Breakfasts**6** Lunches
- 6 Dinners

#### Activity Level

**1 2 3 4 5** See pg. 103 for details on our activity levels.

Varanasi

# MYSTERIES OF INDIA 3 EXPERIENCES beyond expectation



# **D** EXPERIENCE A SUNRISE LIKE NO OTHER – AT THE TAJ MAHAL

An icon among icons, the Taj Mahal cannot be missed. Find yourself in awe as you stand before this marbled tribute to true love bathed in the early morning light. As the sun rises, the colors seem to dance on the white marble façade and shimmer along its reflective pool.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 11 IN AGRA.

# 2 IGNITE YOUR SPIRIT IN INDIA'S HOLIEST CITY

Each evening, just after dusk, the holy Dashashwamedh Ghat on the banks of the River Ganges becomes bathed in a choreographed spectacle of fire, fragrant incense, and rhythmic chants. Witness this devotional ritual as Hindu priests provide offerings to the Goddess Ganga.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 13 IN VARANASI.

Ranthambore

Delhi

🔶 Agra

• Khajuraho

Jaipur





# **3** FILL UP ON LOCAL FLAVOR IN OLD DELHI

Meet up with a local guide, jump in a rickshaw, and head through Old Delhi's narrow streets and corridors for a delicious sampling of the city's incredible food scene. Bring your appetite and sense of adventure—we'll handle the rest.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 3 IN DELHI.



#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

#### DAYS 1-3 DELHI

#### Feel Delhi's Dynamic Pulse

- Stimulate the senses on guided explorations of modern New Delhi and historic Old Delhi.
- Meet up with a local guide, jump in a rickshaw, and indulge in a delicious sampling of the Old Delhi's incredible food scene.

#### DAYS 4-5 UDAIPUR

#### Behold the Romance of Udaipur

- In Udaipur, IT'S YOUR CHOICE! Join a local expert to learn the basic practices of yoga OR embark on a leisurely walking tour as the city's streets come to life.
- See this sparkling city from a new perspective on an evening cruise.
- Look over Lake Pichola from your luxurious hotel—a historic palace.

#### DAYS 6-7 JAIPUR

#### **Connect with Culture in Jaipur**

- Join a local host where you'll shop for fresh ingredients together, then return to her home to discover the secrets (and joys) of preparing an authentic Indian meal.
- Ascend Amber Fort in a vintage jeep, and soak in vibrant views of the "Pink City."
- Enjoy lunch at a local school where children are thriving in a midday program supported by the Collette Foundation.

#### DAYS 8-9 RANTHAMBORE

# Walk on the Wild Side in Ranthambore

 Meet with a naturalist, then get an up-close glimpse of Ranthambore National Park's most popular residents—Bengal tigers—and more wildlife on two game drives through the park.

#### DAYS 8-9 CONTINUED

• See first-hand how the Ranthambore School of Art is improving lives through art.

#### DAYS 10-12 AGRA • KHAJURAHO

# Step Back in Time in Agra and Khajuraho

- Grab lunch at Sheroes Hangout, a café that employs women who have survived horrific acid attacks.
- The can't-miss visit to the Taj Mahal. Feel the full power of this monument's romantic spirit with a sunrise visit.
- Make passage to Khajuraho on an exciting train journey, then explore the stunning UNESCO-designated sculptures of Khajuraho and the Chandel Temple complex.

#### DAYS 13-15 VARANASI

#### Be Moved by the Holy City of Varanasi

- Sail along the Ganges and drink in the vibrant colors and beautiful balance between life and death in India's holiest city.
- Witness the powerful Ganga Aarti ceremony held on the banks of the River Ganges.
- Look inward and reflect on yourself and your journey as an expert teacher guides you through a meditative yoga session.
- Embark on an enlightening journey of mind, body and spirit during a visit to the Buddhist holy site of Sarnath, where Siddhartha Gautama gave his first sermon in 6th century B.C.

EXTEND YOUR TRIP with 3 nights in Dubai See pg. 96 for details on this pre-tour extension.

Visit collette.com/292 for complete tour details.



# KINGDOMS OF SOUTHEAST ASIA

Enrich yourself in the distinctive culture, history, and cuisine of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia. From the kinetic spark of ancient cities to lush jungles that harbor vast complexes of sandstone temples, Southeast Asia is an adventure for the senses.

#### STARTING AT \$2599\* DAYS 14 MEALS 20

\*Price based on April 20, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only.

Rates do not include inter-tour air. This tour may vary for departures after April 2020. Call or visit our website for complete information on tours departing May 2020-April 2021.

#### Where You'll Stay

Hanoi 3 Nights Silk Path Hotel

Luang Prabang 3 Nights Sanctuary Hotel or La Parasol Blanc

Siem Reap 3 Nights Memoire D'Angkor

#### Ho Chi Minh City 3 Nights Grand Hotel Saigon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

#### Included Meals

- 12 Breakfasts
- 4 Lunches
- 4 Dinners

**Activity Level** 

#### 12345

See pg. 103 for details on our activity levels.



# KINGDOMS OF SOUTHEAST ASIA 3 EXPERIENCES beyond expectation



### MINGLE WITH THE MONKS OF A LOCAL MONASTERY

Hop aboard a tuk-tuk and head to a local monastery where you'll meet the monks who reside there. Then, participate in a private blessing ceremony delivered by one of the monks.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 6 IN LUANG PRABANG.

# 2 SEE WHERE YOUNG LOCALS LEARN TRADITIONAL ARTS

Discover Les Artisan d'Angkor Workshop, a development project that teaches the Kmer arts to young adults. See how Cambodia is using these heritage artisan skills – like wood carving and ceramics – to provide a creative source of industry for future generations.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 10 IN SIEM REAP.





# **3** WHERE HISTORY LIES BENEATH

Explore the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground passageways used as hideouts by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. Learn how these underground routes were used by soldiers to house troops, transport supplies and mount surprise attacks.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 13 IN HO CHI MINH CITY.



#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

#### DAYS 1-4 HANOI

#### Encounter Hanoi's Imperial History and Tranquil Lake Ham Kiem

- Discover Ho Chi Minh's mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda, and the Temple of Literature.
- A traditional water puppet show welcomes you to Vietnam with its incredible display of artistry and folklore.
- Take a step back into time on a guided walking tour through Hanoi's Old Quarter.
- Sample some of Vietnam's most famous dishes on a walking street food tour.
- ▼ IT'S YOUR CHOICE: Venture to the centuries-old temples of Bich Dong Pagoda on a leisurely bike ride OR travel by coach to the Thung Nham Bird Garden, a stunning sanctuary boasting more than 40 species of birds.

#### DAYS 5-7 LUANG PRABANG

# Be Moved by Beauty and Faith in Laos

- See the Buddhist temple Wat Xieng and its Tree of Life mosaic that make this temple one of Luang Prabang's most beautiful.
- Be introduced to Lao cuisine at a homehosted dinner in a traditional Laotian village.
- Enter the heart of spiritual Laos via local tuk-tuk and take part in an exclusive private blessing ceremony, delivered by one of the monks.
- Visit the Bear Rescue Center and learn how its working to conserve the black bear population in northern Laos.
- Encounter beautiful scenery in the refreshing cascade of Kuang Si falls.

#### DAYS 8-10 SIEM REAP

# Explore Hallowed Ground in Cambodia

- Explore incredible Angkor Wat, the world's largest religious structure.
- Be greeted by many stone "faces" smiling upon you at Angkor Thom.
- Visit Les Artisan d'Angkor Workshop, a development project that teaches the Kmer arts to young adults.
- Savor dinner at a local restaurant while enjoying a traditional Apsara show.

#### DAYS 11-14 HO CHI MINH CITY

# Dive in to Rich Nature and History

- Cruise the famous Mekong Delta River, rich with natural and cultural wonders.
- Explore the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground passageways used as hideouts by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War.
- Discover the Post Office, Notre Dame Cathedral, and the Reunification Palace.

#### EXTEND YOUR TRIP with 3 nights in Bangkok

See pg. 98 for details on this pre-tour extension.

# Visit collette.com/425 for complete tour details.



# TASTE OF VIETNAM

From Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City and the Mekong Delta, Vietnam is a fascinating mosaic of culture, indescribable beauty, and complex history. Fully immerse yourself and explore the very best of Vietnam.

#### STARTING AT \$1899 DAYS 14 MEALS 21

\*Price based on April 17, 2020 departure. Per person, double, land only. Rates do not include inter-tour air.

#### Where You'll Stay

Hanoi 3 Nights La Siesta Trendy Hotel or Silk Path Hotel

Ha Long Bay 1 Night Bhaya Classic

Hue 2 Nights Pilgrimage Village

Hoi An 3 Nights Hotel Royal Hoi An

Ho Chi Minh City 3 Nights Hotel Des Arts Saigon MGallery

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

#### Included Meals

#### 12 Breakfasts

- 4 Lunches
- 5 Dinners









# TASTE OF VIETNAM3 EXPERIENCES beyond expectation

## FLOAT AMONGST LIMESTONE GIANTS

On a two-day cruise of Ha Long Bay, you'll sail scenic waters dotted with thousands of limestone islands. Feast on fresh seafood, trek through limestone caves, and be peacefully lulled to sleep by lapping water — all aboard a luxury junk boat. You'll also choose how you'll explore a floating fishing village: by traditional row boat, or from the seat of a kayak.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAYS 5 & 6 IN HA LONG BAY.

### **2** IMPACT MOMENT: LANTERN WORKSHOP AT REACHING OUT VIETNAM

Celebrate the work of a talented team of disabled artisans during an immersive lantern-making experience. Amongst new friends, work together to create these colorful beacons of prosperity, in a place that is a beacon of hope for the community.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 9 IN HOI AN.



#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

#### DAYS 1-5 HANOI • HA LONG BAY

#### Feel the Hum of Hanoi, the Peace of Ha Long Bay

- Tour the Hoa Lo Prison, the Vietnam National Art Museum, and stand in awe of French-inspired architecture.
- Enjoy a traditional water puppet show that welcomes you to Vietnam with its incredible display of artistry and folklore.
- Take a step back in time on a guided walking tour through Hanoi's Old Quarter.
- Sample some of Vietnam's most famous dishes on a walking street food tour.
- Travel to Ha Long Bay, where you'll cruise the emerald waters and spend the night aboard a luxury junk boat.

**EXTEND YOUR TRIP with 3 nights in Bangkok** See pg. 98 for details on this pre-tour extension.







# **3** GRAZE YOUR WAY AROUND HANOI

From Bánh mì to pho, Vietnamese food is incredible. After you've worked up an appetite walking the Old Quarter with your guide, keep walking for a street food tour that serves up some of Vietnam's most famous dishes. Finish your delicious tour at a hidden rooftop café with gorgeous views of Hoàn Kiếm Lake.

>> EXPERIENCE THIS ON DAY 4 IN HANOI.

#### DAYS 6-7 HUE

#### Wander Through the Past in Imperial Hue

- Cruise the famous Perfume River in a traditional dragon boat and watch Hue's Imperial past unfold.
- Find yourself inside the most elaborate royal tomb in Vietnam, the mausoleum of Emperor Tu Duc.
- Get a thrilling perspective of Hue with a tour in a traditional cyclo.

#### DAYS 8-10 HOI AN

#### Savor Hoi An's Captivating Flavor

- Pause for a glimpse of the quaint fishing village, Lang Co, as you travel the scenic Hai Van Pass.
- Take a river basket boat to an immersive cooking class. You'll learn to catch fish and crabs in the river, grind rice into flower and use the ingredients from your earlier market stop to craft four classic Vietnamese dishes.
- Celebrate the work of a talented team of artisans during an immersive lantern-making experience.
- Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore the magic of Hoi An.

#### DAYS 11-14 HO CHI MINH CITY

#### Experience Ho Chi Minh City's Dynamic Energy

- Tour the energetic urban capital of Ho Chi Minh City, concluding with a stop at the Old Market to explore treasures from local vendors.
- Cruise the famous Mekong Delta by sampan. Stop in a local home to discover traditional ways of life on the river, savour lunch in a lush garden, and learn the art of making coconut candy in a local resident's home.
- Embark on a journey to the Cu Chi Tunnels.

# **MAKE YOUR TRIP YOUR OWN**

want to extend your travel for a day? for a week? **you can.** 





### add a day or two

#### Have a little bit of extra vacation

**time,** or want to unwind after a long flight before your tour kicks off? With Collette, you can add single night stays before and after your tour, right in the city that your tour starts or ends in.

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### add a few days

Our Tour Extensions are a great, easy way to maximize your travel experience. Extend your travels with two, three, and four night options. You'll get access to everything that makes a Collette tour great, like 4-star accommodations and included meals.

SEE PAGE 96-99 FOR OUR EXTENSION DESTINATIONS.







### add a stopover

#### On any European tour, you can

stop over at a city your flight stops at to explore a destination on your own. We'll set up your accommodations for as long as you'd like, and you'll be able to step off the plane, see a destination, and then hop on your flight to your destination.

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### add a whole other tour

Some people never want to stop discovering the world, and we can make that happen. We can seamlessly string together two of our tours, so you can have the Collette travel experience back-to-back. Who says all good things must come to an end?

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# EXTEND YOUR TOUR optional extensions

### JUNGLE EXTENSION / 3-NIGHT POST TOUR

Enjoy an exciting soft-adventure jungle extension to Tortuguero, the Amazon of Costa Rica. Explore the region's wildlife by boat, viewing macaws, sloths, monkeys, falcons and other native species. Enjoy a memorable 2-night stay at your ecolodge surrounded by the beauty of a tropical forest and amazing wildlife.

#### Included in Your Extension:

- A guide that will accompany you throughout your stay in Tortuguero.
- Several included meals.
- A chance to discover even more of Costa Rica's fascinating wildlife.

#### ADD TO: Tropical Costa Rica (p. 36)

### What to do in San Jose and Tortuguero:

- Learn more about Costa Rica's rich ecosystem.
- Discover San Jose's fusion of architectural styles.
- Visit one of San Jose's cultural museums.

8 MEALS

3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners

ACCOMMODATIONS

Evergreen Lodge, Tortuguero DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari, San Jose **FROM** \$499 pp\*

A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this tour to operate. The transportation to and from Tortuguero, as well as your guide in Tortuguero, are provided by the lodge where you will be staying in Tortuguero. These services and sightsening as specified in your titnerary will be provided by the personnel of the lodge in Tortuguero. This price includes meals as outlined; roundtrip transportation to Tortuguero. 2 nights at the Evergreen, Aninga or Pachira lodge, and 1 night in San Jose. Due to luggage size and weight restrictions on the boats, please bring an overnight bag for the 2-night stay in Tortuguero National Park. Please make arrangements with the concierge's desk at the hotel in San Jose for luggage pick up and for storage until your return from Tortuguero. The hotel in Tortuguero does not offer air conditioning. The morning bit watching excursion is weather-dependent.

### DUBAI / 3-NIGHT PRE TOUR

Encounter the opulent cityscape and remote golden desert dunes of Dubai, one of the world's most fascinating destinations, on a 3-night pre-tour trip. Discover a city of ages as you uncover gleaming skyscrapers, colorful bazars and Bedouin campsites. If you're looking for an introduction to the United Arab Emirates, look no further than Dubai.



#### **Included in Your Extension:**

- A local guide who will provide sightseeing services.
- Hotel accommodations centrally located near Dubai Creek.
- Time to relax or explore this dynamic city.

#### What to do in Dubai:

- Shop or peruse Dubai's many luxury stores.
- Walk along the boardwalks near Dubai Creek.
- Watch a Dubai Fountain Show from the Fountain Bridge.

4 MEALS 3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

#### ACCOMMODATIONS

Radisson Blu Dubai Waterfront, Dubai

**FROM** \$699 pp\*

A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. During your extension, a local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. The flight from Dubai to Cape Town, South Africa is not included in the land-only cost of your tour. Additional air segment purchase required. No advance visa arrangement is required to visit the UAE when your stay is less than 30 days.

### TANZANIA / 4-NIGHT POST TOUR ADD TO: The Plains of Africa (p. 78)

Spend more time taking in the remote wilds of Africa with a 4-night post trip tour of Tanzania. Further explore the Plains of the Serengeti as you set out in search of the "Big 5" and safari in the Ngorongo Crater. This is your chance to truly immerse yourself in Africa's untamed wonders.

#### **Included in Your Extension:**

- A local guide who will provide sightseeing services.
- Accommodations in Karatu, Serengeti National Park and Ngorongoro.
- A full day game drive.

#### What to do in Tanzania:

- Discover fascinating wildlife.
- Take in Africa's unparalleled natural wonders.
- Encounter the largest intact caldera in the world.

12 MEALS

4 Breakfasts, 4 Lunches, 4 Dinners

#### ACCOMMODATIONS

Serengeti Sopa Lodge, Serengeti Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge, Ngorongoro

#### FROM \$1,499-2,299 pp\*

A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. The approximate cost of a Tanzania visa, purchased at the border, is \$50 USD, for US and Canadian citizens, payable in USD cash only. This requires a second blank A minimum of placenties of required to the required bank page for your Kenya visa. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Guests leaving Kenya and continuing their travels to Tanzania (including Zanzibar), even if only for a transit, will need a Yellow Fever certificate to enter Tanzania. Park fees (approximately \$284 USD) and concession fees in Ngorongoro Crater and Senget National Park (approximately \$41 per person, per night - \$123 USD total) are not included in the land price of your extension. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times.

#### VICTORIA FALLS / 3-NIGHT POST TOUR ADD TO:

Discover one of the world's natural wonders, Victoria Falls, on a 3-night post trip. See the thundering waters of the Falls and get immersed in the local culture, stunning wildlife and natural beauty that surrounds this astounding wonder of Mother Nature.

#### **Included in Your Extension:**

- A local quide who will provide sightseeing services.
- A leisurely cruise on the Zambezi River.
- A walking tour of Victoria Falls.

#### What to do in Victoria Falls:

Spectacular

Learn more about the Falls and their importance to the African community.

South Africa (p. 46)

- Mingle with residents of the local village.
- Peruse for wares at a local curio market.

FROM

\$1,299 pp\*

4 MEALS 3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

ACCOMMODATIONS Victoria Falls Hotel, Victoria Falls

A minimum of 6 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Park fees (approximately \$40 USD) are not included in the land price of your extension. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment. The internal flights are not included in the land cost of your tour. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us. Malaria pills are recommended when visiting Zimbabwe and Botswana. Consult your physician 2-3 weeks prior to departure. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. For guests participating in the optional full day excursion to Chobe National Park, a mandatory tourism levy of \$30 USD is required upon arrival at the port of entry of Botswana. This levy can be paid by cash or credit card. Fees are subject to change. For this extension, you must have at least 2 additional blank pages remaining in your passport. A visa is required for Zimbabwe at an approximate cost of \$30 USD. A multiple-entry visa is required if you wish to purchase the optional Chobe day trip. Visa cost is approximately \$45 USD. Passports must have an additional 2 blank pages for the visa to be placed. The visa may be purchased upon arrival, payable in cash only. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority.

### SALVADOR DE BAHIA / 3-NIGHT POST TOUR ADD TO:

Continue exploring Brazil in Salvador de Bahia, known for its Portuguese colonial architecture, Afro-Brazilian culture and tropical coastline. Tour the historic city center including a visit to the stunning São Francisco Church and Convent. Travel along the Coconut Coast to Praia do Forte. Embark on a panoramic city tour of Salvador. Savor traditional Bahian cuisine while watching a folkloric performance.

#### **Included in Your Extension:**

- A local guide to provide sightseeing services.
- Several included meals.
- A panoramic city tour of Salvador.

#### What to do in Salvador de **Bahia:**

Discover the town's enchanting colonial buildings.

Highlights of South America (p. 24)

The Complete South America (p. 26)

- Delight in authentic Bahian food and drink.
- Walk along the oceanfront promenade by Praia do Porto da Barra beach.

5 MEALS 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 dinner

ACCOMMODATIONS

Pestana Convento do Carmo, Salvador de Bahia

FROM \$799 pp\*

A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. The Brazilian Amazon and Salvador de Bahia extensions operate concurrently. Only one post extension may be booked. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. The internal flights are not included in the extension land cost. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us. Additional air segment purchase required.

\*USD, per person, land only, double occupancy. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Your extension may require an additional air seament purchase. For any extension requiring a flight in order to operate, or departing from a gateway different than the base tour, please inquire for rate at time of booking.

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#### ADD TO: **JORDAN /** 3-NIGHT POST TOUR

Continue on in your adventure through the Middle East with a 3-night tour to Jordan. Uncover the incredible stone-carved city of Petra. Experience the desert life of the Bedouin people in Wadi Rum. Visit historic sites such as Madaba, Mt. Nebo and Amman, the "White City." Jordan is a destination of mesmerizing beauty and contrasts waiting to be explored.

#### **5 MEALS** 3 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners

#### **Included in Your Extension:**

- A local guide to see some of Jordan's most iconic sites.
- A full day tour of Petra.
- A visit to Mt. Nebo, the site where Moses saw the Promised Land.

#### Treasures of Egypt (p. 42) Iconic Israel (p. 44)

#### What to do in Jordan:

- Explore Petra's breathtaking, stone-carved beauty.
- Learn about the fascinating history of the Bedouin people.
  - Visit the "White City," Amman.

ACCOMMODATIONS Marriott Petra, Petra, Jordan or Marriott Amman, Amman, Jordan

FROM \$1,099 pp\*

A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Israel exit fee is approximately \$32 USD per person, paid in local currency when crossing the border into Jordan at the Sheik Hussein (Jordan Valley) border crossing. When using the shuttle buses at the border crossing, a \$3 USD fee per person, paid in local currency or USD, is collected on the bus by each driver. A Jordanian entrance visa is arranged by our local Jordanian agent in advance. The lordan exit the is approximately \$15 USD reperson, paid in local currency are used and can be changed at any time without notice, based on governing authority. Money can be exchanged at the border crossing. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. When taking this extension from the Treasures of Egypt tour, an additional air segment purchase is required and is not included in the land only extension rate



3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner

#### ACCOMMODATIONS

Rembrandt Hotel, Bangkok

\$699 pp\*

A minimum of 6 passengers is required for this extension to operate. The internal flights for this extension are included in the land price of your tour. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. Additional air segment purchase required.

BRAZILIAN AMAZON / 3-NIGHT POST TOUR ADD TO: Highlights of South America (p. 24) The Complete South America (p. 26)

Complete your experience with an adventure to the Brazilian Amazon at a rainforest eco-lodge. With your naturalist guide, travel via canoe as you search for capybara and caimans; visit the Monkey Jungle Reserve; hike to the Botanical Garden spotting howler monkeys, agoutis, and toucans along the way; and cruise to the famous "Meeting of the Waters."

#### **Included in Your Extension:**

- A local guide who will help you explore the Brazilian Amazon.
- A chance to discover the Amazon's unique flora and fauna.
- Cruises through the Amazon's beguiling waters.

#### What to do in Brazilian Amazon:

- Hike through the awe-inspiring Botanical Garden.
- Photograph your incredible surroundings.
- Taste traditional dishes and exotic fresh fruit.

9 MEALS

3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners

ACCOMMODATIONS Amazon Ecopark Lodge Hotel, Rio de Janeiro

FROM \$1,049 pp\*

A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. During your extension, your local quide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. The Brazilian Anazon and Salvador de Bahia extensions operate concurrently. Only one post extension may be booked. This optional extension may require a certificate of Yellow Fever inoculation, especially if you have travelled to Peru prior to Brazil. A Yellow Fever inoculation is highly recommended when traveling to the Amazon. These fees are at your own expense. This tour is very active, requiring a great deal of physical fitness to fully enjoy all the experiences. This itinerary has more strenuous activities which may include such things as: extensive walking tours, transfers over uneven and dusty terrain, high altitudes, early morning departures, late night activities, or extreme temperatures. All conditions do not apply to all days so please read the itinerary carefully and speak to one of our travel counselors to determine if this tour is right for you. We recommend this program to individuals with a good level of physical fitness. Unfortunately, this tour is not appropriate for individuals who use either walkers or wheelchairs. If this trip is not ideally suited for you, our travel counselors can help determine the perfect trip for you. The internal flights are not included in the extension land cost. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us. Additional air segment purchase required.

PERUVIAN AMAZON / 3-NIGHT POST TOUR ADD TO:

Complete your immersion in the amazing diverse cultures of Peru with a visit to the Peruvian Amazon. Delight in the sights and sounds of this mighty rainforest and uncover a fascinating array of flora and fauna.

#### **Included in Your Extension:**

- A local guide to see some of the Peruvian Amazon's natural sites.
- Fully screened cabanas, mosquito net protection and private bathrooms at the Hacienda Concepcion.
- Canoe cruises and guided treks through the Peruvian Amazon.

#### What to do in Peruvian Amazon:

Learn about the intricate ecosystem that is the Peruvian Amazon.

Peru: From Lima to Lake Titicaca (p. 30)

Peru: From Lima to Sacred Valley (p. 32)

- Cross hanging bridges and see breathtaking panoramas of the Amazon from 98-feet in the air.
- Explore the Amazon rainforest by moonlight.

7 MEALS 3 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 2 Dinners

ACCOMMODATIONS Inkaterra Hacienda Concepcion, Peruvian Amazon

FROM \$649 pp\*

A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. We pride ourselves on bringing travelers the very best experiences a destination offers. When traveling in the Amazon you will encounter full days of sight-seeing, frequently in warm temperatures. The lodge does not have air conditioning. Wfi is free in the main area when electricity is running. Electricity will only be available between 4:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. You will be travelling by small river boats to reach the lodge and by cance during some excursions and should be reasonably fit in order to barder domfortably. In order to most fully experience the wildlife, you will be walking on nature trails which may be muddy and over one mile in length. To experience the Amazon fully, we recommend that all travelers be in reasonably good health and prepare properly. Unfortunately, this tour is not appropriate for individuals who use either walkers or wheelchairs. In addition, guests who require assistance walking or who travel with oxygen tanks will not fully enjoy this trip and we strongly recommend a different tour. The Hacienda Concepcion has fully screened cabanas, mosquito net protection and private bathrooms in each room. Snacks and beverages are available 24 hours. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing

Machu Picchu & the Galapagos **OTAVALO / 3-NIGHT POST TOUR** ADD TO: Islands (p. 74) Finish your adventure with a cultural **Included in Your Extension:** What to do in Otavalo: journey through Ecuador. From the A local guide to direct you Shop for artisan goods at the colors of the Otavalo market and the around Machu Picchu and the indigenous market. epic beauty of Imbabura's volcanoes Galapagos. Discover Otavalo's stunning seen from the Andes Mountain An optional homestay at La natural scenery. Train, to your stay in a 300-year-old

services and will be available via a local office at other times. The internal flights are not included in the land-only price of the tour. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us.

hacienda, come to know the people and places of this vibrant part of the world.

- Magdalena.
- A ride in the Andes Mountain Train.
- Interact with local Ecuadorians.

#### 8 MEALS

3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners

Relax on palm-lined beaches and

revel in balmy weather on a post-

for three nights. Fiji, known for its

and welcoming locals, is the perfect

place to unwind after a tour. See why

Fiji is an oasis of the South Pacific and home to some of the happiest

people on Earth.

tour trip to Fiji, where you'll stay

azure lagoons, lush landscapes,

ACCOMMODATIONS

Hacienda Chorlavi, Otavalo La Magdalena Community, Otavalo Mercure Grand Alameda, Quito

FROM \$1,149 pp\*

A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. The optional homestay at La Magdalena must be pre-booked. Space is limited. Rooms are simple and have private bathrooms. Dinner is included with the homestay. Otherwise you may overright at the Hacienda (with dinner included). Please make your decision known at the time of booking. Due to time constraints, only guests who choose the optional homestay will visit the community tourism project the following morning.



**Included in Your Extension:** 

- Resort accommodations with attentive concierge.
- Time to explore and soak in Fiji's charms.

#### What to do in Fiji:

- Enjoy the calm, crystal clear seas of the South Pacific.
- Hike across volcanic cliffs and cloud forests.
- Snorkel or scuba and discover a vibrant underwater world.

A minimum of 6 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Due to flight schedules, on some departures the optional Fiji extension is 2 nights and is slightly lower priced. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. Additional air segment purchase required and is not included in the land only extension rate.

4 MEALS 3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

ACCOMMODATIONS Sofitel Fiji Resort and Spa\*\* FROM

\$599 pp\*

\*USD, per person, land only, double occupancy. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Your extension may require an additional air segment purchase. For any extension requiring a flight in order to operate, or departing from a gateway different than the base tour, please inquire for rate at time of booking. \*\*On some dates, alternate hotels may be used.

**EXTENSIONS** 

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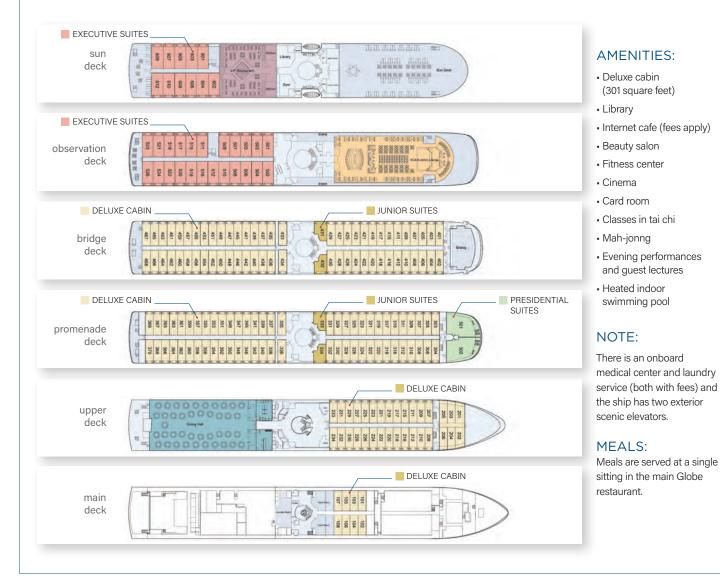
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#### This cruise ship will be featured on our Wonders of China & the Yangtze River tour.



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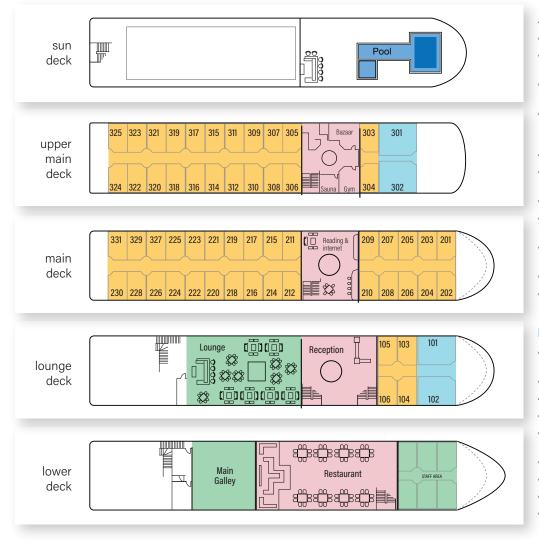
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DECK PLANS

# ROYAL LILY

#### This cruise ship will be featured on our Treasures of Egypt tour.

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#### ACCOMODATIONS:

- 56 Cabins (236 square feet)
- 4 Royal Suites (452 square feet)
- All cabins have panoramic windows facing the Nile
- Luxurious furnishings, airconditioning and the latest amenities
- Individual temperature control
- Private bath with bathtub & hairdryers in all cabins
- Jacuzzi in all suites
- Television and in-house music panel
- In-house video channel & video player
- Mini-bar "stocked on request"
- Non-smoking cabins and internal phone

#### FACILITIES:

- Lounge bar & dancing area with large panoramic view
- Pool & spacious sundeck
- Fully equipped gym
- Sauna & massage room
- Bedouin style seating & bridge tables
- Reading & internet corner
- Jewelry & gift shop
- Mövenpick ice bar
- Laundry



# FREQUENTLY ASKED questions

#### accommodations

#### What is the difference between a twin room and a double room?

In certain countries, hotel rooms tend to be smaller than U.S. standard accommodations. 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 utilized.

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 that there will be 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.

Are single and triple rooms always available? On many tours, triple and single accommodations 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 in most locations. Due to early arrival times into some cities, rooms may not always be available for immediate check-in.

#### air

**Can Collette book our airline reservations?** Collette is happy to assist you in accommodating your flight needs. Due to tour scheduling and limited availability, you are strongly encouraged to take advantage of Collette's air packages. We are not responsible for air arrangements you have made on your own. On occasion, it is necessary to change tour dates. In this case, we can only protect air reservations booked through Collette. For all air reservations, it is strongly recommended to reconfirm flights before departure, in the event that the airline has an unexpected schedule change. We cannot assume responsibility for schedule changes, routings or flight cancellations involving the airlines. Not all airlines offer pre-assigned seats. Some charge a fee for seats which will be at the guests' expense. Where pre-assigned seats are not offered, the guests must contact the airline directly to arrange seat assignments.

#### attractions & sightseeing

Are attractions always available? Access to some attractions or Collette Foundation sites may be affected by the observance of holidays, weather conditions or other circumstances. As a result, the days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize 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?** We pride ourselves on bringing travelers the very best experiences a destination offers. Our itineraries include many activities and may consist of walking on uneven terrain or significant walking at times. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motorcoaches, especially in historic areas. Some hotels/lodges in remote locations may not have elevators. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes. Review each tour's "Tour Activity Level" and "Tour Pacing" (pg 103) for details.

**Can you tell me more about the safaris?** In order to most fully experience the wildlife, you will be traveling by custom-built safari vehicle which requires climbing in and out frequently and sometimes travels on bumpy roads. To experience Africa fully, we recommend that all travelers be in reasonably good health and 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 theater performances suitable for children? Some theater performances may be unsuitable for children – consult your Tour Manager.

#### documentation

**Do I need a passport?** Government-issued identification is required for all air travel. A valid passport is required for all trips outside the USA. All passengers should check with the appropriate foreign consulate for entry and validity requirements. We recommend that your passport has six months validity, and at least 3 blank pages. Passports and visas are the responsibility of each client.

**International Borders** Any child under age 16 (traveling without a parent or legal guardian to Canada) must have written permission from a parent or legal guardian.

Please be advised that if you have been convicted of an offense, or have committed a criminal act that is an offense under the laws where it occurred and would be an offense in Canada, you may be inadmissible into Canada. You will need to apply for a Minister's Permit of Approval of Rehabilitation at a Canadian Consulate. All other travelers should contact the appropriate consulate for entry requirements in other international destinations.

In South Africa, children are required to have a passport as well as additional documentation to travel with you into and out of the country. Please consult the South African Embassy for the current specific requirements related to your travel dates.

If travelling internationally with a child under the age of 18, please check directly with the airline for the legal documentation that is required. It is the sole responsibility of the guest to procure the proper documentation to travel and many requirements vary by airline and destination.

Collette will not be responsible for costs incurred for missed flights or canceled tours where a guest fails to secure proper documentation.

#### 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, offered on select tours. Extensions may be "hosted" rather than escorted. When hosted, passengers will be greeted upon arrival by a local tour manager who will provide all included services and be available on-call during the duration of the extension. 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 for you to explore the destination independently. Should you purchase additional nights, please be advised that 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 air travel, 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, and any incidental charges.

#### late bookings

**Do you accept late bookings?** Tour sales normally close 7 days prior to departure. All late bookings are on request and must be guaranteed with a credit card if within 60 days of departure date.

# ON TOUR

#### on-tour experience

Where do I meet my Tour Manager? Your tour will begin at your first hotel. The Tour Manager will make contact with you at the hotel and will provide details relating to your tour. The hotel's address and phone number will be included in your documents.

**Can I prepurchase optional excursions/activities?** Yes, the majority of optional excursions and activities are available for advance purchase for applicable tours provided that you make your options purchase prior to 15 days of the tour departure. 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 reservations staff. In addition, there are benefits to prepurchasing options including a price guarantee once your tour is paid in full. So, while the cost of an optional activity may change from the time you book your tour, once payment is received in full, your preselected options are guaranteed by Collette at their original price. 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 canceled 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 a tour prior to departure. Should this happen, Collette will make every effort to put you on another departure date. If an alternate cannot be found, a full refund will be made. Air booked through Collette will be protected. We cannot be held responsible for penalties incurred if you have secured your own air.

**Can I make changes to my reservation?** Should you decide to change your reservation after initial booking, a handling fee of \$25 per transaction will be charged. A change of tour date, tour itinerary or passenger name, 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, please refer to the "Accommodations" section on each tour page and on the tour map. These describe the number of nights you will stay in each hotel during your tour. The day-by-day descriptions will provide additional details about the number of activities included in each day.

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

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

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

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

Level 4: To truly experience the program and destination, you need to be able to participate in physical activities such as longer walking tours, walking over

uneven terrain, climbing stairs and periods of standing. Some of the touring days may be longer, with select included activities occurring later in the evening.

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

#### 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 purchased through Collette. Passengers who do not purchase airfare through Collette can purchase transfers (for the first and last day of the tour) at an additional cost of \$100 per person, roundtrip. Some restrictions may apply. All transfers leave at prescheduled times.

What is Roundtrip Home to Airport Sedan Service? It's your ticket to and from the airport. This service is available for all air-inclusive tour bookings. This personalized service is included in many U.S. cities within a 50 mile radius from more than 90 airport gateways.\* Service is available between 51 and 75 miles for a small fee. Not valid on group travel.

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

### the Collette Passport Club

What is the Collette Passport Club? Formerly known as Travel Loyalty by Collette (TLC), Collette has relaunched a new, more inclusive loyalty program called the Collette Passport Club. For guests who are already enrolled in TLC no action is required. New guests who completed a trip that departed on or after 9/4/17 will automatically be enrolled in the program. 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 travel is completed within 12 months of the original trip. \$100 of the credit remains valid for travel within 13-24 months. Credit expires 24 months after the original trip.





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# AIR information

# THE CHOICE IS YOURS three great air options

your liaison with the airlines and to handle all the details. Choose Flex Airfare, Instant Purchase, or Elite Airfare.	Flex Airfare	Instant Purchase Airfare <sup>3</sup>	Elite Airfare⁴
Receive roundtrip home to airport sedan service – your journey begins at home!	٠	•	•
Roundtrip airport to hotel transfers included <sup>2</sup>	•	•	•
Dedicated Concierge Service			•
Lounge Passes <sup>5</sup>			•
Express Check-In⁵			•
Eligible for Collette's Travel Protection Plan	•	<ul> <li>part b</li> </ul>	● part b
Benefit from our flexible change and refund policies	•		11
Deposit now, pay the balance later	•		11
Eliminates future surcharges by locking in price		•	
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All the perks of upgraded air (more leg room, comfort, and space)           treat yourself &           Whether you select Elite, Flex, or Instant Purchase Airflex           security that comes with reserving your a	fare, you'll enjoy the ir with Collette.	ease and Hello Tomorrow	• Utrates

This roundtrip home to airport sedan service is included in many U.S. cities within a 50 mile radius from more than 90 airport gateways when you purchase an air-inclusive tour. Service is available between 51 and 75 miles for a small fee. One transfer per room booking. Additional stops not permitted on route. Not valid on group travel. <sup>2</sup>These transfers are available on the first and last day of the actual tour dates and when you are traveling on select flights. Land only clients may purchase transfers on the first and last day of the actual tour dates for an additional cost of \$100 per person, roundtrip (some restrictions may apply). <sup>3</sup>Instant Purchase Airfare is offered on select dates; consult your booking agent. <sup>4</sup>Elite Airfare 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 journey. <sup>5</sup>Lounge Passes & Express Check-In are based on airline and airport availability for Business Class passengers only; Premium Economy tickets do not qualify. Lounge passes are not available for travel from North America to destinations within North America or the Caribbean. 🕷 Not applicable with Instant Purchase Airfare.

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# **RESERVATION** *information*

#### Land Rates

Land rates are per person, double occupancy, unless otherwise noted. Availability of departures at the prices noted in the brochure is limited. For current prices, please see our website. Government taxes and fees are additional. Land rates are guaranteed at time of deposit.

The land price includes those land based items delineated as included in the package itinerary and does not include any other items such as air travel, 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, and any incidental charges.

#### Payments

#### Land Package Deposit

- A \$250 non-refundable deposit is due with your land only reservation.
- For Antarctica, Cruises only and Oberammergau reservations, a non-refundable \$500 deposit is required. An additional \$1000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica. An additional \$1500 is due one year prior to departure for Oberammergau.

#### Air Inclusive Package Deposit

- A \$500 non-refundable deposit is due with your air inclusive reservation.
- For Antarctica, Cruise and Oberammergau air inclusive reservations, a non-refundable \$750 deposit is required. An additional \$1000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica. An additional \$1500 is due one year prior to departure for Oberammergau.

#### Instant Purchase Air

 If you have selected Instant Purchase Air, the deposit required is the full cost of the airfare plus the land deposit noted above, all of which is non-refundable

Should you decide to purchase our per-person Travel Protection Plan, you must do so at the time of booking. Payment of this Plan includes the Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver (a non-insurance feature provided by Collette) which protects you from penalties in the event you have to cancel your entire tour package for any reason up to the day prior to departure (see Part A for more details). If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, Part B of the Travel Protection Plan may provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes, or fees in the event of a cancellation for a covered reason (see Part B for more details).

#### **Final Payment**

Unless otherwise noted, the balance is due 60 days before departure on all tours, except cruises, Antarctica, Galapagos and Oberammergau. The balance is due 120 days before departure for cruises, Antarctica, Galapagos and Oberammergau. Payment may be made by charging to clients' Mastercard, Visa, American Express, or Discover (card imprint and signature required) or by sending a check or money order. All land rates are guaranteed upon deposit. Payment may also be made online at https://reservations.gocollette.com/payment.aspx.

#### TRAVEL PROFESSIONALS PLEASE CONTACT:

Collette: 1-800-611-3361 **PLEASE SEND PAYMENTS TO:** Collette Travel Service, 162 Middle Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860 Attn: Accounts Receivable

#### **Revision Fees**

A handling fee of \$25.00 per transaction will be assessed for any change or revision made to a reservation. A change of departure date within 11 months of departure will be treated as a cancellation, and cancellation charges will apply.

#### **Cancellation Charges**

Cancellations of confirmed bookings and transfers to new travel dates both result in penalties and fees assessed by travel suppliers. If you need to transfer or cancel for any reason prior to tour departure, the following cancellation fees will be assessed on your land or cruise product. Air is 100% nonrefundable once paid in full. If canceled prior to being paid in full, the following cancellation fees will also apply to air.

- More than 60 days prior to departure: a nonrefundable deposit will be retained.
- 60 16 days prior to departure: 30% of land or cruise price
- 15 1 day prior to departure: 50% of land or cruise price
- Day of departure and after: 100% of land or cruise price

#### Exceptions:

#### Ocean Cruises:

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

#### River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China

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

#### Galapagos & Antarctica:

More than 120 days prior to departure: nonrefundable deposits will be retained.

- · 120 90 days prior to departure: 60% of land or cruise price
- 89 0 days prior to departure: 100% of land or cruise price

#### Oberammergau

- More than 120 days prior to departure a nonrefundable deposit will be retained.
- 120 91 days prior to departure 75% of total price
- 90 days 0 days prior to departure -100% of total price
- \* Instant Purchase air and its associated taxes, fees and surcharges are 100% nonrefundable at time of reservation.

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

#### Airfare

For your convenience, we offer airfare for purchase with all tour packages. If you purchase an airinclusive program, your airfare will be quoted inclusive of all fuel, taxes and fees. Your rates are subject to change until paid in full. Seats are limited and may not be available on every flight or departure date.

Instant Purchase Nonrefundable Airfare includes roundtrip airport/hotel transfers (excluding preor post-days and extensions). Instant Purchase nonrefundable airfare requires full payment at the time of booking. If you purchase the Travel Protection Plan, the Instant Purchase nonrefundable airfare may be covered, if you cancel your trip for a covered reason (see Part B for more details). Tickets will be issued immediately and once issued are nonrefundable, and 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 roundtrip airportto-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. Therefore, any such fees or airport-to-hotel transfers are not refundable under any circumstances.

#### Aircraft Cabin Disinsection Disclaimer

Some countries may require aircraft cabin insecticide treatment for inbound foreign flights. Information about aircraft disinsection requirements and a list of countries requiring such disinsection are available online at http://www.dot.gov/office-policy/aviation-policy/aircraftdisinsection-requirements.

#### **Travelers Needing Special Assistance**

You must report any disability requiring special attention to Collette at the time the reservation is made.\* Collette will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants. Such participants, however, should be aware that the Americans with Disabilities Act is inapplicable outside of the United States and facilities outside the United States for disabled individuals are limited. It is strongly recommended that persons requiring assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the assistance. Neither Collette nor its personnel, nor its suppliers, may physically lift or assist clients into transportation vehicles. If a traveler thinks he or she might need assistance during a trip, he or she should call Collette to determine what assistance might reasonably be given. Collette cannot provide special individual assistance to tour members with special needs for walking, dining or other routine activities.

\*To request a wheelchair accessible room on a cruise, the traveler or person sharing the room must have a recognized disability that alters a major life function and requires the use of a mobility device and the use of the accessible features provided in the wheelchair accessible stateroom.

#### **Holiday and 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.

#### **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.

#### **Seat Rotation**

Seats are rotated onboard the coach for all Collette tours under the direction of the tour manager. So that we do not show partiality among passengers, exceptions cannot be made.

#### **Maps and Photos**

Maps shown on tour pages are current at the time of printing and may not reflect actual tour routing should the tour change. Photos shown on tour pages are reflective of the area(s) visited, but may not be included in the actual tour itinerary and the conditions you experience may be different than depicted in the photograph(s).

#### **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.

There are limitations by coach and air carrier as to the number and size of bags which can be carried onboard and in bulk storage. Be sure to ask your travel professional about such restrictions before departing for your tour.

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# RESERVATION information



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. Please be advised there is a \$25 USD/CAD charge (per piece) for checked baggage on most transborder flights between U.S. & Canada. This is a fee levied by the airlines, not Collette, and may be subject to change.

#### Explanation of Responsibilities and Tour Conditions for Collette

Each client is responsible for proper documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on tour. Please contact your local travel clinic or personal physician for specific details on the destinations you are traveling to and from. If you decide to make a reservation, you acknowledge and agree that you are physically well enough to travel and understand that medical facilities may not be similar to what you are accustomed to a thome. You must bring enough medication with you for the trip. Any person reserving or purchasing any Collette product published in this brochure accepts the condition that Collette reserves to itself the exclusive right to change or cancel itineraries, hotels, and other tour components whenever it is deemed necessary, including for tours designated as "guaranteed departures." If this occurs, every effort will be made to offer alternate dates and/or programs. Published times on itineraries are as a accurate as possible but subject to change due to traffic, weather, mechanical and any other conditions beyond Collette's control that prevent Collette from operating as scheduled. Collette expressly disclaims any liability for any damages that may be incurred for any changes, cancellations or delays on any itinerary on any Collette tour.

All rates on foreign tours are subject to fluctuations of currency and may be changed when necessary without advance notice prior to deposit.

All rates published are per person as indicated and are based on double occupancy when only one rate is shown. Reservations will be accepted subject to availability at the time of request and will be considered confirmed only upon receipt of a minimum deposit. Child land rates are available and are valid for ages 5-12, sharing a room with two full-paying adults.

Collette does not accept liability in the case of any passenger being denied boarding by any airline carrier due to the carrier's overbooking of a flight. All cancellation charges, fees and refunds for any tour within this brochure are in effect as of the effective date as indicated on page 103 and supersede any other previously printed policies relating to these same charges.

#### **GENERAL DISCLAIMER**

Collette monitors security situations around the world as well as government travel advisories. Conditions may require Collette to change or even cancel trips. You accept the risks involved in travel, both foreign and domestic, and accept responsibility for your own travel decisions. Guests may be required to review and sign a participation agreement prior to engaging in certain activities on the trip.

Neither Collette Travel Service, Inc., its affiliated entities and its and their employees, shareholders, officers, directors, successors, agents, and assigns (collectively "Collette"), own or operate any person or entity which is to or does provide goods or services for these trips. You agree to be bound by the conditions of carriage for all transportation providers. Collette does not maintain control or operate the personnel, equipment, or operations of these suppliers it uses and as such Collette assumes no responsibility for and cannot be held liable for any personal injury, death, property damage or other loss, accident, delay, inconvenience, or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of (1) any wrongful, negligent, willful or unauthorized acts or omissions on the part of any of the suppliers or other employees or agents, (2) any defect in or failure of any vehicle, equipment, or instrument owned, operated or otherwise used by any of these suppliers, or (3) any wrongful, willful or negligent act or omission on the part of any other party.

Client shall indemnify and hold harmless Collette Travel Service, Inc., its affiliated entities and its and their employees, agents, shareholders, officers, successors and assigns (collectively "Collette"), from all suits, actions, losses, damages, claims or liability for any personal injury, death, property damage or other loss, accident, delay, inconvenience or irregularity which is occasioned by any negligent acts or omissions of Collette arising out of any goods or services provided for this or these trips.

Additionally, responsibility is not accepted for losses or expenses due to sickness, lack of appropriate medical facilities or practitioners, weather, strikes, theft or other criminal acts, war, terrorism, computer problems, or other such causes. Other risks may arise such as, but not limited to, hazards of traveling in foreign countries including undeveloped areas, the hazards of travel by aircraft, bus, van, train, automobile or other motorized vehicle, differing safety standards, sickness, criminal acts committed by others, allergic reactions, and/or animal encounters. You are voluntarily participating in the tour and Collette, and as lawful consideration for the agreement to travel with Collette, you agree not to make a claim against Collette, its related companies, officers and employees for injuries, death, or any other claim and agree to release Collette, its related companies, officers and employees from any such claim. This release is binding on all members of your traveling party, as well as your Estate and heirs and this provision shall be enforceable even after your trip has ended. If you make your own air reservations, Collette is not responsible and shall provide no refund if your flight schedule changes so that you are not able to enjoy the entirety of your tour. All services and accommodations are subject to the laws of the country in which they are provided. Collette reserves the right to make changes in the published itinerary whenever, in their sole judgment, conditions warrant, or if Collette deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience, or safety of the tour. Collette reserves the right to withdraw any tour announced. Collette reserves the right to decline to accept any person as a member of the tour, or to require any participant

to withdraw from the tour at any time, when such action is determined by the Tour Manager to be in the best interests of the health, safety, and general welfare of the tour group or of the individual participant. If you are traveling with children, you are solely responsible for their behavior and monitoring them throughout the tour. Neither does Collette accept liability for any carrier's cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable airline or other ticket to the tour departure city and return or otherwise. Baggage and personal effects are the sole responsibility of the owner at all times.

Collette is not responsible, and will not be bound by, representations made by third party representatives, travel agents, unaffiliated websites, or any other party.

Participants may be photographed for the promotional purposes of Collette. In addition, any comments that you submit as a review or your social media posts may be used for Collette's promotional purposes.

Payment of the deposit to Collette constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. Collette reserves the right to modify these terms and conditions at any time, without notice.

#### FORUM SELECTION AND CHOICE OF LAW

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED AND INTERPRETED PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES HERETO AND THE FEDERAL AND STATE COURTS IN RHODE ISLAND SHALL HAVE EXCLUSIVE AND SOLE JURISDICTION OVER ANY DISPUTE, CONTROVERSY OR SUIT ARISING RELATIVE TO THIS AGREEMENT.

#### ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

While every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of information in our brochures, on our website or communicated by our reservation staff, errors or omissions are possible and Collette is not responsible for such error. If a mistake is made in billing, we reserve the right to correct the invoice and you will be responsible for proper payment.

#### SEVERABILITY

In the event that any clause in this agreement is determined to be invalid, the remaining provisions are valid and enforceable. The invalid provision shall be replaced by Collette by a clause as similar as practicable.

#### **Consumer Protection Plans**

Collette is a member of the following organizations: the National Tour Association, the United States Tour Operators Association, the Alliance of Canadian Travel Associations, the Travel Industry Council of Ontario, and the Association of British Travel Agents. Some of these associations operate a consumer protection plan to cover deposits placed with any tour operator member.

Collette is proud to be a member of USTOA (United States Tour Operators Association), an association that represents the tour operator industry. The USTOA logo on our brochures signifies that Collette is a member in good standing and is backed by their \$1 Million Travelers Assistance Program. Collette, as an Active Member of USTOA, is required to post \$1 million with USTOA to be used to reimburse, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the USTOA Travelers Assistance Program, the advance payments of Collette customers in the unlikely event of Collette's bankruptcy, insolvency or cessation of business. Further, you should understand that the \$1 million posted by Collette may be sufficient to provide only a partial recovery of the advance payments received by Collette. Complete details of the USTOA Travelers Assistance Program may be obtained by email to information@ustoa.com or by visiting their website at www.USTOA.com.

Collette is pleased to give this additional protection to our clients.

#### **Collette's Travel Protection Plan**

The following is an outline of the Non-Insurance Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver, Insurance Benefits and non-insurance assistance services that make up the Travel Protection Plan.

Part A Waiver Only provided by Collette Travel Service, Inc.: The Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver is provided by Collette, is not an insurance benefit and is not underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company. Payment of a per person Travel Protection Plan fee guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), made to Collette for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your planned travel for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Travel Protection Plan fee with air only covers airline tickets you have purchased from Collette.

Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, this Part A Travel Protection Plan does not provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes or fees, in the event of a cancellation. This air ticket may be covered by Collette's Travel Protection Plan under Part B, if you cancel your trip for covered reasons (see Part B for more details).

The Part A Waiver portion of Collette's Travel Protection Plan protects you from penalties in the event you have a need to cancel your entire inclusive tour package up to the day prior to departure. The Part A Waiver portion of the Travel Protection Plan does not indemnify you from penalties if you choose to cancel partial tour components or air. If you choose to partially cancel your tour, you will be responsible for a revision fee as well as any penalties that are incurred at the time of the cancellation.

For Residents of MN, MO, NY and WA Only: The Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver (Part A) can be purchased separately without the purchase of the Travel Protection Plan. Contact Collette at 1-800-832-4656 in order to purchase the Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver separately.

Collette's Part A Waiver portion of the Travel Protection Plan does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling 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. (However, the Part B Benefits referenced below include a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons, as detailed in Part B.) Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the canceling client, the traveling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement.

Payment of the Travel Protection Plan Fee (if chosen) must be received by Collette with your deposit. The fee is nontransferable and valid for each applicant only.

Collette can assume no responsibility for and cannot be held liable for any wrongful, negligent or unauthorized acts or omissions of any travel agent or travel agency other than that of Collette Travel Service, Inc. itself, and its own employees.

#### Where to Present Part A Claims

To request a refund under the Part A Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver portion of the Travel Protection Plan, please call Collette and send any unused airline tickets to: Collette

ATTN: Customer Service Department, 162 Middle Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860

If cancellation occurs prior to departure, contact the Collette Reservations Department. When a client cancels prior to departure, any refunds are processed through the booking agent.

The following is an outline of the Services and Insurance Plan Benefits provided.

#### PART A - Benefits Provided By Collette:

Pre-departure Cancellation Fee Waiver up to Trip Cost

### The Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver is provided by Collette and is not an insurance benefit, and is not underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company.

Part B Insurance Benefits provided by United States Fire Insurance Company: On tour, insurance benefits can be provided if you: must interrupt your trip (such as having to return home early) for a covered reason; incur medical expenses for a covered sickness or injury; need an emergency medical evacuation; suffer a baggage loss or a baggage delay of 24 hours (or more); are delayed on tour for 12 hours or more for a covered reason; and additional reasons detailed in Part B of the plan document.

SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS	MAXIMUM BENEFIT AMOUNT
<ul> <li>Trip Cancellation</li> </ul>	Amount Purchased*
Trip Interruption	150% of Trip Cost
<ul> <li>Single Supplement</li> </ul>	\$1,000
<ul> <li>Missed Connection</li> </ul>	\$1,500
<ul> <li>Travel Delay (Up of \$100 per Day)</li> </ul>	\$1,500
<ul> <li>Medical Expense/Emergency Evacuation</li> </ul>	
Accident & Sickness Medical Expense	\$25,000
Emergency Medical Evacuation, Medical	
Repatriation & Return of Remains	\$50,000
<ul> <li>Accidental Death &amp; Dismemberment</li> </ul>	\$25,000
<ul> <li>Baggage and Personal Effects</li> </ul>	\$1,500
<ul> <li>Baggage Delay</li> </ul>	\$200

\*This benefit is only applicable to Instant Purchase (nonrefundable) air tickets and any single supplement penalties you are assessed if your Family Member or Traveling Companion has his/her Trip Canceled and does not cover any other land, air or water Travel Arrangements.

#### PART B Insurance Benefit Exclusions & Limitations

1. suicide, attempted suicide or any intentionally self-inflicted injury of You, a Traveling Companion, Family Member or Business Partner booked to travel with You, while sane or insane; 2. an act of declared or undeclared war; 3. participating in maneuvers or training exercises of an armed service, except while participating in weekend or summer training for the reserve forces of the United States, including the National Guard; 4. riding or driving in races, or speed or endurance competitions or events; 5. mountaineering (engaging in the sport of scaling mountains generally requiring the use of picks, ropes, or other special equipment); 6. participating as a professional in a stunt, athletic or sporting event or competition; 7. participating in skydiving or parachuting except parasailing, hang gliding, bungee cord jumping, extreme skiing, skiing outside marked trails or heli-skiing, any race, speed contests, spelunking or caving, or scuba diving if the depth exceeds 120 feet (40 meters) or if You are not certified to dive and a dive master is not present during the dive; 8. piloting or learning to pilot or acting as a member of the crew of any aircraft; 9. being Intoxicated as defined in the Plan, or under the influence of any controlled substance unless as administered or prescribed by a Legally Qualified Physician; 10. the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation; 11. normal childbirth or pregnancy (except Complications of Pregnancy) or voluntarily induced abortion; 12. dental treatment (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided in the Plan); 13. due to a Pre-Existing Condition, as defined in the Plan. The Pre-Existing Condition Limitation does not apply to the Emergency Medical Evacuation or Return of Remains coverage; 14. any amount paid or payable under any Worker's

Compensation, Disability Benefit or similar law; 15. a loss or damage caused by detention, confiscation or destruction by customs; 16. Elective Treatment and Procedures; 17. medical treatment during or arising from a Trip undertaken for the purpose or intent of securing medical treatment; 18. a mental or nervous condition, unless hospitalized for that condition while the Plan is in effect for You; or 19. a loss that results from a Sickness, Injury, disease or other condition, event or circumstance which occurs at a time when the Plan is in of flect for You. 20. Bankruptcy or Default or failure to supply services by a supplier of travel services.

Excess Insurance Limitation: The insurance provided by this Plan shall be in excess of all other valid and collectible Insurance or indemnity.

The Part B Insurance Benefits are underwritten by: United States Fire Insurance Company, 5 Christopher Way, 2nd Flr, Eatontown, NJ 07724 under Policy Form Series T210 et. al. and TP-401 et. al.

Non-Insurance Services		
Generali Global Assistance 24-Hour Assistance Services	Included	
Global Xpi Medical Records Services	Included	

**Non-Insurance Services:** are not insurance benefits underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company. Generali Global Assistancel 24-Hour Assistance Services are provided by Generali Global Assistance and Global Xpi Medical Records Services are provided by Trip Mate.

**INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW:** Benefits on this page are described on a general basis only. There are certain restrictions, exclusions and limitations that apply to all insurance coverages. This advertisement does not constitute or form any part of the Plan Description or any other contract of any kind. Plan benefits, limits and provisions may vary by state/ jurisdiction and not all coverages are available in all states/jurisdictions. To review full plan details online, go to: www.tripmate.com/ wpF430C.

Plan Administrator: Trip Mate, Inc. (in CA & UT, dba Trip Mate Insurance Agency) 9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, M0 64114, 1-800-888-7292.

#### Collette's Travel Protection Plan Pricing (per person)

The Cost charged is for the full Travel Protection Plan, which includes a Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver Provided By Collette Travel Service, Inc., insurance benefits underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company, as well as non-insurance assistance services provided by Generali Global Assistance and Trip Mate. Individuals looking to obtain additional information regarding the features and pricing of each travel plan component, please contact Trip Mate.

#### Land Only Clients:

- \$149 adult/\$149 child for all domestic escorted tours under 6 days
- \$269 adult/\$169 child for all domestic escorted tours of 6 days or more
- \$299 adult/\$169 child for all international tours not otherwise listed below
- \$349 adult/\$199 child for all cruises, Canadian Rockies train tours, Australia, New Zealand, Africa, South Africa & Egypt tours
- \$450 adult/\$225 child for Galapagos tours
- \$450 adult/child for Oberammergau tours (must accompany 1st deposit)
- \$925 adult/\$425 child for Antarctica tours

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

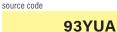
#### Air-Inclusive Clients (Collette Flex Airfare is purchased through Collette)

- \$199 adult/child for all domestic tours under 6 days
- \$299 adult/child for all domestic tours of 6 days or more
- \$329 adult/child for all international tours not otherwise listed below
- \$399 adult/child for all cruises, Canadian Rockies train tours, Australia, New Zealand, Africa, South Africa & Egypt tours
- \$500 adult/child for Galapagos tours
- \$500 adult/child for Oberammergau tours (must accompany 1st deposit)
- \$975 adult/child for Antarctica tours

Collette's Travel Protection Plan for air inclusive clients can only be purchased by individuals who have purchased Collette Flex Airfare or Instant Purchase nonrefundable air through Collette. Instant Purchase air and its associated taxes, fees and surcharges require full payment at time of reservation and are 100% nonrefundable. This air ticket may be covered by Collette's Travel Protection Plan under Part B if you cancel your trip for covered reasons. 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.

For reservations, contact your Travel Professional or call Collette at **800.611.3361**. Visit **collette.com/offers** for special savings.





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# MAKING TRAVEL a force for good

At Collette, social responsibility is more than just a priority for us; it's part of who we are. From down the street to a world away, we seek to make a positive impact by focusing on four key areas: Community, People, Travel and Planet.

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