





### Dear Traveler,

This is Collette's 2018-2019 Worldwide Travel Guide, and it represents a thousand potential new memories. These pages are filled with all the information you'll need to find the perfect tour for you.

From the majesty of the Great Wall of China, to the stunning beauty of Iceland's Northern Lights, to the warm golden beaches of Costa Rica, the world is full of wonder. This Worldwide Travel Guide is your gateway, your passport to unforgettable destinations around the globe. We invite you to flip through these pages and imagine the possibilities.

Collette is celebrating its 100th year, and we're reflecting on years of making memories with our guests. We're a family owned company, and we like to remind ourselves of that by treating the people who travel with us like family, too.

Come join our family, and see the world with us.

**Daniel J. Sullivan, Jr.**President and CEO



# See What's Inside

Below you'll find tours that will take you to every continent, and that's just some of the tours we offer. For more incredible destinations, **visit collette.com** 

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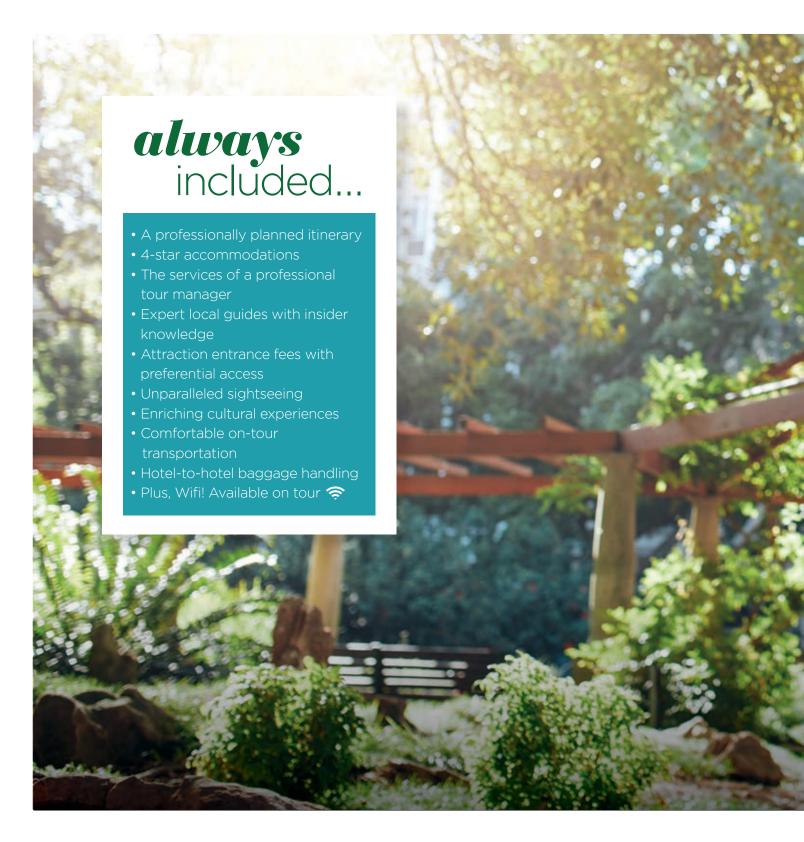
**River Cruise** (blue itineraries)
Drift along beautiful waterways in
intimate vessels for a more relaxed
touring experience.



**Spotlights** (orange itineraries) Enjoy the ease of unpacking once during a single-hotel stay in the world's most iconic cities.



**Cruise-Land** tours combine the features of our land tours with an ocean or river cruise.



### MORE PEACE OF MIND

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

### **MORE EXPERTISE**

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



### **MORE FLEXIBILITY**

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

### MORE ON TOUR

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



# OUR STORY begins

Jack Collette establishes Collette and runs a 21-day trip to Florida for \$61.50

### **NEW DESTINATIONS**

NYC, Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard join the travel roster.

### **CHANGING THE STORY**

Dan Sullivan, Sr. purchases Collette in 1962. The World's Fair in 1964 ushers in a new generation of travelers to Collette.



# INNOVATING EVERY DAY

### As we celebrate 100 years in business,

we think back to that first jitney bus carrying New Englanders to Florida.

For Jack Collette, it started with the idea to make travel more accessible. From 1918 to the present, Collette has set out to make travel a way of life. For over a century, we've led the way in helping travelers navigate all 7 continents in style.

Our promise to you is that we will continue to innovate – creating tours, travel styles and experiences tailor-made to the needs of our diverse travelers.

Like Jack Collette, our experts are always looking ahead, carving out new paths.

### THANK YOU

Our 100 year story starts with our travelers, who are at the heart of everything we do. We would not be celebrating this milestone without you.

Thank you for taking this journey with us.



### **SECOND GENERATION**

The second generation of Sullivans joins the company, and Collette begins offering travel to Canada. The Canadian Rockies becomes Collette's first tour with airfare instead of a local motorcoach departure.

### **EXPANDING**

Collette expands with new tours to Australia, New Zealand, Japan and China. The company opens its first global office in Canada. Soon after, tours to Switzerland, Italy, Ireland, the UK, France, Greece, Spain, Portugal and Scandinavia make Collette a leader in escorted tours worldwide.

### **THIRD GENERATION**

Collette becomes truly global after adding Antarctica to its tour offerings. Additional global offices open in England and Australia, and the third generation of Sullivans join the Collette workforce.



# With you every step of the way

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

# relax, we're on it...



### TRAVEL PROTECTION

Peace of Mind

Our industry-leading, worry-free travel protection plan offers you a full refund unlike many plans that only offer a voucher. Cancel for any reason right up to the day prior to departure.

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### **PRIVATE SEDAN SERVICE**

Included Personal Touches

Open your tour the right way and leave the hassle of getting to the airport behind. Enjoy round trip home to airport sedan service. It's the perfect way to begin (and end) your journey. (See page 187)



### **GUARANTEED TO GO**

Book with Confidence

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



# The Collette Passport Club

Recognizing our loyal guests

Guests who travel with Collette are eligible to become members of Collette's new loyalty program, The Collette Passport Club (formerly Travel Loyalty by Collette or TLC). Members earn a \$150 credit every time they travel along with various other benefits.

(See page 187 for more details.)



# Unmatched experience

Our team of experts has built relationships all over the world. It could be the time spent crafting the perfect local experience, the ability to include more in each itinerary, or simply knowing the destinations better than anyone else but those connections (and years of experience) allow us to pass the value on to you.



### **TOUR DESIGN TEAM**

It all starts with perfectly planned itineraries.

Our tour design team travels the globe, seeking out new and authentic inclusions. Along the way they vet each element of their tours – from the accommodations to the menu choices – ensuring you have the best possible experience.



### **TOUR MANAGERS**

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



### **LOCAL EXPERTS**

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



# Personalize your adventure

Every traveler is different, so make your trip your own. With features such as pre and post nights stays, It's Your Choice, dine arounds and on-tour options, you can make every day a personal adventure!



### **PRIVATE SEDAN SERVICE**

As one of the Collette differences, our private sedan service is available when you reserve an air-inclusive tour. It's the perfect way to begin and end your adventure.

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### **ELITE AIRFARE**

Collette's Elite Airfare allows you to travel in ultimate comfort and convenience. Treat yourself to a wealth of amenities that come with a business, premium economy, or first-class ticket. Land rested, refreshed, and ready for the world's wonders.

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### **PRE-NIGHTS**

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



### **IT'S YOUR CHOICE**

Everyone's road is different and that's why this year, Collette is introducing It's Your Choice. Many of our itineraries now feature different paths you can take.



### **OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES**

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



### **DINING EXPERIENCES**

On select tours and evenings, our Diner's Choice feature allows you to choose where to enjoy your included dinner. Find just the right spot from a list that includes the city's restaurants.



### **POST-NIGHTS**

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



### **TOUR EXTENSIONS**

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



### **GO BACK-TO-BACK**

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

Call for details.



# Designing adventures

Year after year our tour designers dedicate themselves to bringing you the most exhilarating experiences in travel. Perhaps you're seeking an immersive cultural experience, or maybe you wish to go on a whirlwind adventure with all the iconic must-sees. Either way, there is something **new for you in 2018!** 

# new *for 2018*



# HISTORIC HOTELS OF NEW ENGLAND

Explore New England from four Historic Hotels
Wind down the backroads of four states, indulging
in regional cuisine, curated inclusions and elegant
hotels, including the iconic Mt. Washington.

VISIT COLLETTE.COM FOR MORE DETAILS.



# AMERICA'S HISTORIC MID-ATLANTIC

Heritage & Hospitality in Pennsylvania and Virginia Gettysburg. Monticello. Richmond. Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater. History meets luxury at the Omni Bedford Springs and Homestead hotels.

VISIT COLLETTE.COM FOR MORE DETAILS.



### **© ICELANDIC ADVENTURE**

A small group journey of Iceland's bold landscape
The Golden Circle, Gullfoss Waterfall, Snæfellsjökull
glacier, whale watching, and the Blue Lagoon -

quest through "The Land of Fire and Ice." VISIT COLLETTE.COM FOR MORE DETAILS.



# **OTHE NORTHERN LIGHTS**OF FINLAND

In search of the Shimmering Aurora Borealis

Experience cultural Helsinki and rugged Lapland. A reindeer safari. A night in a glass igloo. Extraordinary adventure under the Northern Lights.

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### **MADRID & BARCELONA**

Spain's dynamic cultural cities come to life

Open air markets, Gaudi's architecture, tapas, wine, and the AVE train blend together as modern and medieval Spain meet on a 2 city stay.

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### SPOTLIGHT ON HAVANA

Engage in the Essence of Unforgettable Cuba

Connect to the art, culture, and culinary tradition of the Cuba. During a 5-night stay in Havana, sway to Salsa and explore a myriad of UNESCO sites.

VISIT COLLETTE.COM FOR MORE DETAILS.



# © CULTURES OF PERU & BOLIVIA

Archeological wonders and natural masterpieces

Walk the paths of the Inca at Machu Picchu and Sun Island. Sail through the Uros Floating Islands. Ascend La Paz by cable car. Sleep in Uyuni's Salt Flats.

VISIT COLLETTE.COM FOR MORE DETAILS.

# **66...beyond our expectations.**

The Collette tour was beyond organized and offered us every amenity we might require, although we covered a lot of sites and events, we never felt rushed during the photo ops or stops along the way.

We enjoyed each hotel we were booked into and each special dinner and entertainment…everything was beyond our expectations.

- Barry & Marilyn D. of Ontario



# It's Your Choice

Everyone's road is different and that's why this year, Collette is expanding **It's Your Choice**. Many of our itineraries now feature different paths you can take. On select days, choose the included experience that best suits your interests.

# the freedom to explore



Canyon Cruise



**Iconic Treasures** 



Old Town Tour



Arenal Volcano



Zip Lining

# With It's Your Choice, either activity is included, you simply choose one and personalize your adventure!

### MOMENTS IN MONUMENT VALLEY

**Pick your path.** Travel through Navajo nation territory and arrive in Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park, a sacred Navajo land with iconic sandstone spires; enjoy a tour narrated by a Navajo tribe member and a stop at a traditional Navajo "Hogan" hut **-OR-** take a canyon adventure cruise through the wondrous geological formations of the Navajo and Antelope canyons.

### SEE STOCKHOLM YOUR WAY

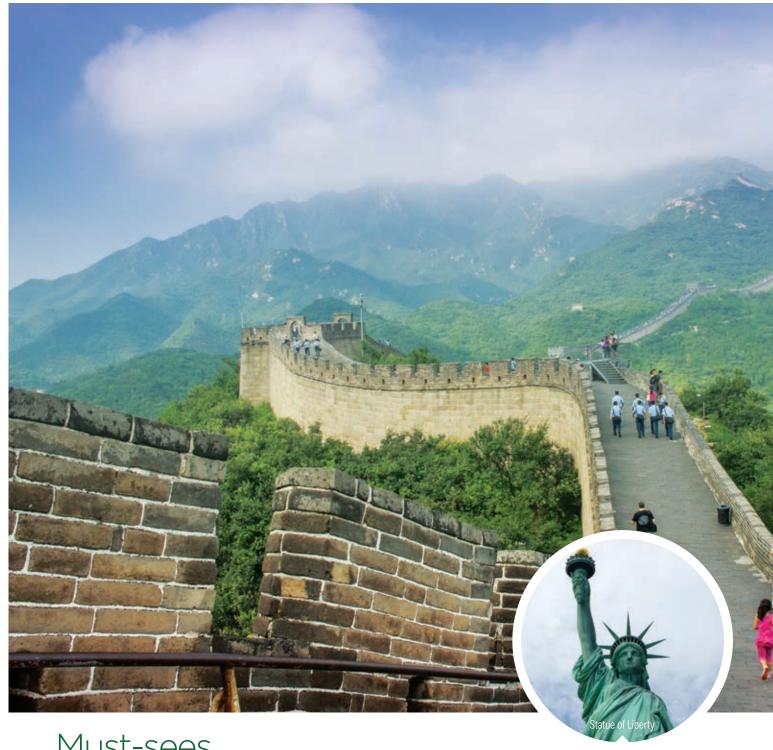
While in Stockholm, **the choice is yours!** Embark on a coach tour of the city's most admired and fascinating attractions; marvel at the Riddarholm Church, the Royal Palace, the Parliament, and step inside the Stockholm City Hall **-OR-** if you would rather, you can spend your time exploring the narrow streets of Gamla Stan, Stockholm's Old Town with a local guide. Your walking tour includes a stop at a candy cane-making factory!

### **COSTA RICA JUNGLE EXPLORATION**

Enjoy a moderate hike along the trails of Arenal Volcano National Park; cross lava fields and pause to enjoy spectacular views of the volcano **-OR-** glide above the rainforest on an exhilarating zip line tour. The series of lines allows you to see the rainforest in an exciting new way. Two excellent options... **Which will you choose?** 



# more on tour



Must-sees

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





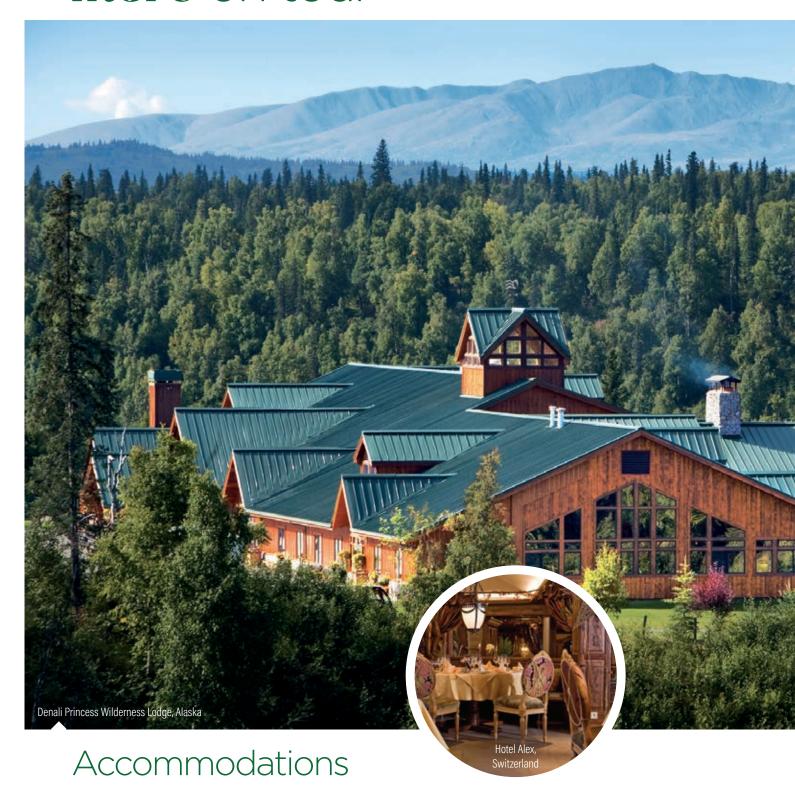
the beauty of the country and to have confidence that wherever we were, we were in good hands with Collette.

- J.L. Welton, TN

# Cultural experiences

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

# more on tour



Whether it's the amenities, the history, the view or the location, your accommodations become highlights all their own. We carefully select each hotel to best fit into your inclusive itinerary.



### 4 star & above

Personally reviewed properties, strategically selected locations, properties that capture the destination.

Collette's culinary experiences cover an incredible breadth of this side of the world. Many culinary adventures await.



Cod and the many great eating places. Our lobster dinner at Blue Water was to die for. What a great place!

Paella dish, Spain

- Margaret L.

# Culinary inclusions

Food is a wonderful way to experience new cultures. Our authentic culinary experiences take you into the destination, inspiring both your understanding and your taste buds.



# Collette variety

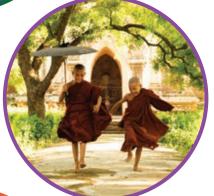
No matter how you want to see the world, Collette can take you there. Whether you want to travel across an entire country, dive into a local culture, or come to know one of the world's great cities, Collette has the travel experience that's right for you.

# find your *travel style*



**CLASSIC**Collette's Flagship

Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.



### **EXPLORATIONS**

Immersive Small Group Touring

Smaller groups lead to bigger experiences. Explorations gives travelers access to the world in a new way, venturing off the beaten path for more adventure and immersive cultural connections. The small group size opens the door to magnificent sights, unique accommodations and exclusive culinary events. Your senses come alive as you capture the true essence of each destination.



### **SPOTLIGHTS**

Single-hotel Stays

Unpack just once and explore the world's most iconic cities during Spotlights' single-hotel stays. The leisurely pace offers you the chance to get to know these destinations like a local. Must-see cultural highlights are always included, plus there's plenty of time to explore independently, creating your own unique adventure.



### **RIVER CRUISE**

Taking the River Less Traveled

Collette's River Cruises are a slower, more intimate way to explore the world. These adventures, on small 4-star vessels, are an easy way to travel through the world's beautiful waterways. Plus, when you step off your ship with a Tour Manager by your side, you'll truly come to know the people and places along the river.



**FAITH**Spiritual Journeys

Collette's collection of religious tours has been created with our faith-based travelers in mind. The focus is on creating inspiring travel experiences in world-famous spiritual locations, and these itineraries are designed utilizing more modest accommodations that capture the reflective surroundings in which they sit.

### **ICELAND'S MAGICAL NORTHERN** LIGHTS

7 DAYS · 10 MEALS FROM \$2499



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Explore the Skogar Folk Museum and come to understand Icelandic life.
- · Stop at Reynisfjara, a black volcanic sand beach with basalt formations.
- · Embark on a search for the northern lights, a dazzling astronomical display.
- · Relax in the warm, mineral-rich water of the Blue Lagoon.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Search for nature's dazzling display on a northern lights cruise.
- Experience the energy at the geothermal fields of Geysir and Strokkur.
- See Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs.
- · Travel the famous Golden Circle and take in Iceland's natural beauty.
- · See the beautiful Seljalandsfoss, one of Iceland's most famous waterfalls.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

· Enjoy gourmet Icelandic cuisine at a popular restaurant.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight Day 2 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik

Days 3 - 5 Hotel Katla, Hofdabrekka, Vik Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik Day 6

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL









# spend your days surrounded by waterfalls, icebergs, and volcanic beaches

and your nights in search of the spectacular northern lights.

### START EARLY



Reykjavik: It's your move. Get ready for your tour with a night in Iceland's capital. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Discover Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice. Steaming lava fields and massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving thundering waterfalls and plunging fjords. In this land of many natural wonders, enjoy the rare opportunity to see the aurora borealis — one of nature's most dazzling light displays, also known as the northern lights.

### Day 2: Reykjavik, Iceland - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Reykjavik. Get acquainted with old town Reykjavik on a walking tour featuring Hallgrimskirkja Church, city hall, the harbor and Reykjavik's oldest building, now home to the Kraum Icelandic design center. Tonight, gather with your fellow travelers at a popular restaurant for dinner featuring Icelandic cuisine. Then, take an exhilarating northern

lights cruise (weather dependent). Leave behind the bright city lights and sail into the darkness of Faxaflói Bay in search of the aurora borealis – or northern lights - one of nature's wonders. When revealed you will be dazzled by the flickering display of light bursting with color that unfolds before your eyes. (D)

### Day 3: Reykjavik - Golden Circle - Seljalandsfoss Waterfall - Vik

Travel the incredible Golden Circle, a route that encompasses many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders. Journey to Thingvellir National Park, the nation's most historic area, Icelanders gathered here in A.D. 930 and established what is considered one of the world's first parliaments. Find yourself standing upon one of the globe's most geologically significant landscapes -Thingvellir's rugged rift valley - a UNESCO World Heritage site marking the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Experience the eruptive energy of the Icelandic landscape with a stop at the geothermal fields of Geysir and Strokkur. Then, marvel at the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Next, see the beautiful







Seljalandsfoss, one of Iceland's most famous and picturesque waterfalls with a walkway behind it. Continue southeast to Vik, the southernmost village in Iceland, surrounded by beautiful valleys, beaches, cliffs and mountains. After dinner amidst the peace and stillness of rural Iceland, search for the aurora borealis – the elusive northern lights. (B, D)

### **Day 4:** Eyjafjallajökull Volcano Visitor Centre -Skogar Museum - Vik

Drive along the scenic south shore to the Eyjafjallajökull Volcano Visitor Centre. Learn about a family's struggle to live during and following the dramatic 2010 explosion of the infamous Eyjafjallajökull volcano that brought European flights to a halt. Visit Skogar Folk Museum which contains an outstanding collection covering all aspects of Icelandic life including farm and domestic artifacts, as well as turf-built homes. Nearby is the impressive Skógafoss waterfall, one of the largest in Iceland. Later, view Reynisfjara, a black volcanic sand beach surrounded by basalt formations, cliffs scattered with caves and rich bird life including the Fulmar, Black Guillemot, Razorbill, Gannet and various types of seagulls. See the unique natural rock formations at Dyrhólaey. After dinner, gaze at the sky in search of the northern lights, a truly spectacular sight. (B, D)

### **Day 5:** Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon - Skaftafell National Park - Vik

Travel to Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs. Explore this extraordinary landscape and perhaps see some seals swimming in Arctic waters. Travel to Skaftafell, gateway to Vatnajökull National Park. The largest national park in Europe, Vatnajökull is known for having Iceland's highest mountains; an Alpine environment; and the Vatnajökull glacier, Europe's largest. After dinner, continue searching for the shimmering northern lights dancing across the night sky (dependent upon visibility ratings). (B, D)

### Day 6: Vik - Blue Lagoon - Reykjavik

Drive to the Reykjanes Peninsula, known for its rugged landscape, lava fields, numerous hot springs, and home of the Blue Lagoon. Take a dip in the pleasantly warm, mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool, located in the middle of a dramatic lava field. Return to Reykjavik for your farewell dinner and overnight stay. (B, D)

### Day 7: Reykjavik - Tour Ends

Depart for home with incredible memories. (B)

### **STAY LONGER**



Reykjavik: Relax after your tour in this small capital that's packed with big experiences. CALL FOR DETAILS

### **DATES & PRICES**

January - March 2018	Twin	Solo	October 2018 - March 2019	Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)			October 20, 22, 24, 25	\$2499	\$2999
January 2, 3, 5, 6	\$2199	\$2599	October 27, 29, 30	\$2499	\$2999
January 10, 15	\$1999	\$2299	November 4, 5, 6, 9, 12, 14, 17	\$2499	\$2999
January 18, 23	\$2199	\$2599	November 21	\$2549	\$3049
January 20, 25, 27	\$1999	\$2299	November 24, 26, 28, 29, 30	\$2499	\$2999
February 1	\$2199	\$2699	December 2, 5, 8, 10, 15	\$2499	\$2999
February 3, 4	\$1999	\$2299	January 3, 6, 10, 12, 13, 15	\$2499	\$2999
February 6, 9, 12, 15, 20	\$2199	\$2699	January 20, 25, 26, 30, 31	\$2499	\$2999
February 10, 17, 18, 24	\$1999	\$2299	February 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10	\$2499	\$2999
March 1, 2, 3	\$1999	\$2299	February 12	\$2799	\$3399
March 7, 14	\$2199	\$2699	February 14, 15, 17, 19, 21	\$2499	\$2999
March 10, 11, 17, 20, 21	\$1999	\$2299	February 22, 24, 27	\$2499	\$2999
March 24, 27	\$2199	\$2599	March 1, 6, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16	\$2499	\$2999
Itinerary featured is for October 201	8 - March 2	019 tour	March 18, 21, 23, 25, 26, 28, 30	\$2499	\$2999
departures. Departures prior to this confirm at time of reservation.	date will va	ry. Please	Triple Room Reduction		(-) \$30
October 2018 - March 201	19 Twin	Solo	Rates are land only, per person.	Call abou	t

additional dates

### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

\$2499 \$2999

(featured itinerary

October 5, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15, 17

Book another tour with Iceland's Magical Northern Lights and create one grand experience. Suggested Tours: • The Northern Lights of Finland CALL FOR DETAILS

This trip requires a passport. The northern lights are in the Northern Hemisphere from September through April and are only visible when the sky is clear and free of clouds. As this tour is weather dependent, sightings of the northern lights are not guaranteed. Due to flight schedules, a pre/post night may be required in some Iceland Air gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of reservation.

# ICELAND: LAND OF FIRE & ICE

9 DAYS · 13 MEALS FROM \$2999



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Learn about the 400-year-old tradition of catching and preserving Greenland shark.
- Gain a local's perspective of Reykjavík on a walking tour.
- Explore Skógar Folk Museum, covering all aspects of Icelandic life.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Cruise on the ice-strewn Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, gliding past icebergs.
- Travel to the Golden Circle, one of many of Iceland's natural wonders.
- Journey to the spectacular Gullfoss waterfall.



### **CHOICE ON TOUR**

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

**DAY 4** Set out on a lava cave adventure **or** explorative lava field walk.

DAY 8 | Embark on a drive to the Reykjanes Peninsula and take a dip in the Blue Lagoon or enjoy a whale watching adventure.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Try an Icelandic delicacy cured "hákarl."
- · Savor Icelandic cuisine at a popular restaurant.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik
Day 4 FossHotell, Stykkishólmur

Days 5 - 7 Hotel Katla Hofdabrekka, Vik Day 8 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# marvel at Iceland's spectacular scenery

and engaging culture during a fascinating journey.

### START EARLY



Reykjavik: Take more time to explore this small but culturally rich city.

CALL FOR DETAILS.

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out on a journey full of dramatic contrasts. Come to know Iceland, a place where steaming lava fields reflect a volcanic nature and massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving thundering waterfalls and plunging fjords.

### Day 2: Reykjavík, Iceland - Tour Begins

Begin in the capital city of Reykjavík. Join a local expert for a walking tour of the city's old section featuring Hallgrimskirkja church, city hall, the harbor and Reykjavík's oldest building, home of the Kraum Icelandic design center. Tonight, get to know your fellow travelers during a sumptuous Icelandic dinner at a popular local restaurant. (D)

### Day 3: Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Reykjavík

Travel the stunning Golden Circle, a route encompassing many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders:

waterfalls, glaciers, geysers, lava fields and volcanoes. Begin at Thingvellir National Park where Icelanders gathered in A.D. 930 and established one of the world's first parliaments. Find yourself standing upon one of the globe's most geologically significant landscapes, Thingvellir's rugged rift valley. This UNESCO site marks the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Next, marvel at the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Stop at the famous thermal area of Geysir to admire the hot spring Strokkur's explosive vertical spout that reaches a height of up to 90 feet. Your day concludes with a visit to Friðheimar greenhouse cultivation center to learn how the locals grow delicious, pesticide-free tomatoes and cucumbers with the aid of Iceland's geothermal energy; also learn about their family tradition of breeding Icelandic show horses. (B)

### **Day 4:** Snæfellsnes-Cave/Lava Field Tour-Breiðafjörður Cruise-Stykkishólmur **⋄**

Experience the otherworldliness of the Snæfellsnes Peninsula. Take in the dramatic landscapes of black and white sand beaches, magnificent cliffs, mountain peaks, volcanic craters, soaring waterfalls, rocky coastlines,





intimate fishing villages, and its remarkable Snæfellsjökull glacier. This afternoon it's your choice! Select a guided Vatnshellir Cave tour and descend 100 feet below ground to an 8,000-year-old lava tube where you'll experience total darkness and see amazing rock pigments, lava formations, stalagmites and stalactites -OR- you may choose to walk the lava field and put your camera to work snapping photos of nature's artwork of varying textures, colors and arrangements of this dramatic landscape. Next, continue on and pause at Kirkjufell, acclaimed to be the most photographed mountain in Iceland. Your day concludes with a nature cruise in Breiðafjörður Bay. Experience countless birds like puffins, cormorants, kittiwakes and the majestic white tailed eagle soaring amongst basalt rock columns. While cruising, try delicious fresh scallops and sea urchin roe straight from the ocean. Seafood simply doesn't come fresher than this! (B, D)

### Day 5: Stykkishólmur - Vík

Embark on a true Icelandic cultural adventure as you spend time with a family that keeps alive a 400-year-old tradition of catching and preserving Greenland shark. See the fishing boat that their grandfather used; the tiny farmer's church; and explore the museum to learn more about Iceland's historic relationship with this trade. Before leaving, taste "hákarl," cured shark meat. Continue the adventure traveling Iceland's south coast. Learn about geothermal renewable energy with a visit to Hellisheiðavirkjun, the largest power station in Iceland and the second largest geothermal power station in the world. Make a picture stop at Waterfall Seljalandsfoss, one of few waterfalls providing you with a walkway for views from the inside out. Arrive in Vík, Iceland's most southerly village and one of the most visited spots in Iceland. (B, D)

### Day 6: Vík - Eyjafjallajökull Volcano Visitor Center - Skógar Museum - Vík

Drive along the scenic south shore to Eyjafjallajökull Volcano Visitor Center. Learn about a family's struggle to adapt during and following the dramatic 2010 explosion of the infamous Evjafjallajökull Volcano that brought European flights to a halt. Visit Skógar Museum which contains an outstanding collection covering all aspects of Icelandic life including farm and domestic artifacts, as well as turf-built houses. Nearby is the impressive Skógafoss waterfall, one of the largest in Iceland. Next, view Reynisfjara, a black volcanic sand beach surrounded by basalt columns and cliffs scattered with caves and rich bird life including the fulmar, black guillemot, razorbill, gannet and various types of seagulls. Later, see the unique natural rock formations at Dyrhólaey. (B, D)

### Day 7: Vík - Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon -Skaftafell - Vík

Set sail among the huge icebergs of the Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon. Get to taste the 1,000-year-old ice and possibly see some seals. Later, stop at Skaftafell, gateway to Vatnajökull National Park, the largest national park in Europe. Marvel at the Alpine environment of Iceland's highest mountains and the Vatnajökull glacier, Europe's largest glacier. (B, D)

### Day 8: Vík - Blue Lagoon or Whale Watching -Reykjavík 😯

It's your choice! Choose how to enjoy your last day in Iceland! Perhaps you'll embark on a drive to the Reykjanes Peninsula, known for its rugged landscape, lava fields, numerous hot springs, and home to the Blue Lagoon; take a dip in the pleasantly warm, mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool, located in the middle of a dramatic lava field -OR- maybe you'd prefer to further explore the wonders of Iceland's waters during an informative whale watching adventure in the bay of Faxaflói; have your camera ready for minke and humpback whale sightings, along with white-beaked dolphins and harbor porpoises in their natural habitat. Later, gather with your fellow travelers for a local dining experience and share stories of your days in Iceland. (B, D)

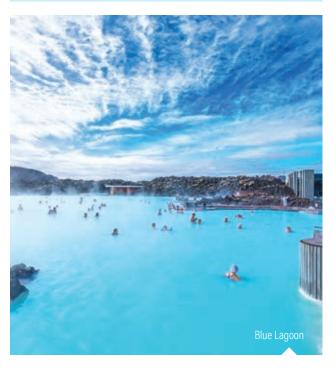
### Day 9: Reykjavík - Tour Ends

Depart for home with many incredible Icelandic memories. (B)

### **STAY LONGER**



Reykjavik: Keep your Icelandic adventure going with another night in this vibrant capital. CALL FOR DETAILS



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April 2018 (different itinerary - see note) April 1, 6, 21 April 8, 15, 22	Twin \$3049 \$2749	<b>Solo</b> \$3799 \$3249	May 2018 – April 2019 August 5, 12, 19, 26 August 31 September 2	Twin \$3549 \$3849 \$3449	<b>Solo</b> \$4449 \$4649 \$4249
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This trip requires a passport. Due to flight schedules, a pre/post night may be required in some Iceland Air gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of reservation. The Vatnshellir Cave Choice on Tour is not recommended for guests who are claustrophobic or have back or knee problems. Guests should be in good physical condition. Outdoor activities are weather dependent.

### **SPECTACULAR** SCANDINAVIA

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### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Join a local expert for an engaging city tour of Copenhagen.
- · Stop at the Vasa Ship Museum to learn of its shocking maiden voyage.
- · Visit Borgund Stave Church, an intricate structure built in 1180.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Embark on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise.
- · Witness the scenic wilderness along the Flam
- Enjoy a remarkable guided walk along Bergen's harborfront.
- · Explore the Viking Ship Museum, home of three ancient Viking ships.



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

DAY 5 | In Stockholm, take a walking tour of Gamla Stan (Old Town) or see the city on a panoramic coach tour.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Savor Swedish cuisine in Stockholm's old town.
- Sample New Nordic Cuisine in Copenhagen.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Copenhagen Admiral Hotel,

Copenhagen

PM & Vänner Hotel, Vaxjo Day 4

Days 5, 6 Scandic Grand Central Hotel,

Stockholm

Days 7, 8 Hotel Bristol, Oslo

Day 9 Fretheim Hotel, Flam

Days 10, 11 Alexandra Hotel or Hotel Loenfjord, Loen

Days 12, 13 Scandic Neptun, Bergen

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL







# travel throughout the thrilling landscapes of Scandinavia

and connect with the cultural capitals of Northern Europe.

### START EARLY



Copenhagen: Reward yourself with a night to explore Denmark's intriguing capital. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out to explore Scandinavia by land as you experience one of the world's most incredible regions.

### Day 2: Copenhagen, Denmark - Tour Begins

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

### Day 3: Copenhagen

Join a local expert for an engaging city tour. View Denmark's center of Parliament, known as Christianborg; Amalienborg Palace, the residence of the Danish royal family; and the Royal Theater. You'll also see the Little

Mermaid Statue, a 1913 sculpture honoring Hans Christian Andersen's famous fictional character. This afternoon, enjoy some free time. Perhaps you'll join us for an optional excursion to Frederiksborg Castle (formerly the residence of the Danish royal family) that begins with lunch at a local restaurant featuring seasonally inspired cuisine. (B)

### Day 4: Copenhagen - Vaxjo, Sweden

Cross the famous Oresund Bridge into Sweden. Stop at the Ikea Museum to be immersed in the history of this signature furniture brand. Later, travel to Vaxio – gateway to Sweden's famous "glass kingdom," home to the wellknown brand Kosta Boda. Discover the genuine Swedish tradition of glassblowing at Sweden's oldest operating glassworks factory, established in 1742. (B)

### Day 5: Vaxjo - Stockholm 😯

Continue north to Sweden's capital city of Stockholm. Stop to explore the one-of-a-kind Vasa Ship Museum and learn about its shocking maiden voyage when it sank in one nautical mile. This ship, commissioned in the 1600s by King Vasa, was raised 334 years later from the bottom of the harbor. Perfectly preserved, it offers a rare glimpse



into the amazing craftsmanship of the 17th century. This afternoon, it's your choice! Explore the narrow streets of Gamla Stan (Old Town) during a guided walking tour with a stop at one of Sweden's sweetest traditions, a candy cane making factory, for a demonstration -OR- see the city on a panoramic coach tour that highlights the Riddarholm Church, the Royal Palace and the Parliament, as well as a visit inside Stockholm's beautiful city hall. Tonight, enjoy Swedish cuisine in the old town at Fem Sma Hus. This stunning restaurant, comprised of five connected timberframed houses from the 17th century, captures the flavor of a bygone era. (B, D)

### Day 6: Stockholm

The day is yours to explore Stockholm independently. Discover its strikingly colorful architecture and sample its innovative cuisine. Perhaps you will choose to join an optional excursion that offers a privately guided tour of Stockholm's spectacular archipelago. (B)

### Day 7: Stockholm - High Speed Train - Oslo, Norway

All aboard! Sit back, relax and enjoy as you travel through Sweden's picturesque countryside aboard the innovative high-speed train. Cross the Norwegian border and arrive in Oslo, one of Europe's fastest-growing cities, nestled between the Oslofjord and forested hills. Norway's capital since 1814, Oslo is the center of Norwegian government and home to the royal family. You'll find a vibrant, cosmopolitan hub with an abundance of world-class museums. restaurants and art. (B, D)

### Day 8: Oslo

A tour of Oslo begins at the remarkable Viking Ship Museum, home of three ancient Viking ships. Continue along Karl Johan Street and view the Royal Palace and city hall in quaint downtown Oslo. Next, visit Vigeland Park, home to the collection of statues and sculptures that comprise Gustav Vigeland's life's work. Later this afternoon, enjoy some free time to relax or explore independently. (B)

### Day 9: Oslo - Flam

Depart Norway's capital and travel north to the majestic fjord region. Visit the Borgund Stave

Church, This intricate structure, built in 1180, is dedicated to the Apostle Andrew. Arrive in the quaint village of Flam, nestled at the entrance to the stunning Aurlandsfjord. Embark on one of the world's steepest train rides, the renowned Flam Railway. Ascend to 3,000 feet, passing mighty waterfalls, towering mountains and amazing valleys. Journey to the mountain plateau of Myrdal and cascade down to the fjord of Flam offering breathtaking views each way. (B, D)

### Day 10: Flam - Loen

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

### Day 11: Loen - Geiranger - Fjord Cruise - Loen

Spend the day enchanted by the inspiring landscape of the fiord region of Norway, Journey to Geiranger, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and embark on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise, taking in some of the most beautiful scenery in Norway along the way. Known as one of the most famous fjords in the world, Geirangerfjord is where you find Norway's mighty waterfalls: the Seven Sisters, the Bridal Veil and the Suitor. Homesteads are a continued presence on the steep sides of the mountains, where farms have been kept for centuries. (B, D)

### Day 12: Loen - Bergen

Take in Norway's most impressive landscapes en route to Bergen, known as the gateway to the fjords. Bergen was founded with Viking roots and today is known for its old-world charm and scenic landscape. (B)

### Day 13: Bergen

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

### Day 14: Bergen - Tour Ends





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# NORWEGIAN COASTAL VOYAGE & SCANDINAVIAN CAPITALS

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### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Make a stop at the one-of-a-kind Vasa Ship Museum.
- Travel the breathtaking Bergen Railway through fjords and mountains.
- Journey the Flam Railway, named one of the most beautiful train journeys in the world.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Cruise the stunning Nærøyfjord, the narrowest fjord in Europe.
- Explore Bryggen, Bergen's old Hanseatic wharf, and a UNESCO site.
- Unpack once for a truly unforgettable 6-night Norwegian cruise.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure

DAY 3 | In Stockholm, embark on a tour showcasing the city's greatest sites or explore the narrow streets of Gamla Stan (Old Town) during a guided walking tour.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Savor Swedish cuisine at the 17th-century Fem Sma Hus.
- Enjoy the freshest culinary products on board the ship with most ingredients locally sourced.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Scandic Grand Central Hotel,

Stockholm

Days 4, 5 Copenhagen Admiral Hotel,

Copenhagen **Day 6** Hotel Bristol, Oslo

Day 7 Scandic Neptun, Bergen

**Days 8 - 13** Hurtigruten Cruise **Day 14** Hotel Bristol, Oslo

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# explore Scandinavia's fascinating capital cities

of Stockholm, Copenhagen and Oslo and sail past majestic mountains, breathtaking fjords and charming fishing villages.

### START EARLY



Stockholm: Spend more time in this city of art galleries, museums and fantastic restaurants. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out for Scandinavia, one of the world's most incredible regions. Explore the fascinating capital cities of Stockholm, Copenhagen and Oslo. See majestic mountains, fjords, fishing villages, historic towns, and experience a true milestone as your ship sails across the Arctic Circle to the very top of Europe.

### Day 2: Stockholm, Sweden - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in captivating Stockholm, a perfect blend of old and new. This evening, gather with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner in the old town at Fem Sma Hus. This stunning restaurant is comprised of five connected timber-framed houses from the 17th century and captures the flavor of a bygone era. (D)

### Day 3: Stockholm 😯

This morning it's your choice! Embark on a tour of Stockholm's city sights, showcasing the city's greatest vistas and fascinating attractions including the Riddarholm Church, the Royal Palace and the Parliament, concluding with a visit to Stockholm's City Hall -OR- you may prefer to explore the narrow streets of Gamla Stan (Old Town) during a guided walking tour with a stop at one of Sweden's sweetest traditions, a candy cane-making factory, for a demonstration. Later, we make a stop at the one-of-a-kind Vasa Ship Museum to learn about its shocking maiden voyage, when it sank in one nautical mile. This ship, commissioned in the 1600s by King Vasa, was raised 334 years later from the bottom of the harbor. Perfectly preserved, it offers a rare glimpse into the amazing craftsmanship of the 17th century. Your afternoon is at leisure to explore Stockholm independently. (B)

### Day 4: Stockholm - Copenhagen, Denmark

Take a morning flight to delightful Copenhagen, the capital of Denmark. Later, join a local expert on an engaging city tour. View Denmark's center of Parliament,

known as Christianborg; Amalienborg Palace, the residence of the Danish royal family; and the Royal Theater. See the Little Mermaid Statue, a 1913 sculpture honoring Hans Christian Andersen's famous fictional character. (B)

### Day 5: Copenhagen

Today you may choose to spend your day at leisure in Copenhagen or perhaps join an optional excursion to Frederiksborg Castle, formerly the residence of the Danish royal family.

### Day 6: Copenhagen - Oslo, Norway

Fly to Norway, a land of intense natural beauty and famous for its deep fjords, steep mountain roads, Viking legends, and well-preserved historical sites. Upon arrival, your guided tour of regal Oslo features a visit to the remarkable Viking Ship Museum, and views of Karl Johan Street, the Royal Palace, City Hall and the new Opera building. Then it's on to Vigeland Park where you will find the collection of statues and sculptures that comprise Gustav Vigeland's life's work. (B)

### Day 7: Oslo - Myrdal - Flåm Railway -Gudvangen - Voss - Bergen

Today you embark on the legendary "Norway in a Nutshell" tour! All aboard the Bergen Railway to experience Europe's most scenic rail journey. Have your camera ready as this legendary tour takes you through Norway's most breathtaking fjord and mountainous terrain on its way to Bergen, Switch trains in Myrdal and travel 12 miles on the famous Flåm Railway, a masterpiece of engineering, taking you 2,800 breathtaking feet in 55 minutes to the village of Flåm on Sognefjord, Norway's longest (120 miles) and deepest (more than a mile). Next, cruise Nærøyfjord (UNESCO), the narrowest fjord in Europe with stunning views of waterfalls and small farms clinging to the steep mountainsides. In Gudvangen, your journey continues by bus with the breathtaking Stalheimskleiven hairpin road (available May through September only), a thrilling ride around 13 hairpin bends. In Voss, board the train for Bergen, one of Norway's oldest and most iconic cities. (B, D)

### Day 8: Bergen - Norwegian Coastal Voyage -**Board Ship**

Join your fellow travelers on a leisurely paced walking tour of Bergen. Explore the picturesque, old Bryggen Wharf (UNESCO) with its tiny wooden houses and narrow streets. Mingle with the locals at the fish market located in the "heart" of the city. Then prepare for your memorable 6-night cruise - the "World's Most Beautiful Voyage" - sailing along the stunning Norwegian coastline. This evening, board your Hurtigruten ship. Sit back and take in the treasure trove of landscapes, scenery, sights and sounds that surround you. (B, D)

### Day 9: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

This morning's view from the ship will be of either the tranquil Stadthavet Sea or the majestic Geirangerfjord as we make our way to the charming village of Alesund. Take a stroll through the fairy-tale streets of Alesund, a vibrant town known for its colorful art nouveau architecture and its stunning setting at the entrance of the Geirangerfjord. Then it's on to Molde for a brief stop at this trading and cultural hub dating back to medieval times, (B, L, D)

### Day 10: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

Today, enjoy some time in the historic city of Trondheim. Founded by Viking King Olav in A.D. 997, it was the location of the first capital of Norway and is still the city where new kings receive their ceremonial blessings. Later, continue toward the Land of the Midnight Sun, passing rugged coastlines en route to Rorvik which sits among 6,000 islands. (B, L, D)

### Day 11: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

Today you become one of a select few as our cruise ship crosses the Arctic Circle on our way to Bodo. Gaze at the distant rugged peaks and to the infinite sky...keep an eye out for white-tailed sea eagles found in this region. Continue sailing, crossing the stunning Vestfjord and past the breathtaking Lofoten Islands before pausing briefly at the villages of Stamsund and Svolvaer. Later, sail on past the majestic Trollfjord. (B, L, D)

### Day 12: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

Take in the serenity as we sail past a chain of islands on our way to the small town of Harstad. Stop here for a moment before continuing on to Tromso, capital of the Arctic. Find yourself immersed in beautiful fjords and mountains. Located 220 miles north of the Arctic Circle, Tromso is home to the world's northernmost university, botanical garden and cathedral. (B, L, D)

### Day 13: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

Your voyage continues along Norway's northernmost region, pausing briefly along the way at sleepy villages and busy ports surrounded by breathtaking panoramas. Have some time in the peaceful town of Honningsvag, the capital of North Cape, situated closer to the North Pole than it is to Oslo. (B, L, D)

### Day 14: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Kirkenes -Disembark Ship - Oslo

Early this morning we arrive in Kirkenes, home to the Sami people who have herded reindeer for centuries. Disembark your ship and fly back to Oslo. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip filled with the breathtaking scenery and cultural treasures of Scandinavia. (B, D)

### Day 15: Oslo - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

### **STAY LONGER**

**ADD** A DAY

Oslo: Enjoy another exciting night in Norway's thriving capital. CALL FOR DETAILS





### **DATES & PRICES**

March 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - March 2019 Inside Cabin	Twin	Solo
Inside Cabin			October 18	\$4999	\$6699
March 8	\$4749	\$6149	March 14	\$4749	\$6099
Outside Cabin			Outside Cabin		
March 8	\$5049	\$6649	May 17	\$7099	\$10549
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 -			June 22	\$7399	\$10849
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			August 9, 16	\$6599	\$9299
May 2018 - March 2019	Twin	Solo	September 20	\$6149	\$8349
(featured itinerary)			October 18	\$5349	\$7199
Inside Cabin	*****	40000	March 14	\$5049	\$6449
May 17	\$6399	\$9299			
June 22	\$6699	\$9599	Triple Room Reduction		N/A
July 12, 18	\$6499	\$9349	Rates are land only, per person	, and do n	ot
August 9, 16	\$6099	\$8199	include the internal flights on t	our Call al	out



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This trip requires a passport. The internal flights are not included in the land price. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased from us. Cabins are assigned by Hurtigruten; stateroom numbers will be supplied upon arrival at the ship in Bergen, Norway. Call for rates for Superior Outside cabins.

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### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Lead your own dog sled team.
- Overnight in a glass igloo amid the Lappish wilderness.
- Meet Santa Claus himself and the Lappish reindeer.
- · Stay for two nights in a Finnish log cabin.
- · Mush your way to breakfast in a Finnish sleigh.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Experience Lapland during a 3-night stay in the north of Finland.
- · Tour Helsinki with a local expert.
- · Set out on nightly northern lights searches in Lapland.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Savor Finnish cuisine in Helsinki's local restaurants.
- · Enjoy warm berry juice, a Finnish winter tradition.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Lilla Roberts Hotel, Helsinki

Days 4 - 6 Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort-West Village, Kakslauttanen

**ROOM UPGRADE AVAILABLE** 

Upgrade your stay to a Kelo glass igloo for all 3 nights. CALL FOR DETAILS

Lilla Roberts Hotel, Helsinki Day 7

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

**TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL** 





# come to know Finnish culture in bustling Helsinki

and the quiet beauty of the remote Lapland.

### START EARLY



Helsinki: Take another night before your tour begins to enjoy this vibrant capital. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

### Day 2: Helsinki, Finland - Tour Begins

Your adventure begins in Helsinki, a city with a vibrant architectural style that blends classicism and functionalism. This evening, gather with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner in the city center. (D)

### Day 3: Helsinki

Join a local expert for an engaging city tour. Visit Senate Square, the heart of Helsinki. Designed by famous architect Carl Ludvig Engel, it is home to the city's most iconic building, the Helsinki Cathedral. Continue your exploration on foot as you make your way through the historic streets of Tori Quarters, where the old city meets

the new. Enjoy some free time in Market Square and discover the local flavors. Next, see Kaivopuisto Park, an ornate neighborhood overlooking the sea that is home to beautiful embassies and villas. This afternoon, explore Helsinki on your own. Or, choose an optional excursion to Porvoo and catch a glimpse of 19th-century daily life in this charming town. A scenic drive along the Porvoo River brings you to the town's iconic red painted storage houses traditionally used to store delicacies from foreign

### Day 4: Helsinki - Ivalo - Kakslauttanen - Northern Lights Search

Board your flight to Lapland, Finland's rugged northern region. Known for its unique culture, this mythical land offers up views of the northern lights, reindeer encounters, and Arctic treasures. This afternoon, explore the splendor of the Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort, where you will enjoy a 3-night stay. Enjoy the glass and snow igloos, an ice chapel, Finnish sauna and intricate native artwork. Spend the next two evenings in your personal









Finnish log cabin equipped with a private fireplace and sauna. Join your fellow travelers on a northern lights trek as you travel north towards Inari, making stops along the way for the best views of the northern lights. Stop to gaze at the sky above and be amazed at the dancing colors in the sky. (B, D)

### Day 5: Kakslauttanen - Santa Claus' Home -Reindeer Safari - Northern Lights

Awake amidst the dramatic scenery. Experience the nature around you as you mush your way to breakfast in a Finnish sleigh. Learn the origins of Santa Claus during a meet and greet at his home (seasonal). The Christmas cheer is an undeniable component of the Lappish culture. This evening, prepare for an Arctic adventure exploring the remote areas of Kakslauttanen on a reindeer safari. A reindeer farmer introduces you to your companions, the Finnish reindeer! Sip a traditional Lappish drink of warm berry juice as you sleigh through the unspoiled wilderness. Cozy under the blankets, continue your search for the northern lights. (B, D)

### Day 6: Kakslauttanen - Husky Safari - Northern **Lights Search**

Begin an exquisite day in the Arctic as commander of your own dog sled team! Cute, fast and born to lead, these huskies will show you the way through the snowcapped scenery. Become acquainted with the dogs, the commands and the equipment before embarking on your adventure. Enjoy your last night in Kakslauttanen in the heart of Lappish wilderness. If you choose to upgrade your accommodations, you may find the northern lights dancing over your private glass igloo. (B, D)

### Day 7: Kakslauttanen - Helsinki

This morning say farewell to Lapland as you board your flight back to Helsinki. Your afternoon is at leisure to explore the city's central squares, charming shops, and the latest Finnish trends. Finally, celebrate your journey during a farewell dinner in downtown Helsinki. Share your memories, photos and unforgettable Lappish experiences. (B, D)

### Day 8: Helsinki - Tour Ends

Set out for home with many incredible memories and a longing to return. (B)

### **STAY LONGER**



Helsinki: Relax and soak in the culture of this quirky seaside city. CALL FOR DETAILS

### **DATES & PRICES**

October 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	October 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
October 25	\$3999	\$4899	March 21	\$3999	\$4899
November 1, 8, 30	\$3999	\$4899	April 4, 11	\$3999	\$4899
December 6 January 10, 12, 24, 31	\$3999 \$3999	\$4899 \$4899	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50	
February 14, 28	\$3999		Rates are land only, per person the internal flights on tour. Call for		



### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

Book another tour with The Northern Lights of Finland and create one grand experience. Suggested Tour: • Iceland's Magical Northern Lights CALL FOR DETAILS

This trip requires a passport. Interflights are not included in the land price of your tour and must be purchased through us. The northern lights are in the Northern Hemisphere from September through April and are only visible when the sky is clear and free of clouds. As this tour is weather dependent, sightings of the northern lights are not guaranteed. Outdoor activities and structures are weather dependent and may be unavailable or rescheduled. Outdoor activities in months of October, early November or April may vary depending on snowfall. Finnish log cabins (small cabins) are equipped with 1 double bed, 1 bunk bed, a dining space, two bathrooms (inclusive of sink, toilet and shower), private sauna and private fireplace. Glass igloos are equipped with only a private sink and toilet. A privacy curtain lines the base of the bedroom inside the igloo. Guests will have access to a public sauna house to use the shower on their last morning.

# SHADES OF IRELAND

10 DAYS · 13 MEALS FROM \$1999



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

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

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Soak in the atmosphere of Ireland's vibrant capital city — Dublin.
- Stand in awe of the stunning 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher.
- · Kiss the famed Blarney Stone at Blarney Castle.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

- DAY 3 | See the highlights of Dublin via coach with a local guide or set out on a walking tour of the city's historic center.
- DAY 4 Tour the famous Waterford Crystal factory or explore the Medieval Museum and enjoy a guided tour and glass of wine in the 15th-century Mayor's Wine Vault.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

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



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham, Dublin

Day 4 Granville Hotel, Waterford

**Days 5, 6** Killarney Avenue Hotel, Killarney Towers Hotel or Killarney Plaza Hotel,

Killarney

**Days 7, 8** Absolute Hotel, George Hotel or Savoy Hotel, Limerick

Day 9 Cabra Castle, Kingscourt

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

age 187 for details.





# from vibrant and history-filled Dublin, across rolling green hills

to the dramatic coast, experience all of Ireland's charm on this magical tour of the Emerald Isle.

### START EARLY

ADD A DAY **Dublin:** Seize the chance to spend more time in this joyous city with a soul all its OWN. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Anticipation mounts as you wind your way toward the Emerald Isle and its many wonders. Rich history, rolling hills and warm smiles lie ahead in Dublin, Waterford, Killarney and Limerick. With tomorrow comes quintessential Ireland.

### Day 2: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

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

### Day 3: Dublin 😯

Today, **it's your choice!** Will you ride with a local guide to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Stephen's Green, Grafton Street, and the historic Phoenix Park? **-OR-** will you choose a walking tour of the city's historic center,

exploring O'Connell Street, the General Post Office, and the River Liffey? Either way, what follows is an afternoon to discover Dublin's charms on your own. (B)

### Day 4: Dublin - Kilkenny - Waterford 😵

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

### Day 5: Waterford - Blarney Stone - Killarney

Live the legend. The story goes that those who kiss the Blarney Stone gain the gift of eloquence. This morning, give it a shot at historic Blarney Castle. Cross into County Kerry and continue on to charming Killarney. In Killarney's stunning national park, board a traditional boat and sail through the breathtaking lakes in the company of an expert boatman. This evening it's Diner's Choice...tonight's dinner is included and you'll choose









the perfect spot from a 'menu' of Killarney's great restaurants. (B, D)

### Day 6: Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney

Take in the rugged coastline. Loop your way around the picturesque Ring of Kerry, past pristine beaches, quaint villages and majestic landscapes. At the Gap of Dunloe, shop for local artisan-made crafts. See border collies in action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration at a family-run farm. The night is free for reminiscing about the day as you find your own authentic taste of Irish culture. (B)

### Day 7: Killarney - Adare - Limerick

Start your day with a traditional jaunting car ride through Killarney National Park. Travel to Adare, Ireland's prettiest village, for some time at leisure. Continue to Limerick where a panoramic city tour showcases King John's Castle and the Treaty Stone. Delve into the fascinating history of the "city of the violated treaty." (B)

## **Day 8:** Limerick - Cliffs of Moher - Galway - Limerick

Today brings you to the dramatic, 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher for cinematic views of the mighty Atlantic. Pass through the windswept, limestone landscape of the Burren, known for its stark beauty and Neolithic tombs. Continue on to Galway where a brief tour showcases "The City of Tribes" before relaxing over dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

## **Day 9:** Limerick - Tullamore/Kilbeggan - Kingscourt

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

**Day 10:** Kingscourt - Tour Ends Your journey ends in Kingscourt. (B)

### STAY LONGER



Kingscourt: Enjoy the royal treatment and stay another night in Cabra Castle. CALL FOR DETAILS

### DATES & PRICES

February – April 2018 different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 August 18, 22, 25, 27	Twin \$2299	<b>Solo</b> \$2799
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March 1, 3, 5, 7, 8	\$1999	\$2399	September 12, 13, 15	\$2299	\$2799
★ March 10, 12	\$1999	\$2399	September 17, 19, 22, 24	\$2299	\$2799
★ March 14	\$2049	\$2449	September 26, 29	\$2299	\$2799
March 17, 19, 21	\$2049	\$2449	October 1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 13	\$2249	\$2749
April 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11	\$2099	\$2499	October 15, 17, 20	\$2199	\$2699
April 12, 16, 18	\$2149	\$2549	October 24, 27, 29	\$2099	\$2549
April 19, 21, 23, 25, 26, 28	\$2199	\$2599	November 3, 5, 7	\$1999	\$2399
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May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	March 23, 25, 27, 30	\$2099	\$2549
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### CELEBRATE TRADITION

St. Patrick's Day
Celebrate in Ireland and be a part
of this national day of revelry.

March 10, 12, 14, 2018 & March 9, 11, 13, 16 2019



This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from Dublin airport. All of our transfers will arrive into and depart from Dublin airport. On day 10, due to flight schedules, you may require an early morning departure from your hotel. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse.

### **ALSO AVAILABLE**

Shades of Ireland featuring Northern Ireland 13 days - 17 meals

Visit collette.com for details.

## **ELEGANT IRELAND**

9 DAYS · 11 MEALS FROM \$2549



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Take in a night of traditional song and dance.
- Enjoy an evening of storytelling and song at Castlemartyr Resort.
- Spend two nights at Dromoland Castle, one of Europe's most iconic hotels.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Jump into Ireland's vibrant capital city Dublin.
- · Kiss the famed Blarney Stone at Blarney Castle.
- Stand in awe of the stunning 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher.



### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

- DAY 3 | Set out on a drive with a local guide to see Dublin's iconic sites or select a walking tour through its historic center.
- DAY 5 | Enjoy the amenities at Castlemartyr or visit the Old Midleton Distillery for a guided tour and tasting.
- **DAY 6** | Traverse the most beautiful coastal routes in the world the Ring of Kerry **or** enjoy a day relaxing at your five-star resort.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Feel like royalty when dining at Dromoland Castle.
- Watch a demonstration and then enjoy a taste of Irish coffee.
- Savor organic Irish ciders and apple syrups with a visit to a family-owned farm.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 InterContinental, Dublin
Day 4 Castlemartyr Resort, Cork

Days 5, 6 The Dunloe Hotel or The Europe Hotel,

Killarney

Days 7, 8 Dromoland Castle, County Clare

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# discover Ireland's luxurious castles and country estates.

Enjoy all that Ireland offers and enjoy luxury along the way.

### START EARLY

ADD A DAY **Dublin:** Relax and settle into the "fair city" before your tour begins.

CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Enter a refined and gentler age, where Ireland's history weaves its way through natural wonders and luxurious estates...and every step feels like a dream.

### Day 2: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

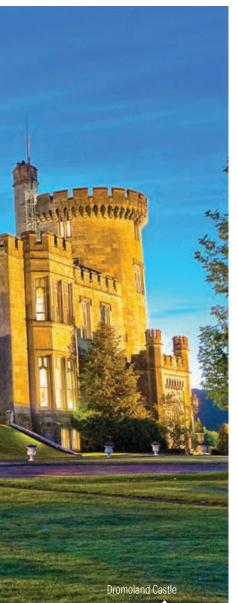
There is no better place to begin your journey than Dublin, Ireland's dynamic capital city. Discover a city brimming with history and warmth. End your day at a rollicking "Irish Night" complete with traditional entertainment. (D)

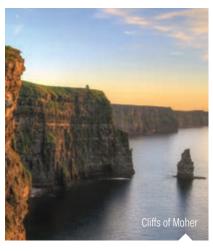
### Day 3: Dublin 😯

**The choice is yours!** Will you set out with a local guide on a drive to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, and the historic Phoenix Park **-OR**- perhaps you will choose a walking tour of the city's historic center, exploring Grafton Street, St. Stephen's Green, the General Post Office, and the River Liffey. Either way, what follows your tour is a free afternoon for discovering Dublin's charms on your own. (B)

### Day 4: Dublin - Kilkenny - Farm Visit - Castlemartyr

Leave Dublin behind for the medieval splendor of 12th-century Kilkenny. Enjoy time to peruse the city before visiting a family-run farm. Learn about the traditions of Irish farming and how organic practices are being used to produce award-winning ciders, spirits and syrups. Next, travel south for a relaxing stay at the Castlemartyr Resort, a grand manor house which once belonged to Sir Walter Raleigh. Cap off









your evening enjoying Ireland's oldest form of entertainment, storytelling, and explore the legends that shape the country's unique culture. (B, D)

### Day 5: Castlemartyr - Blarney - Killarney 😯

Enjoy a leisurely morning to relax at your hotel. Then, the choice is yours! Visit the Old Midleton Distillery where a guided tour and tasting will showcase the extraordinary story of Jameson Irish Whiskey -OR- choose to stay behind to stroll Castlemartyr's 220 stunning acres and enjoy its amenities. Later we travel to historic Blarney Castle and embrace the opportunity to kiss the Blarney Stone. Legend has it that those who kiss the stone are bestowed with the gift of eloquence. Arrive in Killarney, your home for the next two nights. (B, D)

### Day 6: Killarney 😯

The choice is yours! Join a guide for an adventure on one of the most beautiful coastal routes in the world - the Ring of Kerry; this world-famous trail is part of an unspoiled region that is home to the types of plunging cliffs and miles of brilliant greenery for which the Emerald Isle is known -OR- if you prefer, you may stay behind to enjoy a relaxing day at your five-star resort. (B)

### Day 7: Killarney - Foynes - Cliffs of Moher -**Dromoland Castle**

Visit the Foynes Flying Boat Museum which recalls the history of aviation travel between North America and Europe. Foynes is also where Irish coffee was invented, so drink up! Then, journey to the stunning 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher for awe-inspiring views of the mighty Atlantic and the Aran Islands. As you are whisked through gorgeous countryside, arrive at Ireland's iconic Dromoland Castle for a relaxing 2-night stay. (B)

### Day 8: Dromoland Castle

Live the life of a royal as you enjoy an entire day at leisure at Dromoland Castle. Tonight, dine in the castle and toast the end of an unforgettable trip! (B, D)

### Day 9: Dromoland Castle - Tour Ends

Your journey comes to a close in Shannon. (B)

### **DATES & PRICES**

February - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin Solo	September 2018 – April 201 November 1		<b>Solo</b> \$3399
February 22*	\$2199 \$2849	March 21, 28, 31		\$3499
March 8 April 5, 26	\$2549 \$3199 \$2749 \$3499	April 11		\$3499
Itinerary featured is for September		April 25	\$2999	\$4199
departures. Departures prior to this confirm at time of reservation.		Triple Room Reduction	0.111	N/A

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

\*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, vou'll eniov smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Dublin and depart from Shannon. All of our transfers will arrive into and depart from these airports. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse.

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September 2018 - April 2019 Twin Solo

(featured itinerary)

September 27

October 4

October 25

September 13, 20

## BRITISH LANDSCAPES

10 DAYS · 12 MEALS FROM \$2249



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Behold the Crown Jewels of Scotland on a guided tour of Edinburgh Castle.
- Discover the beauty of the picturesque Lake District.
- · Overnight in a historic Welsh castle.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- See the quintessential sights of London with a local guide.
- · Venture to mystical, ancient Stonehenge.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 6 | In Edinburgh, take a locally guided panoramic city coach tour or explore the city on foot. Both tours include visits to Edinburgh Castle, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels; and the Palace of Holyroodhouse.

DAY 8 | In Stratford-upon-Avon, tour Anne Hathaway's thatch-roofed cottage or enjoy a leisurely cruise along the picturesque Avon River.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy a private dinner at Hall's Croft, a 400-year-old Shakespeare family home.
- Dine like a Londoner with dinner at an English pub.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Grange City Hotel, London

Day 4 Hotel 53, York

**Days 5, 6** Apex Grassmarket Hotel

or Apex City Hotel, Edinburgh

**Day 7** Ruthin Castle, Ruthin

**Days 8, 9** Mercure Shakespeare Hotel or The Stratford Hotel, Stratford-upon-Avon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## tour the English countryside, surrounded by sleepy villages

and lakes set amidst mountains that have inspired centuries of literature, and cities thriving with British art and culture.

### START EARLY



**London:** Embrace the endless diversity and history of this magical city.

CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Feel the vibrant energy of England, hear the unique sounds of Scotland, and see the rolling countryside of Wales on a trip that combines the exploration of dramatic history and natural wonders.

### Day 2: London, England - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in London, the cosmopolitan and historic capital of England. This evening, join your fellow travelers for an ale and pie tasting at a traditional English pub. (D)

### Day 3: London

This morning, see the quintessential sights of London with your local guide. View the Tower of London, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to independently explore this iconic city. (B)

### Day 4: London - Train Journey - York

It's time to say farewell to London and travel to the

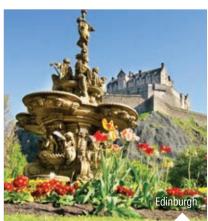
medieval city of York, stopping in the 800-year-old university town of Cambridge en route. Upon arrival in York your Tour Manager will give you a brief orientation tour. Or, choose to arrive in York earlier by taking an optional high speed rail journey; climb aboard at London King's Cross; sit back and relax as your travel 125mph through England's stunning countryside, arriving in York just over two hours later where a local expert will meet you at York Station for a walking tour of this remarkable city; see York's famous Minster and walk the labyrinth of quaint narrow streets that appears today almost as it did during the Middle Ages. Tonight, stay within the city's historic walls. (B)

### Day 5: York - Borders Region, Scotland - Edinburgh

Enjoy a leisurely morning in York before traveling north through the rolling fields to bonnie ("lovely" in Scottish) Scotland. Stretching across the country you will find Hadrian's Wall which once marked the northern border of the Roman Empire. Stop to see this ancient fortification that was begun in A.D. 122 to protect Roman Britain from the tribes of Scotland. Next, drive through Scotland's Borders region before arriving in Edinburgh, the "Athens of the North." Discover Scotland's exciting capital city, one of Europe's most beautiful cities brimming with history and culture just waiting to be discovered. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)











### Day 6: Edinburgh 😯

Today it's your choice! Get acquainted with this regal city on a locally guided panoramic city tour via coach **-OR-** for a different perspective, join a local expert to explore the city on foot. Both tours include visits to Edinburgh Castle, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels; and the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh and former home of Mary, Queen of Scots. The remainder of the day is free to independently explore the city. (B)

### Day 7: Edinburgh - Lake District, England -Ruthin Castle, Wales

Our final stop in Scotland is at the border town of Gretna Green, where generations of runaway couples came to be married. Later, return to England and travel through the picturesque Lake District. In the heart of the Lake District, visit the charming village of Grasmere, home of the poet William Wordsworth. End your day with an overnight stay in beautiful Ruthin Castle, situated in the north of Wales. (B, D)

### Day 8: Wales - Stratford-upon-Avon, England 😯

Journey to Stratford-upon-Avon, your home for the next two nights and birthplace of William Shakespeare, England's most famous playwright. Step back in time as we visit Shakespeare's birthplace. Then, it's your choice! Tour Anne Hathaway's thatch-roofed cottage, the childhood home of the author's wife -OR- choose to enjoy a leisurely cruise along the picturesque Avon River. (B)

### Day 9: Stratford - Stonehenge - Cotswolds -Stratford

Complete your visit to Britain with a trip to the mystical and fascinating Stonehenge before traveling through some of England's most beautiful countryside. Explore the picturesque villages of the Cotswolds region. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a private farewell dinner at Hall's Croft, a 400-year-old Shakespeare family home. As traditionally costumed actors perform some of the playwright's most renowned scenes, toast the end of a wonderful journey. (B, D)

### Day 10: Stratford-upon-Avon - Tour Ends Your journey through Britain ends today. (B)

This trip requires a passport. Due to transfer scheduling, flights on the last day of your tour should depart after 11:30 a.m. Our air passengers will arrive and depart from London airports. On day 10, all of our transfers will depart from Stratford-upon-Avon for London airports.

### **DATES & PRICES**

January - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note) January 25* February 22 March 8, 13, 15 April 5, 7, 12, 14 ★ April 6, 11	Twin \$2199 \$2499 \$2499 \$2699 \$2999	\$2849 \$3149 \$3149 \$3399 \$3799	May 2018 – April 2019 September 1, 6, 8, 13, 15 September 20, 22 September 27, 29 October 4, 11, 20, 25 November 1, 3* March 14, 21*	Twin \$2649 \$2649 \$2449 \$2399 \$2249 \$2249	\$0lo \$3249 \$3249 \$3049 \$2999 \$2799 \$2799
April 21, 26	\$2799	\$3599	April 4, 5, 6, 11	\$2399	\$2999
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary.			April 25, 26, 27	\$2499	\$3149
Please confirm at time of reservation		ту.	Triple Room Reduction		(-) \$30

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

\*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, vou'll eniov smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time



### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

Twin Solo

\$2499 \$3149

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\$3199

Book another tour with British Landscapes and create one grand experience. Suggested Tours: 1 Spain's Classics 2 Sunny Portugal CALL FOR DETAILS

## **CELEBRATE TRADITION**

**Highclere Castle Visit** 

May 2018 - April 2019

★ August 2, 4, 9, 16, 18

(featured itinerary)

May 12, 17, 19, 24

June 7, 9, 14, 23

July 5, 14, 21, 26

May 3

Enter the world of Downton Abbey as you visit Highclere Castle, filming location of the show.

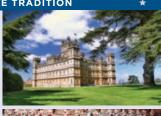
### April 6 & 11, 2018

These departures include an additional night in London. Call for details

### **Edinburgh Military Tattoo**

Passengers arriving in Edinburgh from August 6-23, 2018 will receive tickets to Edinburgh's famous Military Tattoo show on Day 6.

August 6-23, 2018





# EXPLORING SCOTLAND & IRELAND

13 DAYS · 17 MEALS FROM \$2999



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Explore the ruins of historic Urquhart Castle on the banks of Loch Ness.
- Be transported to a bygone era during a traditional "night on the town" in 20th century Ulster.
- Embark on one of the world's most breathtaking rail journeys along the Causeway Coast.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Tour the "Fair City" of Dublin with a local guide.
- · Embark on a cruise on beautiful Loch Ness.
- Set out on a walking tour of Derry featuring its medieval city walls.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 3 | In Edinburgh, take a locally guided panoramic city coach tour that includes the Palace of Holyroodhouse or explore the city on foot and descend into the city's underground vaults.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Sample the "Water of Life" at a Scottish whisky distillery.
- Join in the fun during a night of traditional Irish food and entertainment.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3G & V Royal Mile Hotel, EdinburghDay 4Kingsmills Hotel or Palace Hotel,

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**Day 5** Ballachulish Hotel or Isles of Glencoe Hotel, Ballachulish

**Day 6** Jurys Inn, Glasgow

Days 7, 8 The Maldron City Center Hotel, Belfast

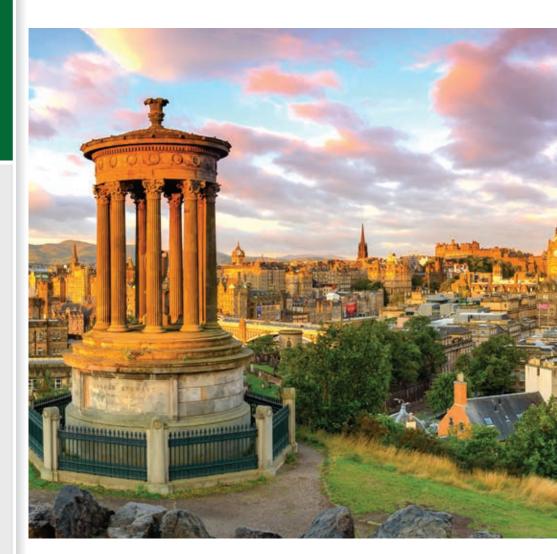
**Days 9, 10** The Maldron Hotel, Derry or Roe Park Resort, Limavady

Days 11, 12 Barberstown Castle, Kildare

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# bask in the warm Celtic culture and majestic scenery

on a tour of Ireland and Scotland that combines the best of two remarkable lands.

### START EARLY



**Edinburgh:** Open your tour with more time to explore Scotland's stately capital. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

From rugged natural beauty to vibrant and historical cities, the diverse charms of Scotland and Ireland await.

### Day 2: Edinburgh, Scotland - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Edinburgh, Scotland's capital city. Tonight, experience how traditional Scottish ingredients are getting a modern twist during a welcome dinner at one of the city's popular restaurants. (D)

### Day 3: Edinburgh 😯

Today **it's your choice!** Get acquainted with this regal city on a locally guided panoramic tour; explore both Old Town and New Town before visiting the Palace at Holyroodhouse, the Queen's official residence in

Edinburgh and former home of Mary Queen of Scots

•OR- for a different perspective, join a local expert for an in-depth walking tour of Edinburgh's Old Town; meander the cobbled streets and narrow alleyways before descending into the city's underground vaults to uncover a world unchanged since the 18th century. (B)

### Day 4: Edinburgh - St. Andrews - Eastern Highlands

Travel to St. Andrews – the beautiful town in the Kingdom of Fife that gave the world the game of golf – to see the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the famous Old Course. Next, stop at Pitlochry, a vibrant Victorian town. Discover its old-world appeal as you explore this popular resort town on your own. Enjoy a privately guided tour at one of Scotland's renowned whisky distilleries and taste for yourself why Highland malt whisky is considered the world's finest. (B, D)

### Day 5: Eastern Highlands - Loch Ness - Ballachulish

This morning take a scenic cruise on Loch Ness before disembarking at the base of famed Urquhart Castle. Explore the ruins of this historic stronghold where acts



of chivalry and defiance exhibit more than 1,000 years of Scottish history. Continue south through Scotland's stunning Great Glen before arriving at your hotel on the banks of Loch Linnhe. (B, D)

### Day 6: Ballachulish - Glasgow

Begin your day with a breathtaking drive in the heart of Scotland as you pass through Glencoe and Rannoch Moor. Arrive in the Victorian metropolis of Glasgow, Scotland's largest city. Take in the sights with a local expert before enjoying an evening at leisure in this bustling city. (B)

### Day 7: Glasgow - Ferry Crossing - Belfast, Northern Ireland

Travel along the scenic Ayrshire coast to your ferry. Cross the famed Irish Sea as we head for Northern Ireland's capital city of Belfast. Later you are invited to a traditional Irish céilí. This experience takes you back to the cobblestoned streets and Irish fare of turn of the century Ulster. Enjoy a hot toddy or a glass of Guinness as you lose yourself in the rousing music. Then it's time to dance! (B, D)

### Day 8: Belfast

Enjoy a privately guided tour of Belfast, Northern Ireland's largest city. Learn about the struggles in this great city's history as you pass through its distinctive neighborhoods. See "Samson" and "Goliath," the massive cranes of the Belfast shipyard. Complete today's tour with a visit to

the award-winning Titanic Experience museum.

### Day 9: Belfast - Glens of Antrim - Giant's Causeway - Derry

Venture along the stunning Antrim Coastal Route, stopping at the Giant's Causeway, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Formed by volcanic activity millions of years ago, the causeway resembles an old cobbled road leading mystically into the sea. Then, embark on one of the world's most beautiful railway journeys along the Causeway Coast. Soak up the incredible scenery before arriving in the walled city of Derry. Set out on a walking tour featuring the medieval city walls, St. Augustine's Cathedral, and the Guildhall. This evening perhaps you will discover why Derry is one of Ireland's best-kept secrets during an optional evening of storytelling and traditional music at one of the city's best farm-to-table restaurants. (B)

### Day 10: Derry - County Donegal - Glenveagh National Park - Derry

Today's journey showcases the rugged beauty of County Donegal. Visit spectacular Glenveagh National Park, a natural wonderland with 40,000 acres of mountains, lakes and woodland. Enjoy a guided visit to stately Glenveagh Castle, set amidst the colorful splendor of one of the finest gardens in Ireland. Tonight it's Diner's Choice...dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a 'menu' of Derry's great restaurants. (B, D)

### Day 11: Derry - Ulster American Folk Park -Barberstown Castle, Republic of Ireland

Travel to the Ulster American Folk Park where you will find collected buildings and artifacts from generations past. As you walk through the museum, learn how the Irish used to live and about the tragic and triumphant experiences that awaited them in America after emigration. Pass through the scenic countryside and cross into the Republic of Ireland. We end our day at Barberstown Castle, a regal 13th-century castle and country house hotel in the heart of Ireland's Ancient East. (B)

### Day 12: Barberstown Castle - Dublin -**Barberstown Castle**

A locally guided tour of Dublin highlights the world-renowned St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, Grafton Street, Phoenix Park and the city's magnificent rows of lovely Georgian town homes. Spend the rest of your day at leisure as you delve further into Dublin's cultural treasures. This evening, toast the end of an incredible adventure during a farewell dinner at your castle hotel. (B, D)

**STAY LONGER** 

### Day 13: Barberstown Castle - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close. (B)

### **ADD** A DAY

Barberstown Castle: Enjoy another royal night in the Irish countryside. CALL FOR DETAILS





### **DATES & PRICES**

March - April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)			★ August 12, 19	\$3699	\$4349
March 4, 18	\$2999	\$3799	September 2, 9, 16, 23	\$3499	\$3999
April 8, 22	\$3149	\$3949	September 30	\$3299	\$3699
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departures. Departures prior to this			March 10	\$2999	\$3399
Please confirm at time of reservation	n.		April 7, 24	\$3249	\$3649
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	April 28	\$3299	\$3699
(featured itinerary)			,		
May 20, 27	\$3449	\$3949	Triple Room Reduction		(-) \$50
June 10, 24	\$3499	\$3999	Rates are land only, per persor	ı. Call abou	ıt
July 8, 15	\$3499	\$3999	additional dates.		
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This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will depart from Dublin airport. All of our transfers depart from the Kildare area for Dublin airport.

to Edinburgh's famous Military Tattoo

show on Day 4.

August 6-23, 2018

## DISCOVER SCOTLAND

10 DAYS · 14 MEALS FROM \$1999



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Visit a working farm and meet a shepherd and his sheepdogs.
- Reflect at Culloden Battlefield, the site of the half-hour battle that changed history.
- Discover the remains of a Neolithic village at Skara Brae.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Experience the Orkney Islands during a full-day guided excursion.
- Visit magnificent Edinburgh Castle, a stone fortress perched high above the city.
- Explore the legendary Isle of Skye while soaking up the dramatic views.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure

DAY 9 | In Edinburgh, take a locally guided panoramic city tour that includes a visit to the Palace at Holyroodhouse or join a local expert and explore the Old Town and Royal Mile on foot. Both choices feature a visit to Edinburgh Castle!



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Learn the art of producing Scotch whisky during a distillery tour and tasting.
- Enjoy an interactive cooking experience at one of Edinburgh's premier culinary institutions.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

**Day 2** Hilton or Doubletree by Hilton, Glasgow

**Days 3, 4** Ballachulish Hotel or Isles of Glencoe Hotel, Ballachulish

Days 5, 6 Pentland Hotel, Station Hotel, Castletown Hotel, or St Clair Hotel, Thurso

**Day 7** Grant Arms Hotel, Grantown-on-Spey

**Days 8, 9** Radisson Blu, Edinburgh
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# learn to play the bagpipe, explore the historic Highlands

and tour stately castles...enjoy an inclusive Scottish experience.

### START EARLY



Glasgow: Open your Scottish adventure with more time in this cultural hub.
CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

An overnight flight transports you to a country of stunning landscapes, lively cities and stirring history.

### Day 2: Glasgow, Scotland - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Glasgow, Scotland's Victorian capital city. Start your Scottish adventure with a visit to the National Piping Centre. After a demonstration and lesson with a renowned piper, it's your chance to give it a go! Then, join your fellow travelers for a lively welcome dinner at the Centre's farm-to-table restaurant. (D)

### Day 3: Glasgow - Glencoe - Ballachulish

Enjoy a leisurely morning in Glasgow before visiting one of Scotland's renowned whisky distilleries. Taste and see for yourself why Highland malt whisky is considered the world's finest. Continue on to the Highlands, through the breathtaking scenery of Glencoe and Rannoch Moor,

before arriving at your hotel situated on lovely Loch Linnhe. (B, D)

### Day 4: Ballachulish - Isle of Skye - Ballachulish

Take a stunning drive along the "Road to the Isles" and over the Skye Bridge to the legendary Isle of Skye, also known in poetry and song as Eilean a' Cheò (The Misty Isle). Enjoy dramatic views of the Cuillin Hills. Then, visit Armadale Castle & Gardens and the Museum of the Isles to learn about island life and the history of Skye. Conclude your visit with views of the isle from yet another vantage point during a ferry crossing back to the mainland. Returning to Ballachulish, see Glenfinnan where Bonnie Prince Charlie rallied the clansmen for battle during the 1745 Jacobite Rebellion. (B, D)

### Day 5: Ballachulish - Loch Ness - Thurso

Today, enjoy stunning and unspoiled landscapes as you journey further into the Highlands. Visit the striking ruins of Urquhart Castle before enjoying a cruise on Loch Ness, one of Britain's most scenic bodies of water. Keep your eyes open — you never know when Nessie will appear! Travel through the Great Glen, famous for its many lochs (lakes). Your day concludes in Thurso. (B)









### Day 6: Thurso - Orkney Islands - Thurso

A day of adventure awaits as you voyage by ferry to the Orkney Islands - once a Viking stronghold off the coast of Scotland. On the crossing you'll see abundant bird life and, if you are lucky, porpoises and seals. A local quide introduces this magical place that very few visitors to Scotland get to experience. Visit Skara Brae where you will discover the remains of a Neolithic village built at the same time as the Great Pyramids in Egypt. Next, pass the prehistoric Ring of Brodgar, reported to be older than Stonehenge. Visit the town of Viking Kirkwall before returning to the mainland. (B, D)

### Day 7: Thurso - Eastern Highlands

Today you will visit Culloden Battlefield. On this spot in April 1746, a half-hour battle changed the course of Scotland's history. We also stop at the majestic Dunrobin Castle which dates back to the 1300s. Take in the breathtaking views as you drive along the windswept cliffs of Scotland's east coast. Enjoy an overnight stay in the Eastern Highlands. (B, D)

### Day 8: Eastern Highlands - Pitlochry - St. Andrews - Edinburgh

Begin your day with a visit to a family-run farm set in the heart of the Highlands. See sheepdogs at work while surrounded by the mountain wilderness of Cairngorms National Park. Continue on to the vibrant Victorian town of Pitlochry for some time at leisure before

traveling to St. Andrews, the beautiful town in the Kingdom of Fife that gave the world the game of golf. See the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the famous Old Course. End your day in Scotland's capital city of Edinburgh. (B)

### Day 9: Edinburgh 😵

Today it's your choice! Perhaps you'll choose to get acquainted with this regal capital on a locally guided panoramic city tour; explore both the Old and New towns before visiting the Palace at Holyroodhouse, the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh and former home of Mary Queen of Scots -OR- for a different perspective, maybe you'd rather join a local expert and explore the Old Town and Royal Mile on foot; descend into the city's vast underground vaults and uncover a world unchanged since the 18th century. Both choices include a visit to Edinburgh Castle, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels. This evening, give traditional Scottish ingredients a modern twist. Enjoy a lively and interactive cooking experience at one of Scotland's premier culinary institutions. With a "wee dram" in hand, toast the end of a wonderful journey. (B, D)

### Day 10: Edinburgh - Tour Ends

Your tour of Scotland comes to a close today. (B)

### **STAY LONGER**

**ADD** A DAY

Edinburgh: Explore more of Scotland's stately capital. CALL FOR DETAILS

### **DATES & PRICES**

March - April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)			September 23	\$2699	\$3199
March 18*	\$1999	\$2349	September 30	\$2499	\$2949
April 8, 9, 15, 16	\$2399	\$2799	October 7	\$2499	\$2949
April 22	\$2499	\$2949	October 14, 21	\$2399	\$2799
April 29	\$2599	\$3099	March 17*	\$1999	\$2349
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - April 2019 tour			March 31	\$2399	\$2799
departures. Departures prior to this		ry.	April 1, 7, 8	\$2399	\$2799
Please confirm at time of reservation	n.		April 28, 29	\$2599	\$3099
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30-\$	550

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

\*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, vou'll eniov smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time

### **CELEBRATE TRADITION**

\$2599 \$3099

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### **Edinburgh Military Tattoo**

May 6, 13

July 8, 18

**★** July 29

★ August 5, 6, 12, 13, 20

September 2, 9, 16, 17

June 3, 10, 17

Passengers arriving in Edinburgh from August 3-25, 2018 will receive tickets to Edinburgh's famous Military Tattoo show.

August 3-25, 2018



This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Glasgow airport and depart from Edinburgh airport. All of our transfers will arrive into Glasgow airport and depart from Edinburgh airport. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse.

### **SPOTLIGHT ON LONDON**

7 DAYS · 7 MEALS FROM \$1399



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Explore London's famous Underground, known to locals as 'the Tube.'
- · Visit Blenheim Palace, one of England's most magnificent homes

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Take an eye-opening panoramic tour of London.
- · Enjoy a privately-led walking tour in Oxford.



### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

**DAY 4** Join a locally guided tour of the Kensington and Knightsbridge neighborhoods or travel to Whitehall to see 10 Downing Street and visit the Churchill War Rooms.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

· Gather for a special dinner at a traditional English pub and enjoy an ale tasting.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 6 Grange Fitzrovia Hotel, Grange Strathmore Hotel or Radisson Blu Edwardian, Vanderbilt, London

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



## embrace the life of a Londoner as you explore

the city's iconic landmarks, out-of-the-way corners and even travel into the countryside.

### START EARLY



London: Reward yourself with another night in this cultural capital.

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

London calls. Experience the regal touches and daily charms of life in this grand city.

### Day 2: London, England - Tour Begins

Welcome to London, a sophisticated metropolis with a timeless style all its own. Its bustling city streets are lined with beautiful gardens, fascinating museums, celebrated monuments and grand theaters - and you'll be a part of it all! This evening, experience a classic British pastime when you join your fellow travelers for a special welcome dinner at a traditional pub, complete with an ale tasting! (D)

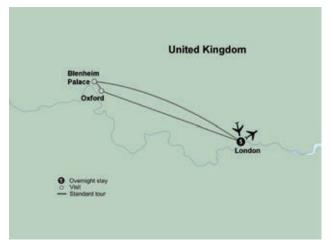
### Day 3: London

Join a local expert on a panoramic city tour. See Trafalgar Square, St. Paul's Cathedral, the Tower of London, and Buckingham Palace, the London home to Britain's royalty since 1837. At Westminster, see the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey and Big Ben. End your city tour with a visit to Harrods, London's most iconic department store. This afternoon, perhaps you will join us on an optional tour to regal Windsor Castle. Originally built to guard the city of London, the imposing castle has been the home of kings and gueens for nine centuries. (B)











### Day 4: London 😯

Start your day like a true Londoner. Hop on the famous Underground, known to locals as 'the Tube.' Opened in 1863, this engineering marvel was the world's first metro system. Next, it's your choice! Perhaps you will join a local guide and explore the neighborhoods of Kensington and Knightsbridge, known for their iconic shops and famous residents, before a visit to Kensington Palace, once the home of Queen Victoria and Princess Diana -OR- perhaps you would prefer to travel to Westminster station and snap a photo in front of Big Ben before heading north on Whitehall, known as the center of Her Majesty's Government. Catch a glimpse of 10 Downing Street before visiting the Churchill War Rooms, (B)

## **Day 5:** London - Oxford - Blenheim Palace - London

Travel across England's beautiful countryside en route to the historic city of Oxford, one of the world's most famous university cities. Join a local expert on a privately-led walking tour that brings life to this quaint, yet privileged place.

Enjoy some free time to explore the city at leisure before setting out to visit Blenheim Palace, one of England's most magnificent homes, for a self-guided tour. Famous for being the birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill, this UNESCO World Heritage site offers a glimpse into the life of English royalty. (B)

### Day 6: London

It's your last day in London. Spend the day independently exploring more of London's treasures. Or perhaps you'll join an optional excursion featuring Bath (UNESCO), one of England's most beautiful cities. Tonight, gather for a special farewell dinner at a favorite London restaurant and toast the end of a wonderful getaway! (B, D)

### Day 7: London - Tour Ends

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

### DATES & PRICES

January - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019 July 26	Twin \$1599	<b>Solo</b> \$2199
January 17*	\$1449	\$1999	August 23	\$1599	\$2199
February 7*	\$1449	\$1999	September 6	\$1599	\$2199
March 7	\$1649	\$2249	September 20	\$1599	\$2199
April 4, 18	\$1849	\$2599	October 17	\$1499	\$1999
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - April 2019 tour			March 30*	\$1399	\$1899
departures. Departures prior to this		ry.	April 4	\$1499	\$1999
Please confirm at time of reservation		0.1	Triple Room Reduction		(-)\$30
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	Rates are land only, per person additional dates.	. Call abou	t
May 3 \$1499 \$1999 ★ May 17 \$1999 \$2799			*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus,		

### CELEBRATE TRADITION

### **Chelsea Flower Show**

Experience members-only day at the famous Chelsea Flower Show with full access to this prestigious event.

May 17, 2018



you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time

This trip requires a passport.

June 7

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Christmas in London 7 days - 7 meals

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## LONDON & PARIS

8 DAYS · 9 MEALS FROM \$1999



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Cruise along the Seine River against a backdrop of Paris' glittering skyline.
- Enjoy time at leisure to soak up the culture of both London and Paris.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Join a local expert on a London tour featuring Trafalgar Square, the Tower of London, Big Ben, and more.
- Cross the English Channel aboard the Eurostar Train.



### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 3 | In London, explore the Churchill War Rooms or tour regal Westminster Abbey.

DAY 6 | See the iconic sites of Paris during a panoramic drive with a stop at the Notre Dame Cathedral or set out to explore via the Metro.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Savor delicious cuisine and breathtaking views when dining at the Eiffel Tower.
- Dine with the locals at a traditional English pub.
- Immerse yourself in Parisian culture at dinner at Paris' oldest cabaret theatre.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 4 Grange City Hotel, London

Days 5 - 7 Marriott Rive Gauche Hotel, Paris

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.





# experience two of the world's greatest cities

on a single adventure that brings together iconic landmarks with plenty of time for personal discovery.

### START EARLY

ADD A DAY **London:** Open you tour with a night to explore this incredible city.

CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Take two! Experience two of the world's most captivating cities: London and Paris! To help you make the most of your getaway, you'll unpack just once in each city.

### Day 2: London, England - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in London, the United Kingdom's cosmopolitan capital. This evening, experience a classic British tradition as you join your new mates for a special welcome dinner at a traditional pub, complete with an ale tasting. (D)

### Day 3: London 😯

Join a local expert for a day in London. Begin with a panoramic tour highlighting the must-sees, including Trafalgar Square, the Tower of London, Big Ben, Kensington and Knightsbridge. Stop by Harrods, the jewel in the crown of London department stores — don't miss the world-famous food hall! This afternoon, it's your choice! Return to wartime Britain while exploring the Churchill War Rooms, the secret underground center of Britain's government during WWII -OR- tour Westminster Abbey, the coronation church of Britain's monarchs from William the Conqueror to Elizabeth II. (B)

### Day 4: London

After a hearty breakfast, enjoy a day to explore at your leisure. You may take an optional excursion to Windsor Castle: originally built to guard the city of London, Windsor Castle has been the home of kings and queens









May 2, 9

May 16, 23

June 6, 13, 20, 27

July 4, 11, 18, 25

August 8, 15, 22

for nine centuries and is the oldest royal residence still in use today. (B)

Day 5: London - Eurostar Train - Paris, France

Hop aboard the sleek, futuristic Eurostar High Speed Train to Paris. Arrive in the "City of Light," Paris. A sophisticated metropolis featuring style, culture and history, its bustling city streets are filled with colorful history, regal pageantry, beautiful gardens, fascinating museums, celebrated monuments and grand theatres. Tonight, celebrate your arrival in Paris with a special dinner at the legendary Paradis Latin, the city's oldest cabaret theatre. Enjoy a sumptuous meal complete with wine, champagne and a delightful show. (B, D)

### Day 6: Paris 😯

It's your choice! Come to know the highlights of Paris by coach or by Metro! Set out on a splendid panoramic coach tour that includes a stop to explore the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral -OR- for a truly Parisian experience, take in some of the most iconic sights by Metro. Either way you'll see the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendome with a local guide. Write your own story during a free afternoon. You may choose an optional

guided tour at the famous Louvre; indulge in some of the world's best shopping on the Champs-Elysees; or simply do as the Parisians do and sit at a sidewalk café and watch the beauty that is Paris go by. (B)

### Day 7: Paris

Give in to romance. Today is yours for the taking. Perhaps you will join an optional excursion to Louis XIV's magnificent Palace and Gardens of Versailles and relive history as you walk through the various rooms of the State Apartments, including the Queen's bed chamber and the famous Hall of Mirrors. Tonight, sample delicious French cuisine and witness breathtaking views during dinner at the Eiffel Tower. End the perfect day with a romantic Seine River cruise set against Paris' glittering skyline. (B, D)

### Day 8: Paris - Tour Ends

You depart today, but London and Paris will remain in your heart forever. (B)

### **STAY LONGER**



Paris: No one ever wants to leave Paris. Reward yourself with another night. CALL FOR DETAILS

### **DATES & PRICES**

January - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 September 5, 12, 19, 26	Twin \$2649	<b>Solo</b> \$3499
January 24*	\$2199	\$2849	October 3, 10	\$2549	\$3299
February 21*	\$2199	\$2849	October 17	\$2449	\$3149
March 7	\$2599	\$3299	November 7	\$2349	\$2949
March 14, 21	\$2699	\$3449	March 13*	\$1999	\$2599
April 4, 11, 18, 25	\$2799	\$3649	March 20, 27	\$2449	\$3149
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please			April 3, 10, 24	\$2549	\$3299
confirm at time of reservation.			Triple Room Supplement	(+) \$20	0
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	Rates are land only, per person	. Call abou	t

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\*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time

This trip requires a passport. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse.

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### **FRANCE MAGNIFIQUE**

13 DAYS · 17 MEALS FROM \$3249



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Enjoy a relaxing cruise along the River Seine as you drift past famous landmarks.
- Travel back in history when you stand before the impressive UNESCO Bayeux Tapestry.
- · Tour the impressive Les Halles de Lyon market.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Explore Avignon and step inside its 14th-century papal palace.
- · Ponder history at the Memorial de Caen and the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial.



### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

DAY 3 | Come to know Paris your way - by coach or metro.

DAY 6 | In Dinan, join a local guide for either a walking tour of the cobblestone streets or an exploration of the port and town center.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Dine at a local restaurant in Avignon, featuring a crème brulee demonstration.
- Delight in a tour and tasting at a local winery.
- · Enjoy a delightful French dinner at one of Paris'
- Enjoy traditional Lyonnaise cuisine at a local restaurant in Lyon.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Hyatt Regency Etoile, Paris

Days 4, 5 Mercure Caen City Center-Port de Plaisance, Caen

Hotel Oceania, Saint-Malo Days 6, 7

Fontevraud L'Hôtel, Fontevraud Days 8, 9 Day 10 Mercure Lyon Centre Saxe Lafayette,

Days 11, 12 Mercure Pont d' Avignon, or Mercure Hotel Cite Des Papes, Avignon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL









## bask in the rich history, art, culture and romance

of fascinating France on a tour that explores Paris, Provence and Normandy.

### START EARLY

**ADD** A DAY Paris: Treat yourself to another day to enjoy the romance of Paris. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Embark on your journey through France. Bask in the rich history, art, culture and romance of its celebrated cities and charming towns.

### Day 2: Paris, France - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in beautiful Paris. Celebrate the beginning of a fabulous trip with a sunset river cruise past famous glittering landmarks along the River Seine, which divides the north from the south of Paris into what is known as the right bank and the left bank. Then we'll head to one of Paris' brasseries for a delightful French dinner. Enjoy sumptuous food and wine set amongst an Art Nouveau background reminiscent of the jazz and Hemingway-era of Paris. (D)

### Day 3: Paris 😯

It's your choice! Take a splendid panoramic coach tour that includes a stop for a short walking tour inside the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral -OR- for a truly local experience, join a guide who will take you to some of Paris' most iconic sights by Metro. Either way you'll see the Arc

de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendome. Write your own story during a free afternoon. Perhaps you'll take an optional guided tour at the famous Louvre. (B)

### Day 4: Paris - Caen

Set off for the Normandy coast. During WWII, the largest invasion in history took place here. Visit the Memorial Peace Museum, built to commemorate those who died in the epic Battle of Normandy in 1944. Later, see the remains of the artificial Mulberry port built near Arromanche-les-Bains - where the allies resupplied their lines during the liberation of France - before making your way to the hotel. (B, D)

### Day 5: Caen - D-Day Landing Sites - Caen

This morning visit the Normandy American Cemetery in Colleville-sur-Mer and stop by the new interpretive center. See the stars and stripes raised over the graves of the valiant soldiers who gave their lives in the Battle of Normandy. Then, walk through the Pointe du Hoc Ranger Memorial and see where the 2nd Ranger Battalion scaled 100-foot cliffs on D-Day to seize the fortified enemy position. Next, make your way to Sainte Mère Eglise, the heart of the American Airborne operations on D-Day, and visit its parachute-shaped Airborne Museum. Complete your afternoon with visits to other landing beaches, such as Utah and Juno. (B)

Day 6: Caen - Bayeux - Dinan - Saint-Malo 😯 Travel back in history when you stand before the impressive Bayeux Tapestry (UNESCO), a 230-foot embroidered cloth depicting the events leading up to the Norman conquest of England. Next, journey to Dinan, one of the best-preserved medieval villages in France. Then, it's your choice! Join a local guide for a walking tour along cobbled streets and discover the city's fortified walls -OR- meet a local guide at the quaint port of Dinan, the entry point for resupplying the Duke of Dinan during the Hundred Years' War, and walk up the famous Rue de Jerzuel hill to the town center. Either way, you'll fall in love with the streets lined with half-timbered houses and the ramparts that overlook this picture-perfect port village. Then it's off to Saint-Malo, Brittany's famous coastal village. Here you'll be immersed in the beautiful beaches, striking blue water, and views of the fortified Old Town where you'll enjoy a wonderfully prepared local dinner. (B, D)

### Day 7: Saint-Malo - Le Mont St. Michel - Saint-Malo

Travel to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Le Mont St. Michel, the "Wonder of the West." Resting on the border between Normandy and Brittany, this world-famous pilgrimage site sits on the edge of the sea and becomes an island at high tide. Take in the breathtaking views as you stroll through the old city before exploring one of the most beautiful abbeys in France, dating back to the 11th century. Return to Saint-Malo and enjoy time to relax or explore independently. (B)

### Day 8: Saint-Malo - Chinon - Fontevraud

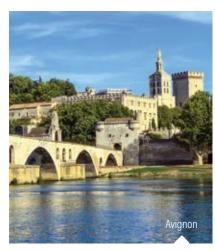
Journey south to the Loire Valley, a UNESCO World Heritage site brimming with châteaux and parks, once the setting for the French court. Arrive in the medieval village of Chinon, set on the banks of the Vienne River. Visit the renowned Royal Fortress of Chinon where Joan of Arc first met young Charles VII and shared her vision that he would defeat the English during the Hundred Years' War. This afternoon, check into your hotel within the magnificently renovated abbey of Fontevraud. Delve into the history of this site which was home to one of the largest orders in Europe during medieval times and serves as the final resting place of King Richard the Lionheart. Tonight's dinner is set amongst flying buttresses, chiseled arches and ancient stone. (B, D)

### Day 9: Fontevraud - Amboise - Fontevraud

Embark on a tour of the spectacular Château de Chenonceau. Perched along the banks of the Cher River, it is a jewel of Renaissance architecture. Head to the picturesque center of Amboise. Enjoy free time for exploring and getting to know the local culture. Tour Château du Clos Luce - where Leonardo da Vinci spent his last three years - which showcases a display of his early inventions. Next, visit a local winery to discover some of Europe's best Cabernet Franc and Chenin Blanc wines. (B)

### Day 10: Fontevraud - Lyon

Travel the French countryside to the gastronomical capital of France, Lyon (UNESCO). The city was





once an important area for silk production. Today it is known for its world-renowned cuisine. This evening experience this cuisine firsthand when you dine at a bouchon, a local restaurant that serves traditional Lyonnaise fare. (B, D)

### Day 11: Lyon - Avignon

Visit the Basilica of Notre Dame de Fourvier with its amazing views of the city. Tour the historic Vieux Lyon, or Old Quarter, with a local expert. Continue to Les Halles de Lyon - Paul Bocuse market, named after the famous chef. Marvel at its culinary delights as you enjoy free time to explore before continuing to Provence and the city of Avignon. (B)

### Day 12: Avignon

This morning come to know the walled city of Avignon during a walking tour led by a local resident. Learn about the historical period when the Papacy moved here in 1309. Then, explore some of the 25 rooms of the 14th-century papal palace, Palais des Papes, the world's largest Gothic palace. Your evening is capped off with dinner at a local restaurant, complete with a cocktail reception and crème brulee demonstration. (B, D)

### Day 13: Avignon - Tour Ends

Set out for home with many magnificent memories. (B)





### **DATES & PRICES**

March - April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
different itinerary - see note)			September 13, 20	\$3499	\$4549
March 15*	\$2749	\$3549	October 18	\$3399	\$4399
March 29*	\$2999	\$3899	March 21	\$3249	\$4199
April 12, 19, 26	\$3349	\$4349	April 4, 6	\$3399	\$4399
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\*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time



### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

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Book another tour with France Magnifique and create one grand experience. **Suggested Tour: •** Reflections of Italy call for Details

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will depart from Marseilles airport. All of our departure transfers will depart from Avignon to Marseilles airport.

### **ALSO AVAILABLE**



May 10

June 14

August 16

### **France Magnifique** featuring the French Riviera

Enjoy the Mediterranean sunshine with 2 nights in Nice, the playground of the rich and famous.

May 2018 - March 2019	Twin	Solo
May 24	\$3949	\$5249
July 19	\$3949	\$5249
September 6	\$3949	\$5249
October 4	\$3799	\$5049
March 28	\$3699	\$4799

### **SPOTLIGHT ON PARIS**

7 DAYS · 7 MEALS FROM \$1999



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Explore the treasures of the Louvre Museum with an expert.
- · Tour the spectacular Palace of Versailles and its gardens with a local guide.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Glide along and admire Paris' glittering skyline on a Seine River cruise.
- Enjoy a free day to explore the sights and sounds of the city.



### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

DAY 3 | Set out on a locally guided coach tour that includes a stop to explore the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral or travel by the iconic Metro. In both cases you'll see the Arc de Triomphe, the Champs-Elysees and more.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Dine on delicious French cuisine and wine at the Eiffel Tower.
- · Savor dinner accompanied by French wine at one of Paris' oldest Brasseries.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight Days 2 - 6 Le Meridien Etoile, Paris

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.







## revel in the allure of Paris on this tour

which includes its spectacular sights, history, architecture, art and, of course, fine food and wine.

### START EARLY



Paris: Start your love affair with the "City of Light" a little early.

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Come to know captivating Paris' world-renowned art, food and fashion. Its rich history will astound you while its style dazzles.

### Day 2: Paris, France - Tour Begins

Arrive in the "City of Light." Tonight, your adventure begins with breathtaking views of the city while you enjoy dinner featuring delicious French cuisine and wine at the Eiffel Tower. Following dinner, get a different perspective of the

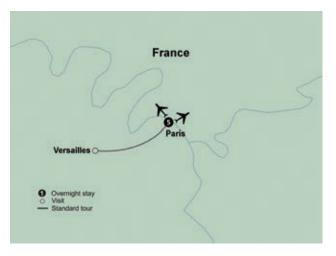
city during a Seine River cruise. Admire Paris' glittering skyline as you glide along. (D)

### Day 3: Paris 😯

It's your choice! Will you choose to take a panoramic locally guided coach tour of Paris that includes a stop to explore the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral? -OR- for a truly local experience, will you join a local guide who will take you to some of Paris' most iconic sights by Metro? Either way you'll see such dramatic highlights of Paris as the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendome. The afternoon is at leisure. You may choose an optional tour that takes you to the bohemian neighborhood of Montmartre; join a local guide on a walking tour and get to know the culture, food and history of this eclectic









neighborhood, and see its crown jewel – the iconic Sacré-Coeur Basilica. (B)

### Day 4: Paris - Louvre Museum

Join a local expert exploring the priceless treasures of the world-famous Louvre Museum, with a collection of more than one million works of art. Originally a palace and now a landmark of Paris, the Louvre displays an array of works of art ranging from ancient times up to the mid-19th century. Behold some of the museum's most famous pieces by the some of the greatest artists the world has seen including Raphael, Botticelli and Titian, and see the renowned statue of *Venus de Milo* and Leonardo Da Vinci's *Mona Lisa*. The remainder of the day is at leisure for you to explore Paris' many hidden treasures on your own. (B)

### Day 5: Paris - Day at Leisure

Enjoy a day at leisure to relax or explore. You may take an optional excursion to Champagne country which includes a visit to ancient Reims for a walking tour; then, stop in Epernay and visit a champagne cellar for a tour and tasting. (B)

### Day 6: Paris - Versailles

Explore the history, architecture and gardens of

Versailles, one of the world's most magnificent royal palaces and finest, most complete example of 17th-century architecture. Your local guide will recount the history of the palace and lead you through the various rooms of the State Apartments. Discover its immeasurable opulence and see its treasures including the Queen's bedchamber and the famous Hall of Mirrors. You then have time to explore the incredible gardens, some of the most famous in the world, which took over 40 years to complete. Tonight, celebrate the end of a fabulous trip with a sumptuous dinner accompanied by French wine at one of Paris' oldest brasseries. (B, D)

### Day 7: Paris - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. Head home with many wonderful memories of Paris. (B)

### STAY LONGER



Paris: Continue your adventure with another glorious night in this remarkable city. CALL FOR DETAILS

### DATES & PRICES

February - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note) February 20 March 6	Twin \$1999 \$1999	<b>Solo</b> \$2799 \$2799	May 2018 – April 2019 August 7 September 4	Twin \$2099 \$2099	\$2799 \$2799
March 20 April 10	\$2099 \$2099	\$2799 \$2799	September 18 October 9, 16 November 6	\$2399 \$2299 \$1999	\$3399 \$3199 \$2699
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.  May 2018 - April 2019 Twin Solo		February 19 March 19 April 9	\$1999 \$2099 \$2099	\$2699 \$2799 \$2799	
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)		Solo	Triple Room Reduction		N/A

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### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

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Book another tour with Spotlight on Paris and create one grand experience.

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This trip requires a passport.

May 1, 8, 22

June 26

July 10

### SPAIN'S **CLASSICS**

11 DAYS · 14 MEALS FROM \$1999



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Feel the energy of Spain at a flamenco performance in Seville.
- · In Cordoba, take a walking tour of the Mezquita, a religious marvel.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Step back in time in Toledo, the former capital of the Spain.
- · Explore Madrid's Royal Palace, the official residence of the royal family.



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

**DAY 8** | Set out on a walking tour of historic Valencia or explore the Lladro City of Porcelain and the City of Arts and Sciences.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

· Savor a "paella experience" including a paellamaking demonstration and lunch



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 H10 Puerta de Alcala, Madrid

Day 4, 5 Melia Sevilla, or Melia

Lebreros, Seville

Day 6 Hotel Carmen, Granada

Days 7, 8 SH Valencia Palace Hotel, Valencia

Days 9, 10 Hotel Colon or Crowne Plaza Fira Center or Evenia Rosselló Hotel,

Barcelona

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.







## immerse yourself in the colorful pageant of art, history and culture

that is Spain, all set against a backdrop that spans sunny Mediterranean shores and grand mountain ranges.

### START EARLY



Madrid: Enjoy more time to stroll along the city's grand boulevards. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

You are on your way to a colorful cultural adventure featuring the best of Spain.

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

Welcome to Madrid, Spain's lively capital and largest city. Tonight, enjoy a local welcome dinner. (D)

### Day 3: Madrid - Royal Palace - Toledo - Madrid

During a privately guided tour of Madrid's historic center, see the Puerta del Sol and Plaza Mayor, where events have been held since the 17th century. An expert-led tour of the monumental 18th-century Royal Palace reveals lavish halls, banquet rooms, the throne room, royal armory and the impressive courtyard. This afternoon we travel to Toledo, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the capital of medieval Spain until 1560. A comprehensive tour highlights the magnificent Gothic cathedral and the

13th-century synagogue, a testament to Toledo's Jewish heritage. You'll also stop at the Church of Santo Tome to view El Greco's masterpiece painting, The Burial of Count Orgaz. (B)

### Day 4: Madrid - Cordoba - Seville

Travel to the extraordinary Moorish city of Cordoba. Embark on a walking tour of the Mezquita, This UNESCO site, an architectural marvel built by the Moors in the 8th century as a magnificent mosque, was converted into the city's cathedral in the 16th century. Continue your exploration of Cordoba in the city's well-preserved and historical old Jewish Quarter. Later, transfer to Seville, considered Spain's "cultural capital." (B, D)

### Day 5: Seville

Today you will see Columbus' tomb, the ornate cathedral (UNESCO), and the Giralda Bell Tower. Enjoy a walking tour of the quaint old Santa Cruz Quarter with its bright flowers, white-washed buildings and winding streets; then continue to Plaza de España and the beautiful Maria Luisa Park, one of the loveliest in all of Europe. This evening, enjoy an authentic flamenco show (UNESCO) featuring Seville's top performers. (B)









August 4

September 6, 13, 15, 20, 27

### Day 6: Seville - Granada

Travel to Granada, the last great capital of the Moors in Spain before it fell to the Catholic monarchs in 1492. Join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra, an immense hilltop palace (UNESCO). Also tour the Generalife, meaning "garden of the architect," where the grounds are beautifully designed with waterfalls, courtyards and smaller secret gardens. (B, D)

### Day 7: Granada - Valencia

Today you travel through Spain's amazing landscape viewing rolling hills dotted with picturesque olive groves while en route to the Mediterranean coast, Arrive in the city of Valencia, a treasure trove of Roman and Arabic architecture, surrounded by citrus groves. (B)

Day 8: Valencia - Paella Experience - Valencia 😯

It's your choice! Take a walking tour of historic Valencia to see the ornate 14th-century Serranos Tower and imposing 15th-century Quart Tower; then arrive at the bustling central market, one of the largest in Europe, where you'll shop side-byside with the locals before concluding your tour at the impressive 13th-century Gothic cathedral. Or, explore the impressive facades of the City of Arts & Sciences, an ultramodern, multi-faceted educational institution, followed by a tour of the Lladro City of Porcelain to learn about the history and creative process of the world-famous, handmade Lladro figurines. Later, gather together and travel to the fishing village where paella

cuisine originated. A "paella experience" features a boat ride on the lagoon surrounding rice field plantations; a visit to a traditional fisherman's home known as a "barraca"; a paella-making demonstration and an authentic paella lunch. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B, L)

### Day 9: Valencia - Barcelona

Travel to Barcelona, one of Europe's most beautiful and exciting cities. The afternoon is at leisure to explore Barcelona's fascinating boulevards including the famous Las Ramblas, dotted with colorful performers and flower stalls. (B)

### Day 10: Barcelona

Today, get an in-depth look at vibrant and lively Barcelona. Your locally guided tour showcases the Columbus Monument and the Parc de Montjuic, plus Antoni Gaudí's UNESCO sites including La Sagrada Familia, Batllo House, Casa Mila building and a visit to Parc Guell. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip to Spain! (B, D)

### Day 11: Barcelona - Tour Ends

You return home with vivid memories of a spectacularly beautiful land with an old, rich and diverse cultural heritage. (B)

### STAY LONGER



Barcelona: This lively city beckons you to explore more of its sights and Sounds. CALL FOR DETAILS

### **DATES & PRICES**

February – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019 October 4, 6, 11, 13, 20, 25, 27	Twin \$2699	<b>Solo</b> \$3299
February 24*	\$1999	\$2599	November 1, 3	\$2549	\$3099
March 10	\$2349	\$2899	November 8	\$2699	\$3299
March 17	\$2449	\$2999	February 23*	\$1999	\$2399
April 7, 14, 19, 26	\$2649	\$3249	March 9	\$2449	\$2849
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 -			March 23, 30	\$2549	\$3099
departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			April 2, 4, 6, 25, 27	\$2699	\$3299
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30	
May 5	\$2549	\$3099	Rates are land only, per person additional dates.	. Call abou	t
May 12, 19, 26	\$2649	\$3249	additional dateor		
June 9, 16, 23	\$2649	\$3249	*Value Season Departures: The		
July 7, 14	\$2499	\$3049	dates allow you to experience m	ore for less	s. Plus,

This trip requires a passport. The walking tours of Toledo (day 3) and the Alhambra (day 6) are considered to be more strenuous in nature due to the uneven walkways, number of steps and some uphill walks that are required in order to see the historic sights. If Alhambra Palace is unavailable, a similar top attraction will be added.

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## MADRID & BARCELONA

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### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Enjoy three night stays in captivating Madrid and culturally rich Barcelona.
- Travel to Toledo, the former capital of medieval Spain and a UNESCO World Heritage site.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Journey on the thrilling AVE high-speed train.
- Get acquainted with lively Barcelona on a locally guided tour.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 3 | Join a local expert on a panoramic tour of Madrid's architectural treasures followed by a visit to the Prado Museum or take a walking tour featuring sites of the Hapsburg era.

DAY 6 | Take one of two locally guided walking tours of Barcelona. Visit the basilica of Santa Maria del Mar followed by a tour of the Gothic Quarter or stroll through the city's oldest open-air market and along Las Ramblas Boulevard before visiting Antoni Gaudí's Güell Palace.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy regional wines and local cuisine with every included dinner!
- Visit La Boqueria Market and explore the regional taste of Catalunya.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

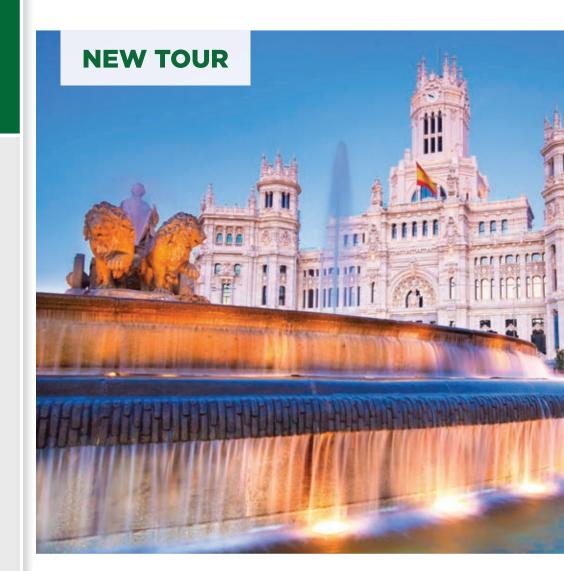
Days 2 - 4 NH Collection Abascal, Madrid

Days 5 - 7 H10 Casanova, Barcelona

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# it's the perfect pairing of history, culture, and architecture.

Embark on an in-depth adventure as you experience life in these two wondrous cities.

### START EARLY

ADD A DAY Madrid: Come early and enjoy more of this city's elegant beauty. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Delve into two of the grandest cities in Spain. You will have plenty of time to explore, get to know their charms and savor the atmosphere of each of these magnificent cities.

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

Welcome to Madrid! Spain's dynamic capital possesses a modern infrastructure which has preserved the look and feel of many of its historic neighborhoods. Tonight, meet your fellow travelers at a welcome dinner. (D)

## **Day 3:** Choice of Prado Museum or Hapsburg Madrid Walking Tour **⋄**

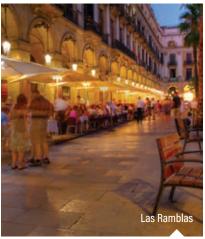
It's your choice! Join a local expert who introduces you

to Madrid's architectural treasures on a panoramic tour before exploring the priceless masterpieces of Madrid's Prado Museum, home to the world's finest collection of art by masters such as Velazquez and Goya **-OR-** take a walking tour of Madrid featuring sites of the Hapsburg era; discover the Puerta Del Sol, Plaza Mayor and the famous Andalusian tavern "La Torre del Oro;" Mercado San Miguel, the last remaining market constructed in forged iron; Arco de los Cuchilleros (the Arch of the Knifemakers); and Plaza de la Villa with its historic Baroque and Mudéjar-style buildings. The remainder of your day is at leisure. (B)

### Day 4: Madrid - Toledo - Madrid

Today we visit Toledo, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the capital of medieval Spain until 1560. A comprehensive walking tour highlights the magnificent Gothic cathedral and the 13th-century synagogue, a testament to Toledo's Jewish heritage. We'll also stop at the Church of Santo Tome to view El Greco's masterpiece painting, *The Burial of Count Orgaz*. Enjoy free time in the old town before













returning to Madrid for some time at leisure. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a locallyinspired dinner. (B, D)

### Day 5: Madrid - AVE High Speed Train -Barcelona

Sit back, relax and enjoy the picturesque landscapes of Leon, Castilla and Catalunya as you travel via high-speed train to Spain's modern city of culture and architecture, Barcelona. Get acquainted with one of the liveliest cities in all of Europe on a locally guided tour. Discover Parc Güell, one of the most impressive public parks in the world and one of Antoni Gaudí's masterpieces, where he let loose his imagination with amazing buildings, sculptures and tile work. Next, explore the most popular monument in Spain, Gaudi's unfinished masterpiece La Sagrada Familia, still under construction after more than 100 years. Later, see the Columbus Monument, Parc de Montjuic, and several UNESCO World Heritage sites linked to Gaudí including the unconventional Casa Mila building and Batllo House. (B, D)

### Day 6: Barcelona 😯

It's your choice! Take one of two locally guided walking tours. You may choose to begin by visiting the 14th-century basilica of Santa Maria

del Mar, created in pure Catalan Gothic style, followed by a leisurely paced walking tour of Barcelona's historic Gothic Quarter, a beautifully preserved neighborhood with medieval squares set inside a labyrinth of streets leading to the 13th-century La Seu Cathedral -OR- meet the locals while exploring La Boqueria, Barcelona's largest and oldest open-air market, portions of which date back to the Middle Ages; then head to Las Ramblas Boulevard, the most famous pedestrian street in Barcelona; discover famous landmarks such as Gran Teatre del Liceu, Plaza Real, Palau de la Virreina, before visiting one of Antoni Gaudí's architectural treasures - Güell Palace. Enjoy some free time this afternoon or take an optional excursion to Montserrat, a spectacular mountaintop monastery. (B)

### Day 7: Barcelona

Enjoy a day at leisure to create your own adventure in this fascinating city. You may choose an optional excursion to Figueres and the famed Dalí Theatre-Museum for insight into the surrealist world of Salvador Dalí. This evening, toast the end of a memorable trip while enjoying the flavors of regional cuisine. (B, D)

### Day 8: Barcelona - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

DATES & PRICES								
May 2018 – April 2019 May 17 June 14 July 5 August 2 September 13, 20, 27 October 4, 18 November 1	\$2349 \$2249 \$2249 \$2349 \$2349	Solo \$2849 \$2849 \$2749 \$2749 \$2849 \$2849 \$2849 \$2749	May 2018 – April 2019 March 28 April 11 Triple Room Reduction Rates are land only, per perso additional dates.	Twin \$2299 \$2349 (-) \$30 n. Call abou	<b>Solo</b> \$2699 \$2849			
November 1 December 6		\$2749 \$2499						

This trip requires a passport.

### SUNNY PORTUGAL

10 DAYS · 14 MEALS FROM \$1499



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Overnight among vineyards and farmland in the heart of the Alentejo region.
- Explore historic Evora, known as the "Museum City of Portugal."
- Venture to Lagos, where Prince Henry the Navigator began his explorations.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Spend three nights on the sunny coast of the Algarve.
- · Stay for three nights on the Portuguese Riviera.
- Tour Lisbon, Portugal's capital that overlooks the Tagus River.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 2 | Join a panoramic Lisbon coach tour featuring it's most iconic sites or take a walking tour of the Alfama District.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Experience local cuisine and wine while immersed in the moving sounds of Fado music.
- Indulge in a winery tour and a tasting of the Alentejo region's wines.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 4 Hotel Vila Gale, Cascais or Hotel Vila Gale, Estoril

Day 5 Vila Gale Clube de Campo, Alentejo

Days 6 - 8 Hotel Vila Gale Lagos, Algarve

Day 9 Turim Marques Hotel, Lisbon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.





## travel Portugal's dramatic shoreline,

meandering cobblestone streets, oceanfront promenades, and quaint bays.

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Portugal is waiting to be explored. Discover ancient castles, Roman ruins, groves of lemon and almond trees, quiet whitewashed villages, and kind, gentle people.

### Day 2: Cascais or Estoril, Portugal - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in a scenic coastal resort on the "Portuguese Riviera," your home for three nights. The mansions scattered about Cascais and Monte Estoril hint at its history as a haven for exiled European royals and nobility. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

## **Day 3:** Choice of Lisbon Panoramic City Tour or Alfama District Walking Tour **◊**

This morning **it's your choice!** Join a panoramic Lisbon city tour by coach featuring Jeronimo's Monastery (a UNESCO World Heritage site), Belem Tower (UNESCO), the Monument to the Discoveries, and completed with a visit to the National Museum of Coaches **-OR-** take a walking tour of the historic Alfama District, Lisbon's most symbolic quarter: step back in time as you explore this residential neighborhood which is considered a village within a city; stroll through its medieval alleys, narrow streets and small squares; pass by beautiful churches and colorful houses with tile panels and wrought-iron balconies adorned with pots of flowers; then, climb

the hill to explore the St. Jorge castle that has the most breathtaking panorama of the city. Later, enjoy leisure time in the Portuguese Riviera. Stroll narrow cobblestone streets, sit in a seaside café, walk wide oceanside promenades or shop for ceramics, lace, filigree, hand woven works and tapestries. This evening, savor excellent Portuguese cuisine and wine while local artists perform the traditional Fado Music (UNESCO). (B, D)

## **Day 4:** Cascais or Estoril - Sintra - Obidos - Fatima - Cascais or Estoril

Begin your day exploring the picturesque town of Sintra (UNESCO), the favorite summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. Travel to Portugal's beautiful "Silver Coast," a spectacular region filled with sleepy villages, rich vineyards and age-old castles. Proceed to picture-perfect Obidos where white washed houses are held snug by medieval city walls. Later, visit Fatima, the world-famous Marian pilgrimage site. (B)

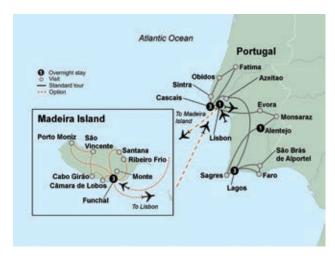
### Day 5: Cascais or Estoril - Evora - Monsaraz - Alentejo

Travel through beautiful Portuguese countryside and stop in historic Evora (UNESCO), known as the "Museum City of Portugal." Inside this medieval walled city lies a 2nd-century Roman temple to Diana. Next, journey to the hilltop, walled village of Monsaraz, a "jewel in the crown" of the Alentejo. This small medieval town has carefully preserved its original charm. From the 13th-century











castle you'll enjoy amazing panoramic views of the countryside. Then, indulge in a winery tour and a tasting of the full-bodied character of the region's wines. Enjoy your stay in the heart of Alentejo's countryside during an overnight at a country resort set among 3,000 acres of farm land, vineyards and cork trees. (B, D)

### Day 6: Alentejo - Sagres - Lagos - Algarve

Travel to the famous Algarve and discover the secrets of the 16th-century fortress at Sagres, home of Prince Henry's School of Navigation and the "compass rose." You will also garner magnificent views of beautiful Cape of St. Vincente where 200-foot cliffs plunge into the Atlantic at the most southwesterly point of Europe. Next, explore the historic resort town of Lagos, where Moorish and Renaissance influences abound. Here, the famous voyager, Prince Henry the Navigator, began his explorations and from the harbor, Vasco da Gama sailed in 1499 on his epic voyage of discovery. Stroll through the fortress and historic buildings while taking in the surrounding ocean views during some leisure time. (B, D)

### Day 7: Algarve

The entire day is yours to independently experience the beautiful Algarve. Geraniums, camellias and oleanders grow alongside fig, orange and almond trees while brightly colored fishing boats bob on the seas. Protected by hills to the north and warmed by the sea, the

Algarve's mild climate and beautiful beaches attract vacationers from all over the world. (B)

### Day 8: Algarve - Faro - São Brás de Alportel -Algarve

Journey to Faro, gateway to the Ria Formosa protected lagoon landscape. Explore the city's historic center with 9th-century Roman walls, dramatic golden coastline, and its archaeological and architectural gems. In historic São Brás de Alportel, a presentation by a local liqueur maker is followed by a tasting of some of the many varieties produced in the region. Portugal is the world's number one producer of cork. Visit a local cork factory to learn about its importance to the local economy and its many uses. Complete your day with dinner featuring local delicacies and wine. (B, D)

June 8

September 14, 21

September 25

September 28

### Day 9: Algarve - Azeitao - Lisbon

En route to Lisbon, make a stop in Azeitao, a charming agricultural village known for red wine, olive trees and beautiful country estates. Spend time at the centuries-old Jose Maria da Fonseca Winery. Embark on a tour followed by a tasting of local wines, including moscatel. Next, meet local artisans at a family-run workshop that demonstrates how azulejos, the famous handpainted Portuguese tiles, are made. Later, bid adeus to Portugal during a dinner celebrating the end of a wonderful tour. (B, D)

### Day 10: Lisbon - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

### **DATES & PRICES**

January – April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
different itinerary - see note)			October 2, 5, 9, 12, 19	\$1949	\$2249
lanuary 26*	\$1399	\$1699	October 30	\$1899	\$2199
February 16*	\$1499	\$1799	November 2, 6, 9	\$1799	\$2099
February 23	\$1749	\$2049	November 30*	\$1499	\$1799
March 2, 9, 13, 16	\$1799	\$2099	January 25*	\$1499	\$1799
April 6, 13, 17, 27	\$1899	\$2199	February 15*	\$1499	\$1799
tinerary featured is for May 2018 - April 2019 tour			February 22	\$1799	\$2099
departures. Departures prior to this date will vary.			March 1, 8, 15, 22	\$1799	\$2099
Please confirm at time of reservation	n.		April 5, 9, 23, 26	\$1949	\$2249
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30	
May 15, 18, 22	\$1899	\$2199	Rates are land only, per perso	n. Call abou	t
May 25	\$1999	\$2349	additional dates.		

\*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time



### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

Book another tour with Sunny Portugal and create one grand experience. Suggested Tour: • Spain's Classics call for Details

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\$2199 \$2699

\$2099 \$2499

\$1999 \$2349

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Lisbon, Portugal airport. All of our transfers will depart from Lisbon airport for Cascais (approximately a 40 minute drive).

### **ITALIAN VISTAS**

13 DAYS · 17 MEALS FROM \$2899



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Get an in-depth tour of the famous Colosseum.
- Relax on a scenic boat ride to the Isle of Capri.
- · Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.
- · Set out on a locally guided tour of Florence, "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance."

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Visit the Academy Museum in Florence to see Michelangelo's famous statue of David.
- · Stoll the streets of Verona the backdrop for Romeo and Juliet.
- · Enjoy the magic of the Italian lakes in the captivating resort of Stresa.



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

DAY 10 | Set out on an expert-led walking tour of Venice's highlights or go 'off the beaten path' and experience the charming Castello Sestiere district.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

· Visit a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and sample the local wines.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Davs 2 - 4 Grand Hotel Palatino, Rome

Days 5, 6 Towers Hotel, Sorrento Coast or Michelangelo Hotel, Sorrento

Days 7, 8 Grand Hotel Baglioni or Starhotels Michelangelo, Florence

Days 9, 10 Hotel Bellini, Venice

Days 11, 12 Regina Palace Hotel, Stresa

### **ROOM UPGRADE AVAILABLE**

Upgrade your standard room to a lake view room. CALL FOR DETAILS

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL







## this journey has everything you've always wanted

in a trip to Italy. Delve deeper into its history and culture as you visit some of the world's most beautiful locales.

### START EARLY

**ADD** A DAY Rome: The 'Eternal City' is calling your name. Answer it a day early. CALL FOR DETAILS

Day 1: Overnight Flight Ciao, Italy!

### Day 2: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins

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

### Day 3: Rome - Classical Rome City Tour

A locally guided tour of Classical Rome features such sights as the Piazza Venezia, the Roman Forum, the Circus Maximus and the Arch of Constantine. During an in-depth visit to the Colosseum, your guide recounts its rich history. The catacombs, burial place of early Christians, the mythic Pantheon, and Piazza Navona are also featured. (B)

### Day 4: Rome

Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Rome's cultural

treasures. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to offer suggestions. Perhaps a trip to Vatican City, with an optional tour to the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica, will be on your personal sightseeing list. (B)

### Day 5: Rome - Pompeii - Sorrento Coast

Journey south toward the brilliant Bay of Naples where charming villages are built into hillsides above a sparkling blue sea. Soak in 2,000 years of history during your discovery of the excavated ruins of Pompeii. A local guide provides an in-depth view of this remarkably preserved archaeological site. Continue to the scenic resort town of Sorrento and take some time to explore the city independently. You may wish to visit the Duomo, a Romanesque cathedral with inlaid woodwork, a famous local Sorrento craft. End your day on the breathtaking Sorrento Coast. (B)

### Day 6: Sorrento Coast - Isle of Capri - Sorrento Coast

A scenic boat ride brings you to the enchanting Isle of Capri. Upon arrival, take a panoramic ride to the island's highest town, Anacapri. Spend time in Capri town with its world-famous piazzetta and explore this island paradise of chic boutiques, lush vegetation and outdoor cafés before returning to the Sorrento Coast. (B, D)









### Day 7: Sorrento Coast - Florence

Tuscany unfolds with its panorama of vineyards and olive groves. Florence, the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance," awaits and offers Italy's best art and architecture. Visit the Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's magnificent sculpture of *David*. Tonight, enjoy regional Italian cuisine at a local restaurant. (B, D)

### Day 8: Florence

A locally guided tour highlights the Piazza del Duomo, with its Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, and the famous Gates of Paradise on the Baptistery of St. John. You also view the magnificent Piazza della Signoria with its imposing Palazzo Vecchio. (B)

### Day 9: Florence - Pisa - Venice

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

Day 10: Venice - Murano Island - Venice 😯 Embark on a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration. Then we make our way to St. Mark's Square where it's your choice! Join a local expert who will take you on a walking tour of this famous square to view the Basilica and visit the impressive Doge's Palace along with the legendary Bridge of Sighs -OR- step off the beaten path and explore the Castello Sestiere district with a local expert; see for yourself how the locals live as you walk canal by canal through the narrow streets lined with churches and historic buildings. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

### Day 11: Venice - Verona - Stresa

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

### Day 12: Stresa - Locarno, Switzerland - Isola dei Pescatori, Italy - Stresa

Today, cross into Switzerland and the picturesque lakeside resort of Locarno for magnificent views, excellent shopping and charming cafés. Tonight, we travel by boat to Isola dei Pescatori for a farewell dinner while surrounded by beautiful scenery. (B, D)

### Day 13: Stresa - Tour Ends

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

### **DATES & PRICES**

January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 October 14	Twin \$3899	<b>Solo</b> \$4799	
January 28*	\$2899	\$3549	October 16, 21	\$3699	\$4599	
February 25*	\$2999	\$3699	October 23	\$3599	\$4499	
March 4, 11, 18	\$3399	\$4199	November 4, 6	\$3499	\$4299	
March 25	\$3599	\$4499	November 25*	\$2999	\$3699	
April 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22	\$3699	\$4599	December 2*	\$2899	\$3549	
April 24	\$3799	\$4699	January 22*	\$2899	\$3549	
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - April 2019 tour			February 24*	\$2999	\$3699	
departures. Departures prior to this date will vary.			March 10, 12, 17	\$3399	\$4199	
Please confirm at time of reservation.			March 26	\$3599	\$4499	
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	March 31	\$3699	\$4599	
May 6, 13	\$3899	\$4799	April 2,7	\$3699	\$4599	
May 15, 20, 27	\$3999	\$4899	April 23	\$3849	\$4749	
June 3, 10, 24	\$3999	\$4899	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50		
July 1, 8, 15, 22 \$3599 \$4499			Rates are land only, per person. Call about			
August 7, 14	\$3599	\$4499	additional dates.			
September 2, 4, 9, 11, 16	\$3999	\$4899	*Value Season Departures: These select off-season			
September 18, 23, 25	\$3999	\$4899	dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus,			

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Book another tour with Italian Vistas and create one grand experience. Suggested Tours: ● Germany's Cultural Cities & the Romantic Road 2 Greece and Its Islands 3 France Magnifique 4 Spectacular Scandinavia CALL FOR DETAILS

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will depart from Milan airport. All of our return transfers will depart from Stresa for Milan airport.

you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time

## REFLECTIONS OF ITALY

10 DAYS · 13 MEALS FROM \$1999



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Step to the front of the line to see Michelangelo's famous statue of David.
- Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Behold medieval Perugia, the historic capital of Umbria.
- Enjoy a scenic journey through Tuscany's graceful low-lying hills.
- Set out on a locally guided panoramic tour of Rome.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure

DAY 8 | In Venice, Explore St. Mark's Square and visit the Doge's Palace along with the Bridge of Sighs or step off the beaten path and stroll through the Castello Sestiere district.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy a special welcome dinner featuring regional delicacies and fine Italian wines.
- Visit a historic winery in the heart of the Chianti region.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Mediterraneo Hotel, Rome

Day 4 Sangallo Palace Hotel, Perugia

Days 5, 6 Hotel Albani, Florence or Starhotels

Michelangelo, Florence

Days 7, 8 Hotel Carlton on the Grand Canal or

Hotel Bellini, Venice

Day 9 Crowne Plaza Milan Malpensa,

Malpensa

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# revel in the magic of Italy on this tour

that explores the cities of Rome, Florence, Siena, Venice, Assisi, Perugia and Milan.

### START EARLY



Rome: Give yourself the gift of time to explore this magical place.

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Welcome to Italy, a land rich in history, culture, art and romance. Your journey begins with an overnight flight.

### Day 2: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in Rome, the "Eternal City." This evening, join your fellow travelers for a special welcome dinner at a popular local restaurant featuring regional delicacies and fine Italian wines. (D)

### Day 3: Rome

This morning you'll come to know the history and traditions of Rome while on a locally guided panoramic tour featuring the impressive Piazza Venezia, the Circus Maximus, the Arch of Constantine, the famous Piazza Navona, and a visit to the Colosseum. The remainder of

the day is at leisure. Perhaps a trip to Vatican City, with an optional tour to the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica, will be on your personal sightseeing list. (B)

### Day 4: Rome - Assisi - Perugia/Assisi

Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager shares a few key Italian phrases. Travel to Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis. Take in the old-world atmosphere on a guided walking tour of the old city, including the Basilica of St. Francis. Then you're off to medieval Perugia, the historic capital of Umbria. Behold one of the grandest squares in Italy – the Piazza IV Novembre – and delight in the medieval palaces and ornate cathedrals. (B)

### Day 5: Perugia/Assisi - Siena - Florence

A scenic journey through Tuscany's graceful low-lying hills brings you to the mystical city of Siena. Delight in its narrow Gothic streets, magnificent palaces and historic Piazza del Campo. After a walking tour with a local expert, take some time to explore the medieval corners of Siena. You are sure to find many surprises among its









shops and outdoor cafés. Arrive in Florence and enjoy some free time before gathering for dinner. (B, D)

### Day 6: Florence

In Florence – the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance" - visit the world-famous Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's incredible statue of David. During your cultural tour of Florence you'll also view the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, the Palazzo Vecchio and the Church of Santa Croce. The remainder of the day is at leisure to enjoy this fascinating city on your own. (B)

### Day 7: Florence - Venice

Start your day with a visit to a historic winery in the heart of the Chianti region. In the shadow of its 12th-century castle, learn about the winery's famed Tuscan wines and enjoy a light lunch filled with local specialties. This afternoon, journey through central Italy, crossing the wooded Apennine Mountains toward the Valley of the Po. Enchanting Venice awaits with 117 tiny islands and its latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. (B, L, D)

### Day 8: Venice - Murano Island - Venice 😯

See Venice from the water as we board a boat bound for Murano Island for an up-close glass making demonstration. Discover the secrets of this ancient art and marvel at the intricate

designs of each one-of-a-kind piece. Then you travel to St. Mark's where it's your choice! Join a local expert on a walking tour of this famous square to view the stunning Basilica and visit the impressive Doge's Palace and the legendary Bridge of Sighs -OR- go off the beaten path to explore the Castello Sestiere district with a local expert; get to know authentic Venice and see for yourself how the locals live as you walk canal by canal through the narrow streets lined with churches and historic buildings. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore independently. (B)

### Day 9: Venice - Milan Malpensa

Today you travel to Milan. Take in some of the city's amazing sights on a locally guided walking tour: view the Opera House La Scala and Vittorio Emanuele Gallery, and visit the Duomo - this magnificent Gothic cathedral is the third largest church in Europe. Later, perhaps you will indulge in some shopping at the "Quadrilatero della Moda," Milan's high-fashion district. Continue to Milan Malpensa for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip. (B, D)

### Day 10: Milan Malpensa - Tour Ends

Your journey comes to a close in Milan Malpensa this morning. (B)

### **DATES & PRICES**

January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 October 10, 15, 22, 23	Twin \$2899	<b>Solo</b> \$3399
January 24	\$1999	\$2399	October 24	\$2749	\$3199
February 26	\$2149	\$2549	November 6, 8	\$2549	\$2999
March 5, 7, 12, 14	\$2499	\$2949	November 28*	\$1999	\$2399
March 19, 21	\$2599	\$3049	December 2*	\$1999	\$2399
April 4	\$2699	\$3249	January 24*	\$1999	\$2399
April 9, 11, 16, 19	\$2799	\$3349	February 14	\$2149	\$2499
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - April 2019 tour			March 4, 7, 11, 13	\$2499	\$2949
departures. Departures prior to this		ry.	March 18, 20, 27	\$2599	\$3099
Please confirm at time of reservatio	n.		April 3, 8, 10	\$2699	\$3199
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	April 24	\$2799	\$3349
(featured itinerary) May 2	\$2799	\$3349	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$3	0 - \$50
May 7, 9, 14, 16, 23	\$2999	\$3599	Rates are land only, per person	. Call abou	t

additional dates

\*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus. you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time



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Book another tour with Reflections of Italy and create one grand experience. Suggested Tours: ● France Magnifique ● Discover Switzerland 3 Exploring the Alpine Countries 4 Shades of Ireland

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June 6, 13, 20, 27

September 3, 5, 12, 17, 19, 26

July 4, 18, 25

August 2, 8

October 3, 8

This trip requires a passport.

## ROME & THE AMALFI COAST

10 DAYS · 13 MEALS FROM \$1999



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Discover the amazing mountaintop monastery of Montecassino.
- · Tour a buffalo milk mozzarella factory.
- Visit the fascinating National Archaeological Museum in Naples.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Take a panoramic tour of Classical Rome featuring an in-depth guided visit of the spectacular Colosseum.
- · Visit the seaside resort town of Sorrento.
- Discover the excavated ruins of Pompeii at the foothills of Mount Vesuvius.
- Travel by boat to the spectacular island of Capri where a local guide shows you the sights.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- In Minori, sample some of the local specialties at a family-owned limoncello factory.
- Enjoy a tasting and lunch at a local winery at the foot of Mount Vesuvius.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Hotel Imperial, Rome

Day 4 -8 Hotel Raito, Vietri-sul Mare, or Hotel Graal, Amalfi Coast

### **ROOM UPGRADE AVAILABLE**

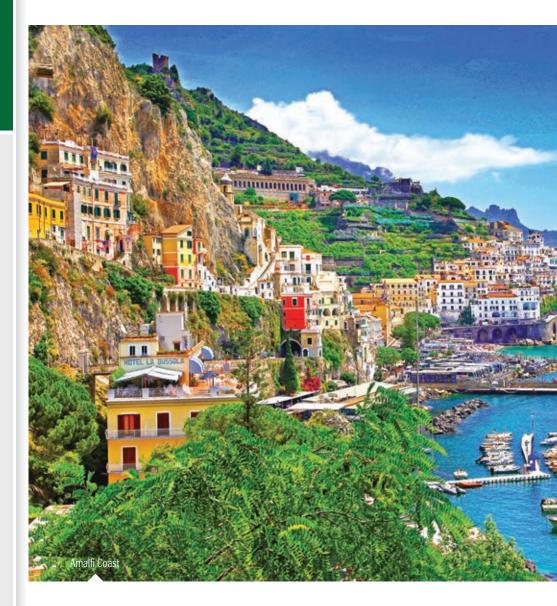
During your stay at the Raito Hotel, Amalfi Coast, you may choose to enjoy a sea view by upgrading your accommodations to a Superior room. Call for details.

Day 9 A.Roma Lifestyle Hotel or The Duke Hotel, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## bask in the striking landscapes

as you journey from Rome to Southern Italy's breathtaking Amalfi Coast.

Delight in the unique regional art, culture, food and wine.

### START EARLY



Rome: Open your tour with more time in the "Eternal City." CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Your adventure begins with an overnight flight to Italy. Journey through southern Italy and experience its rich scenery, art, culture, food and wine.

### Day 2: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Rome, the "Eternal City." This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner featuring local delicacies and wines. (D)

### Day 3: Rome

This morning you may join an optional tour to the magnificent treasures of the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica. Later we set out on a panoramic tour of

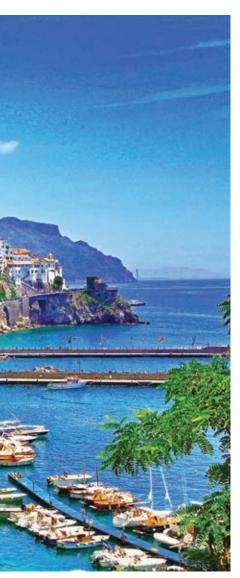
Classical Rome featuring the Piazza Venezia, the Roman Forum, the Circus Maximus, and the Arch of Constantine, followed by an in-depth guided visit of the spectacular Colosseum. Then, contemporary Rome is highlighted through the legendary Piazza Navona. (B)

### Day 4: Rome - Montecassino - Amalfi Coast

Journey to the Amalfi Coast. En route, make a stop at the Benedictine monastery of Montecassino which is perched on a mountaintop south of Rome. Discover its rich history while exploring the monastery's ornate chapel, peaceful courtyards and fascinating museum. (B, D)

## **Day 5:** Amalfi Coast - Sorrento - Amalfi - Minori - Amalfi Coast

Begin your day exploring the popular and charming seaside resort town of Sorrento. This afternoon, travel to the delightful town of Amalfi where you have time to explore. Next, continue to Minori where you will have









June 7, 14

July 12, 26

August 23

October 4, 11, 18

September 6, 13, 15, 20, 22,

the opportunity to sample some of the local specialties at a family-owned limoncello factory. Savor a traditional Italian afternoon break at a local café and pastry shop. Your evening is at leisure. (B)

### Day 6: Amalfi Coast - Paestum - Amalfi Coast

After breakfast, discover one of Italy's most surprising products during a tour of a local buffalo milk mozzarella factory. Your day continues with a visit to Paestum where a local guide will escort you through some of the best-preserved Greek temples outside of Greece. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a popular local restaurant. (B, D)

### Day 7: Amalfi Coast - Capri - Amalfi Coast

Explore a Mediterranean paradise on the sparkling Bay of Naples when you embark from the port of Salerno and cruise to the wonderful Isle of Capri. Sail past hill towns along the Amalfi Coast, passing colorful homes, lush gardens and architectural marvels. On Capri, enjoy a locally guided tour via minibus and spend time admiring the town of Anacapri where you witness grand views of the island and the Bay of Naples. After free time to experience the

charming island independently, ride the funicular back toward the Marina Grande to board your boat for the return trip. (B)

### Day 8: Amalfi Coast - Pompeii - Winery - Amalfi Coast

Today, experience the excavated ruins of Pompeii at the foothills of Mount Vesuvius. Soak in the history of the preserved original buildings of a typical Roman town 2,000 years ago. A local guide will provide an in-depth tour of this remarkable archaeological site. Stop at a local winery at the foot of Mount Vesuvius to savor the famous Lacryma Christo wines and enjoy a typical Neapolitan lunch. (B, L)

### Day 9: Amalfi Coast - Naples - Rome

Bid farewell to the Amalfi Coast and proceed to colorful and vibrant Naples. Enjoy a visit to the fascinating National Archaeological Museum, one of the finest in the world. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner celebrating the completion of a marvelous visit to Italy. (B, D)

### Day 10: Rome - Tour Ends

Your trip comes to a close, leaving you with a lifetime of memories. (B)

### **DATES & PRICES**

January - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note) January 25* February 24* March 8, 15	Twin \$2199 \$2249 \$2649	\$2799 \$2849 \$3249	May 2018 - April 2019 October 20, 25 November 8 December 6 January 24*	Twin \$2899 \$2799 \$2499 \$1999	\$3649 \$3299 \$2999 \$2199
April 5 April 12, 19, 26 Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – departures. Departures prior to thi Please confirm at time of reservati	s date will va		February 21* March 14, 21 April 4, 7 April 25, 27	\$1999 \$2799 \$2949 \$2999	\$2199 \$3299 \$3749 \$3799
May 2018 - April 2019 (featured itinerary) May 3, 10, 12, 17, 24	Twin \$3049	<b>Solo</b> \$3849	Triple Room Reduction Rates are land only, per perso	(-) \$50 on. Call abou	ıt

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\*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel

This trip requires a passport. During your stay on the Amalfi Coast standard room accommodations at the Raito Hotel are limited and available on a first come, first served basis for departures utilizing that hotel. Upgrades to superior rooms with partial sea view are available at an additional cost. For departures utilizing the Graal Hotel, please note that while this hotel offers amazing coastal views, your daily driving times will increase by approximately 45 - 60 minutes each way.

## SOUTHERN ITALY & SICILY

12 DAYS · 16 MEALS FROM \$2399



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Be amazed by the Greek Theatre in Taormina.
- · Tour a vineyard and sample its wine.
- Travel to "Sassi di Matera," an ancient town known for its cave dwellings.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Venture to the breathtaking Amalfi Coast.
- Experience the excavated ruins of Pompeii at the foothills of Mount Vesuvius.
- Marvel at the Valley of the Temples, a UNESCO World Heritage site.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 6 | Visit Catania's cathedral and a local market with a guide or explore the Museo dello Sbarco (Allied Landing Museum).



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Savor a delicious regional dinner in a winery's agriturismo restaurant.
- Sample some local specialties at a familyowned limoncello factory.
- · Wine is included with every meal.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Hotel Federico II Central Palace, Palermo

**Days 4 – 6** Hellenia Yachting Hotel, Giardini Naxos

Days 7, 8 Hilton Garden Inn, Matera

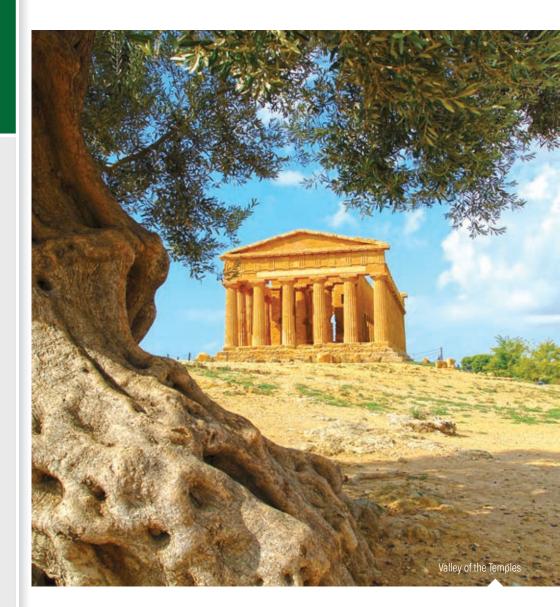
**Days 9, 10** Towers Hotel Stabiae or Michelangelo Hotel, Sorrento

Day 11 A. Rome Lifestyle Hotel or Donna Laura Palace Hotel, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# travel amid the ancient cultures and vibrant landscapes

found only in these distinctive regions of southern Italy.

### START EARLY

ADD A DAY Palermo: Take some time to bask in the food, wine and art of this charming city. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Explore the hidden treasures of Southern Italy and Sicily. You'll find breathtaking scenery, historic cities, centuries-old hilltop villages and wonderful cuisine.

### Day 2: Palermo, Sicily - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Palermo, the capital of Sicily. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner featuring authentic Sicilian cuisine. (D)

### Day 3: Palermo - Monreale - Palermo

Come to know Palermo on a tour featuring its lovely

squares - Quattro Canti, Piazza Pretoria and Piazza Bellini. Along the way, discover an exotic mix of Moorish, Norman and Spanish Baroque styles. View the Palace of the Normans, La Martorana church, and the cathedral which houses the Imperial Crown of Constance of Aragon. In the nearby town of Monreale, visit the 12th-century cathedral with its dazzling interior of multicolored marbles, paintings, mosaics and cloisters. The remainder of your day is at leisure to relax or peruse the city's museums and shops. (B)

### Day 4: Palermo - Agrigento - Giardini Naxos

Travel over the countryside's rolling hills and past peaceful farmland toward the town of Agrigento. Stop to explore the stunning Valley of the Temples (UNESCO), one of the most important archaeological sites in the world. Here you get an up-close view of the temples of Juno, Concordia, Hercules and Jupiter. Continue on to Giardini



Naxos, the "garden of Sicily," for your 3-night stay. (B, D)

## **Day 5:** Giardini Naxos - Taormina - Giardini Naxos

Set off for beautiful Taormina, known for its charming atmosphere, historic monuments and flowering gardens. Join a local guide for a tour of the city. You will see Corso Umberto and the bountiful public gardens, and marvel at its well-preserved Greek Theatre. Enjoy some free time to independently explore this delightful town. (B)

## **Day 6:** Giardini Naxos - Catania - Mt. Etna - Giardini Naxos **?**

Journey to vibrant Catania where **the choice is yours!** Join a local guide to visit the cathedral and view other iconic sights of this historic Baroque city (UNESCO); then witness the daily spectacle of bartering for fresh fish and produce at the local market **-OR-** explore the Museo dello Sbarco (Allied Landing Museum); this moving museum is dedicated to the Allied troops who landed on the southern coast in 1943. Later, gather together to discover the impressive Mt. Etna Volcano National Park with a local expert and take in the spectacular landscapes sculpted by nature. Return to Giardini Naxos for the evening. (B)

### Day 7: Giardini Naxos - Matera

Venture to Messina for a short ferry ride to Villa San Giovanni on Italy's mainland. Pass through the beautiful and unspoiled region of Calabria and into the Basilicata region. Make a stop along the way at one of the area's local wineries. Join an expert on a walk through the cellars and vineyards before sampling their wines at a tasting. Linger over dinner featuring regional cuisine in the winery's own "agriturismo" restaurant. (B, D)

### Day 8: Matera - Alberobello - Matera

Explore the "Sassi di Matera," an ancient settlement of carved cave dwellings. A local guide shares the history of the site and reasons why it has recently caught the eye of many film producers. Continue to a local shop for a chance to sample some regional produce. Enjoy free time in Matera to browse the boutiques or taste

the local cuisine before heading to the mystical town of Alberobello. Marvel at some of its most unusually built homes (UNESCO)—known as *trulli*—with distinct cone-shaped roofs. (B, D)

### Day 9: Matera - Salerno - Sorrento Peninsula

Travel towards Campania and the Bay of Naples, one of the most breathtaking areas of Italy. Make a stop in Salerno to explore the historic city center at leisure. Take a moment to gaze at its impressive cathedral, considered to be the most beautiful medieval church in Italy. Arrive at the Sorrento Peninsula in the late afternoon. Sit back and take in the views of this magical place. (B, D)

## **Day 10:** Sorrento - Amalfi Coast Drive - Amalfi - Minori - Sorrento Peninsula

Savor time this morning in the lovely seaside resort town of Sorrento. Then, begin your adventure traversing the breathtaking Amalfi Coast. Make a stop in the charming town of Amalfi where you will have time to explore. Then it's off to Minori. Take this opportunity to sample regional specialties at a family-owned limoncello factory. Later, sit down for a traditional Italian afternoon break at a local café and pastry shop. Your evening is at leisure. (B)

### Day 11: Sorrento Peninsula - Pompeii - Rome

Drive along the Bay of Naples to the excavated ruins of Pompeii, nestled at the foothills of Mount Vesuvius. A local guide will provide an in-depth view of this remarkable archaeological site. You will be immersed in history as you explore the preserved buildings of this 2000-year-old Roman town. Later, travel to Rome and celebrate the end of your journey with a farewell dinner at a popular local restaurant. (B, D)

### Day 12: Rome - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

### **STAY LONGER**



Rome: The "Eternal City" is calling to you. Take a day to explore its historic treasures. CALL FOR DETAILS





### **DATES & PRICES**

January - April 2018	Twin	Solo	October 2, 9	\$2799	\$3299
(different itinerary - see note)			October 16, 23	\$2749	\$3249
January 25*	\$2149	\$2549	November 5, 6	\$2649	\$3099
February 22*	\$2149	\$2549	December 4*	\$2399	\$2799
March 8, 15	\$2499	\$2899	January 22*	\$2399	\$2799
April 5, 9, 12	\$2649	\$3049	February 19*	\$2449	\$2849
April 19, 26	\$2699	\$3099	March 5, 12	\$2549	\$2999
Itinerary featured is for May 2018	- April 2019 to	ur	March 19, 26	\$2599	\$3049
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confirm at time of reservation.			April 23	\$2749	\$3249
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	•		
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Book another tour with Southern Italy & Sicily and create one grand experience. **Suggested Tours:** • Discover Croatia • Spain's Classics

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June 12

July 10

August 7

August 28

September 4, 10, 11, 18, 24, 25

## ITALY'S TREASURES

12 DAYS · 17 MEALS FROM \$2999



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

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

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Spend two wonderful nights in romantic Venice.
- Get to know Florence with a tour of the city's treasures.
- Discover the beautiful Tuscan countryside.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 6 | Discover the city of Lucca on foot or by bicycle. Visit the Cathedral of San Martino, the Piazza Napoleone and the Piazza dell'Anfiteatro.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Travel by boat to your welcome dinner on Isola dei Pescatori.
- Participate in a Tuscan cooking lesson given by an expert chef.
- Attend a cocktail party in Stresa, and sample some local products.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Regina Palace Hotel or Grand Hotel des Iles Borromees, Stresa

Days 4, 5 Grand Hotel dei Castelli, Hotel Vis à Vis or Grande Albergo, Sestri Levante, Italian Riviera

Days 6 - 9 Villa Lecchi, Tuscany

**Days 10, 11** Hotel Ca' dei Conti or Hotel Santa Marina, Venice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## the romance of Italy comes to life on this culinary and cultural adventure

that will take you from medieval masterpieces to lively markets.

### START EARLY



**Stresa:** Enjoy more time on the shores of beautiful Lake Maggiore.

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### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out on your overnight flight to Italy!

### Day 2: Stresa, Italy - Tour Begins

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

### Day 3: Stresa

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

### Day 4: Stresa - Orta - Italian Riviera

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

### Day 5: Italian Riviera - Cinque Terre

Spend your day discovering the colorful Cinque Terre, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Travel by rail through the medieval villages of the Cinque Terre, perched on the edge of the sea. Traverse the rugged coastal area dotted with terraced vineyards, arriving at this nearly inaccessible string of fishing villages tucked between the mountains and the Mediterranean. Feel like you have stepped back in time. Spend an afternoon independently exploring this magical place. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to help you plan your adventure. (B)

### Day 6: Italian Riviera - Lucca - Tuscan Villa 😯

Drive to the medieval city of Lucca, encircled by 16th-century Renaissance walls. Then, **it's your choice!** You decide how you want to discover Lucca: on foot **-OR-** by bicycle. Either way, you'll visit the Cathedral of San









July 14, 28

August 4, 20, 25

September 1, 3, 8, 9, 10, 15

September 17, 22, 24, 29

Martino, the Piazza Napoleone and the Piazza dell'Anfiteatro. Then, set off to get a taste of the region by sampling some seasonal, local delicacies at specialty food shops. End the day in a historic Tuscan villa and begin a relaxing 4-night stay. (B, D)

### Day 7: Florence

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

### Day 8: Siena

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

### Day 9: Tuscan Countryside

Visit a winery in the heart of Tuscany that showcases the wine cellar, family estate, vineyards and olive groves. Participate in a Tuscan cooking lesson given by the winery's own chef. Enjoy an authentic Tuscan lunch expertly paired with wines produced on-site.

Return to the villa for some leisure time. At dinner, continue your sampling of Tuscan cuisine in one of Tuscany's traditional restaurants. (B, L, D)

### Day 10: Tuscany - Bologna - Venice

Depart for Venice. En route, stop in Bologna where you take a guided walking tour of the center, virtually unchanged since the Renaissance. Here you'll sample local delicacies at specialty food shops. Later, arrive in romantic Venice for your 2-night stay. (B)

### Day 11: Venice

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

### Day 12: Venice - Tour Ends

Wake up in Venice and depart for home. (B)

### **STAY LONGER**

**ADD A DAY**  Venice: Complete your tour with another enchanting night in this one-of-a-kind city. CALL FOR DETAILS

### **DATES & PRICES**

March - April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
different itinerary - see note)			October 6, 13, 20	\$3999	\$4749
March 10, 17	\$3749	\$4449	October 27	\$3849	\$4249
April 2, 7	\$3899	\$4649	November 3	\$3699	\$4199
April 14, 21	\$3999	\$4699	December 3*	\$2999	\$3399
tinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary.			February 9*	\$2999	\$3399
			March 9, 16	\$3649	\$4149
Please confirm at time of reservation.			April 1, 4, 22, 27	\$3999	\$4749
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo			
featured itinerary)			Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50	
May 5, 12, 19	\$3999	\$4849	Rates are land only, per perso	n. Call abou	t
lune 2, 9, 16, 23	\$3999	\$4849	additional dates.		

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Book another tour with Italy's Treasures and create one grand experience. Suggested Tours: ● Rome & the Amalfi Coast ● French Impressions CALL FOR DETAILS

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### VENICE, FLORENCE & ROME

8 DAYS · 10 MEALS FROM \$1649



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Visit the Academy Gallery to view Michelangelo's extraordinary David.
- Join a local expert and explore the rich history of Rome's Colosseum.
- Take in a glass-blowing demonstration on Venice's Murano Island.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Come to know Venice, one of Italy's most unique cities, with a local expert.
- Embark on a walking tour featuring Florence's artistic and architectural gems.
- Join a local guide on your panoramic tour featuring Rome's treasures.



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy tastings of cheese, cured meats, bread, chocolate, gelato and more during a Bologna food walking tour.
- Dine in true Italian-style with wine at every included dinner!



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Hotel Sant'Elena, Ca' dei Conti Hotel, B4 Bellini Venezia or Hotel Santa Marina, Venice

Wallia, Vellice

Days 4, 5 B4 Astoria Firenze, Florence

Days 6, 7 Hotel Mediterraneo, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# from romantic Venice to artful Florence and historic Rome,

discover why these cities are Italy's most popular destinations.

### START EARLY



Venice: Take more time in the enchanting city of Venice.

CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Join us for a fabulous Italian adventure, featuring the magic of Venice, Florence and Rome. Come along with us and embrace the history, culture, art and romance of this incredible country.

### Day 2: Venice, Italy - Tour Begins

Welcome to Venice, often called *La Serenissima* (the most serene) of cities. This evening, meet your fellow travelers over a welcome dinner. (D)

### Day 3: Venice

Explore enchanting Venice with its 117 tiny islands surrounded by a latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. Your Venetian journey opens on Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration. Then we make our way to St. Mark's Square, the city's lively hub. A local expert will guide you on a walking tour through the area highlighting St. Mark's Basilica and the Clock Tower with its famous Moors. The remainder of the day is yours to independently explore the hidden spots of this charming city; perhaps you will take an optional gondola ride. The locals say the best way to get to know Venice is to 'get lost' here. (B)

### Day 4: Venice - Bologna - Florence

Travel the beautiful Veneto and Emilia Romagna regions to Bologna, Italy's foodie capital. Join a local expert on a leisurely paced walking tour highlighting the culinary













side of this historic city. Explore one of Bologna's oldest food markets and check out traditional food shops. Discover Bologna's culture, architecture and history as you enjoy tastings of cheese, cured meats, bread, chocolate, gelato and more. Then sit down for lunch at one of Bologna's traditional restaurants. Later we continue to Florence - the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance." (B, L)

### Day 5: Florence

Meet a local expert for an introduction to this city that is a work of art all its own. On a walking tour your guide will highlight the Piazza del Duomo, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the Baptistry. You also visit the Piazza della Signoria with its impressive Palazzo Vecchio. Later, discover the Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's magnificent sculpture of David. The remainder of the day is yours to continue exploring Florence's cultural riches. Tonight, enjoy regional Italian cuisine at a local restaurant. (B, D)

### Day 6: Florence - Rome

Today we journey to Rome. This afternoon, a locally guided tour of Classical Rome features such sights as the Piazza Venezia, the Roman Forum, the Circus Maximus and the Arch of Constantine. During an in-depth visit to the Colosseum, your guide recounts its rich history. The catacombs, burial place of early Christians, the mythic Pantheon, and Piazza Navona are also featured. (B)

### Day 7: Rome

Enjoy a full day at leisure to bask in Rome's cultural treasures independently. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to offer suggestions. Perhaps a trip to Vatican City, with an optional tour to the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica, will be on your personal sightseeing list. Gather tonight to toast the end of your Italian adventure at your farewell dinner. (B, D)

### Day 8: Rome - Tour Ends

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

### **STAY LONGER**



Rome: Stay an extra night and explore more of the "Eternal City." CALL FOR DETAILS

### **DATES & PRICES**

January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note) January 27* February 24* March 3, 17 April 14	Twin \$1649 \$1649 \$2099 \$2349	\$1949 \$1949 \$2499 \$2949	May 2018 – April 2019 October 7,14 November 4 December 2* February 24* March 17	Twin \$2599 \$2199 \$1649 \$1749 \$2049	Solo \$3499 \$2849 \$1999 \$2249 \$2549		
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May 2018 - April 2019 Twin Solo		Triple Room Reduction (-) \$30					
(featured itinerary)			Rates are land only, per person. Call about				
May 6, 20	\$2599	\$3499	additional dates.				
June 17	\$2599	\$3499	*Value Season Departures: These select off-season				
July 8, 15	\$2299	\$2949	dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus,				
August 5	\$2299	\$2949	you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time				

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August 5

September 16, 23

### **SPOTLIGHT ON TUSCANY**

9 DAYS · 10 MEALS FROM \$1349



### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Visit the Academy Gallery and Michelangelo's famous statue of "David,"
- · See the Gothic Line, one of the Germans' last lines of defense during WWII.
- · Visit the Museum of Liberation and see WWII fortifications and bunkers.

### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Stay in the famous spa resort town of Montecatini Terme for seven nights!
- Journey to Florence for a tour of the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance."
- · Stop in the medieval city of Lucca, encircled by 16th-century walls.
- · See the Ponte del Diavolo (Devil's Bridge) in Borgo a Mozzano.



### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

DAY 6 | Explore Siena's Gothic Cathedral at your own pace or join your guide to get to know local life in a contrada (neighborhood).



### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Sample delectable wines during a wine tasting in the Chianti region.
- · Spend time at a cheese farm to taste flavorful pecorino cheese.
- Learn about Tuscan cuisine during a cooking class.
- · Enjoy regional wines with every included dinner.



### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight Days 2 - 8 Grand Hotel Tettuccio. Montecatini Terme

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL 1 2 3 4 5





## let Tuscany become a part of your life.

Relax as you enjoy its sprawling vineyards, charming medieval hill towns and enchanting cities.

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Rolling landscapes, savory wines, delicious food and stunning architecture...this can only be Tuscany. Unpack once on this journey among Italy's most charming

### Day 2: Montecatini Terme, Italy - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in the famous spa resort town of Montecatini Terme, nestled in the heart of the rolling hills of Tuscany. This evening, get to know your fellow travelers during a welcome dinner where regional foods and Italian wines kick off your adventure. (D)

### Day 3: Florence

A cultural tour in the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance" showcases the beautiful city of Florence. Join a local Florentine guide who highlights many of the city's priceless treasures including a visit to the Academy Gallery - housing Michelangelo's monumental statue of David. At the Piazza del Duomo, the center of religious life in medieval Florence, see the impressive Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the gilded bronze doors of the

Baptistery dedicated to St. John. Take the remainder of your day to explore this unparalleled city as you choose.

### Day 4: Lucca - Borgo a Mozzano - Gothic Line

Set out on a guided visit to Lucca, Tuscany's best-kept secret. Renaissance walls, Romanesque churches, medieval streets flanked by towers, and delightful squares are just some of Lucca's charms. Visit the medieval Basilica di San Frediano. Its otherwise simple façade is adorned with a colorful 13th-century mosaic. Enjoy some time to explore at your own pace. Next, set off for Borgo a Mozzano to see the remarkable Ponte del Diavolo (Devil's Bridge). Continue on to the Gothic Line. Built by the Germans, it was one of their last lines of defense during WWII. You will visit the Museum of Liberation and see the actual fortifications and bunkers. (B)

### Dav 5: Pisa

Explore the many historic sites in the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa including the Piazza dei Miracoli, or "Field of Miracles" (UNESCO). Keep your camera handy









June 7, 14

August 30

October 4, 11, 18

September 6, 13, 20, 27

July 5

during your stop at the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa. You probably won't be able to resist taking a picture that makes it appear as if you are holding this iconic structure up. Visit the Baptistery, the largest in all of Italy. This impressive building of Romanesque and Gothic architecture is known for its perfect acoustics. This evening we travel to the guiet countryside to learn the secrets of traditional Tuscan cuisine. Partake in a cooking class featuring a bounty of local ingredients and culinary techniques that have been passed down for generations. Then sit down and enjoy the fruits of your labor during dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Siena 😯

Welcome to Siena. Discover this charming town with a local guide. Embark on a walking tour through its narrow Gothic streets. Take in stunning palaces, mansions and the historic Piazza del Campo along the way. Then, it's your choice! Explore Siena's beautiful Gothic Cathedral at your own pace -OR- join your quide to get to know local life in a contrada (neighborhood). Next we make our way to a Tuscan winery and meet the people behind some of Chianti's finest wines. Learn from experts as you savor a selection of the local varieties. You'll also learn about the art of winemaking and the process of making olive oil. (B)

#### Day 7: Montecatini Terme

The day is yours to relax and experience the local flavor. Take this opportunity to shop at the local boutiques and dine at one of the many fine local restaurants. Or, perhaps you will choose an optional excursion to Cinque Terre with its rugged coastline dotted with terraced vineyards. Explore its string of fishing villages nestled between the mountains and the Mediterranean.

#### Day 8: Cheese Farm Visit - San Gimignano

Begin the day with breathtaking views of the Tuscan hills as we make our way to a cheese farm. Learn how the famous pecorino cheese is made before sampling it for yourself. Afterwards, travel to the hilltop village of San Gimignano, one of the most picturesque places in Tuscany. Explore this enchanting medieval town, from its famous 14 towers to its magnificent vistas overlooking the vineyards of Tuscany. Enjoy free time and perhaps indulge in some gelato. A delightful experience awaits this evening when you attend a Tuscan feast featuring traditional cuisine and savory wines in the magical Tuscan countryside. (B. D)

#### Day 9: Montecatini Terme - Tour Ends

Your journey comes to a close today. Depart with many fond memories of Tuscany. (B)

#### **DATES & PRICES**

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	erent itinerary – see note)			October 25	\$1749	\$1999
Jan	uary 25*	\$1399	\$1599	November 1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 29	\$1599	\$1799
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Ma	rch 8, 15, 20, 22	\$1599	\$1799	February 14*	\$1349	\$1349
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### **IMPERIAL CITIES**

11 DAYS · 15 MEALS FROM \$1899



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Get to know Bratislava's history on a city tour with a local expert.
- Enjoy an unforgettable Classical music performance featuring the works of Mozart and
- Visit Melk Abbey, a longtime center of learning in Europe.
- · Visit Lobkowicz Palace, home to the largest and finest art collections in the Czech Republic.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Embark on a Danube River cruise through the historic Wachau Valley.
- · Enjoy a stop in the fairy-tale town of Cesky Krumlov.
- · Tour majestic Prague Castle.



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

DAY 4 | Enjoy traditional Czech cuisine at one of Prague's popular restaurants or tip a pint while dining at one of Eastern Europe's oldest breweries.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy dinner and sample regional wine in the picturesque Grinzing region.
- Savor a Renaissance-style dinner at a medieval castle restaurant near Budapest.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Overnight Flight Day 1

Days 2 - 4 Hotel Yasmin, Prague

Days 5 - 7 Hotel Am Konzerthaus, Vienna

Days 8 - 10 NH Budapest, Budapest

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



## bask in the splendor of Europe's regal cities

of Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Complete the experience with a cruise on the legendary Danube.

#### START EARLY

ADD A DAY Prague: Get ready to start your tour in this cultural and economic hub. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out on a grand cultural adventure through the Imperial Cities of Central Europe. Along the way, enjoy traditional entertainment and a scenic cruise on the Danube River.

#### Day 2: Prague, Czech Republic - Tour Begins

Arrive in Prague, the "City of 100 Spires." Behold ancient landmarks and medieval architecture. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

#### Day 3: Prague

Feel the magic. Your introduction to this fairy-tale city begins with a panoramic tour. Explore the "Castle District," including the gothic St. Vitus Cathedral and the majestic Prague Castle. Next, visit Lobkowicz Palace, the only privately owned building in the sprawling Prague Castle complex, and home to the largest and finest art collection in the Czech Republic spanning over 600 years of family history. A masterpiece of 16th century Baroque architecture, the aristocratic Lobkowicz family lost it under Communist occupation following World War II and

regained control only in 2002. The priceless collection also encompasses one of Central Europe's finest libraries of rare books and a musical archive that includes scores by Mozart, Beethoven and Gluck. After a delightful lunch, gather in the palace's elegant Baroque concert hall for a mid-day Classical music concert featuring the likes of Mozart, Bach, Dvorák and Smetana. Later, proceed to the lovely statue-lined Charles Bridge. (B, L)

#### Day 4: Prague 😯

The day is yours to discover Prague on your own. Shop for Bohemian crystal or visit one of the city's many museums, such as the Lapidarium, home to 11th-century stone sculptures. Stroll to the Old Town square, home to the famous Orloi, which functions as a clock, calendar and primitive planetarium. Perhaps you will join an optional excursion to Prague's Old Jewish Quarter to see its historic Jewish Museum and Europe's oldest surviving Jewish cemetery, founded in 1478. This evening, it's your choice. Enjoy traditional Czech culture at one of Prague's popular restaurants -OR- tip a pint while dining at one of Eastern Europe's oldest breweries and take a tour to see how this famous beer has been brewed for 500 years. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Prague - Cesky Krumlov - Vienna, Austria

Take a scenic ride through the countryside as we travel from Prague to Vienna. En route, make a stop in the fairytale town of Cesky Krumlov to explore the well-preserved









streets lined with Baroque architecture before continuing on to Vienna. Tonight's dinner is a real treat: a meal showcasing regional wine and the impressive local cuisine of the Grinzing region. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Vienna

This morning, join a local resident for a visit to magnificent Schoenbrunn Palace, the summer retreat of the Hapsburg dynasty for more than 200 years. Continue on to Vienna's center. Behold the beautiful architecture, scenic parks and gothic spires that fill the city. Tonight, return to Schoenbrunn Palace for an unforgettable Classical music performance featuring the works of Mozart and Strauss. (B)

#### Day 7: Vienna - Danube River - Melk - Vienna

Travel along the banks of the Danube, immortalized by Strauss, to the medieval town of Durnstein. Embark on a scenic Danube River cruise through the historic Wachau Valley. Later, visit the 11th-century Melk Abbey, famous for its production and collection of manuscripts. A leisurely ride back to Vienna leads to a free evening to enjoy the city. (B)

## Day 8: Vienna - Bratislava, Slovakia - Budapest,

This morning we journey to Bratislava, former Imperial capital of the Hapsburg Empire. Get to know the city's 4000-year-old history on a tour with a local expert. Continue to Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube," truly one of the world's most beautiful cities. Upon arrival we drive through this majestic capital on our way to the hotel. Take some time to relax or explore before gathering for tonight's dinner in the city. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Budapest

Capture the true spirit of Budapest. Join a local expert and discover the incredible Neo-Gothic marvel of Matthias Church atop Buda Castle Hill. Next, be enamored by the Fisherman's Bastion with its white walls, towers and arcades for spectacular views. Continue to historic Old Buda and Gellert Hill, followed by the Parliament. At Heroes Square, admire the imposing Millennium Monument which memorializes the 1000th anniversary of Hungarian dominion. (B)

#### Day 10: Budapest - Visegrad - Budapest

Begin your day with a visit to a school in Budapest where you will get a glimpse into the daily life of the locals while meeting the young students. In the afternoon, venture outside the city to the former Renaissance capital of Visegrad for a magnificent view of the Danube Bend and the Borzsony Mountains. Travel back in time with a visit to a 14th-century castle where knights with colorful costumes and authentic weaponry recreate the days of chivalry. Then, enjoy a special Renaissance-style dinner at the castle restaurant and re-enact the days of medieval times. Revel in this evening of wine and music. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Budapest - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Budapest: Explore more of one of Europe's most intriguing cities. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

January - April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)			October 1, 8	\$2399	\$3149
January 22*	\$1649	\$2199	October 15, 22	\$2299	\$2949
February 19*	\$1649	\$2199	November 5*	\$1899	\$2449
March 12	\$1949	\$2549	December 3*	\$1899	\$2449
April 2, 9	\$2149	\$2849	March 25*	\$1899	\$2449
April 16, 23	\$2249	\$3049	April 1, 8	\$2299	\$2949
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - A	pril 2019 to	ur	April 22, 29	\$2399	\$3149
departures. Departures prior to this	date will va	ry. Please			
confirm at time of reservation.			Triple Room Reduction		(-) \$30
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	Rates are land only per perso		

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

\*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time



#### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

Book another tour with Imperial Cities and create one grand experience. Suggested Tours: • Germany's Cultural Cities & the Romantic Road 2 Norwegian Coastal Voyage CALL FOR DETAILS

This trip requires a passport. Return flights should not be booked prior to 10 am.

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August 6, 13, 20, 27

September 3, 10, 17, 24

May 7, 21, 28

June 4, 18

July 9, 16

## EXPLORING THE ALPINE COUNTRIES

13 DAYS · 17 MEALS FROM \*2999



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Take a lovely cruise along the Danube River.
- Make a stop at the impressive Benedictine Melk Abbey.
- Meet a Passion Play performer in Oberammergau.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Come to know Vienna and its incredible Schoenbrunn Palace.
- Discover the fascinating city of Munich and its world-famous Glockenspiel.
- Walk through Innsbruck's charming pedestrian streets.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 10 Explore Zermatt on foot during a guided walking tour or independently before visiting the Matterhorn Museum.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Savor a special dinner in the quaint winemaking village of Grinzing.
- Delight in a Mozart Dinner Concert at the centuries-old St. Peter's Restaurant in Salzburg.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Mercure Grand Hotel Biedermeier, Vienna

Days 4, 5 Arcotel Castellani, Salzburg

**Days 6, 7** Alte Post Hotel, Oberammergau Region

**Day 8** Hotel Hofgut Sternen, Titisee or Maritim Titisee Hotel, Black Forest

Days 9, 10 Hotel Alex, Hotel Pollux or Ambassador Hotel, Zermatt

Days 11, 12 Ameron Hotel Flora or Hotel Waldstaetterhof, Lucerne

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## journey through the heart of Europe

and discover storybook castles and glittering palaces amidst stunning Alpine vistas in Austria, Germany and Switzerland.

#### START EARLY

ADD A DAY Vienna: Come early to spend more time in this culturally rich city in the heart of Europe. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out to explore three distinct Alpine cultures set amid incredible landscapes.

#### Day 2: Vienna, Austria - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Vienna. This evening, meet your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner featuring regional wine and a meal highlighting the local cuisine in the quaint winemaking region of Grinzing. (D)

#### Day 3: Vienna

Come to know Vienna this morning during a locally guided tour that showcases its architectural marvels. You will visit the incredible Schoenbrunn Palace and see the impressive St. Stephen's Cathedral. This afternoon enjoy free time to explore the avenues of Vienna or visit one of its many museums. (B)

#### Day 4: Vienna - Salzburg

After a short journey through the countryside, embark upon a lovely cruise along the Danube, one of Europe's most important waterways. Later, make a stop at the Benedictine Melk Abbey before continuing to the "City of Music," Salzburg. Tonight, transport back in time during a Mozart Dinner Concert in the elegant Baroque Hall of the centuries-old St. Peter's Restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Salzburg

Discover the splendor of Salzburg on a leisurely paced walking tour of the Old Town. Some of the amazing sights you will see along the way include the Cathedral, Mozart's birthplace and Mirabell Gardens. (B)

Day 6: Salzburg - Munich, Germany - Oberammergau Welcome to Germany. In Munich, feel the energy of this lively and fascinating city during a tour that highlights Olympic Park; the world-famous Glockenspiel; and Marienplatz, a beautiful square surrounded by shops, restaurants and cafés. Later in the day, arrive at your home for the next two nights — the quaint village of Oberammergau, renowned for woodcarvings and the









Passion Play. This evening, enjoy a magical dinner and a visit by a local performer from the village. (B, D)

## **Day 7:** Oberammergau - Innsbruck, Austria - Oberammergau

Take in the scenery of the spectacular Bavarian Alps en route to enchanting Innsbruck, located in Tyrolean Austria. Walk through the charming pedestrian streets and see such landmarks as The Golden Roof on a locally guided tour. As you wind through the narrow cobblestone lanes, it is easy to understand why this city was the center of European culture and politics during the 14th century. (B)

#### Day 8: Oberammergau - Black Forest

Today fairytales become reality during a picture stop of Bavaria's most famous castle, King Ludwig's Neuschwanstein. Next you are off to the heart of the Black Forest, a region famous for its artisans who create authentic cuckoo clocks and Hummels. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Black Forest - Zermatt, Switzerland

Welcome to Switzerland! Your first stop en route to Zermatt is at one of the most photographed castles in the world, the Château de Chillon, located on serene Lake Geneva. Later, enjoy a short train ride aboard the Matterhorn Gottard Bahn from Tasch to the relaxing pedestrian village of Zermatt in the Swiss Alps. Take a stroll and breathe in the fresh Alpine air. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Zermatt 😯

All of Zermatt is at your fingertips. It's your choice! Explore on foot during a guided walking tour -OR- experience Zermatt independently before visiting the Matterhorn Museum to learn more about the triumph and tragedy of the first ascent of this imposing peak. The remainder of your day is at leisure. (B)

#### Day 11: Zermatt - Grimsel Pass - Lucerne

Views of glaciers, crystal clear rivers and snowcapped mountains will invigorate you as you travel through the spectacular scenery of the Grimsel Pass. Your destination is the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake," the city of Lucerne. (B)

#### Day 12: Lucerne

Set out on a scenic walking tour of this picturesque place, including a stroll through its romantic Old Town. The remainder of the day is yours to relax or independently explore the best of Lucerne. Tonight, come together with your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner featuring local specialties and toast the end of a wonderful trip. (B, D)

#### Day 13: Lucerne - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Lucerne: Spend more time in the peaceful city on the shores of Lake Lucerne. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)			July 5, 12, 19	\$3199	\$3649
April 12, 19, 26	\$2899	\$3399	August 2, 9	\$3199	\$3649
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 -	April 2019 to	ur	August 16	\$3399	\$3799
departures. Departures prior to this		ry.	September 6, 8, 13, 15, 20	\$3199	\$3649
Please confirm at time of reservation			September 22, 27, 29	\$3199	\$3649
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	October 4, 11	\$2999	\$3449
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May 3	\$2999	\$3449	-: 1 B B 1 1		
May 17, 24	\$3099	\$3549	Triple Room Reduction	N/A	
June 7, 14, 21	\$3099	\$3549	Rates are land only, per person additional dates.	. Call abou	t



#### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

Book another tour with Exploring the Alpine Countries and create one grand experience. **Suggested Tours:** • Spectacular Scandinavia CALL FOR DETAILS

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will depart from the Zurich, Switzerland airport. All of our transfers will depart Lucerne for Zurich. Return flights should not be booked prior to 10:00 a.m.

## DISCOVER SWITZERLAND, AUSTRIA & BAVARIA

10 DAYS · 12 MEALS FROM \$1999



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Ride the GoldenPass Panoramic Train from Montreux to Gstaad.
- Witness the musical tradition of Austria during a Tyrolean folklore show.
- Come to know local life with 4 nights in Bern and Innsbruck.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Walk the halls of the legendary, medieval Château de Chillon, located on the shores of Lake Geneva.
- Spend a day exploring Salzburg's historic past and charming old town.
- Enjoy a walking tour of Lucerne's Alstadt (Old Town).



#### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure

DAY 6 | In Innsbruck choose between two leisurely walking tours. Focus on the city's history and popular attractions or explore its unique architecture.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Savor a dinner featuring local cuisine such as traditional cheese fondue.
- Enjoy traditional cuisine in one of Bern's great restaurants.
- Delight in dinner at the 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, Austria's oldest.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 5 Hotel Bern or Hotel Baeren, Bern

Days 6 - 9 Hotel Innsbruck, Innsbruck

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## enjoy traveling through spectacular mountain scenery

and picturesque cities as you experience three enchanting Alpine cultures.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out to discover spectacular Switzerland, Austria and Bavaria.

#### Day 2: Bern, Switzerland - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Bern, the capital of Switzerland. This UNESCO World Heritage site rests in the Swiss countryside. The cobbled Old Town section is so well preserved that residents who lived here 500 years ago would still find it familiar today. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner featuring local cuisine such as traditional cheese fondue. (D)

#### Day 3: Bern

Explore delightful Bern on a panoramic sightseeing tour featuring the Bundeshaus (the Swiss Parliament), the famous Bear Pit, the Rose Gardens and the gothic cathedral which dominates Old Town's skyline. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore independently or perhaps brave Europe's steepest funicular ride up Gurten Mountain. (B)

## **Day 4:** Château de Chillon - Montreux - Train Ride - Gstaad - Bern

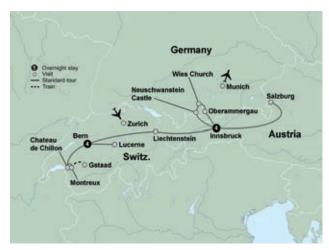
Travel along the shores of Lake Geneva to the legendary, medieval Château de Chillon. This princely residence faces the lake and puts forth the image of an imposing fortress from the mountains. Later, enjoy inspiring Alpine views with a ride on the GoldenPass Panoramic Train from Montreux to Gstaad. Discover the delightful ambience of this world-famous Alpine ski resort with its numerous traditional wood chalets. (B)

#### Day 5: Bern - Lucerne - Bern

Set out for Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Enjoy a leisurely paced Altstadt (Old Town) walking tour, exploring the hidden treasures of the city. Lucerne has more than 800 years of history. Explore such medieval treasures as the covered Chapel Bridge (1833); the famous Water Tower which has served as a prison, watchtower and treasury; the Renaissance-style Town Hall; the baroque Jesuit Church; and the Lion Monument, carved from natural rock to commemorate the heroic Swiss Guard. Tonight we dine at one of Bern's great restaurants. (B, D)









#### Day 6: Bern - Innsbruck, Austria 😯

En route to Innsbruck we make our way through Liechtenstein, the smallest and richest Germanspeaking country in the world and the only country to lie entirely within the Alps. Upon arrival in Innsbruck, it's your choice! Select one of two leisurely walking tours: join a local guide as you discover the city's history, culture and popular attractions including Maria Theresien Strasse, the Hofburg and the "Golden Roof" -OR- you may embark on a tour focusing on Innsbruck's unique architectural structures including its famous ski jump. (B)

#### Day 7: Innsbruck - Salzburg - Innsbruck

Travel through the picturesque Austrian countryside to Salzburg. There, enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour featuring Mirabell Gardens (seen in The Sound of Music); the quaint Getreidegasse (birthplace of Mozart); and many other highlights of this beautiful city. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to independently explore and enjoy Salzburg's fabulous sights. Complete your day with a delightful dinner at the 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, the oldest in Austria and still owned by the monks. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Innsbruck

Savor a free day in this beautiful city. You may stroll through Old Town and shop at many of the city's outstanding stores or you may just relax

and breathe in the mountain air while enjoying a beverage in one of the many cafés that dot this charming city. Later, experience the rich musical tradition of mountainous Austria during a Tyrolean folklore show hosted by a locally well-known musical family. (B)

#### Day 9: Innsbruck - Bavaria, Germany -Oberammergau - Innsbruck

Today fairy tales come to life with a picture stop at Bavaria's famous Neuschwanstein Castle. Visit Wies Church (UNESCO) before heading to the picturesque village of Oberammergau. Enjoy a brief tour and learn more about this charming place, famous for its Passion Play. Performed every ten years to fulfill a pledge made by the villagers to God for sparing their city from the plague in 1633, the Passion Play has grown into an international event. Tonight you are treated to a farewell dinner in one of Innsbruck's most famous traditional restaurants. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Innsbruck - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to an end in Innsbruck. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Innsbruck: Relax after your trip or explore more of this beautiful city. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

March - April 2018	lwin	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019	lwin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)			August 2, 9, 16, 23	\$2299	\$2599
March 15	\$2299	\$2599	September 6, 9, 13, 16	\$2299	\$2599
April 5, 12, 19, 26	\$2299	\$2599	September 20, 23, 27	\$2299	\$2599
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - A	pril 2019 to	ur	October 4, 7, 11, 14, 18, 25	\$2299	\$2599
departures. Departures prior to this		ry.	November 1	\$1999	\$2299
Please confirm at time of reservation	1.		March 21	\$1999	\$2299
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	April 4, 9, 23, 25	\$2299	\$2599
(featured itinerary)			Triple Room Reduction		N/A
May 3, 10, 17, 24	\$2299	\$2599	Rates are land only, per person.	Call aba	,
June 7, 14, 21, 28	\$2299	\$2599	additional dates.	Call abou	l
July 5, 12, 19, 26	\$2299	\$2599	additional dates.		



#### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

Book another tour with Discover Switzerland, Austria & Bavaria and create one grand experience. Suggested Tour: • Magnificent Cities of Central & Eastern Europe call for DETAILS

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Zurich, Switzerland airport and depart from Munich, Germany airport. All of our transfers will depart from/return to these airports. Due to tour scheduling, flights must arrive prior to 4:00 p.m. Return flights should not be booked prior to 10:00 a.m. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse.

## ALPINE LAKES & SCENIC TRAINS

10 DAYS · 12 MEALS FROM \$3299



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Cruise Lake Como on a traditional open-air commuter ferry.
- Stroll the lakeside boulevards of Lucerne, St. Moritz and Como.
- Journey through the Bernina Pass on one of the world's most scenic railways.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy stunning Alpine views on the GoldenPass panoramic train.
- Soak up the mountain air with two nights in the Alpine village of Zermatt.
- Explore the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake," Lucerne.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 5 | Tour Zermatt's best-known landmarks with a local expert or enjoy a visit to the Zermatt Matterhorn Museum.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Savor a wine and cheese pairing at an Italian family farm.
- Relish a traditional dinner on the Isola dei Pescatori in Italy's Lago Maggiore.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

**Days 2, 3** Ameron Flora or Hotel Waldstaetterhof, Lucerne

Days 4, 5 Hotel Alex, Hotel Pollux or Ambassador Hotel, Zermatt

Days 6, 7 Hotel Steffani, St. Moritz

Days 8, 9 Zacchera Hotels, Lago Maggiore

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.





## experience the enchanting cultures of Switzerland and Italy

as you journey through spectacular mountain scenery and picturesque towns aboard Europe's legendary railways.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Breathtaking Alpine vistas await as you travel through Switzerland and Italy. Experience dramatic views while aboard railways and lake cruises, and enjoy cultural experiences in charming villages in the heart of Europe.

#### Day 2: Lucerne, Switzerland - Tour Begins

Arrive in Lucerne and take some free time to explore this lakeside town on your own. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner in the city. (D)

#### Day 3: Lucerne

Today, explore this "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Enjoy an Altstadt (Old Town) walking tour that follows the ancient pathways of the city. See the covered Chapel Bridge (1333); the famous Water Tower that once served as a prison; the watchtower and treasury; the Renaissance-style Town Hall; the Baroque Jesuit Church: and the Lion Monument. carved from

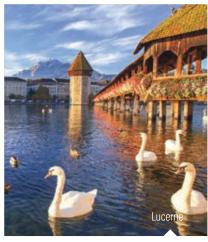
sandstone to commemorate the heroic soldiers who were protecting King Louis XVI in 1792. (B)

Day 4: Lucerne - GoldenPass Train - Montreux - Zermatt This morning, travel to Gstaad and climb aboard the GoldenPass panoramic train to enjoy breathtaking Alpine views along the route to Montreux. Upon arrival, enjoy some free time in this legendary town on the shores of Lake Geneva. Then, continue on to the pedestrian village of Zermatt. (B, D)

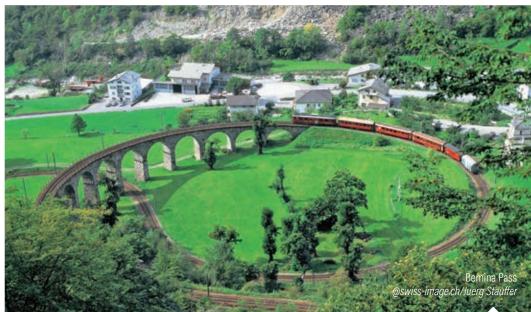
#### Day 5: Zermatt 😯

Today, Zermatt is at your fingertips. It's your choice! Explore on foot during a guided walking tour -OR-experience Zermatt independently before visiting the Matterhorn Museum; learn more about the triumph and tragedy behind the first ascent of this imposing peak. The remainder of your day is at leisure. (B)









#### Day 6: Zermatt - Glacier Express Train - St. Moritz

Traverse bridges and tunnels while aboard the world-renowned narrow gauge Glacier Express, the most charming express train in the world. Enjoy the natural beauty of this route through the heart of the Swiss Alps. Filled with forests, fragrant meadows, gurgling streams and deep valleys, it's a mountain dream come to life. Relax and enjoy a three-course lunch while onboard. Arrive in St. Moritz for your 2-night stay. (B, L)

Day 7: St. Moritz - Bernina Pass Train - St. Moritz Embark on a journey through the Bernina Pass while traveling along one of the most scenic railway lines in the world en route to Tirano, Italy. Take in striking views of the Swiss and Italian Alps throughout your adventure, including the famed Morteratsch Glacier. Upon your return to St. Moritz you can relax at your hotel or make use of your included St. Moritz lift pass and take the cable car to the top of Mt. Diavolezza where you can enjoy stunning views of Piz Bernina. (B)

#### Day 8: St. Moritz - Lake Como, Italy - Lago Maggiore

Today we make our way back to Italy with a drive to Lake Como. A ferry ride across the waters

of Lake Como introduces you to its stunning beauty. Drive along the picturesque shores to the town of Como. You will have free time to explore this famous resort before continuing to Lago Maggiore, a tranquil resort area with crystal clear waters against the backdrop of the Alps. (B)

#### Day 9: Lago Maggiore

Travel to an ancient village nestled in the mountains. Stop at a family farm where you will learn about the artisan cheeses they produce. Then, sample their delicious creations and learn how to pair them with the region's local wines. Return to your hotel for a free afternoon. Our evening begins with a cocktail party in a wine shop before we board a lake boat for a cruise to Isola dei Pescatori, the most beautiful of the Borromean Islands. There we savor a traditional farewell dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Lago Maggiore - Tour Ends

Your thrilling Alpine journey ends today in Lago Maggiore. (B)

#### **DATES & PRICES**

April - October 2018	Twin	Solo	April – October 2018	Twin	Solo
April 30	\$3399	\$3799	October 1	\$3399	\$3799
May 7, 14, 28	\$3399	\$3799	October 8	\$3299	\$3749
June 4, 25	\$3399	\$3799			
July 9, 16	\$3399	\$3799	Triple Room Reduction		N/A
August 13, 27	\$3399	\$3799	Rates are land only, per perso	n. Call abou	t
September 10, 17, 24	\$3399	\$3799	additional dates.		
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#### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

Book another tour with Alpine Lakes & Scenic Trains and create one grand experience. Suggested Tours: • Reflections of Italy • Norwegian Coastal Voyage & Scandinavian Capitals call for Details

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Zurich, Switzerland airport and transfer to Lucerne; and will depart from Lago Maggiore, Italy and transfer to Milan airport. All of our transfers will depart from/return to these airports. Due to tour scheduling, flights on Day 2 should arrive into Zurich prior to 4:00 p.m.

# GERMANY'S CULTURAL CITIES AND THE ROMANTIC ROAD

12 DAYS · 15 MEALS FROM \$2549



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Embark on a guided tour of Hamelin with a flute-playing "Pied Piper."
- Explore the Hanseatic town of Lübeck, famous for marzipan.
- Join a local guide who leads you on a Beatles tour in Hamburg.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Tour Berlin and Munich's famed landmarks with a local guide.
- Discover Rothenburg ob der Tauber, a medieval gem in the heart of Franconia.
- Tour Neuschwanstein Castle right from the pages of a storybook.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

- **DAY 5** | In Hamburg, take a narrated cruise around the shipping port **or** embark on a relaxing boat cruise on Alster Lake.
- **DAY 9** In Rothenburg, make "snowball" pastries **or** tour the Medieval Crime and Justice Museum.
- **DAY 11** In Munich, visit the innovative BMW World **or** take an excursion to Dachau.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Indulge in a wine tasting in a cellar restaurant.
- Enjoy a beer tasting followed by a farewell dinner in one of Munich's famous restaurants.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

**Days 2, 3** Crowne Plaza Potsdamer Platz, or Intercontinental, Berlin

**Days 4, 5** Reichshof Hamburg, Curio Collection by Hilton, Hamburg

Day 6 Hotel Stadt, Hamelin

Day 7 Vila Vita Rosenpark, Marburg

**Days 8, 9** Altes Brauhaus, Rothenburg ob der Tauber

Days 10, 11 Sheraton Hotel Arabellapark, Munich

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## discover the best of Germany

Come to know its greatest cultural capitals of Berlin, Hamburg and Munich, and the charm of its Romantic and Fairytale Roads.

#### START EARLY



Berlin: Get a jump on exploring Germany with an extra night in exciting Berlin.
CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

This enchanting journey will take you to see the best of Germany as you travel to some of the country's most iconic cities and through its stunning countryside.

#### Day 2: Berlin, Germany - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Berlin, Germany's capital. This city blends a deep history, modern flare and multi-cultural influences. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

#### Day 3: Berlin

This morning, enjoy a traditional city tour that features Charlottenburg Palace, Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, the Schoenberg City Hall, Kurfuerstendamm, the Reichstag building and a stop at "Checkpoint Charlie," the best-known Berlin Wall crossing point between East and West Berlin during the Cold War. This afternoon you may choose to join an optional excursion outside the city to visit Potsdam and the famous Sanssouci Palace. (B)

#### Day 4: Berlin - Lübeck - Hamburg

Travel to Hamburg, "the Venice of the North," with winding canals and an impressive harbor that made it a center for trade for centuries. En route, make a stop in the medieval Hanseatic League town of Lübeck, the famed birthplace of marzipan and a UNESCO World Heritage site; join a local guide for a tour of the town and have a chance to visit Café Niederegger to shop for the marzipan they have been making for 200 years. Arrive in Hamburg. Tonight, enjoy dinner out on the town. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Hamburg 😯

Come to know the city on a panoramic tour that showcases the Rathaus (Town Hall), the Alster, St. Michaelis church, the city center, the beautiful Jungfernstieg promenade and, of course, the Port of Hamburg, dubbed "the gateway to the world." Later, it's your choice! Board a harbor boat for a narrated cruise around the massive Hamburg shipping port highlighting the key maritime sights -OR- embark on a relaxing boat cruise on Alster Lake to take in stunning views of the shoreline dotted with the homes of Hamburg's elite. Later we gather for a walking tour of the Reeperbahn area, Hamburg's red light district, immortalized as the place where the Beatles cultivated their fame in the early 1960s. Join in the fun with your "singing and ukulele-playing local Beatles expert" and travel down memory lane. (B)

#### Day 6: Hamburg - Bremen - Hamelin

Today's first stop is in Bremen, at the beginning of the Fairy Tale Road. Join a local guide for a walking tour of the quaint town featuring the musicians of Brothers Grimm fame, the Town Hall (UNESCO), and ending in the medieval Schnoor district. After free time for lunch, travel to Hamelin, made famous by the Pied Piper legend from the stories of the Brothers Grimm. Feel like you have stepped into a storybook when the "Pied Piper of Hamelin" plays delightful tunes while he leads you on a discovery walk through Hamelin with its charming Tudor-style architecture. (B)

#### Day 7: Hamelin - Trendelburg and Sababurg Castles - Kassel - Marburg

This morning you are transported back to childhood as you come face to face with the real life places that inspired the fairy tale classics. First, meet a local storyteller at the famed "Rapunzel's Castle" - Trendelburg. Continue on to Reinhardswald, home to Sleeping Beauty's castle - Sababurg. Have time to explore the enchanting grounds before traveling to Kassel, home to the Brothers Grimm Museum. At the museum, an expert will lead you on a tour through the interactive displays that bring you through the life of the Grimm Brothers. Journey to the medieval university town of Marburg with its endless alleys and stairways that lead to the castle perched above. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Marburg - Würzburg - Rothenburg ob der Tauber

Journey to the perfectly preserved medieval town of Rothenburg ob der Tauber, located in the middle of the famous Romantic Road and in the heart of the Franconia wine region. En route, make a stop in Würzburg, a Bavarian wine town known for its lavish Baroque and Rococo architecture. You will enjoy time to explore the town on your own before continuing to Rothenburg, located high on a plateau overlooking the Tauber River. Arrive at your city center hotel, the perfect location to discover this captivating town. Take an evening stroll to a local restaurant where you'll enjoy a tasting of local wines followed by a traditional German dinner. Later, join a colorfully costumed local expert for the famous "Night Watchman" walking tour of the medieval town. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Rothenburg ob der Tauber 😵

It's your choice! Walk to a local bakery to make "schneeball" pastries - snowballs - the local's favorite treat! -OR- tour the Medieval Crime and Justice Museum. Later, we gather to spend time at the famous Käthe Wohlfahrt Christmas Museum where you will be treated to a private tour, enjoy an ornament-making demonstration, and shop for handmade Christmas ornaments. The remainder of the day is yours to do as you choose. (B)

#### Day 10: Rothenburg ob der Tauber -Neuschwanstein Castle - Munich

Leave Rothenburg behind and make your way through mountains and along winding country roads for a tour inside the famous Neuschwanstein Castle. Built by "crazy" King







Ludwig II, it is the most photographed castle in Germany. Next, continue to Munich, the exciting capital of Bavaria. Your evening is free to explore the city independently. (B)

#### Day 11: Munich 😯

Come to know the energy of this lively and fascinating city during a panoramic walking tour that highlights the world-famous Glockenspiel and Marienplatz - a beautiful square surrounded by shops, restaurants and cafés. This afternoon, it's your choice! Join a local guide and venture to the innovative BMW World to learn the history of this dynamic global automaker; then ride to the top of the Olympic Tower to take in stunning views of the Munich cityscape -OR- embark on a poignant journey through history as you travel to the Dachau Memorial; a local expert guides you through the former concentration camp where you will learn firsthand about the terrors as well as the resilience of the human spirit that occurred within those walls. The remainder of your day is at leisure. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a beer tasting followed by a farewell dinner in one of Munich's most famous restaurants. (B, D)

#### Day 12: Munich - Tour Ends

This morning your tour comes to a close. (B)

#### STAY LONGER



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#### **DATES & PRICES**

April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)	<u></u>	<b>\$2.400</b>	September 20	\$2949	\$4149
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May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	March 21	\$2799	\$3499
(featured itinerary)			April 25	\$2799	\$3499
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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Set out on a 7-night cruise along the Rhine.
- Discover the lovely town of Cochem on a auided tour.
- · Take in the sounds of barrel organs and medieval instruments at Siegfried's Mechanisches Musikkabinett.
- · Enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour of Colmar (Old Town), exploring the hidden treasures of the city.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Set out on a tour of picturesque Rüdesheim.
- · Cruise the famous canals of Amsterdam and join a local guide for a city tour.
- Explore Cologne's Old Town during a walking tour.
- Experience Speyer, one of Germany's oldest cities.
- Take a guided tour of Strasbourg, France.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Enjoy a Captain's Gala Dinner aboard your ship.
- · Visit one of Cochem's renowned wine cellars.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight Days 2 - 8 MS Amadeus Silver III Day 9 Movenpick Hotel, Zurich

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



## set sail on an enchanting cruise

that will take you to three charming countries steeped in history — the Netherlands, Germany and France.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Join us for an exciting tour featuring Strasbourg and the romantic Rhine Valley. This journey brings you through one of the most historic and dramatic regions in all of Europe.

#### Day 2: Amsterdam, Netherlands - Board Ship - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Amsterdam where you will board your cruise ship for a 7-night cruise along the Rhine River. Your ship offers an array of amenities including outside staterooms, unlimited wine with every dinner, and daily onboard musical performances. This evening, meet in the lounge for a cocktail reception followed by a "welcome aboard" dinner. (D)

#### Day 3: Amsterdam

Join a local expert for a city tour of Amsterdam including a cruise along the city's centuries-old canal system. Board your canal boat and cruise by charming cafés and famous 16th-century row houses stacked side-by-side. (B, L, D)

#### Day 4: Cologne, Germany

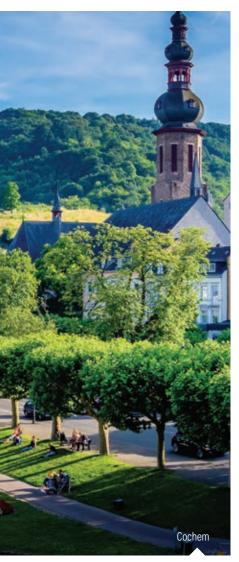
As you glide down the river this morning, pass through the picturesque German landscape dotted with medieval towns. Your journey brings you to Cologne where you will join a guide for a walking tour of the city's Old Town with its narrow, cobbled streets. Admire the Cologne Cathedral, as well as the Roman Dionysus mosaic and the Romanesque church of St. Martin. (B, L, D)

#### Day 5: Moselle River - Cochem

Set sail on the Moselle River to Cochem where you will join a guided tour through this lovely town and Reichsburg Castle. The castle is set on a precipitous rock high above the town and offers breathtaking views of the Moselle Valley. End your tour of Cochem with an introduction by a local winemaker to one of Cochem's wine cellars where you will taste regional Mosel wines. (B, L, D)

#### Day 6: Koblenz - Rüdesheim

Continue on to Koblenz and get to know this 2,000-yearold city on a walking tour. See such sights as the town's









old quarter, which was badly damaged during World War II and then rebuilt, as well as the Schaengel Fountain at the town hall. Your next stop is Rüdesheim. Set out on a tour of the city and its famous Siegfried's Mechanisches Musikkabinett (or Mechanical Music Museum) where you will be treated to the music of barrel organs and medieval mechanical instruments. (B, L, D)

#### Day 7: Mannheim - Speyer

The river takes you to Mannheim where you will have free time to explore the city on your own. Or, perhaps you will join an optional excursion to the town of Heidelberg. Later, sail to Speyer, one of Germany's oldest cities, and step back in time on a walking tour to explore such places as the Old Gate and the Jewish baths. A wonderful evening of food, music and entertainment awaits you at the Captain's Gala Dinner. (B, L, D)

#### Day 8: Strasbourg, France

Your journey takes you to Strasbourg, a provincial capital of France that blends centuries of Roman, French, German and Alsatian influences together, creating a unique character. Discover the history of the city on a guided tour of the old quarter, "Petite France," featuring the

Cathedral of Notre Dame. Highlights also include Place de la République and Place d'Austerlitz. You will have free time to explore this perfectly preserved town before returning to your cruise ship. (B, L, D)

#### Day 9: Disembark - Basel, Switzerland - Colmar, France - Black Forest, Germany - Zurich, Switzerland

Today is filled with exploration! Disembark your ship in Basel, Switzerland and travel to the Alsace wine region to spend time in beautiful Colmar. Step back in time with a local guide on a walking tour of the Old Town highlighting its many architectural landmarks. Enjoy some free time to explore this charming city on your own. Next, drive to Titisee, a German resort town nestled alongside its picturesque lake hidden deep in the Black Forest. Savor some leisure time to browse the shops for the region's famous cuckoo clocks. You'll have an opportunity to meet a local artisan who demonstrates how these cuckoo clocks are made with traditional techniques. Then, enjoy a dinner of Black Forest regional specialties before arriving at your Zurich airport area hotel this evening. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Zurich Airport Area - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

#### **DATES & PRICES**

September 2018 Twin **Lower Deck** Middle Deck **Upper Deck** Suite (Haydn) (Strauss) (Mozart) (Mozart) September 5, 11 \$3399 \$4099 \$4399 \$6699 September 2018 Solo **Lower Deck** Middle Deck **Upper Deck** Suite (Haydn) (Mozart) (Mozart) (Strauss) \$7399 \$10999 September 5, 11 \$5599 \$6799

Triple Room Reduction N/A

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### **CLASSIC DANUBE**

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · During an evening cruise, view Budapest's stunning night skyline.
- · Partake in a fun-filled Hungarian folklore show.
- · Take a walking tour of Passau, a 2,000-year-old fairy-tale city.
- · Visit King Ludwig II's ornate Linderhof Palace.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Discover Slovakia's remarkable capital, Bratislava.
- · Take a city tour of Munich, featuring the worldfamous Glockenspiel.
- Explore Regensburg, home of the first stone bridge built over the Danube.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy unlimited wine and beer with every dinner onboard your cruise ship.
- · Attend the elegant Captain's Gala Dinner.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 8 MS Amadeus Queen

Days 9, 10 Klosterhotel Ludwig der Bayer, Ettal

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



## relax as you sail down one of Europe's most historic rivers.

Along the way come to know the people and places that are the true highlights of the Danube.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Sail past breathtaking scenery, pausing along the way in quaint villages and lively cities on a timeless trip down the Danube River. Your tour opens with an overnight flight to Europe.

#### Day 2: Budapest, Hungary - Board Cruise Ship

Unpack for a relaxing 7-night Danube River cruise aboard your lovely ship. This vessel offers the newest technology, a panoramic deck, terrace café, panorama salon and bar, excellent cuisine, outstanding service and unlimited wine and beer with every dinner onboard. After a welcome aboard cocktail reception and dinner, take in the essence of the region during an evening cruise to view Budapest's stunning night skyline followed by a fun-filled folklore show. (D)

#### Day 3: Budapest

Embark on a tour of Budapest, Hungary's lovely capital, featuring the historic Buda Castle area, Fisherman's Bastion and the 500-year-old St. Matthias Church.

Enjoy splendid views of the twin cities of Buda and Pest, nestled on opposing banks of the river. (B, L, D)

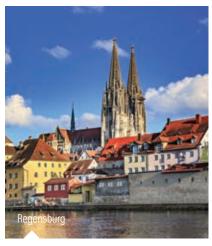
#### Day 4: Bratislava, Slovakia - Vienna, Austria

Tour Slovakia's remarkable capital, Bratislava, and discover the city's most celebrated sites including the 13th-century castle, Old Town, St. Martin's Cathedral, Michael's Gate, and the Archbishop's palace. This afternoon, sail towards Vienna, Austria's beautiful capital city. (B, L, D)

#### Day 5: Vienna

Join a local expert exploring Vienna's Imperial architecture including the lavish Hofburg Palace, the impressive Vienna Opera House, the majestic Ringstrasse, and the awe-inspiring St. Stephen's Cathedral. The afternoon is at leisure to explore Vienna's Baroque elegance, stroll along the Kartner Strasse, or sample some of Vienna's famous pastries. If you wish, you may join an optional excursion to the opulent Schönbrunn Palace, the summer retreat of the Hapsburg dynasty. (B, L, D)









#### Day 6: Emmersdorf - Wachau Valley

View the picturesque landscape as you cruise to the charming town of Emmersdorf. Relax and enjoy the scenery. This afternoon you continue cruising through the romantic Wachau Valley, dotted with magnificent castles and small riverside towns. (B, L, D)

#### Day 7: Linz - Passau, Germany

This morning, enjoy an included walking tour of the charming riverside town of Linz. Next, continue on to Passau which is set at the confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers. Enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour of this 2,000-year-old fairy-tale city, exploring the ornate Baroque architecture, the quaint cobblestone streets, and St. Stephan's Cathedral, home to Europe's largest church organ. Tonight, you are invited to attend the Captain's Gala Dinner with your fellow passengers. (B, L, D)

#### Day 8: Regensburg

A guided walking tour of magnificent Regensburg reveals one of Germany's grand medieval cities with nearly 1,400 historic buildings. Some of the architectural highlights you may view include the first stone bridge built over the Danube, a 1,400-foot-long span built in the 12th century; the old Town Hall; and the Porta Praetoria, one of only two remaining Roman gates in Germany, built in A.D. 179. This afternoon, take a stroll through Old Town. Tonight, partake in a delightful Bavarian evening onboard. (B, L, D)

#### Day 9: Passau - Disembark Ship - Munich - Ettal

Today, disembark your cruise ship and journey to Munich. Feel the energy of this lively and fascinating city during a tour that highlights Olympic Park, the world-famous Glockenspiel, and Marienplatz, a beautiful square surrounded by shops, restaurants and cafés. After some free time, continue on to the quaint village of Ettal, known for its grand 14th-century Benedictine monastery. (B, D)

## **Day 10:** Ettal - Linderhof Palace - Oberammergau - Ettal

Travel to nearby Linderhof Palace. This artistic "Royal Villa" was the only palace King Ludwig II of Bavaria was able to complete in his lifetime. Behind its Baroque façade you will find a world rich in Rococo ornamentation, with many sculptural elements that showcase an incomparable artistry. Later, spend time exploring Oberammergau, renowned for wood carvings and the Passion Play which takes place every ten years. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Ettal - Tour Ends

Today your tour comes to an end. (B)

#### **DATES & PRICES**

September 2018 Twin September 13, 18, 27	Lower Deck (Haydn) \$3399	Middle Deck (Strauss) \$4099	Upper Deck (Mozart) \$4449	Suite (Mozart) \$6749
September 2018 Solo	Lower Deck (Haydn)	Middle Deck (Strauss)	Upper Deck (Mozart)	Suite (Mozart)
September 13, 18, 27	\$5599	\$6799	\$7399	N/A

Triple Room Reduction N/A

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- Experience Kinderdijk, home to Holland's largest collection of windmills.
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- Return to medieval times during a walking tour of Bruges.
- · Set out on a city tour of Amsterdam.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Explore the world-famous Keukenhof Gardens.
- Dock in Middelburg, known as "the monumental city."
- Travel to Arnhem, the favorite summer retreat of the Dutch royal family.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Visit a local cheese farm for a tasting.
- Celebrate your journey during a farewell dinner and folklore show in Amsterdam.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 8 MS Amadeus Queen

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



## experience the color and glory of spring

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#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Savor springtime in Holland and Belgium with a cruise that highlights the blooming Dutch tulip fields.

## **Day 2:** Amsterdam, Netherlands - Board Ship - Tour Begins

Your journey opens in Amsterdam, the 800-year-old thriving capital of the Netherlands. Board your ship and unpack once for a relaxing 7-night river cruise. Your beautiful vessel offers the newest technology, panoramic deck, panorama bar, delicious cuisine including regional wines with every dinner, and outstanding service. Tonight, a cocktail is served in the Panorama Bar where you will meet your fellow travelers before a lovely welcome dinner. Enjoy an overnight stay on the ship in Amsterdam. (D)

#### Day 3: Amsterdam - Volendam - Cruising

After breakfast, view some of Amsterdam's most important sites and diverse architecture while on a city tour. You will also get to see the city from the water during a delightful

canal cruise. Midday, visit the little fishing town of Volendam where you can still find fishermen dressed in traditional caps and baggy-legged trousers. A visit to a local cheese farm illustrates the process of how cheese from the area is made and also allows you the opportunity to sample some of the delicious results! During dinner, the ship resumes its cruise to the IJssel Sea. (B, L, D)

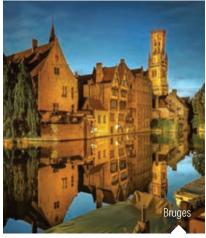
#### Day 4: Arnhem

Late this morning we arrive in Arnhem, location of the favorite summer retreat of the Dutch royal family. This afternoon, pass by lovely Dutch scenery as your journey continues. (B, L, D)

#### Day 5: Middelburg - Cruising

Today your ship docks in Middelburg, the capital of the Dutch province Zeeland. It is known as "the monumental city" because over 1,100 monuments dot its landscape. This afternoon you may take an optional excursion to the Deltaworks Project located at Neeltje Jans. This is an













amazing example of how the Dutch have truly tamed the environment in which they live. Your excursion continues with a stop in the lovely town of Veere, a prosperous trading port in the Middle Ages due to the wool trade with Scotland; today it is a favorite spot for visitors. (B, L, D)

#### Day 6: Ghent, Belgium - Bruges

Welcome to the Imperial city of Ghent. Lined with typical patrician houses in its city center, Ghent conveys the splendor of by-gone days. Perhaps you will join an optional sightseeing tour that includes St. Bavo Cathedral with its world-famous painting of the altar of the citizens of Ghent and the "Belfried" with its bell tower. This afternoon, allow yourself to be transported back to another time during a leisurely paced walking tour of Bruges, one of Europe's most perfectly preserved medieval cities. (B, L, D)

#### Day 7: Antwerp

Today the ship docks in Antwerp, Belgium's second-largest city, which boasts beautiful Gothic and Baroque architecture and lively cafés. Join a local expert exploring the city's historical sites including the "Liebfrauenkirche," Belgium's largest Gothic church; the legendary Brabo Fountain; and the Rubens House, home of the prolific

painter. The afternoon is at leisure for shopping and independent exploration. Tonight, the captain welcomes you to the elegant Captain's Gala Dinner, immediately followed by an evening of dancing. (B, L, D)

#### Day 8: Kinderdijk - Utrecht - Amsterdam

Stop in Kinderdijk (UNESCO World Heritage site) to experience Holland's largest concentration of windmills, many still operating, and to get a revealing glimpse into Holland's age-old battle with the sea. After lunch, explore the world-famous Keukenhof Gardens, spanning more than 70 acres within a beautiful park of tranquil ponds and shaded paths. With more than seven million tulips and other flowers on exhibit, Keukenhof is a kaleidoscope of color in bloom. Your day concludes with a farewell dinner and a typical Dutch folklore show celebrating the end of an unforgettable river cruise through Holland and Belgium. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Amsterdam - Disembark Ship - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories of a wonderful adventure. (B)

#### **DATES & PRICES**

April 2018 Twin	Lower Deck (Haydn)	Middle Deck (Strauss)	Upper Deck (Mozart)	Suite (Mozart)
April 5, 12, 19	\$2999	\$3399	\$3699	\$5799
April 2018 Solo	Lower Deck (Haydn)	Middle Deck (Strauss)	Upper Deck (Mozart)	Suite (Mozart)
April 5, 12, 19	\$5099	\$5699	\$6299	\$9799

Triple Room Reduction N/A

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Visit Dubrovnik's Franciscan Monastery, where Europe's oldest pharmacy lies.
- Stroll through Split and see the famous Diocletian's Palace.
- Experience old-world charm with a Pletna boat ride to the picturesque island in the center of Lake Bled.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Spend three nights in Dubrovnik, the "Pearl of the Adriatic."
- Experience Opatija, "Croatia's Riviera," a retreat for Habsburg Monarchs.
- Experience the wonder of 16 cascading lakes at Croatia's Plitvice Lakes National Park.



DAY 6 | Join a local expert for a private cruise and a visit to Lokrum Island or explore more of Dubrovnik with a ticket to access the walls that contain the old city of Dubrovnik.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy a visit and dinner with a local family in the Konavle region outside Dubrovnik.
- Sample farm-to-table delicacies of the Istrian Peninsula with a dinner at a local restaurant.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Hotel Bristol, Opatija

Day 4 Jezero Hotel, Plitvice

Days 5 - 7 Valamar Lacroma Resort, Dubrovnik

Day 8 Hotel Atrium, Split

Days 9, 10 Hotel Lev, Grand Hotel Union or

Austria Trend Hotel, Ljubljana

Day 11 Sheraton Hotel, Zagreb

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 165 for details.





## medieval architecture, tranquil lakes, local villages, and Croatian charm

will delight you on this tour featuring Dubrovnik, Lake Bled, Ljubljana, and the pearls of the stunning Dalmatian coast.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Join us and explore Croatia and the countries of the Adriatic. This is a "must see" region filled with ancient cities, medieval architecture, intriguing cultures, rolling hills and stunning coastal scenery.

#### Day 2: Opatija, Croatia - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in the seaside resort of Opatija. This evening, get to know your fellow travelers during a welcome reception.

#### Day 3: Opatija - Istrian Peninsula - Opatija

Opatija, known as "Croatia's Riviera," was once the summer retreat for Roman Caesars and Hapsburg Monarchs. Start the day exploring the town with a local guide. Later, discover the richness of the Istrian Peninsula with its Italian and Croatian influences. Pay a visit to a local distillery where the owners use regional plants, fruits, and herbs to produce brandies, snacks and other treats. Discover Motovun, a beautiful example of a small Croatian town. In late afternoon, sample culinary delicacies of the Istrian Peninsula during dinner at a farm to table restaurant, complete with regional wines. (B, D)

#### Day 4: Opatija - Plitvice Lakes

After breakfast, travel to Croatia's most beautiful national

park, Plitvice Lakes. This UNESCO World Heritage site promises inspiring scenery as you travel among its 16 terraced lakes and dense forests. A series of waterfalls and free flowing cascades connects each lake to the other. Complete the experience with a short cruise that takes you into the heart of this natural wonder. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Plitvice Lakes - Dubrovnik

This morning, continue south through the heart of Croatia, towards the medieval city of Dubrovnik. Along the way, enjoy magnificent views of the sparkling blue waters of the Adriatic Sea. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Dubrovnik 😯

Join a local guide on a tour of "Old Dubrovnik," a UNESCO World Heritage site. Visit the Franciscan Monastery, where Europe's oldest pharmacy lies, and see Rector's Palace, the City Walls, and many more historical sites. This afternoon, it's your choice! Join a local expert in Dubrovnik's Old Town harbor for a private cruise with magnificent views of the medieval city walls; next, visit nearby Lokrum Island where you can swim, marvel at exotic plants or take a walk with peacocks -OR- receive a ticket to access the walls that contain the old city of Dubrovnik and gain a different perspective on this remarkable place; this choice gives you more leisure time to explore the city. This evening, travel to the









culturally-rich Konavle region to Cilipi for dinner at a family-owned local restaurant. While visiting with the family you'll learn about life in the Croatian heartland and sample regional wines. At dinner, servers introduce you to a culinary feast, prepared in the way of their ancestors. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Dubrovnik

Today is at leisure to relax or independently explore Dubrovnik's breathtaking Old Town with its marble streets and beautiful baroque buildings. Or, you may choose to purchase our optional excursion to Montenegro...if so, leave in the morning to cross the border to Montenegro's Bay of Kotor (or "the Boka"); once known as Europe's southernmost fjord, it is actually a ria (a long, narrow inlet); your guide will introduce you to the history of the region and share stories of the many cultures and empires that have left their mark here. (B)

#### Day 8: Dubrovnik - Split

Savor stunning sea views as you travel up the winding coastal road, hugging the sheer cliffs that drop into the aquamarine Adriatic Sea. Enjoy a stop in a quaint village in the Croatian countryside. You will have time to taste the local specialties and perhaps walk through the village square. Upon arrival in Split, set out on a walking tour featuring the impressive Diocletian's Palace, one of the most significant late-Roman historical monuments and a UNESCO World Heritage site. In addition, see the peristyle of the palace and the Temple of Jupiter. (B)

#### Day 9: Split - Ljubljana, Slovenia

Your adventure continues as you travel up the coast, into Slovenia, and on to today's destination - the quaint capital of Ljubljana. During the drive, take in the spectacular scenery. Arriving in Ljubljana, enjoy an afternoon at leisure to relax and explore the city. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Ljubljana - Lake Bled - Ljubljana

This morning meet a local expert who will introduce you to this lovely town nestled along the banks of the river. Your tour includes the impressive City Hall and a visit to the magnificent Cathedral of St. Nicholas, After free time for lunch. drive a short distance to tranguil Lake Bled. Experience the old-world charm that comes with taking a Pletna boat to the picturesque island in the center of Lake Bled. Spend time exploring the 17th-century cathedral, St. Mary's Church, and the "wishing bell." Enjoy some time to stroll the quiet paths of this lakeside community at your own pace. (B)

#### Day 11: Ljubljana - Zagreb, Croatia

Today we travel to Zagreb, the capital of Croatia, and embark on a fascinating tour. Continue your exploration your way with free time this afternoon. Tonight, celebrate the end of an unforgettable trip with dinner at a popular local restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 12: Zagreb - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close in Zagreb this morning. (B)

#### **DATES & PRICES**

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March 10	\$2199	\$2699	September 22			
April 7, 21	\$2299	\$2799	September 29	\$2549	\$3149	
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April 28	\$2399	\$2999	October 13, 20	\$2299	\$2749	
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Please confirm at time of reservation	n.		April 6, 9	\$2449	\$2899	
May 2018 – April 2019 featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	April 23, 27	\$2549	\$3149	
May 5, 12	\$2699	\$3449	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30		
May 19, 26	\$2749	\$3499	Rates are land only, per person	n. Call abou	t	
une 2, 9	\$2749	\$3499	additional dates.			
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This trip requires a passport. Due to itinerary scheduling, arrival flights must arrive into Zagreb airport by 4:00 p.m. in order to transfer to your overnight accommodations in Opatija. Travel time from Zagreb to Opatjia is approximately 2 hours. Based on return flight options, an early morning departure from the hotel may be required on the last day.

## **MAGNIFICENT** CITIES OF **CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE**

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Experience the cultures of Germany, the Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary and Poland.
- Take a poignant journey through history at the camps of Auschwitz.
- Local experts provide informative guided tours of Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Budapest, Krakow and Warsaw.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · The fairy-tale city of Prague reveals the remarkable Hradcany Castle.
- · Come to know Vienna and its lavish Schoenbrunn Palace.



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

DAY 3 | Take a historical Berlin city tour or join a "Cold War"-focused tour that includes a visit to the Berlin Wall Museum followed by a walk through the area that was once "Checkpoint Charlie."

**DAY 4** In Prague, get to know traditional Czech culture during a folklore show or dine at one of Eastern Europe's oldest breweries.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

· Dine at one of Vienna's most beloved restaurants.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Intercontinental Hotel or Crowne Days 2, 3

Plaza Potsdamer Platz, Berlin

Days 4, 5 Yasmin Hotel, Prague

Days 6, 7 Renaissance Wien Hotel, Vienna

Days 8, 9 Art'Otel, Budapest

Days 10, 11 Holiday Inn City Center

or Andel's Hotel, Krakow

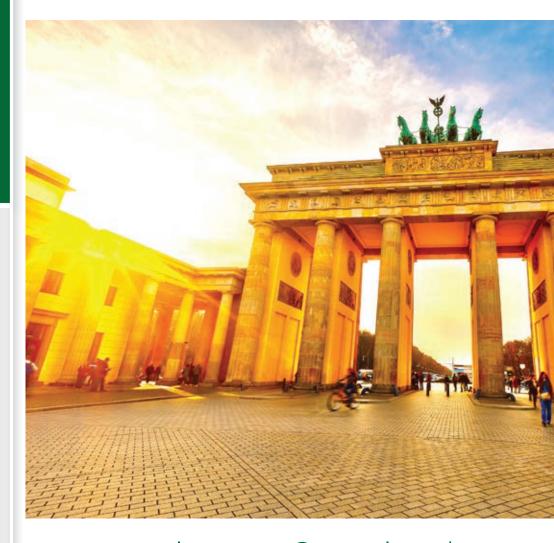
Days 12, 13 Westin, Warsaw

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TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL







## travel across Central and Eastern Europe and

discover the historic and culturally-rich cities of Germany, the Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary, and Poland.

#### START EARLY



Berlin: Spend more time exploring the grand German capital. call for details

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out to experience the very best of Europe's cultural

#### Day 2: Berlin, Germany - Tour Begins

Arrive in Germany's capital city of Berlin. This city blends a deep history, a modern flare and multi-cultural influences. Tonight, join your fellow passengers for a welcome dinner. (D)

#### Day 3: Berlin 😯

It's your choice! Choose a city tour that introduces you to Berlin's rich history: you'll see Charlottenburg Palace, Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, Schoenberg City Hall, Kurfuerstendam and the Reichstag Building -OR- you

may join a "Cold War"-focused tour that includes a visit to the Berlin Wall Museum followed by a walk through the area that was once "Checkpoint Charlie," and see what remains of the Berlin Wall. This afternoon you have the opportunity to join an optional excursion outside the city to visit Potsdam and the famous Sans Souci Palace. (B)

Day 4: Berlin - Dresden - Prague, Czech Republic 😵

Depart Berlin for the "Golden City" of Prague. En route, make a stop in Dresden, the capital of Saxony, with time to explore this lovely town on the banks of the River Elbe. This evening **you choose** your Prague dining experience. You may choose to get to know traditional Czech culture during a folklore show and dinner featuring local drinks; as a special treat, meet the dancers and learn some of the moves yourself during a private dance lesson -ORdine at one of Eastern Europe's oldest breweries; take in the traditional ambiance as you dine while sipping on a pint; then tour the brewery to see the process of making this famous beer that has been brewed for 500 years.



#### Day 5: Prague

Your introduction to this fairy-tale city opens with a visit to the remarkable Hradcany Castle and the haunting St. Vitus Cathedral. Continue with a leisurely walking tour through the Old Town, showcasing the Golden Lane, the unique Astronomical Clock and the statue-lined Charles Bridge. The afternoon is yours to independently explore this great city. (B)

#### Day 6: Prague - Vienna, Austria

Leaving the Czech Republic, arrive in colorful and vibrant Vienna, the "musical city." After a short orientation drive through the city, your afternoon is at leisure. Later, enjoy an evening in one of Vienna's most beloved restaurants where dinner mixes with local cultural flavor to create an unforgettable night. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Vienna

This morning, experience the city on a tour showcasing some of its architectural marvels, including the lavish Schoenbrunn Palace and the summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty. The remainder of the day is yours to explore independently. Perhaps you will visit one of the famous museums, sip a Viennese coffee at a local coffee house, or simply relax in this capital of Austria. Tonight you may choose to enjoy an optional Mozart concert and dinner in the city.

#### Day 8: Vienna - Budapest, Hungary

Sit back, relax and enjoy the picturesque Hungarian countryside en route to historic Budapest. Upon arrival, a local expert provides an informative city tour featuring Fisherman's Bastion, Matthias Church, Old Buda, the New Parliament and Gellert Hill. A special stop is made at Heroes' Square, a unique monument to the many diverse leaders of Hungary. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Budapest

The beautiful city of Budapest is often referred to as "the Queen of the Danube." Today is yours to discover this city divided by the Danube with historic Buda on one side and cosmopolitan Pest on the opposite bank. Relax in the city or perhaps join an optional excursion to a traditional Hungarian horse farm where riders perform amazing feats, followed by a typical lunch in the "Puzsta." (B)

#### Day 10: Budapest - Donovaly, Slovakia - Krakow, **Poland**

Take in the picturesque landscapes en route to Poland. Make a stop in the hidden village of Donovaly, nestled in the Low Tatras mountain range of Slovakia. Your home for the next two nights is the lively city of Krakow, which still offers an old-world charm. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Krakow

Discover Krakow's historic Old Town on a city tour featuring stops at the Market Square, St. Mary's Church, and the University; you'll also view Wawel Castle, a former residence of Polish kings. The afternoon is at leisure for you to enjoy the city on your own. (B)

#### Day 12: Krakow - Auschwitz - Warsaw

Today you embark on a poignant journey through history as you travel to witness the camps of Auschwitz. A local expert guides you through the former concentration camp where you will learn firsthand about the terrors as well as the resilience of the human spirit that occurred within those walls. Afterward, travel through the Polish countryside en route to Warsaw, the reconstructed and modern capital of this rejuvenated country. The evening is yours to relax or explore. Browse one of the city's art galleries or fascinating museums, or simply relax at an outdoor café. (B)

#### Day 13: Warsaw

The moving history of Warsaw, both joyous and tragic, is yours to embrace as you embark on a locally guided tour of this capital city. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. (B, D)

#### Day 14: Warsaw - Tour Ends

(B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Warsaw: Experience more of this incredibly diverse artistic and cultural hub. CALL FOR DETAILS





#### **DATES & PRICES**

April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 September 21, 23	Twin \$2999	<b>Solo</b> \$3999
April 8, 15, 22	\$2749	\$3699	September 30	\$2899	\$3849
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departures. Departures prior to this d		ry.	October 14	\$2799	\$3599
Please confirm at time of reservation			November 1	\$2549	\$3249
May 2018 – April 2019	Twin	Solo	March 24	\$2549	\$3249
(featured itinerary)			April 4	\$2849	\$3649
May 6, 20, 27	\$2949	\$3949	April 23, 28	\$2949	\$3949
June 10, 17, 24	\$2949	\$3949			
July 8, 15, 22	\$2749	\$3549	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50	
August 5, 12	\$2749	\$3549	Rates are land only, per person	n. Call abou	t
September 2, 7, 9, 14, 16	\$3299	\$4699	additional dates.		



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## EXPLORING GREECE & ITS ISLANDS

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Come to know two breathtaking Byzantine monasteries in Metéora, built over 600 years ago.
- Explore the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artifacts.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Join a local expert to explore Athens and its famed sites.
- Explore the grandeur of Olympia, birthplace of the Olympic Games.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 3 | In Athens join a comprehensive tour of the incredible Acropolis or embark on a walking tour of some of the city's hidden gems, including the Temple of Hephaestus.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Feast on local food and wine at a traditional "taverna."
- Partake in a Mediterranean cooking experience followed by a traditional Greek lunch.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Crowne Plaza City Center, Athens
Day 4 Famissi Eden Hotel, Kalambaka
Day 5 Domotel Anemolia Mountain Resort,

Days 6, 7 Europa Hotel, Olympia

Day 8 King Minos Hotel or Apollon Hotel, Tolo

Days 9, 10 San Marco Hotel, Mykonos

**Days 11-13** El Greco Resort, Aegean Plaza Hotel, or Santorini Palace Hotel, Santorini

Days 14 Crowne Plaza City Center or

Holiday Inn Attica, Athens

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.







## discover the magnificent ruins of ancient Greece.

This well-paced journey balances expeditions to Greece's most important Classical age with ample time to explore on your own.

#### START EARLY



Athens: Start your exploration with an extra night in Greece's ancient capital. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Discover the beauty and timeless wonder found only in Greece. This fascinating tour of Greece begins with an overnight flight.

#### Day 2: Athens, Greece - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in the capital city of Athens. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner in Athens' historic Plaka district. In a traditional taverna, feast on local cuisine and wine while enjoying Greek entertainment. (D)

#### Day 3: Athens 😯

Enjoy a panoramic tour of the highlights in Athens showcasing the city's ancient and glorious monuments, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Royal Palace, the Tomb

of the Unknown Soldier, and the Olympic Stadium. Next, **it's your choice!** Choose a comprehensive tour of the incredible Acropolis **-OR-** embark on a walking tour of some of the city's hidden gems, including Pnyx – where democracy was formed in Greece – and the Temple of Hephaestus. This evening, perhaps you'll choose to join an optional local food tour of Athens. (B)

#### Day 4: Athens - Thermopylae - Metéora - Kalambaka

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

#### Day 5: Kalambaka - Delphi - Arachova

This morning, visit a local studio to see painters at work



creating beautiful Byzantine icons. Continue to the ancient city of Delphi, one of Greece's most important religious centers during Classical times. A local expert guides you on a visit to the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple, the ancient theatre, and the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artifacts. It was here that the famous Oracle was consulted to foretell the destiny of Man. Continue on to charming Arachova, a popular ski resort town with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Arachova - Olympia

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

#### Day 7: Olympia

Your guided visit to ancient Olympia includes a tour of the sanctuary of Zeus, the Olympic Stadium - where the first Olympic Games were held in 776 B.C. - and the museum. Next, learn how to cook some of the region's best dishes as you partake in a Mediterranean cooking experience followed by a traditional Greek

lunch. This evening, broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek musical instruments and folkloric dances with a delightful Greek dance class. (B, L, D)

#### Day 8: Olympia - Mycenae - Tolo

Enjoy spectacular scenery as you cross the Arkadian Mountains en route to the ancient city of Mycenae for a guided visit of the excavations featuring the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate. Your day ends in the picturesque seaside resort of Tolo. (B)

#### Day 9: Tolo - Athens - Mykonos

This morning, transfer to the port of Athens for the high-speed ferry ride to Mykonos, the whitewashed jewel of the Cyclades Islands. Enjoy magnificent views as you sail across the brilliant Aegean Sea to this island paradise. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Mykonos

Enjoy a relaxing day to independently explore the charms of Mykonos. Don't miss Mykonos Town, where mazes of narrow streets link the whitewashed buildings and traditional life continues amidst the bustling activity. (B)

#### Day 11: Mykonos - Santorini

Sail to the most spectacular destination in the Mediterranean, the fabled island of Santorini. (B, D)

#### Day 12: Santorini - Oia - Santorini

Begin your day with a visit to the excavation site of ancient Akrotiri, the most important prehistoric settlement found anywhere in the Eastern Mediterranean. Known as the "Minoan Pompeii," the flourishing town was at once destroyed and preserved by a volcanic eruption around 1450 B.C. Next, travel through a fascinating landscape of vineyards, whitewashed chapels and volcanic cliffs to the spectacular town of Oia, where the best views of the crater are found. End your day with a visit to a local winery that produces the unique and famous wines of Santorini. (B)

#### Day 13: Santorini

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

#### Day 14: Santorini - Athens

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

#### Day 15: Athens - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Athens: Spend more time uncovering the cultural treasures of this epic city. CALL FOR DETAILS





April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	
(different itinerary - see note)			July 5, 8	\$3549	\$4749	
April 9, 17, 20, 23	\$2999	\$3849	September 6, 9, 13, 16	\$3349	\$4349	
April 26	\$3199	\$4199	October 4, 7, 11	\$2999	\$3849	
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 -	April 2019 to	ur	March 28	\$2999	\$3849	
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May 2018 - April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30	- \$50	
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May 3, 6, 17, 20

May 31

June 3

**DATES & PRICES** 

This trip requires a passport. Due to the ferry schedule on day 9 of some departures, you may be required to depart the hotel in Tolo as early as 4:00 a.m. Should this be the case, a boxed breakfast will be provided in place of the regular hotel breakfast. The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price. Our air passengers will arrive and depart from Athens. Airport transfers are available for purchase

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Venture to the ancient Roman capital of Caesarea, built by Herod the Great around 22 B.C.
- · See a boat that sailed the Sea of Galilee approximately 2,000 years ago.
- Ascend the ancient walls of Masada by cable car.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Discover the ancient cities of Nazareth and Bethlehem.
- · Explore the oldest city on earth the ancient ruins of Jericho.
- · Enjoy the wonder of the Dead Sea.



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

**DAY 5** | Choose to explore the AHAVA Visitors Center to learn about the Dead Sea cosmetics or "float" in the tranquil, healing waters of the Dead Sea.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

· Savor dinner at one of Jerusalem's most popular restaurants.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Overnight Flight Day 1

Day 2 Isrotel Tower Hotel, Tel Aviv Davs 3. 4 Leonardo Plaza Hotel, Tiberias Day 5 Isrotel Ganim, Dead Sea

Days 6 - 9 Dan Boutique, Jerusalem

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL







## discover the legendary stories

of mankind's collective history in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth and the ruins of Jericho

#### START EARLY

**ADD** A DAY Tel Aviv: Begin your exploration with more time on Israel's Mediterranean COAST. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Join us as we explore Israel, an ancient land rich in tradition and home to some of the world's most important historic treasures.

Day 2: Tel Aviv, Israel - Tour Begins - Jaffa - Tel Aviv Welcome to Tel Aviv, a bustling city on the Mediterranean coast. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner in the ancient port city of Jaffa. (D)

#### Day 3: Tel Aviv - Caesarea - Haifa - Acre - Tiberias

Today we follow the coast to the ruins of the ancient Roman capital of Caesarea, built by Herod the Great around 22 B.C. Marvel at its Roman theater, aqueduct and fortress. Travel the Valley of Armageddon to the excavation site of Tel Megiddo, which dates back to the Bronze Age. Next, take in the breathtaking panorama

of Haifa and the Baha'i Shrine and Gardens on Mount Carmel (UNESCO World Heritage site). Step back in time in the ancient Crusader city of Acre (UNESCO). Your day comes to a close in Tiberias. (B, D)

#### Day 4: Tiberias - Cana - Nazareth - Tabgha - Capernaum - Sea of Galilee

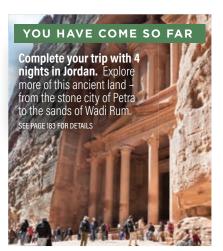
Set off for Cana, considered to be the site of the First Miracle - where Jesus turned water into wine. In Nazareth, visit the Church of the Annunciation and Mary's Well. Continue to Mt. of Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount; and Tabgha, site of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes. Make a stop at the ancient fishing village of Capernaum before exploring the Galilee Boat Museum. See a boat that sailed the Sea of Galilee approximately 2,000 years ago before boarding a boat for your ride on the Sea of Galilee. Get a taste of the local flavor during lunch at a communal settlement, known as a kibbutz. (B, L, D)

#### Day 5: Tiberias - Beit Shean - Jericho - Qumran -Dead Sea 😯

Peek into Roman times at Beit Shean's well-preserved ancient theater. Continue along the Jordan River Valley











(featured itinerary) May 9, 23

June 6, 20

August 29

October 3, 17, 31

to Jericho, considered to be the oldest city on earth. Journey to Qumran, the location of one of the most important archaeological finds of all time - the discovery of the ancient Dead Sea Scrolls. Proceed to the lowest place on earth, the Dead Sea. Then it's your choice! Stop in the AHAVA Visitors Center and learn about the world-famous cosmetics that come from the Dead Sea -OR- take the opportunity to "float" in the tranquil, healing waters of the Dead Sea... experience the natural buoyancy due to its high salt concentration and the benefits of its minerals to beauty and health. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Dead Sea - Masada - Bethlehem -Jerusalem

Travel to the former palatial fortress of Masada (UNESCO). Ascend the ancient walls of Masada by cable car to Herod's Palaces, the Roman Camp and the Synagogue. A stop in the city of Bethlehem, spread along the Judean Hills, brings you to the Church of the Nativity - the birthplace of Jesus and the first church ever built. Tonight you arrive in one of the most captivating cities in the world, Jerusalem. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Jerusalem

Drive to Mount of Olives to take in the panoramic view of Jerusalem and the surrounding area. See the Church of Ascension and the Garden of

Gethsemane. Discover the Kidron Valley and the tombs of Mary, Absalom, Zachariah and James. Continue to St. Peter in Galicantu and Mt. Zion to discover the room of The Last Supper and the tomb of King David. Marvel at the Shrine of the Book at the Israel Museum, home to a selection of the Dead Sea Scrolls. Conclude your day at the Garden Tomb. (B)

#### Day 8: Old City, Jerusalem

Come to know the Holy City of Jerusalem on a walking tour of the old walled city (UNESCO). See the Western (Wailing) Wall, the Temple area, the Dome of the Rock (outside view only), the Pool of Bethesda, and the Church of St. Anne. Next, walk the path of 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. Later, continue exploring the city independently or peruse the sights and sounds of the world-renowned Mahane Yehuda Market, known as the shuk (open-air market). (B, D)

#### Day 9: Jerusalem

Your day is at leisure to explore independently or simply relax. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner at one of Jerusalem's most popular restaurants. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Jerusalem - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

#### **DATES & PRICES**

February - April 2018	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)			January 30*	\$2499	\$3249
February 7, 14*	\$2349	\$3099	February 20*	\$2499	\$3249
March 7, 14	\$2699	\$3599	February 27	\$2849	\$3799
April 11, 18, 25	\$2749	\$3699	March 20, 27	\$2849	\$3799
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 -			April 3, 10	\$2899	\$3899
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May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	Rates are land only, per person	on. Call abou	it

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#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

· Revel in an evening of entertainment at the Music of Denali Dinner Theater.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Fairbanks Hotel, Fairbanks

Davs 2. 3 Denali Princess Wilderness Lodge. Denali National Park

Day 4 Mt. McKinley Princess Wilderness Lodge, Denali

Days 5 - 11 Princess Cruises' Golden or Star

Day 12 Crowne Plaza Seattle Airport, Seattle

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



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#### Day 1: Fairbanks, Alaska - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Fairbanks, in the great state of Alaska. On this adventure we bring together the best of both land and sea.

#### Day 2: Fairbanks - Denali National Park

Step aboard an amazing cruise on the popular Sternwheeler Discovery, an unforgettable journey showcasing Alaska's diverse culture and rich history. Make stops along the way to meet the people and get a taste of local life. Take a scenic motorcoach ride to Denali National Park. Tonight, enjoy an entertaining evening at the Music of Denali Dinner Theater which tells the story of the first ascent of Denali. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Denali National Park

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

#### Day 4: Denali National Park - Talkeetna - Denali

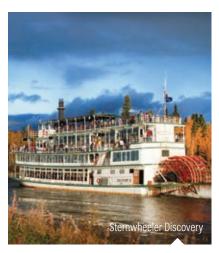
Your day begins with a scenic train ride to Talkeetna. Savor every moment inside your luxury domed railcar. View the incredible landscape from glass-ceiling railcars and open-air observation platforms as rail guides provide expert commentary. Head to Mt. McKinley Princess Wilderness Lodge where, from the moment you arrive, you'll know you are somewhere special. This comfy Alaskan lodge invites the ultimate experience, overlooking Denali and the Alaskan Range with one of the most inspirational views of the mountain found anywhere. There will be plenty of time to explore the area or enjoy a host of recreational activities. (B)

#### Day 5: Denali - Anchorage - Whittier - Board Cruise Ship

Depart for your ship, stopping en route in Anchorage, Alaska's largest city. Continue with a scenic drive along the Alaska Range, Pass the amazing Turnagain Arm, a deep glacial fjord, and arrive in the port of Whittier where you'll embark the ship to begin your 7-night Princess cruise aboard a fabulous floating resort designed to make your stay on board truly memorable. You will be dazzled by the entertainment in the state-of-theart lounges and a myriad of dining options. While on











board, breakfast, lunch, dinner and nightly entertainment are included. (B, D)

Glacier Bay

#### Day 6: Cruising - Hubbard Glacier

Your ship cruises past the mammoth Hubbard Glacier, one of Alaska's advancing glaciers. Have your camera ready as today is filled with amazing natural sights as you linger along its shimmering surface. (B, L, D)

#### Day 7: Cruising - Glacier Bay

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

#### Day 8: Cruising - Skagway

Relive Alaska's Gold Rush days in this "Gateway to the Klondike" and home of the famed Chilkoot Trail. In historic Skagway, Alaska's past lives on in a spectacular natural setting and cries of "gold in the Yukon!" can still be heard. (B, L, D)

#### Day 9: Cruising - Juneau

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

#### Day 10: Cruising - Ketchikan

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

#### Day 11: Cruising - Inside Passage

A wonderful day of sightseeing awaits as your ship sails along the amazing Inside Passage, an extensive stretch of land known for its natural beauty and abundant wildlife. You will be awestruck with this natural wonder. (B, L, D)

#### Day 12: Vancouver, B.C. - Disembark Cruise -Seattle, Washington Airport Area

Your cruise ends in the vibrant city of Vancouver. Choose an optional city tour featuring Stanley Park, Chinatown and Gastown, home to the world-famous steam-powered clock. Or, explore this lovely city on your own. Next, board your coach for the drive to the Seattle airport area for an overnight stay. (B)

#### Day 13: Seattle Airport Area - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many wonderful memories of your tour to the last of the great frontiers.

#### **STAY LONGER**

**ADD** A DAY Seattle: Spend a little more time in one of America's coolest cities. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

May – September 2018 May 8, 22 June 5 June 19 July 3, 17, 31 August 14	\$4344 \$4494 \$4144	\$6644 \$7244 \$7494 \$6744	May - September 2018 September 4 Triple Room Reduction Rates are land only, per personadditional dates.	 (-) \$50
August 28	Ŧ · · · ·	\$6594	auditional dates.	

This trip requires a passport. Port taxes and fees of \$595 USD, per person, quoted at time of printing, are included in the land only tour cost. Pricing is based on Inside Cabin category. Call for pricing for other cabin categories. Cruise ships have a limited quantity of cabins available in each cabin category. We will make every effort to accommodate your cabin category preference at the time of booking. If the cabin category preferred is not available, the next closest category available will be offered and a surcharge may apply. Specific accommodations in Fairbanks will be assigned prior to departure. Onboard gratuities are not included in the price of the tour.

#### **ALSO AVAILABLE**

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Enjoy a traditional Hawaiian floral lei welcome.
- · Cruise along the tranquil Wailua River in Kauai.
- Learn why surfers from around the world gather in the town of Haleiwa.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Behold the breathtaking Waimea Canyon, the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific."
- Embark on a journey along Oahu's famous North Shore.
- Remember Pearl Harbor as you visit the USS Arizona Memorial.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Savor a Polynesian luau featuring tropical drinks and a sumptuous feast.
- Spend time at the largest coffee estate in Hawaii and learn about their crop.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1 - 3 Hyatt Regency Waikiki Resort, Oahu

Days 4 - 6 Kauai Marriott Resort, Kauai

**Days 7 - 9** Hyatt Regency Maui Resort & Spa, Maui

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



## let the spirit of "Aloha" be your guide

on this leisurely three-island tour of Hawaii featuring 3-night stays each in Oahu, Kauai, and Maui.

#### **START EARLY**



#### Day 1: Honolulu, Oahu - Tour Begins

Aloha! Your adventure in the sun-drenched Hawaiian Islands begins in Honolulu. Upon arrival you'll be welcomed with a traditional Hawaiian floral lei before transferring to your Waikiki Beach hotel. Relax and "hang loose" — you are in Hawaii!

#### Day 2: Oahu

This morning "Remember Pearl Harbor" as you embark on a historic journey. Begin at the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument to view artifacts from the attack and a short documentary on the Day of Infamy. Travel by naval launch to the white marble-clad USS *Arizona* Memorial. In the silence, reflect on history as you gaze upon the thousands of names inscribed on the wall of remembrance. After this poignant experience, take a city tour of Honolulu highlighting the historic lolani Palace, the impressive state capitol building, King Kamehameha's statue, and the moving National Cemetery

of the Pacific, known as the Punchbowl. The remainder of your day is at leisure to explore Oahu your way. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Oahu

Embark on a wonderful journey along Oahu's famous North Shore. If there is such a thing as a perfect wave, you'll likely find it here. The large waves of this legendary surf mecca attract the best surfers. Several television series and movies were filmed in this area. A stop in the surfing town of Haleiwa will surely be a highlight as you learn why surfers gather from all over the world with waves ranging from 2 to 40 feet! Rich with island history, Haleiwa is now the social and artistic hub of the North Shore. Here you will find surfers fueling up at the restaurants in its plantation-era buildings before hitting the famous beaches of Waimea Bay, Ehukai (Banzai Pipeline) and Sunset Beach. Return to Waikiki and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. (B)

#### Day 4: Oahu - Kauai

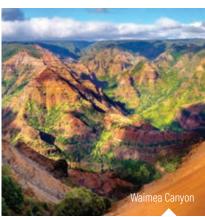
A short flight takes you to the "Garden Isle" of Kauai, the oldest island in the chain. Only here, on the outer islands, can you find the timeless world of ancient Polynesia. Upon arrival, travel to breathtaking Waimea Canyon. Carved thousands of years ago by rivers and floods,

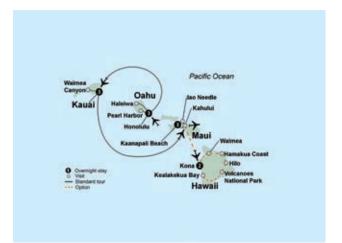


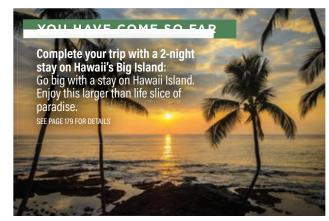












each of the lines in the canyon walls represent a different volcanic eruption or lava flow. At 10 miles long, 1 mile wide, and more than 3,500 feet deep, it is considered the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific." Later, visit the largest coffee estate in Hawaii and discover the coffee bean's journey from tree to your morning cup. Learn about sustainability practices and taste several of their coffees. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Kauai

The day is yours to enjoy this beautiful island at leisure. Stroll along the beach or take advantage of your resort's activities. You may also choose to experience the island through the eyes of Hollywood with an optional tour of the island's famous movie filming locations. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Kauai

Step aboard an open-air boat for a cruise along the tranquil Wailua River. Your captain will tell stories of days gone by before making a stop to disembark for a short guided walk to the lush, green Fern Grotto. On your return boat ride, hula dancers join you to demonstrate this ancient art form, originally performed for the volcano goddess Pele. (B)

#### Day 7: Kauai - Maui

Board an inter-island flight to the "Valley Isle" of Maui, one of the most beautiful and popular outer islands. Visit the stunning lao Valley and view the 2,000-foot-high lao Needle, one of Maui's famous natural landforms. Visit the old royal capital of Lahaina, once home of the

world's largest whaling fleets, where you can stroll through historic streets. Travel through sugarcane fields to the resort area of Kaanapali and arrive at your deluxe beachfront hotel. (B)

#### Day 8: Maui

Spend a day at leisure to see for yourself why locals say "Maui no ka oi" (Maui is the best). Perhaps you will take an optional cliffside drive on the legendary Road to Hana. Or you may choose to take a stroll along the beach, shop for souvenirs or simply relax at your luxurious Maui resort. There is no limit to the adventures you can have on this gorgeous island! (B)

#### Day 9: Maui

Enjoy another day in paradise. To cap off your visit, you may decide to view the sunrise from the summit of Haleakala (optional). Tonight, complete your wonderful trip with a farewell dinner, Hawaiian-style, at a traditional Polynesian luau featuring endless tropical drinks and a sumptuous feast. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Maui - Tour Ends

Bid "Aloha" to Hawaii as your memorable tour ends in Maui. Now, wherever your home is, you'll always be part of the Hawaiian "ohana" (family).
(B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Maui: After your tour comes to a close, relax on the "Valley Isle."

#### DATES & PRICES

January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 August 9	Twin \$3849	<b>Solo</b> \$6049
January 11, 18, 21, 25	\$3699	\$5749	September 6, 13	\$3849	\$6049
February 1, 4, 8, 15, 18, 22	\$3699	\$5749	October 11, 25	\$3849	\$6049
March 1, 8, 15, 18	\$3699	\$5749	November 1	\$3849	\$6049
April 5, 12, 19, 26	\$3699	\$5749	January 17, 31	\$3849	\$6049
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – F			February 3, 17, 21, 24, 28	\$3849	\$6049
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May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50	
May 10, 24	\$3849	\$6049	Rates are land only, per perso	n and do no	t
June 7, 21	\$3849	\$6049	include the internal flights on	tour. Call ab	out
July 12, 26	\$3849	\$6049	additional dates.		

The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us. This tour ends in Maui. All return flights must be booked from Kahului, Maui.

### NATIONAL PARKS OF AMERICA

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Explore the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, a tribute to Buffalo Bill Cody.
- Meet Native Americans and discuss their unique and colorful culture.
- Enjoy a free day to explore Jackson Hole, America's cowboy town.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Spend a night at the spectacular Grand Canyon.
- Stay in Yellowstone National Park, home to the famous Old Faithful Geyser.
- See one of the country's most famous landmarks, Mount Rushmore.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 4 | Explore Zion National Park via a tram or embark on a leisurely hike along the Lower Emerald Pool Trail.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

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



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

**Day 1** Courtyard by Marriott, Scottsdale

Day 2 Lake Powell Resort, Page

Day 3 Grand Canyon Lodge North Rim,

Grand Canyon

Day 4 Majestic View Lodge, Springdale

Days 5, 6 Radisson Hotel Salt Lake Downtown,

Salt Lake City

**Days 7, 8** Snow King Resort, Snake River Lodge, Jackson Hole or Yellowstone

Lodge, West Yellowstone

Day 9 Yellowstone Lodges, Yellowstone

National Park

Day 10 Holiday Inn, Sheridan

Day 11 Alex Johnson Hotel or

Best Western Ramkota, Rapid City

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

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## travel through the vast treasures of the American west

as you tour five fantastic national parks on this journey.

#### START EARLY



Scottsdale: Begin your adventure rested and ready to go after an early arrival.

CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Scottsdale, Arizona - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Arizona where you will enjoy a stay in the world-famous resort town of Scottsdale. This evening, join your fellow travelers at a welcome dinner with a cowboy flair! (D)

#### Day 2: Scottsdale - Sedona - Lake Powell

Begin the day with a visit to the artists' colony of Sedona where you will see the amazing rock formations change hue with each turn in the road. Later today you arrive at Lake Powell. (B)

#### Day 3: Lake Powell - Grand Canyon

Embark on a delightful breakfast cruise on scenic Lake Powell. Next, travel to Carl Hayden Visitors Center and look out over Glen Canyon Dam and see to the end of Lake Powell. Afterward, travel through Marble Canyon before arriving at the spectacular Grand Canyon, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. Upon arrival, relax at one of the many public seating areas overlooking the immense and colorful canyon. Take a moment to reflect as you stand in awe of this iconic natural treasure. Before dinner you may wish to take

a short hike to explore the area. Tonight's dinner takes place in the historic Grand Canyon Lodge which offers fine dining in a casual atmosphere with magnificent views overlooking the rim of the canyon. (B, D)

## **Day 4:** Grand Canyon - Bryce Canyon, Utah - Zion National Park **♥**

Travel to Bryce Canyon National Park, truly one of the most spectacular scenic wonders of the world. The formations within the park, called Hoodoos, are the creation of wind and water erosion over eons of time. Iron oxidizing within the rock causes the natural orange and red hues that color these formations. Your final destination for the day is the red and white sandstone cliffs of Zion National Park. In sheer magnitude and color, Zion is very likely one of the most awe-inspiring national parks in the world. It's your choice! Enjoy the view from the floor of the canyon as you ride along on the Zion tram -OR- embark on a leisurely hike with your Tour Manager along the Lower Emerald Pool Trail to see the lower pool and waterfalls. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Zion National Park - Salt Lake City

A drive north takes you to Salt Lake City, the "City of the Saints," for a 2-night stay. Perhaps you will choose to explore Temple Square. This beautifully landscaped 10-acre plot of ground in the heart of downtown Salt Lake City is one of Utah's most visited attractions. The centerpiece of the square is the 6-spired granite Salt







Lake Temple, and adjacent to this imposing edifice is the domed Tabernacle, home of the famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the great Tabernacle organ. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Salt Lake City

Enjoy a tour of Salt Lake City featuring the Great Salt Lake, the State Capitol and the residential district. Then, take the rest of the day to relax or independently explore. (B)

**Day 7:** Salt Lake City - Jackson Hole, Wyoming En route to Wyoming you will see the majestic Bear Lake Summit. Later, arrive in the cowboy town of Jackson Hole. (B)

#### Day 8: Jackson Hole

The day is yours to enjoy Jackson Hole. Optional activities include shopping, canoeing, hiking and river-rafting trips. Of course, your Tour Manager will be ready with suggestions. Tonight, experience a fun-filled evening of cowboy entertainment and a traditional chuck wagon dinner. (B, D)

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

From Jackson Hole, pass through Grand Teton National Park. Towering more than a mile above the valley of Jackson Hole, the Grand Teton rises to 13,770 feet. Twelve Teton peaks reach above 12,000 feet and support a dozen mountain glaciers. The Teton Range is the youngest range in the Rockies and displays some of North America's oldest rocks. Later, arrive at the amazing Yellowstone National Park for an overnight stay at your lodge nestled in the heart

of this magnificent park. Explore the incredible sights of Yellowstone with a local expert. One of the many highlights is the world-famous Old Faithful Geyser, a fountain of steam that rises more than 60 feet in the air. (B)

#### Day 10: Yellowstone - Cody - Sheridan

A delightful day of sightseeing begins with a trip along Lake Yellowstone and over Sylvan Pass. From the mountains to the prairies, the scenery is simply amazing. As you pass through Cody, a stop will be made at the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, a tribute to one of the most colorful figures of the Old West, Buffalo Bill Cody. Before turning in for the night in Sheridan, drive through the incredible Bighorn Mountains and journey through the territory of the Great Sioux Nation. (B)

#### Day 11: Sheridan - Rapid City, South Dakota

See one of the country's most famous landmarks, Mount Rushmore, whose four figures carved in stone represent the first 150 years of American history. Later, visit Crazy Horse Memorial, a monument dedicated to the Native Americans of this great land. You'll also have the opportunity to visit the Native American Cultural Center to learn about their culture and customs. Here, Native Americans discuss the movements of their dances and the significance of wearing different feathers and clothes. At tonight's farewell dinner you will meet a local Lakota Native American and learn all about their fascinating way of life, past and present. (B, D)

#### Day 12: Rapid City - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close, leaving you with many wonderful memories.

#### DATES & PRICES

May - October 2018 May 18, 19 May 25 May 26, 28 June 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 29	Twin \$3699 \$3799 \$3899 \$3899	<b>Solo</b> \$4949 \$5099 \$5299 \$5299	September 26, 27, 28, 29 \$3	3799 \$5 3599 \$4	Solo 5099 1799 \$ <b>50</b>
July 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 August 8, 10, 11, 17, 18 September 6, 7, 10, 11, 13 September 15, 20, 22	\$3899 \$3899 \$3899 \$3899	\$5299 \$5299 \$5299 \$5299	Rates are land only, per person. Cal additional dates.	dout	

Our air passengers will arrive into Phoenix, AZ airport. All of our transfers will depart from Phoenix, AZ for Scottsdale. The itinerary is subject to change due to National Park directives. When accommodations cannot be confirmed in Yellowstone National Park, an alternative hotel outside of the park will be confirmed.

#### **ALSO AVAILABLE**

#### America's National Parks & Denver 14 Days, 20 Meals



See more of the American West on this adventure that also includes Rocky Mountain National Park and the "Mile High City."

May - September 2018	Twin	Solo
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August 11, 14, 20, 25	\$4399	\$6099
September 1, 3, 5, 7, 15, 17, 18	\$4399	\$6099

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Visit lively Pike Place Market, Seattle's famous fish and vegetable market.
- Venture to Mount St. Helens Visitor Center to learn about its eruptions.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Stand among the ancient giants at Redwood National Park.
- Learn about the hydropower created at Columbia River Gorge's Bonneville Dam.
- Drive along the Mt. Hood route to the lush Columbia River Gorge.
- Travel the Beach Loop of the Bandon State Natural Area.



#### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

DAY 7 | In San Francisco, cruise the Bay and learn about its world-famous landmarks or join a local guide for a sightseeing tour of the city.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

• Enjoy dinner on Pier 39 with views of San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Renaissance Hotel, Seattle

Days 2, 3 DoubleTree by Hilton Lloyd Center,

Portland

Day 4 The Mill Casino, North Bend Red Lion Eureka, Eureka

Days 6,7 San Francisco Marriott Marquis,

San Francisco

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details

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## discover the best of California as you experience

natural beauty from Seattle to San Francisco

#### START EARLY



Seattle: Take a sip of coffee and enjoy your time in this hip West Coast city.

#### Day 1: Seattle, Washington - Tour Begins

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

#### Day 2: Seattle - Olympia - Portland, Oregon

Explore Seattle's colorful waterfront area and historic Pioneer Square on your tour with a local guide. Mingle with artisans at the lively Pike Place Market, a famous fish and vegetable market dotted with restaurants and shops. Travel south through Olympia, stopping at the Mount St. Helens Visitor Center. Learn about its 1980 volcanic eruption as well as the history and geology of the state park. Continue to Portland, Oregon for a two-

night stay in the picturesque "City of Roses." Enjoy a tour of Portland on your way to dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Portland - Cascade Mountains - Portland

Drive along the Mt. Hood route to the lush Columbia River Gorge. Take in the unforgettable views of Mt. Hood as you leave the valley and enter the Cascade Mountains. Discover the awe-inspiring landscapes on a tour of the magnificent Columbia River Gorge and the Bonneville Dam where you will learn about its fascinating hydropower and history. Your evening is free to independently explore the beautiful Lloyd Center area or hop on the MAX Light Rail to downtown Portland. (B)

## **Day 4:** Portland - Willamette Valley - Newport - North Bend

Journey through the Willamette Valley, the Promised Land for the pioneers who followed the Oregon Trail. This lush valley contains some of the most fertile agricultural soil in Oregon. Head to the seaside town of Newport for a brief stop before traveling along some of the country's









July 8, 9, 15, 22, 23, 29

most beautiful coastline. Pause along the way to take in the natural beauty of Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area. Cap off your day strolling North Bend's lively boardwalk perched along scenic Coos Bay. (B, D)

#### Day 5: North Bend - Bandon State Natural Area -Redwood National Park, CA - Eureka

Drive to Bandon State Natural Area. Take in the breathtaking scenery as we travel along the striking Beach Loop. See Bandon Rocks and Face Rock, famous for their American Indian legends. Stop to enjoy a cruise up the spectacular Rogue River, taking you into Oregon's rugged wilderness for a chance to see bald eagles, cormorants, seals and blue heron. Continuing south to California's redwood country, travel through Redwood National Park, home to trees that can reach nearly 300 feet. See for yourself why the sun seldom hits the ground. Arrive in Eureka and embark on a delightful tour. Come to know this historic timber and fishing village and see Old Town with lovely Victorian architecture. (B)

#### Day 6: Eureka - San Francisco

Return to the majestic beauty and splendid grandeur of the Redwood Forest as you traverse the "Avenue of the Giants," a scenic highway

loaded with towering redwoods. Next, drive over the legendary Golden Gate Bridge and arrive in "the City by the Bay," San Francisco. Tonight, gather for dinner on the city's colorful Pier 39 with exceptional views of San Francisco Bay and the Bay Bridge. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Choice of San Francisco Bay Cruise or City Tour of San Francisco 😵

The choice is yours! Take a narrated cruise on San Francisco Bay and learn about its landmarks including Alcatraz and the Golden Gate Bridge -OR- join a local guide to hear stories of the city's past and present as you drive past its famous landmarks including Fisherman's Wharf and the Golden Gate Bridge. The remainder of your day is at leisure to explore San Francisco independently. For a true local experience, ride the famed cable cars up and down San Francisco's thrilling hills. (B)

#### Day 8: San Francisco - Tour Ends

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

#### **STAY LONGER**



San Francisco: There's no reason to leave your heart in San Francisco. Stay one more night! call for details

#### **DATES & PRICES**

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September 23, 24, 30 \$2699 \$38 se October 7, 8, 14, 15 \$2699 \$38 April 7, 8, 28, 29 \$2699 \$38	
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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Discover the renowned California State Railroad Museum.
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#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Take a tram tour through awe-inspiring Yosemite National Park.
- Stroll Old Sacramento complete with wooden sidewalks and cobblestone streets.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 2 | In San Francisco, cruise the bay and learn about its world-famous landmarks or join a local guide for a sightseeing tour of the city.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Experience dinner overlooking San Francisco Bay and the Golden Gate Bridge.
- Board the elegant Napa Valley Wine Train for a delicious lunch and incredible wine.
- Sample the many intriguing flavors of local olive oil.
- Enjoy a wine tasting in the Sonoma Valley.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

- Days 1, 2 Marriott at Fisherman's Wharf or San Francisco Marriott Marquis, San Francisco
- Days 3, 4 The Hotel at Black Oak Casino Resort, Tuolumne
- Days 5, 6 Hyatt Regency or Holiday Inn Sacramento Downtown - Arena, Sacramento
- Days 7, 8 Courtyard Novato Marin/Sonoma, Novato

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## sink into the Northern California lifestyle.

From its laid back cities to some of the world's finest wines and most historic railways, this tour pulls it all together.

#### START EARLY



San Francisco: Come early and enjoy more of this city's elegant beauty.

CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: San Francisco, California - Tour Begins

Join us in exploring northern California. From its most popular cities to fertile valleys and historic gold rush towns, many hidden treasures await. Your tour opens in San Francisco, the beautiful "City by the Bay." Tonight, take in a fabulous view of San Francisco. Enjoy dinner at a restaurant on Fisherman's Wharf overlooking the bay and the Golden Gate Bridge. (D)

## **Day 2:** Choice of San Francisco Bay Cruise or City Tour of San Francisco **♥**

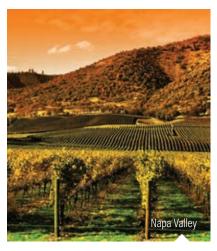
After breakfast, **the choice is yours!** Take a one-hour cruise of San Francisco Bay featuring in-depth narration plus close up views of Alcatraz and the Golden Gate

Bridge **-OR-** join a local expert on a city tour which highlights Fisherman's Wharf, the famous cable cars, the Golden Gate Bridge and the view of the city from the imposing Twin Peaks. The afternoon is yours to relax or explore this beautiful city independently. Perhaps you'll hop on a cable car or further enjoy the sights at Fisherman's Wharf...the opportunities are endless. (B)

#### Day 3: San Francisco - Farm Visit - Tuolumne

After breakfast, travel east through California's Central Valley and the foothills of the Sierra Nevada. Stop in Oakdale where almond and walnut orchards dot the landscape. A local farmer will guide you through the town and take you to visit his small farm where you'll enjoy a taste of central California. A delightful stop is made at Ironstone Vineyards for a wine tasting with time to explore their gold mining artifacts, antiques and music room with a fully restored Alhambra Theatre Pipe organ. Arrive in historic Tuolumne, a gateway to Yosemite National Park and your home for the next two nights. (B)









#### Day 4: Tuolumne - Yosemite - Tuolumne

A scenic drive brings you into awe-inspiring Yosemite National Park. Your tram tour through Yosemite's unique rock formations, deep valleys, Alpine meadows and pristine wilderness will leave you absolutely amazed. The tram ride experience showcases views from the famous valley floor and offers a fascinating perspective on this glorious park. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Tuolumne - Sacramento

Upon arrival in Sacramento you'll visit the California State Railroad Museum, perhaps the best railroad museum in the United States. Enjoy the detailed exhibits and the many historical stories told by your museum guide. Take time for lunch on your own in Old Sacramento's historic district filled with over 60 restored Gold Rush-era buildings, wooden sidewalks, cobblestone streets and antique gas lamps. Catch a glimpse at what life was like when thousands of "49ers" flocked here during the California Gold Rush. You'll have plenty of time to visit the unique shops. (B)

#### Day 6: Sacramento - Lake Tahoe - Sacramento

Travel over the Sierra Nevada Mountains to the resort town of Lake Tahoe. Upon arrival, enjoy a narrated cruise of spectacular Lake Tahoe aboard the M.S. *Dixie* II paddle wheeler. Discover

why Mark Twain was mesmerized by the beauty of Tahoe's crystal blue waters and towering peaks. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Sacramento - Sonoma - Novato

Today you travel through California's treasured vineyards and arrive in Sonoma, one of the world's premier wine destinations. Learn about the wines that this region is famous for at a wine tasting at a local vineyard. Breathtaking views abound as beautiful vineyards pepper the countryside en route to Novato. (B)

#### Day 8: Novato - Sonoma - Napa - Novato

A special treat is in store at The Olive Press where you will be able to sample many intriguing flavors and purchase olive oil to ship anywhere you wish. A unique highlight awaits as you climb aboard the elegant Napa Valley Wine Train. Sit back and relax as the incredible scenery, famous vineyards and delicious farewell lunch come together, creating a one-of-a-kind experience. Raise a glass of wine to toast your California adventure. (B, L)

#### Day 9: Novato - Tour Ends

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

#### DATES & PRICES

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Due to tour scheduling, return flights should not be booked prior to 10:30 a.m. Our air passengers will depart from San Francisco airport. All of our transfers will depart from Novato for San Francisco airport.

#### **ALSO AVAILABLE**

California Coast 8 days - 10 meals

Visit collette.com for details.

## CANYON COUNTRY

8 DAYS · 10 MEALS FROM \$2449



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Soak in the glitz and glamour of the Las Vegas strip.
- Delve into Native American history during a chat with a local tribe member.
- Climb aboard Zion's open-air tram with an expert guide.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Behold the breathtaking views of the vast Grand Canyon.
- Explore the most amazing spires of Bryce Canyon National Park.
- Marvel at the red and white sandstone cliffs of Zion National Park.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 4 | Visit Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park or take a canyon adventure cruise through the Navajo and Antelope canyons.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

 Experience an invigorating breakfast cruise along lovely Lake Powell.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Courtyard by Marriott, Scottsdale

Day 2 Grand Canyon Lodges,

Grand Canyon

Days 3, 4 Lake Powell Resort, Page

Day 5 Majestic View Lodge, Springdale

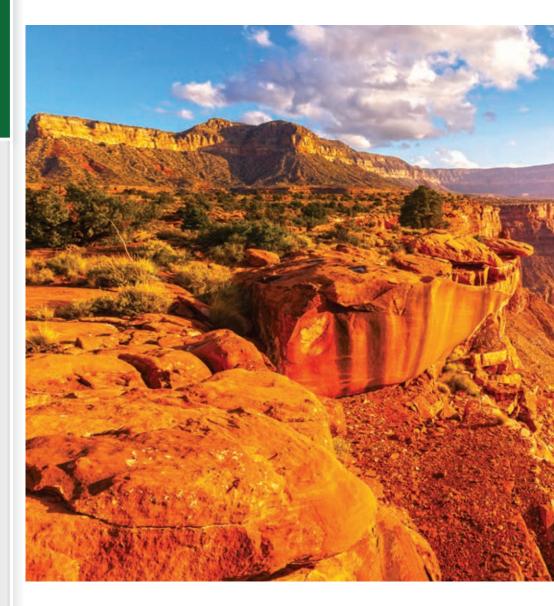
Days 6,7 Paris Hotel or Bally's Resort,

Las Vegas

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## bask in the majestic views as you explore

the most famous canyons of the American West on a journey featuring three national parks.

#### START EARLY

ADD A DAY **Scottsdale:** Spend a little more time in America's sunny southwest.

CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Scottsdale, Arizona - Tour Begins

Begin in colorful Scottsdale where you will join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner with real cowboy flair. (D)

#### Day 2: Scottsdale - Sedona - Grand Canyon

This morning, delve into the region's Native American heritage during a chat with a local tribe member. Learn about the region's various tribes; their history, traditions and modern experiences. Stunning Sedona awaits. Soak in the imaginative atmosphere and colorful vistas while browsing

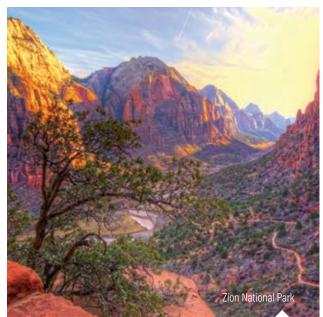
the arts and crafts shops of the marketplace. Admire Oak Creek Canyon, where the rock formations seem to change hue with every turn in the road. Later, travel through the spectacular Kaibab National Forest before reaching the South Rim of the Grand Canyon. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Grand Canyon - Lake Powell

"Grand" is not a strong enough word for today. This morning, take the time to explore the Grand Canyon. Theodore Roosevelt once said, "This is one of the great sights which every American, if he can travel at all, must see." Behold those same breathtaking views as we travel along East Rim Drive. Later, a short ride brings you to Cameron Trading Post. For nearly a century, the post has acted as a haven for travelers, traders and explorers. Continue north through mesa-studded desert before arriving at your home for the next two evenings, a lovely hotel overlooking the stunning blue waters of Lake Powell. (B)







#### **Day 4:** Lake Powell - Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park or Canyon Cruise **♥**

Begin your day with an invigorating breakfast cruise along lovely Lake Powell. It's your choice! Travel through the territory of the Navajo nation and arrive in Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park, a sacred Navajo land featuring iconic sandstone spires; enjoy a fascinating tour, narrated by a Navajo tribe member and a stop at a Hogan, a traditional Navajo hut -OR- you may take a canyon adventure cruise through the wondrous geologic formations of the Navajo and Antelope canyons. Later we will enjoy dinner in Lake Powell and some time at leisure. (B, D)

## **Day 5:** Lake Powell - Bryce Canyon National Park - Zion National Park

Hoodoos! Today, travel to spectacular Bryce Canyon National Park, famous for its Hoodoos. These rock formations, created over thousands of years by wind and water, carry natural orange and red hues, the product of iron oxidizing within the rock. Zion National Park is our next destination. In sheer magnitude and color, few places on earth match the beauty of Zion's red and white sandstone cliffs. (B)

#### **Day 6:** Zion National Park - Las Vegas, Nevada Climb aboard Zion's open-air tram and wind your way alongside the Virgin River and through the

2,400 foot deep, one-half-mile wide Zion Canyon. Later today, trade nature's beauty for the lights of the Vegas strip. This four-mile stretch of road features neon-lit resorts and round-the-clock action. A 2-night stay offers up plenty of time to enjoy all the glitz and glamour. (B)

#### Day 7: Las Vegas

Today is yours. Lounge by the pool sipping drinks, take in a one-of-a-kind show, browse the world-renowned shops, or try your luck in the casino. Simply visiting the different hotels can take you all over the world. Stop in at Mandalay Bay's Shark Reef aquarium; visit the Luxor to see the sphinxes and pyramid; take a bite out of the Big Apple at New York-New York; see the Eiffel Tower; "ooh" and "ahh" at the Mirage volcano; or take a gondola ride at the Venetian. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Las Vegas - Tour Ends

Depart for home with amazing memories of your journey.

#### **STAY LONGER**



Las Vegas: Reward yourself with an extra night in glitzy Las Vegas. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### DATES & PRICES

March – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	<b>May 2018 – April 2019</b> August 28, 31	Twin \$2499	<b>Solo</b> \$3249
March 19, 22	\$2499	\$3249	September 6, 7, 11, 14	\$2499	\$3249
April 5, 9, 12, 19, 26	\$2499	\$3249	September 18, 25, 28	\$2499	\$3249
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - A	pril 2019 to	ır	October 2, 5, 9, 12, 16	\$2499	\$3249
departures. Departures prior to this	date will va	ry. Please	October 19, 23, 26	\$2499	\$3249
confirm at time of reservation.			October 30	\$2499	\$3249
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	March 8, 15	\$2449	\$3199
(featured itinerary)			April 5, 12, 26, 30	\$2449	\$3199
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June 1, 5, 14	\$2449	\$3199	Triple Room Reduction		(-) \$30
July 13, 20	\$2449	\$3199	Rates are land only, per person.	Call about	t
August 3	\$2449	\$3199	additional dates.		

Our air passengers will arrive into Phoenix, Arizona airport. All of our transfers will depart from Phoenix airport for Scottsdale.

## AMERICA'S COWBOY COUNTRY

8 DAYS · 11 MEALS FROM \$2699



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Step back in time to the town of Deadwood, a National Historic Landmark.
- · Visit the Black Hills Gold & Diamond Factory.
- · Visit the Buffalo Bill Center of the West.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Explore Yellowstone National Park, the first national park in the world.
- Marvel at the Crazy Horse Memorial, the world's largest mountain sculpture.
- Visit rugged Badlands National Park and follow the Badlands Loop Road.
- Wind through Grand Teton National Park, home to the youngest peaks in the Rockies.
- · See the illumination of Mt. Rushmore at night.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 2 Embark on either a relaxing wildlife float trip or an exciting whitewater rafting adventure.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

 The Wild West comes to life during a traditional chuck wagon dinner.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1, 2 The Lodge at Jackson Hole, The Lexington Hotel or Snake River Lodge, Teton Village, Jackson Hole

Day 3 Yellowstone Lodges, Yellowstone National Park

Day 4 Holiday Inn, Sheridan

Days 5 - 7 Alex Johnson Hotel or Ramkota Inn, Rapid City

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## saddle up! visit Yellowstone, Grand Teton National Park,

Mt. Rushmore and more on this great American adventure.

#### START EARLY



Jackson Hole: Rustle up some more fun with an extra night in this cowboy town.

#### Day 1: Jackson Hole, Wyoming - Tour Begins

Welcome to Jackson Hole, America's most famous cowboy town. Find yourself amid its rare blend of elegance and western charm.

#### Day 2: Jackson Hole 😯

This morning **the choice is yours**. Enjoy a relaxing wildlife float trip or an exciting whitewater rafting adventure! Both paths take you along the Snake River and offer up dramatic views of a grand landscape complete with a picnic lunch. Later, a ride in a covered wagon takes you past the Cache Creek Canyon for a night of western hospitality at a chuck wagon dinner with entertainment. (B, L, D)

**Day 3:** Jackson Hole - Grand Tetons - Yellowstone Wind through Grand Teton National Park, home to the youngest peaks in the Rockies. Keep your camera ready. There are plenty of opportunities to take photos. Next, visit incomparable Yellowstone National Park, the first and oldest national park in the world. Yellowstone, a true symbol of the west, stretches across 3,470 square miles and touches three western states. Famous for its geysers, hot springs and incredible wildlife – including free-ranging herds of buffalo – Yellowstone lives up to its reputation. A park guide joins your group to discuss the past, present and future of the park as you observe the unspoiled natural splendor. Of course, no visit to Yellowstone would be complete without seeing its most famous attraction: Old Faithful. Watch in amazement as the geyser erupts, sending a fountain of steam more than 90 feet in the air! (B, D)

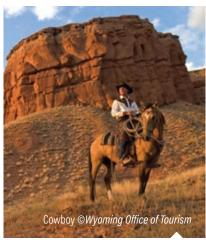
#### Day 4: Yellowstone - Cody - Sheridan

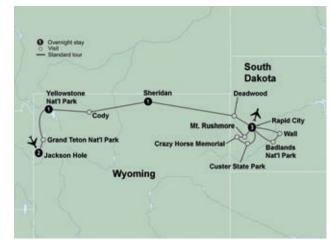
Begin your day with a journey along Lake Yellowstone and over Sylvan Pass. From the mountains to the prairies, the scenery is simply astounding. Pass through Cody and visit the Buffalo Bill Center of the West – a tribute to one of the most colorful figures of the Old West. Before turning in for the night in Sheridan, make your way through the incredible Bighorn Mountains and cross through the territory of the Great Sioux Nation. (B)

#### **Day 5:** Sheridan - Deadwood - Rapid City, South Dakota

En route to Rapid City, stop in Deadwood, a rowdy,









rambling western town that has been named a National Historic Landmark. Recreations of turn-of-the-century street lamps light the way through the restored architecture. A local guide introduces you to the history of the city, including a visit to Mount Moriah Cemetery, final resting place of Wild Bill Hickok, Calamity Jane and other figures from the Wild West. You'll also make a stop at Kevin Costner's Tatanka: "Story of the Bison." This interpretive center features large, awe-inspiring sculptures depicting the relationship of bison and the Lakota Native Americans. Enjoy some time to ramble through Deadwood where gold, gambling and gunpowder were once the order of the day. Later, return to Rapid City to enjoy leisure time for independent exploration. (B)

## **Day 6:** Rapid City - Crazy Horse - Keystone - Rapid City

Today, learn more about this diverse region. Jump into the world of Black Hills gold on a tour through Riddle's Black Hills Gold and Diamond Factory. See skilled artisans handcraft South Dakota's official state jewelry. Then it is on to Custer State Park, where you'll ride into the park in search of the herd of approximately 1300 free roaming buffalo (or bison) that grace the woods of Custer, along with pronghorn antelope and elk. Your guide will fill you in on the history and fun facts about the park's wildlife. Next, prepare to be amazed by the Crazy Horse Memorial, the world's largest mountain

sculpture still in progress. The memorial includes the Indian Museum of North America, Native American Cultural Center, the sculptor's studio, an orientation center and theaters. Many Native American artists and craftspeople practice their art at the memorial and are on hand to discuss the influence their culture has on their work. Make a stop in the Old West town of Keystone to have dinner on your own before stopping to see the illumination of Mt. Rushmore, one of the true icons of the West, during a sound and light show. (B)

#### Day 7: Rapid City - Badlands - Wall - Rapid City

Today you visit rugged Badlands National Park. Upon arrival at the visitor center, view its informative exhibits and displays and watch a film that introduces you to the area. Follow the Badlands Loop Road, a wonder of rock formations and vibrant colors caused by mineral deposits. Next, enjoy a stop at Wall Drug, a classic store from 1936, where there is time for lunch and browsing. This evening, a Lakota Native American will join you before your farewell dinner to discuss his dedication to his community and the Native American way of life, past and present. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Rapid City - Tour Ends

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

#### DATES & PRICES

May – October 2018 May 16 May 20 June 2, 3, 4 June 10, 11, 17, 18 June 25, 27 July 1, 9, 22, 29 August 13, 19, 27, 29	Twin \$6 \$2699 \$36 \$2799 \$38 \$2799 \$38 \$2849 \$39 \$2999 \$42 \$2999 \$42	September 2, 5, 8, 12, 16, 18 September 23, 27 October 5 Triple Room Reduction  Rates are land only, per personal difference of the control o	Twin \$2999 \$2849 \$2699 (-) \$50 on. Call abou	<b>Solo</b> \$4299 \$3999 \$3699
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The itinerary is subject to change due to National Park directives. When accommodations cannot be confirmed in Yellowstone National Park, an alternative hotel outside of the park will be confirmed.

## THE COLORADO ROCKIES

9 DAYS · 12 MEALS FROM \$2649



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Spend two nights in Durango and relive the excitement of the Old West.
- Journey on the world's highest cog railroad up Pikes Peak
- See one of the largest cliff dwellings built by ancestors of the Pueblos.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Explore the massive and rugged Rocky Mountain National Park.
- At Arches National Park, see the world's largest concentration of natural sandstone arches.
- Travel to the majestic Island in the Sky mesa at Canyonlands National Park.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 6 Drive through Mesa Verde National Park with a local guide or join a National Park Ranger on a short hike down the canyon to a cliff dwelling.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

• Experience an Old West adventure complete with cowboy food.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1, 2 Sheraton Downtown or Hampton Inn and Suites Downtown, Denver

Days 3, 4 Doubletree Hotel, Grand Junction

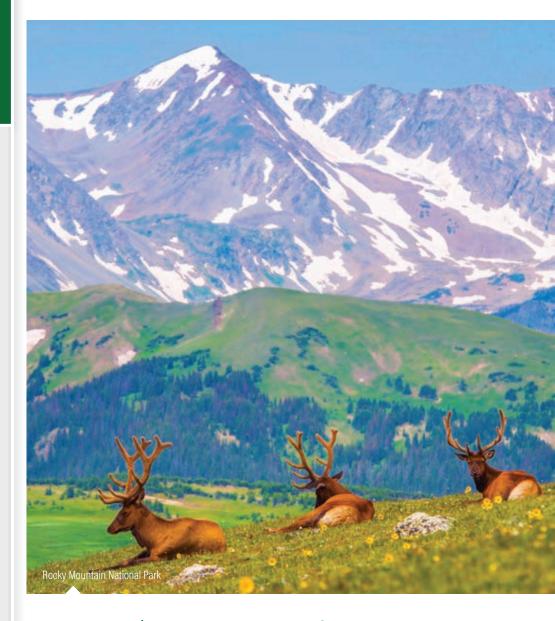
Days 5, 6 Strater Hotel, Durango

Days 7, 8 Hotel Elegante or Hyatt Place, Colorado Springs

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# adventure awaits as you explore four national parks

and ride a pair of historic trains. It's time to enjoy the freedom loving spirit of the West.

#### START EARLY



**Denver:** See the sights and get ready for your adventure with a night in the "Mile High City." CALL FOR DETAILS

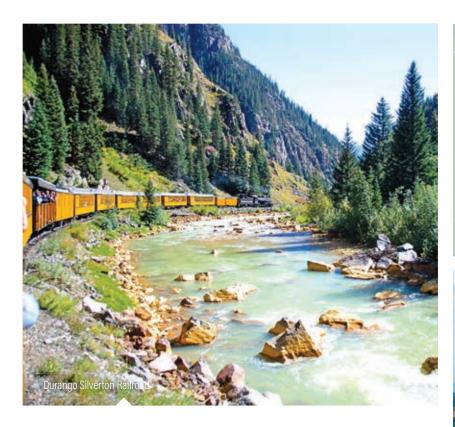
#### Day 1: Denver, Colorado - Tour Begins

Adventure awaits as we explore the towering peaks and rolling meadows of Colorado and Utah. This tour (which features four national parks) opens in the "Mile High City" of Denver where you will gather for a welcome dinner with your fellow travelers. (D)

Day 2: Denver - Rocky Mountain National Park - Denver Travel the "Roof of the Rockies." Rocky Mountain National Park, one of the largest national parks in the United States, offers up views where majestic mountains stand in stark contrast to deep, rugged canyons. Next, don't get spooked but we will be making a stop in the town of Estes Park, home to the historic Stanley Hotel, inspiration for Stephen King's *The Shining*. You may dine at the hotel on your own or take a stroll through the charming town. Later, return to Denver for a free evening in this dynamic city. (B)

## **Day 3:** Denver - Colorado National Monument - Grand Junction

The spectacular Rocky Mountains are your traveling companion today as we make a scenic drive from Denver to Grand Junction, passing through many of Colorado's famous ski resorts. Our journey also takes us to one of the grand landscapes of the American West – Colorado National



Monument. Continue along the Rim Rock to see a colorful panorama of deep, sheer-sided canyons and high rock towers. Gather for dinner at a favorite local hangout in Grand Junction, a town that attracts outdoorsmen, foodies and all kinds of free spirits, (B, D)

#### Day 4: Arches National Park - Canyonlands National Park - Grand Junction

Today, one amazing park follows another! In Arches National Park, see the world's largest concentration of natural sandstone arches. Next up, Canyonlands National Park, a vast landscape of gorges carved by the mighty Colorado River. We top off the day at the Island in the Sky mesa resting on sheer sandstone cliffs over 1,000 feet above the surrounding terrain.

#### Day 5: Grand Junction - Silverton - Durango

Head south to Silverton, a former silver mining town and now a National Historic Landmark. Hidden high in the San Juan Mountains, this town blends spectacular scenery, Victorian charm and historic architecture. Then it's "all aboard" the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad. This 1881 coal-fired, steam-powered locomotive made its name hauling silver and gold ore from the San Juan Mountains but you will soon realize it is the view that is its most precious asset. On board, strike up a conversation with "fellow passengers" dressed in 1800s garb who are quick to share their tales straight from the frontier. This evening, experience an Old West adventure filled with traditional cowboy food and entertainment. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Durango - Mesa Verde National Park -Durango 😯

An incredible day awaits in Mesa Verde National Park, home of the ancient Ancestral Puebloan civilization. It's your choice! Join a local guide on a drive through the park and make several photo stops before arriving at your destination, the famous Spruce Tree Cliff Dwelling...view this incredible structure: one of the Mesa Verde's best preserved -OR- if you are feeling more adventurous, join a National Park Ranger on a short hike down the canyon into one of the cliff dwellings; as you walk, soak in views of the valley along with some of the 600 homes carved along the cliffs. (B)

#### Day 7: Durango - Colorado Springs

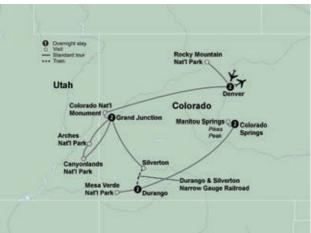
Sit back and relax during a scenic ride to Colorado Springs. En route, marvel at the landscape as we make our way from the San Juan National Forest and across the Wolf Creek Pass, a section of the Continental Divide that would take pioneers two to three weeks to cross. Continue on through the Rio Grande National Forest, a vast expanse of wilderness named for the 1,800 miles of Rio Grande River that cuts through the forest. Your day concludes in Colorado Springs, an artistic and cultural hub. (B)

#### Day 8: Colorado Springs - Manitou Springs -Colorado Springs

Depart for Manitou Springs, home of Pikes Peak the legendary symbol of the 1859 Gold Rush. Take an exhilarating journey aboard the Pikes Peak Cog Railway, the world's highest cog railroad ascending nearly nine miles to the top of Pikes Peak. As you climb higher and higher you will see magnificent views and perhaps some wildlife in its native habitat. Later, travel to the Garden of the Gods to take in the view of towering sandstone formations that dot the landscape set in a backdrop of Pikes Peak. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner and celebrate your adventure. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Colorado Springs - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close in Colorado Springs. (B)





DATES & PRICES						
May - September 2018 May 12, 19, 25, 26 June 1, 8, 15, 16, 22, 29 July 6, 13, 14, 20, 27 August 3, 10, 17, 18, 24 August 31	Twin \$2649 \$2649 \$2649 \$2649 \$2749	<b>Solo</b> \$3499 \$3499 \$3499 \$3499 \$3649	May - September 2018 September 1, 7, 8, 14, 15 September 21, 22, 28, 29 Triple Room Reduction Rates are land only, per personal distinguishment	Twin Solo \$2749 \$3649 \$2749 \$3649 (-) \$50 n. Call about		

Our air passengers will depart from Denver, CO, All of our transfers will depart Colorado Springs for Denver. Due to tour scheduling, flights home should not be booked prior to 10:00 a.m.

### **SPOTLIGHT ON SOUTH DAKOTA**

7 DAYS · 9 MEALS FROM \$1749



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Hear the history of the Lakota at the Red Cloud Indian School on the Pine Ridge Indian
- · Traverse 14 miles of magnificent rock formations on Needles Highway.
- · Stroll along the Presidential Trail, filled with 150 years of American history.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Travel to the legendary Black Hills of South Dakota.
- · Visit the epic Mount Rushmore.
- · Explore rambling Deadwood, a National Historic Landmark.



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

DAY 5 | Take a guided hike along one of the Badlands' many trails or drive the Badlands Loop Road, a marvel of vibrant colors and rock formations.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Find yourself immersed in the local flavors during a western dinner show.

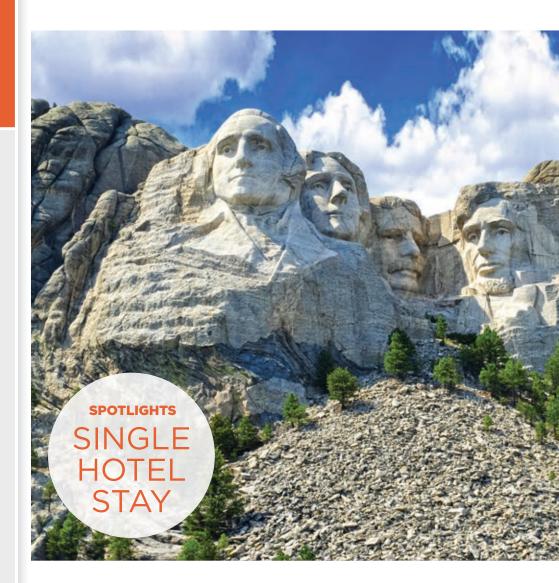


#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1 - 6 Hilton Garden Inn, Rapid City

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.





# from the gently rolling prairies to the rugged badlands

discover the true west. It's time to get this wagon train rolling!

#### START EARLY



Rapid City: Enjoy a little extra fun and time to relax before your western adventure begins. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Rapid City, South Dakota - Tour Begins

Welcome to the West. Your tour opens in Rapid City, long known as the gateway to the Black Hills. Tonight, you and your fellow travelers gather for a welcome dinner featuring a Native American chronicler who shares stories about the Lakota and Sioux way of life. (D)

#### Day 2: Rapid City - Keystone - Rapid City

Follow in the footsteps of some enterprising westerners during a visit to the Chapel in the Hills and the log cabin of a gold prospector. Next, we head for mighty Mount Rushmore. Spend some time with the epic figures of Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt and Lincoln. Stroll along the Presidential Trail which offers the closest

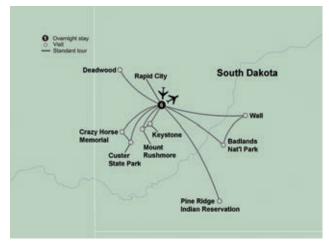
access to the iconic sculpture. Later, we'll visit downtown Rapid City (America's most patriotic city) to enjoy this great little western town. We'll be sure to make a stop at the Prairie Edge, a favorite local shop filled with authentic Lakota items. This evening, return to Mount Rushmore to see the spectacular nighttime lighting ceremony. (B)

#### Day 3: Rapid City - Deadwood - Rapid City

Are you ready for Deadwood? This morning, we explore one of the Old West's most iconic settlements. This National Historic Landmark comes alive - it is as if you've stepped onto the set of an old-fashioned western. Perhaps you'll fulfill your childhood cowboy dreams. Faithful recreations of turn-of-the-century streetlamps light the way as you make your way through accurately restored architecture. A local guide introduces you to the history of the city on a tour that includes a visit to Mount Moriah Cemetery, the final resting place of Wild Bill Hickok. We will also make a stop at Kevin Costner's Tatanka: Story of the Bison. This interpretive









center features large, awe-inspiring sculptures depicting the relationship of bison and the Lakota. Then, enjoy some time to ramble through Deadwood where gold, gambling and gunpowder were once the order of the day. (B, D)

## **Day 4:** Rapid City - Pine Ridge Indian Reservation - Rapid City

This morning, an alumnus of the Red Cloud Indian School on Pine Ridge Indian Reservation joins us for a cultural discussion. Learn more about the school's mission, the reservation and the challenges faced by the Lakota people. Afterwards, we continue this special day at the Heritage Center. Later, learn more about Black Hills gold on a tour through Riddle's Black Hills Gold and Diamond Factory. See skilled artisans handcraft South Dakota's official state jewelry and enjoy time to shop for some handcrafted items. (B)

## **Day 5:** Rapid City - Badlands - Wall - Rapid City **♡**

Today is all about wide-open spaces. Explore the larger-than-life Badlands National Park. After we get orientated at the visitor center, the stage is set for a classic adventure. It's your choice! Will you take a guided hike along one

of the Badlands' many trails? **-oR-** will you drive the Badlands Loop Road, a marvel of vibrant colors and rock formations? Afterwards, we all enjoy a stop at timeless Wall Drug, a store that remains much as it was in 1936. Take some time for lunch, sit at the soda fountain and do a little browsing. (B)

#### Day 6: Rapid City - Custer - Rapid City

The Needles Highway is calling your name. Travel through 14 miles of magnificent rock formations, curving tunnels and steep spires. Later, we continue our road trip through Custer State Park where you just might spot a buffalo, a band of bighorn sheep or a herd of majestic elk. Visit Crazy Horse Memorial and learn the story behind the world's largest mountain sculpture still in progress. The memorial includes the Indian Museum of North America, the Native American Cultural Center, the sculptor's studio, and an orientation center and theaters. Many Native American artists and craftspeople work at the memorial and welcome the chance to share how their culture influences their art. This evening, it's our final roundup. Join your fellow travelers at a western dinner show. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Rapid City - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

#### **DATES & PRICES**

May 2018 - October 2018	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction (-) \$30 Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.
May 11, 18, 25	\$1749	\$2249	
June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	\$1799	\$2299	
July 6, 13, 20, 27	\$1799	\$2299	
August 17, 24, 31	\$1799	\$2299	
September 5, 7, 14, 21, 26	\$1799	\$2299	
October 3, 5, 12	\$1749	\$2249	

## AMERICA'S MUSIC CITIES

8 DAYS · 11 MEALS FROM \$2499



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

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

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Visit Graceland, the palatial home of Elvis Presley.
- Explore the Country Music Hall of Fame, the largest museum of popular music in the world.
- · Visit the historic Ryman Auditorium.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 2 | In New Orleans, enjoy a walking tour of the French Quarter or set out on a locally guided panoramic drive through the city.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Learn to cook New Orleans-style during a cooking demonstration at the New Orleans School of Cooking.
- Stop to taste a true New Orleans favorite beignets at Café Du Monde.
- Indulge in a culinary and wine tasting experience at Belle Meade Plantation.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1 - 3 Sheraton Hotel, New Orleans

Days 4, 5 Sheraton Memphis Downtown Hotel or Crowne Plaza Memphis Downtown, Memphis

Days 6,7 Gaylord Opryland Resort, Nashville
ROOM UPGRADE AVAILABLE

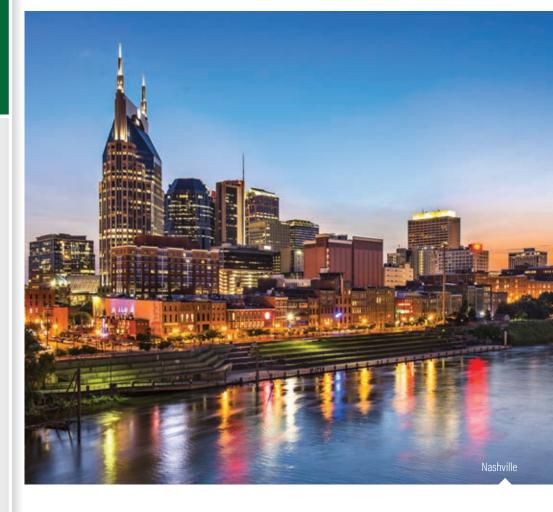
Treat yourself to a Premium Garden View room overlooking the incredible atrium.

CALL FOR DETAILS

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
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## enjoy a toe-tapping tour of America's

most famed musical meccas - New Orleans, Memphis and Nashville

#### START EARLY



New Orleans: Take it easy in the "Big Easy" and relax before your tour begins. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: New Orleans, Louisiana - Tour Begins

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

## **Day 2:** Choose French Quarter Walking Tour or Motorcoach Tour of New Orleans **♥**

The choice is yours! Take a walking tour of New Orleans' famous French Quarter where you'll see the majestic St. Louis Cathedral, one of the city's most recognizable landmarks; continue to the bustling French Marketplace where you'll explore Pirates Alley, the Cabildo, the Presbytere and the Pontalba -OR- set out on a panoramic motorcoach tour of New Orleans with a local guide; begin along historic Esplanade Avenue; see St. Louis Cemetery #3 which opened in 1854 and holds some of the most elaborate crypts found in the city's cemeteries. Relax during a drive along the shoreline of Lake Pontchartrain; this romantic road eventually

leads to St. Charles Avenue, whisking you past gorgeous mansions as well as Tulane and Loyola, two world-famous universities. Whichever you choose, stop to taste a true New Orleans favorite – beignets at Café Du Monde. Tonight, roll up your sleeves and prepare to discover how to cook New Orleans-style! During a unique cooking demonstration at the New Orleans School of Cooking, your chef will indulge you in everything that Louisiana cuisine has to offer. Following dinner, enjoy a jazz revue at a local French Quarter jazz club. (B, D)

#### Day 3: New Orleans

Journey through Louisiana's swamp on a cruise narrated by your captain. Learn about the history and ecology of this fascinating ecosystem while keeping an eye out for wildlife including bald eagles, herons, turtles and alligators! Return to New Orleans and spend the remainder of the afternoon at leisure to discover this great city your way. (B)

#### Day 4: New Orleans - Memphis, Tennessee

Travel north to Memphis, the birthplace of the Blues, Rock 'n' Roll and Soul. This evening, enjoy delectable Southern cuisine along with some of the best live music in town. Your dinner truly captures the essence of Memphis' music and culinary scene. (B, D)







#### Day 5: Memphis

This morning, embark on a one-of-a-kind tour of the city of Memphis. Local musicians board the coach and tell the story of Memphis' musical heritage and history as you view the city's many highlights...you may even be tempted to sing along! Then, don your blue suede shoes when you visit Graceland, the palatial home of Elvis Presley. Enter Elvis' 14-acre estate and visit his home, original business office, trophy building with exhibits depicting Elvis' life at Graceland, racquetball building, and the Meditation Garden, where Elvis and members of his family have been laid to rest. The remainder of your day is free to enjoy this city's vast musical offerings on your own. Dance to the live music that may fill the open air or spend the evening exploring Beale Street's vibrant musical clubs! (B)

#### Day 6: Memphis - Nashville

Journey to the "Music Capital of the World"

- Nashville. Relive days gone by during a tour of the sprawling Belle Meade Plantation and indulge in a culinary and wine tasting experience featuring southern delicacies. This evening, take your reserved seat at the renowned Grand Ole Opry. What began as a building where a local radio broadcast show aired once a week in 1925 has grown to become an entertainment complex that attracts music fans from all over the world. (B, L)

#### Day 7: Nashville

Your day begins with a sightseeing tour where a local guide will share the history and lore of Music City and you will view the State Capitol, Music Row and the Parthenon — a full replica of the Athenian original! Next, explore the Country Music Hall of Fame, the largest museum of popular music in the world. The museum's vast collections of memorabilia, costumes, recordings and instruments are artfully presented in cuttingedge exhibits relaying the colorful histories of country music and its artists. Then, visit the old Ryman Auditorium and the historic RCA Studio B for an up-close look at Nashville's oldest remaining recording studio where Elvis Presley, Dolly Parton and Charlie Pride once recorded some of their classic hits. Learn the secrets of how each artist recorded their chart-topping music in this famous studio where you may even have the opportunity to record your own hit! (B, D)

#### Day 8: Nashville - Tour Ends

Your musical journey comes to a close today. (B)

### STAY LONGER



Nashville: Keep the party going with another night in the home of country music. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

February – April 2018 different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 June 3, 17, 24	Twin \$2499	<b>Solo</b> \$3299
ebruary 25	\$2399	\$3199	September 2, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23	\$2499	\$3299
March 4, 11, 16, 18, 23	\$2399	\$3199	October 1, 5, 7, 12, 14	\$2499	\$3299
April 6	\$2649	\$3549	October 19, 25, 26, 28	\$2499	\$3299
April 8	\$2399	\$3199	November 4, 11, 25	\$2499	\$3299
April 13	\$2699	\$3699	February 24	\$2499	\$3299
April 15, 20	\$2599	\$3499	March 10	\$2499	\$3299
April 22	\$2399	\$3199	March 15	\$2799	\$3949
★ April 23	\$2899	\$3899	March 17	\$2749	\$3849
★ April 27	\$2999	\$3999	March 22, 24, 27, 31	\$2499	\$3299
tinerary featured is for May 2018 – Ap			April 5, 7	\$2749	\$3849
departures. Departures prior to this d	late will va	ry. Please	April 11, 12	\$2799	\$3949
confirm at time of reservation.			April 19	\$2799	\$3949
May 2018 – April 2019 featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	★ April 26	\$2999	\$4099
★ May 4	\$2999	\$4099	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30	-\$50
May 6	\$2799	\$3949	Rates are land only, per person. additional dates.	Call about	t
May 14, 21, 27, 28	\$2499	\$3299	auuitiuilai uates.		

#### **CELEBRATE TRADITION**

#### **New Orleans Jazz Festival**

Be a part of this yearly music and cultural event, featuring some of the world's finest musicians.

April 23, 27 & May 4, 2018; April 26, 2019



On some dates, this tour operates in reverse.

#### **ALSO AVAILABLE**

America's Music Cities Holiday 8 days - 11 meals

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### SOUTHERN CHARM

7 DAYS · 9 MEALS FROM \$1899



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Explore the 19th-century Andrew Low House and Gardens in Savannah.
- · Spend time exploring quaint St. Simons Island.
- Tour the Jekyll Island Historic Landmark District.
- Visit Charleston's City Market, one of America's oldest public markets.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Get to know Charleston's cobblestone streets, historic homes and restored buildings.
- Enjoy a trolley tour of Savannah's sprawling Historic District.
- Step back in time at the luxurious Jekyll Island Club.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

**DAY 6** Explore Boone Hall Plantation **or** visit the Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum and board the USS *Yorktown* aircraft carrier.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

 Enjoy a cooking demonstration and dinner of regional specialties in Savannah.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Omni Hotel Jacksonville, Jacksonville

Day 2 Jekyll Island Club, Jekyll Island

Days 3, 4 Doubletree Historic District, Savannah

**Days 5, 6** Hyatt Place Historic District, Charleston

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## arrive a stranger and go home feeling like a member of the family

on a cultural tour through America's friendly southeast.

#### Day 1: Jacksonville, Florida - Tour Begins

Experience warm southern hospitality in America's southeast. Come to know its rich history and deep traditions on this tour highlighted by stays in Jekyll Island, Savannah and Charlestown. Arrive today in Jacksonville, where the St. John's River meets the Atlantic Ocean. (D)

#### Day 2: Jacksonville - Jekyll Island, Georgia

Travel to the exclusive Jekyll Island Club Hotel, grandly situated in the midst of the fabled Golden Isles. Jekyll Island was once the winter retreat of prominent Gilded Age families. Their grand "cottages" still stand. A tram brings you on a tour of the Jekyll Island Historic Landmark District – one of the nation's largest restoration projects. The Rockefellers, Vanderbilts and J.P. Morgan once vacationed here along the 240-acre river edge. The remainder of your afternoon and evening are free to explore or simply relax in the old-world ambiance of your hotel. (B)

#### Day 3: Jekyll Island - St. Simons Island - Savannah

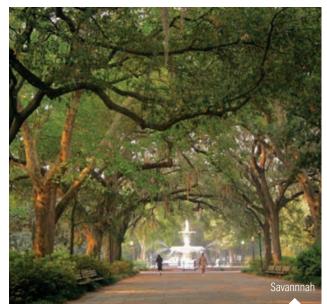
Journey to another fabled Golden Isle, quaint St. Simons Island. See its striking 106' tall lighthouse and visit the Museum of Coastal History. Have leisure time to explore the quaint shops and restaurants in the village. Travel north along the unspoiled Georgia coast of vast marshlands, winding rivers and beautiful beaches to historic Savannah, home to the largest National Historic Landmark District in the United States. Tonight, gather at a popular local restaurant on its famous River Street for a cooking demonstration and dinner showcasing regional culinary specialties. (B, D)

#### Day 4: Savannah

Take in the ambiance of the "Old South" with a trolley tour highlighting Savannah's sprawling Historic District. The lively, informative commentary brings the city to life as you travel along the cobblestone-paved streets and beneath moss-draped oaks. Her stately mansions, beautiful squares and romantic riverfront are sure to







make you fall in love with this city. Next, the beautiful Andrew Low House and Gardens await. Learn about the driving force behind the Girl Scouts and its founder, Juliette Low. This afternoon, wander Savannah's tree-filled squares or explore Factors Walk and River Street, where old cotton warehouses house trendy shops, taverns and restaurants. This evening, perhaps you will join an optional "after hours" tour to Bonaventure, the south's most famous Victorian Cemetery, with a local historian. (B)

#### Day 5: Savannah - Charleston, South Carolina

Traverse the picturesque coastline through South Carolina's Low Country on your way to historic Charleston. Known as the Holy City, Charleston has survived the Civil War, major fires, an earthquake and hurricanes - and still exudes elegance, charm and grace. A local guide joins you to show you the city. See its cobblestone streets, historic homes and restored buildings, some with origins prior to the Revolution. Stop at the battery overlooking Fort Sumter where, on April 12, 1861, the first shots of the Civil War were fired. Continue on to City Market, one of the oldest public markets in America. Meet a local artisan to learn about the tradition of weaving Gullah sweetgrass baskets, one of the oldest handicrafts in the United

States. The remainder of your day is free to enjoy this very walkable city. (B)

#### Day 6: Charleston 😵

The choice is yours! Perhaps you will choose to explore Boone Hall Plantation where you'll experience southern plantation living as you come to know one of America's oldest working plantations -OR- you may opt to explore Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum where you'll board the impressive USS Yorktown aircraft carrier and walk in the footsteps of sailors and officers as you tour the flight deck; you'll also have time at the Congressional Medal of Honor Museum and marvel at the largest collection of military aircraft in the United States. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Charleston - Tour Ends

Your days spent experiencing true southern charm and gracious hospitality will stay dear to your heart for years to come. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Charleston: Complete your tour with another night in this welcoming and historic city. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### DATES & PRICES

January - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 September 8, 9, 15, 23, 29	Twin Solo \$2299 \$3099
January 28	\$1799	\$2399	October 7, 14, 21, 27	\$2299 \$3099
February 18, 25	\$1899	\$2499	November 3, 10	\$1999 \$2699
March 4, 11	\$1999	\$2599	January 26	\$1899 \$2549
March 17, 18, 24, 25	\$2199	\$2899	February 23	\$1949 \$2649
April 7, 8, 14, 15, 22, 28, 29	\$2199	\$2899	March 2, 3, 9, 10	\$2199 \$2999
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 -			March 16, 17, 23, 24	\$2399 \$3299
departures. Departures prior to this confirm at time of reservation.	date will va	ry. Please	April 6, 7, 13, 14, 27, 28	\$2399 \$3299
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30
May 5, 12, 20, 26	\$2299	\$3099	Rates are land only, per perso	n. Call about
June 2, 16	\$2299	\$3099	additional dates.	

Due to flight schedules, a pre-night in Jacksonville or a post-night in Charleston may be required (at an additional cost). Please inquire at the time of booking. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse.

#### **ALSO AVAILABLE**

Southern Charm Holiday 6 days - 8 meals

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## SPOTLIGHT ON WASHINGTON, D.C.

6 DAYS · 8 MEALS FROM \$1849



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Peek into the life of America's first president at Mount Vernon.
- Behold the impressive Washington National Cathedral.
- Stop at Ford's Theatre where President Lincoln was assassinated.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Spend five memorable nights in the heart of Washington, D.C.
- Tour the iconic and storied U.S. Capitol building.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 3 Smithsonian Institution's National Air and Space Museum or the National Museum of American History.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

 Experience international cuisine in local restaurants throughout the city.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

**Days 1 - 5** Loews Madison Hotel or Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# the epic story of American democracy comes to life

on this historical and cultural journey.

#### START EARLY



Washington, D.C.: Experience more of D.C.'s blend of history and the modern workings of government. CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: Washington, D.C. - Tour Begins

Explore America's heritage and history during your stay in the capital city of the United States – Washington, D.C.

#### Day 2: Washington, D.C.

Your day begins at the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center with a guided tour of this historic and storied building. Then, discover the celebrated history of America's capital on a tour with a local expert. Delight in wonderful views of the White House, National Mall and many monuments and museums. We continue with stops at the moving World War

II Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the Korean War Memorial. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a special welcome dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Washington, D.C. 😯

This morning we visit the White House Visitor Center. Explore the history of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue and see artifacts from the White House collection. Then, **it's your choice!**Step into the pages of history and uncover some of the treasures of the Smithsonian Institution with a visit to either the National Air and Space Museum **-OR-** the National Museum of American History. Among the National Air and Space Museum's collection in their location on the National Mall are the famous Wright 1903 Flyer, the Spirit of St. Louis, and the Apollo 11 command module. The National Museum of American History houses an array of American touchstones, including many gowns worn by America's First Ladies and

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
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the Star-Spangled Banner. This afternoon, enjoy free time to continue exploring on your own. Tonight, you may choose to join an optional twilight tour of D.C. including dinner. (B)

#### **Day 4:** Arlington National Cemetery - Mount Vernon, Virginia - Alexandria

Visit Arlington National Cemetery for a narrated tour that takes you to the Tomb of the Unknowns and the Kennedy gravesites. This afternoon, we call on Mount Vernon, the beloved home of the first U.S. president, George Washington. Wander the beautiful plantation grounds he adored and tour the home, filled with 18th-century artifacts. Next, arrive in Old Town Alexandria, a charming community nestled along the Potomac. Enjoy some time to stroll the cobblestone streets, view the historic Colonial architecture, and stop at some of the trendy boutiques. This evening it's Diner's Choice...you'll choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of old town Alexandria's amazing restaurants. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Washington, D.C.

This morning, visit the Washington National Cathedral. This magnificent church took 83 years to complete and has been host to many poignant moments in America's history such as state funerals, Presidential inaugural masses and Martin Luther King, Jr.'s last sermon. Admire the beautiful craftsmanship of the cathedral as you learn more about its history during a docent-led tour. This afternoon, visit Ford's Theatre where President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated on that fateful night in 1865. Tour the theatre and hear about the timeline of events that transpired as John Wilkes Booth's plan unfolded. Finish your tour with a visit to the neighboring Petersen House, the boarding house to which the fatally injured Lincoln was carried. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a special farewell dinner commemorating the end of your historical journey. (B, D)

#### **Day 6:** Washington, D.C. - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close in Washington, D.C. this morning. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Washington, D.C.: Enjoy more time to explore the iconic sites and museums of America's capital. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

March – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 July 12, 19, 26	<b>Twin</b> \$1849	<b>Solo</b> \$2449
March 22	\$1849	\$2449	August 2, 9	\$1849	\$2449
April 4, 5	\$1949	\$2649	September 6, 13, 20, 27	\$1849	\$2449
April 6	\$2449	\$3849	October 4, 18, 26	\$1949	\$2649
April 12, 17, 18, 19, 26	\$1949	\$2649	March 7	\$1899	\$2549
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 -			March 27	\$1949	\$2649
departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			April 3, 4, 18, 25	\$1999	\$2699
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30	

#### CELEBRATE TRADITION

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### Cherry Blossom Season in Washington, D.C.

May 3, 24

June 7, 21, 28

Cherry Blossom season colors the city in a sea of pink and white from mid-March to mid-April. Thousands of trees grow along the Tidal Basin in West Potomac Park, East Potomac Park, and on the Washington Monument grounds. The original trees were a gift from Japan in 1912. Enjoy the many activities and festivities that take place and learn the history and lineage of these beautiful trees.



Rates are land only, per person. Call about

additional dates

Please Note: Blooming will vary slightly from yearto-year due to weather conditions. Dates are to be determined — only Mother Nature knows when the blooms will actually occur and peak!

### HERITAGE OF AMERICA

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Explore Gettysburg, one of the most important battle sites of the Civil War.
- Stroll the grounds of historic Colonial Williamsburg.
- · Follow a local guide on a tour of New York.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Visit Arlington National Cemetery, featuring the John F. Kennedy eternal flame and the Tomb of the Unknowns.
- Enjoy Shenandoah Valley views on Skyline Drive.
- Behold Washington, D.C.'s famous Capitol building and the White House.
- Embark on a tour of Philadelphia, "the Birthplace of a New Nation."



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

**DAY 4** Visit President Eisenhower's home and farm (a National Historic Site) **or** take a historic walking tour of Gettysburg.

DAY 8 | Visit the Smithsonian Institution where you will have the chance to visit either the Air & Space Museum or the National Museum of American History.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy breakfast at Ellen's Stardust Diner featuring singing wait staff.
- Journey back in time at dinner in a tavern specializing in colonial fare.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1, 2 Sheraton New York Times Square, New York

Days 3, 4 Wyndham Hotel, GettysburgDay 5 Hyatt Place, Charlottesville

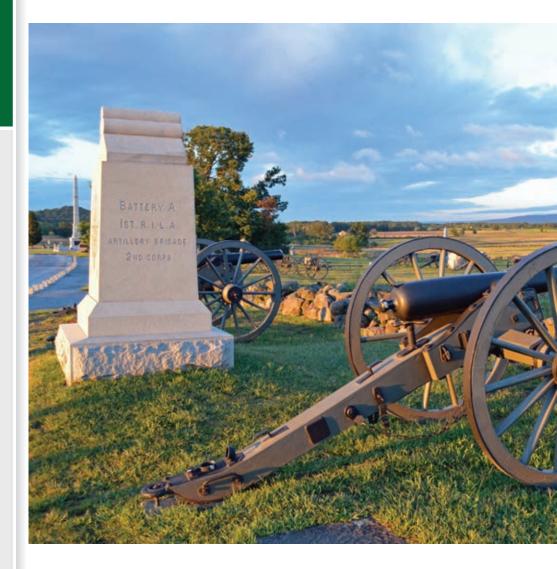
**Days 6,7** Woodlands Hotel, Williamsburg

**Days 8, 9** Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
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## jump into the pages of history as you follow the story

of America on your adventure from New York to Washington, D.C.

#### START EARLY



New York City: Delight in more time to discover the endless excitement of the "City that Never Sleeps." CALL FOR DETAILS

### Day 1: New York City, New York - Tour Begins Calebrate America's rich and varied beritage of

Celebrate America's rich and varied heritage on an in-depth tour of the Eastern United States featuring essential landmarks and incredible vistas.

#### Day 2: New York City

Meet your fellow travelers for a welcome breakfast at the famous Ellen's Stardust Diner. Then, a local guide leads you on a fascinating tour of the "Big Apple." You'll see Greenwich Village, the Wall Street District, Chinatown, Central Park, and other time-honored landmarks. Visit St. Paul's Chapel in Lower Manhattan, a place where George Washington once worshipped, and where recovery workers came for rest and care during their time at the World Trade Center site. This afternoon, discover "the city that never sleeps" at your own pace. (B)

## **Day 3:** New York City - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania - Gettysburg

This morning you'll choose from a menu of New York's diners for breakfast. Next, travel to Philadelphia and embark on a tour of "the Birthplace of a New Nation." See the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall, the location of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the drafting of the Constitution. Continue on to Gettysburg, the site of the Union victory and a turning point in the Civil War. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a historic Gettysburg tavern. (B, D)

#### Day 4: Gettysburg 😯

Visit the Gettysburg National Military Park and Museum. Begin your tour with the film "A New Birth of Freedom." Then, lose yourself in Paul Philippoteaux's *Cyclorama* from 1884, a breathtaking 360° cylindrical painting depicting Pickett's Charge. Explore the Museum of the American Civil War and its galleries. Step onto the battlefield with a guided tour of the site illuminating those three historic days in 1863 and the decisive battle that changed the course of American history forever.



This afternoon **it's your choice!** Visit President Eisenhower's home and farm (a National Historic Site); this site served as the President's weekend retreat and a meeting place for world leaders during the Cold War-era tensions **-OR-** embark on a guided walking tour of historic downtown Gettysburg with a local expert dressed in period clothing. (B)

## **Day 5:** Gettysburg - Shenandoah Valley - Charlottesville, Virginia

En route to Virginia we pass through Shenandoah National Park via Skyline Drive. Travel along the crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains, where the scenic wilderness extends in all directions. This evening, enjoy dining at a local restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Charlottesville - Williamsburg

Visit Monticello, the beautiful home and gardens of Thomas Jefferson. The third U.S. President and author of the Declaration of Independence, Jefferson was an accomplished inventor and true "Renaissance man." Stop at a family-run vineyard set in the picturesque Virginia countryside for a tour and tasting of the local wines. This afternoon we arrive in historic Williamsburg. Tonight, dine in a Colonial Williamsburg tavern specializing in revolutionary-era fare. (B, D)

## **Day 7:** Colonial Williamsburg - Yorktown - Williamsburg

Step back in time. The short film, "Story of a Patriot," is your introduction to Colonial Williamsburg where costumed re-enactors populate the streets and buildings, bringing 1770 to life. Tour the Governor's Palace and Gardens; then feel free to wander the cobblestone streets and explore some of the 88 historic buildings. This afternoon we visit the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown. Experience another poignant turning point in American history as you immerse yourself in the world of Revolutionary America and learn how American independence was won at the Yorktown Battlefield. Tour the museum's vibrant galleries and interactive exhibits in a state-of-the-art setting that will impact all your senses. Explore the expanded outdoor living history museum with a re-created Continental Army encampment and Revolution-era farm. (B)

Day 8: Williamsburg - Washington, D.C. 😵 Depart for Arlington National Cemetery to view the Tomb of the Unknowns and the Kennedy gravesites. Then, travel to Washington, D.C. Explore the world-famous Smithsonian Institution's countless treasures where it's your **choice!** Visit the National Air and Space Museum -OR- the National Museum of American History. Among the National Air and Space Museum's collection are the Wright 1903 Flyer, the Spirit of St. Louis, and the Apollo 11 command module. The National Museum of American History features the flag that inspired Francis Scott Key to compose the national anthem; the First Ladies Hall containing many ball gowns worn by America's First Ladies, and more. The evening is free to explore on your own. (B)

#### Day 9: Washington, D.C.

Take a guided tour of America's capital featuring wonderful views of the Capitol building, the White House, monuments and museums. Our first stop is the White House Visitor Center where you retrace the story of the historic residence. Continue with a stop at the moving World War II Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the Korean War Memorial. Finally, make a photo stop at the U.S. Capitol building. This afternoon, visit Mount Vernon, the beloved home of George Washington. Wander the lush plantation grounds and tour the home filled with 18th-century artifacts. Toast the end of a wonderful trip this evening at a farewell dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Washington, D.C. - Tour Ends

Bid farewell to Washington, D.C. this morning. (B)

#### STAY LONGER

ADD A DAY Washington, D.C.: Stay another night in America's glimmering capital city.





#### **DATES & PRICES**

March - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019	Twin	<b>Solo</b> \$3999
March 2, 9, 16 April 6, 13  ★ April 20 April 27 Itinerary featured is for May 2018 -	\$2899 \$2999 \$2899	\$3849 \$3999 \$4099 \$3999	July 13, 27 September 7, 14, 15, 21, 28 October 5, 12, 19, 26 March 22, 29 April 5, 12, 18 ★ April 19	\$3199 \$3149 \$2999 \$2999	\$4399 \$4399 \$4349 \$3999 \$3999 \$4399
departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			April 26		\$3999

 
 May 2018 - April 2019 (featured itinerary)
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 May 4,18 June 15,22
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#### CELEBRATE TRADITION

#### Virginia Military Tattoo

Attend this epic event in Norfolk, VA. Marvel at the sights and sounds during performances from all branches of the US Military.

April 20, 2018 & April 19, 2019



#### SPECIAL EVENT DEPARTURES

#### **Cherry Blossom Season**

The spring season colors the city in a sea of pink and white. Enjoy the many festivities that take place during this beautiful herald of spring. Please Note: Blooming will vary slightly from year-to-year due to weather conditions. Dates are to be determined.



### **SPOTLIGHT ON NEW YORK CITY**

**5 DAYS · 5 MEALS** FROM \$1799



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Explore the 9/11 Memorial and the 9/11 Museum.
- · Visit St. Paul's Chapel, a place for rest and care for World Trade Center recovery workers.
- · Take a self-guided tour of Ellis Island.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- In the cultural treasure trove that is New York City, experience two Broadway shows.
- Cruise New York Harbor and see "Lady Liberty" up-close.
- Join a local guide for a tour of New York City's time-honored landmarks.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Enjoy breakfast at the famous Ellen's Stardust Diner, featuring singing wait staff.
- · Dine at your choice of favorites along restaurant row.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1 - 4 Sheraton New York Times Square, New York

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# experience the best of the "Big Apple"

from Rockefeller Center to Greenwich Village. Start spreading the news!

#### START EARLY



New York City: Kick things off with an extra night in the city that never sleeps. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: New York City, New York - Tour Begins

"Start spreading the news," because today you arrive in America's most exciting metropolis for a getaway filled with shopping, sightseeing and endless entertainment. Enjoy a single hotel stay in the heart of the city.

#### Day 2: New York City

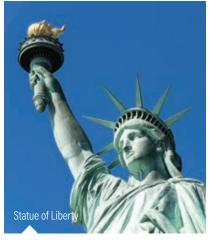
Prepare for an exhilarating day with breakfast at a local eatery before embracing the city's energy on a locally

guided tour of the "Big Apple." Find yourself in Greenwich Village, the Wall Street district and Central Park. See the Empire State Building and many other time-honored landmarks. Visit lower Manhattan's St. Paul's Chapel where George Washington once worshipped and recovery workers were cared for during their time at the World Trade Center site. Reflect at the 9/11 Memorial and the 9/11 Museum, a poignant tribute to the lives lost. Later, it's Diner's Choice... choose the perfect restaurant from a "menu" of the city's popular locations near bustling Times Square. Then, take your seat at a Broadway show! (B, D)

#### Day 3: New York City

Another exciting day begins with a fun-filled breakfast at the famous Ellen's Stardust Diner, a 50s-themed restaurant featuring a singing wait staff. Board a ferry for a cruise of









New York Harbor. Take in the incredible views of the towering Statue of Liberty. Dock and get up-close to "Lady Liberty." She has welcomed immigrants and visitors to New York Harbor since 1886. Created as a token of friendship between the U.S. and France, the Statue of Liberty has become a global symbol of freedom. Then it's on to Ellis Island. Step back in time on a self-guided tour of the museum. Come to know the personal stories of the immigration boom of 1892-1924 when 12 million people passed through this station on their journey to America. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore "the city that never sleeps." Tonight, choose to join an optional walking tour of Greenwich Village including dinner. (B)

#### Day 4: New York City

It's Diner's Choice...your breakfast is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of local restaurants. Take advantage of some free time to discover the city at your own pace. Your Tour Manager has countless suggestions on how to spend your time. Maybe you are up for a shopping spree at some of the world's most legendary department stores, including Macy's, Bloomingdale's and Saks Fifth Avenue.

This afternoon, the curtains rise for your second Broadway show. You'll choose from a selection of Broadway's biggest hits. Say farewell to this extraordinary city tonight as we gather for your final taste of New York with dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 5: New York City - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close with many pleasant memories of your exciting tour of fabulous "New York, New York."

#### **STAY LONGER**



New York City: Take some more time to enjoy the magic of New York.

#### **DATES & PRICES**

January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 August 2, 16	Twin \$2149	<b>Solo</b> \$2849
January 18	\$1799	\$2399	September 6, 13, 20, 25, 27	\$2599	\$3699
February 22	\$1799	\$2399	October 4, 11, 16, 18, 25	\$2599	\$3699
March 22	\$1999	\$2699	January 17	\$1799	\$2349
April 5, 12, 19, 26	\$2199	\$2899	February 21	\$1799	\$2349
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			March 21 April 4, 11, 25	\$1999 \$2249	\$2699 \$2949
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction		(-) \$30
(featured itinerary) May 10, 17, 31 June 14, 21, 28 July 12, 19	\$2349 \$2349 \$2149	\$3249 \$3249 \$2849	Rates are land only, per person. additional dates.	. Call abou	t

#### **ALSO AVAILABLE**

Spotlight on New York City Holiday 5 days - 5 meals

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## ISLANDS of NEW ENGLAND

8 DAYS · 11 MEALS FROM \$1999



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Step back in time to the town of Plymouth where the Pilgrims landed in 1620.
- Visit a working New England cranberry bog, a thriving crop of Cape Cod.
- Join a local guide and tour the once-famous whaling port – "the Vineyard."

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Travel Newport's breathtaking Ocean Drive past the mansions of Bellevue Avenue.
- In historic Boston, experience iconic landmarks including the Old North Church and Faneuil Hall.
- Explore the idyllic island of Nantucket, including picturesque beaches and lighthouses.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

- **DAY 2** Choose from exploring the stunning Marble House **or** the elegant Rosecliff mansion.
- DAY 6 | Set out on a whale watch cruise in Cape Cod Bay or perhaps embark on a scenic adventure through the iconic sand dunes of the Cape.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- "Eat like a Pilgrim" by sampling recipes from that era and enjoying a Thanksgiving feast.
- Celebrate the taste of Cape Cod with a traditional New England seafood and lobster dinner.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

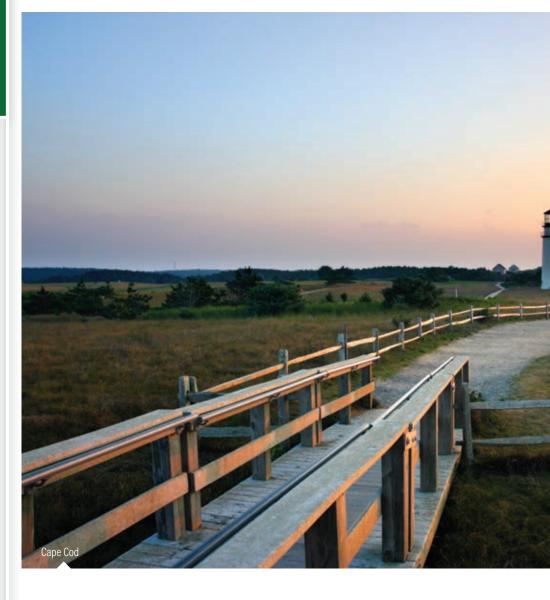
**Days 1 - 3** Hilton Providence or Omni Providence, Providence

Days 4 - 7 Sea Crest Beach Hotel, Falmouth

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# experience New England's sandy beaches,

majestic coasts, rolling surf and quaint towns with charming cobblestone streets.

#### START EARLY



**Providence:** Take some more time to explore America's "Renaissance City." CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Providence, Rhode Island - Tour Begins

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

#### Day 2: Providence - Newport - Providence 👽

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

this road is home to seven mansions designated National Historic Landmarks. It's your choice! Explore stunning Marble House built by Mr. and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt and modeled after the Petit Trianon at Versailles -OR- tour Rosecliff, the opulent former residence of silver heiress Theresa Fair Oelrichs, known for her lavish parties. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Providence - Boston, Massachusetts - Providence

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

**Day 4:** Providence - Plymouth, Massachusetts - Cape Cod Delve into rural life as you tour a New England cranberry bog and learn about dry harvesting. Then, step back in time with









a stop in the celebrated town of Plymouth where the Pilgrims landed in 1620. Experience the days of the Pilgrims with a visit to Plimoth Plantation, a re-creation of a 17th-century village. Today's lunch teaches you how to "eat like a Pilgrim." Sample recipes from that time, learn some Pilgrim etiquette, and enjoy a Thanksgiving feast with your fellow travelers. Later, arrive at your beachfront hotel for a 4-night stay. (B, L)

Day 5: Cape Cod - Martha's Vineyard - Cape Cod A ferry ride transports you to the island of Martha's Vineyard. Known for visits by presidents and royalty, this summer home of many artists, writers and celebrities is full of surprises. A local guide will show you all the highlights of "the Vineyard"—as the locals call it—including quaint gingerbread-styled cottages and a once-famous whaling port resplendent with sea captain's homes and widow's walks. Later, cruise back to Cape Cod. Tonight, enjoy a traditional New England experience as you indulge in a seafood and lobster feast. (B, D)

Day 6: Cape Cod - Provincetown - Cape Cod ▼
Travel to Provincetown, located on the tip of the
Cape. This lively artist colony remains famous
for its crafts and bright seagoing flair. Then, the
choice is yours! Set out on a whale watch cruise
taking you to Cape Cod Bay in search of these
magnificent creatures -OR- perhaps you'd prefer a

scenic adventure through the iconic sand dunes of the Cape. Tonight, explore downtown Falmouth, a wonderful place to shop and dine. (B)

Day 7: Cape Cod - Hyannis - Nantucket - Cape Cod Catch a glimpse of the Camelot era in Hyannisport, home of the Kennedy compound, and visit the poignant Kennedy Memorial. Next, set off by highspeed ferry to explore the idyllic island of Nantucket. From its cobblestone Main Street to its beaches and lighthouses, this place truly lives up to its reputation. During time at leisure you may meander the waterfront where sailboats and yachts sway in the harbor or shop for a famous Nantucket basket. Tonight, learn how to cook like a New Englander during a chef-led cooking demonstration before sitting down to your farewell dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Cape Cod - Tour Ends

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

#### STAY LONGER



Boston: Embrace all the highlights and colonial history only found in the 'hub.' CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

May - October 2018	Twin	Solo	May - October 2018	Twin	Solo
May 4	\$1999	\$2499	September 13, 14, 17	\$2349	\$2949
May 10, 11, 31	\$2199	\$2699	September 20, 21, 24, 27, 28	\$2349	\$2949
June 1	\$2199	\$2699	October 4, 5, 11, 12, 15	\$2349	\$2949
June 7, 8, 11, 14, 15	\$2249	\$2749	October 19	\$2249	\$2749
June 28, 29	\$2499	\$3349	Trial - Dans Dadorstin		/ \ eno
July 6, 13, 19, 20	\$2499	\$3349	Triple Room Reduction		(-) \$30
August 3, 9, 10, 23, 24	\$2499	\$3349	Rates are land only, per person. Cal	ll about add	ditional
August 31	\$2349	\$2949	dates.		
September 3, 6, 7, 10	\$2349	\$2949			

Our air passengers will arrive into Providence, RI airport (T.F. Green Airport). All of our transfers will depart from Providence airport for the hotel. Our air passengers will depart from Boston, MA airport. All transfers will depart from Falmouth, MA for Boston airport. Due to itinerary scheduling, return flights should not be booked prior to 12:00 noon.

#### **ALSO AVAILABLE**

Colors of New England 8 days - 10 meals

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### THE BEST OF EASTERN CANADA

8 DAYS · 10 MEALS FROM \$1999



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Discover Niagara-on-the-Lake with its quaint local shops and charming atmosphere.
- Enjoy a memorable cruise through the unspoiled region of the 1,000 Islands.
- Take a stroll through Ottawa's bustling Byward Market.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Witness the incredible power of Mother Nature at breathtaking Niagara Falls.
- Tour Montreal and see Jacques Cartier Square and McGill University.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 3 | Join a local guide as you explore the streets of Old Quebec City on foot or embark on a panoramic coach tour.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Relish one of the finest restaurants in Old Montreal
- Savor breakfast at a local sugar shack nestled in the Quebec countryside.
- Enjoy an evening out and sample French cuisine at a lovely restaurant in Ile d'Orleans.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1, 2 Hotel Omni Mont Royal or Le Centre Sheraton Montreal, Montréal

Days 3, 4 Quebec Hilton or Chateau Laurier, Quebec City

**Day 5** Westin Ottawa, Ottawa

Days 6,7 Sheraton Centre, Toronto

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# from elegant cities to Mother Nature's wonders,

an unforgettable cultural and historical experience awaits you in the heart of Eastern Canada.

#### START EARLY



Montreal: Immerse yourself in more of the culture of French Canada.

#### Day 1: Montreal, Quebec - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in the second largest French-speaking city in the world, Montreal.

#### Day 2: Montreal

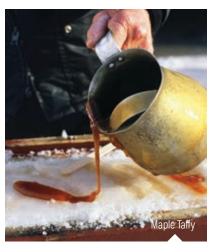
Today, enjoy a fantastic sightseeing tour of Montreal highlighting Jacques Cartier Square and McGill University, plus enjoy views of Notre Dame Cathedral and St. Joseph's Oratory. Your city tour concludes with a stop high atop Mount Royal from which the surrounding view is spectacular. Ascended by Jacques Cartier in

1535, Mount Royal is the jewel of Mount Royal Park. The afternoon is yours to explore the city at leisure. This evening you will be treated to dinner in historic Old Montreal in one of the restaurants for which this acclaimed city is famous, capping off a wonderfully memorable day. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Montreal - Quebec City 😯

Depart for fabulous Quebec City. Later today, it's your choice! Join a local guide who will transport you back in time as you explore the streets of Old Quebec City on foot; stroll through historic squares and by impressive architecture, hearing stories of days gone by -OR-embark on a panoramic coach tour to experience the beauty and history of both Old and New Quebec. See the stately Chateau Frontenac, the provincial Parliament, the St. Louis Arch, and Place Royale, the site of the original









(featured itinerary)

May 13, 20, 22

August 28

June 5, 12, 15, 24, 26

July 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, 31 \$2399

August 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 23, 26

September 2, 9, 11, 16, 18

settlement of the city of Quebec. This evening, sample French cuisine at a lovely restaurant in lle d'Orleans. (B, D)

#### Day 4: Quebec City

Begin your day with breakfast at a local sugar shack nestled in the Quebec countryside. Learn about the traditions of maple syrup-making and enjoy sampling many delicious traditional foods made with local maple syrup. Before leaving, try a favorite regional treat – maple taffy made with snow! The remainder of your day is at leisure to wander the streets of this quaint setting which is designated a UNESCO World Heritage site. (B)

#### Day 5: Quebec City - Ottawa, Ontario

This morning, depart for Ottawa – the beautiful and cosmopolitan capital city of Canada. Later, enjoy a stroll through the Byward Market, known for its fruits, vegetables, flowers, and arts & crafts. Next, embark on a city tour showcasing the Rideau Canal (in winter the world's largest skating rink) and the Parliament buildings. (B)

#### Day 6: Ottawa - Rockport - Toronto

A short drive takes you to Rockport, gateway to one of the world's most beautiful areas. Enjoy a

memorable cruise through the unspoiled region of the spectacular 1000 Islands, found on the border between the United States and Canada. Later this afternoon you arrive in the exciting city of Toronto, capital of Ontario. (B)

#### Day 7: Toronto - Niagara Falls - Toronto

This morning, visit Niagara-on-the-Lake and enjoy the local shops and charming atmosphere. Next, travel to the thundering and awe-inspiring Niagara Falls. Pause for a moment as you reflect on the breathtaking views and the power of Mother Nature. Of course, a visit to Niagara Falls would not be complete without experiencing the incredible cruise at the base of the falls. Board the boat to see and feel the falls up-close. Don't forget to bring a camera! (B, D)

#### Day 8: Toronto - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today in Toronto. (B)

#### STAY LONGER

ADD A DAY **Toronto:** Take more time to experience Toronto's history, art and culture. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### DATES & PRICES

March - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note) March 20* April 8	Twin \$1699 \$1899	<b>Solo</b> \$2199 \$2499	May 2018 - April 2019 September 23, 25, 30 October 7, 9, 16, 21 November 4*	Twin \$2699 \$2499 \$1999	<b>Solo</b> \$3599 \$3349 \$2599
April 15, 22, 29	\$1999	\$2599	March 19*	\$1999	\$2599
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May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30	

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#### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

Book another tour with The Best of Eastern Canada and create one grand experience. **Suggested Tours:** • Heritage of America • Maritimes Coastal Wonders CALL FOR DETAILS

**This trip requires a passport.** There is a \$25 USD/CAD charge (per piece) for checked baggage on most trans-border flights. This is a fee levied by the airlines and may be subject to change.

## MARITIMES COASTAL WONDERS

11 DAYS · 16 MEALS FROM \$2749



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Experience local life at the celebrated Saint John City Market.
- Explore interesting inventions at the Alexander Graham Bell Museum.
- Learn a few handy Gaelic phrases and join in the fun of a "milling frolic."

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Explore the Cabot Trail and fall in love with its rugged terrain.
- Take a ferry ride to Prince Edward Island, the "Land Cradled on the Waves."
- Journey along the sea-sprayed shoreline to the amazing Hopewell Rocks.



#### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

**DAY 6** Learn about award-winning cheeses **or** indulge in handmade ice cream



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Savor a traditional Maritimes lobster feast.
- Dine by the waterfront on Prince Edward Island.



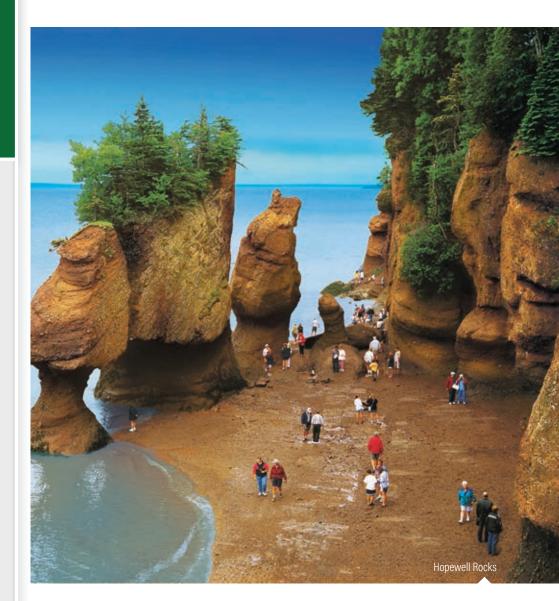
#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

- Days 1, 2 Westin Nova Scotian, Halifax
- Days 3, 4 Inverary Inn Resort, Baddeck
- **Days 5, 6** Rodd, Charlottetown or Rodd Brudenell River, Charlottetown
- Days 7, 8 Hilton Saint John, Saint John
- **Days 9, 10** Atlantica Oak Island Resort, Western Shore

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# from the rugged Cabot Trail to the amazing Fundy tides

experience the cultural and natural treasures of this distinctive region.

#### START EARLY

ADD A DAY

Halifax: Delight in some extra time spent in this true maritime city. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Halifax, Nova Scotia - Tour Begins

Explore the special region known as Canada's Maritimes with all its rugged and pristine beauty. Come to know its fun-loving Acadian and Gaelic culture.

#### Day 2: Halifax - Peggy's Cove - Halifax

Stunning landscapes await! Meet your fellow guests over breakfast with your Tour Manager. Then, it's off to see one of the most picturesque spots in all of Canada – beautiful Peggy's Cove. Its historic lighthouse overlooking the Atlantic Ocean provides one of the most memorable views you will ever see. Later, explore

Halifax's charming downtown on a tour highlighting the waterfront, Public Gardens, Spring Garden Road, and the famous Citadel. This evening, enjoy dinner along the waterfront. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Halifax - Cape Breton Island - Baddeck

Head to picturesque Cape Breton. Stop to discover the Millbrook Cultural & Heritage Centre to learn about the Mi'kmaq heritage and Glooscap legends—see artifacts including intricate quill and beadwork, and learn some words from the Mi'kmaq language. Travel the Canso Causeway on your way to stunning Cape Breton Island. Set out on a scenic drive by the pristine shores of Bras d'Or Lakes, Canada's only inland sea. Next, stop at the Gaelic College. Watch North America's first Gaelic language short film: Faire Chaluim MhicLeoid - the Wake of Calum MacLeod. Afterward, learn how the Great Kilt was made during a brief kilt-making demonstration. Learn a few handy Gaelic phrases and join in the fun of



Cape

a "milling frolic"...practice a Gaelic song while sitting around a table and beating a large loop of woolen cloth in rhythm. (B)

#### Day 4: Cabot Trail

Set off to explore the Cabot Trail. You will fall in love with its rugged terrain and spectacular views of the Atlantic Ocean. Visit the famed St. Peter's Church in Cheticamp. Enjoy a picnic lunch in Cape Breton Highlands National Park. Even more beauty awaits as you pause at fishing communities along the coast, including lovely Neil's Harbour. After dinner this evening you'll attend an old-fashioned bonfire (weather permitting). (B, L, D)

#### Day 5: Baddeck - Prince Edward Island

Explore the amazing range of inventions on display at the Alexander Graham Bell Museum. Afterward, take a short ferry ride to Prince Edward Island, the "Land Cradled on the Waves." Enjoy dinner along the waterfront. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Prince Edward Island 😵

Come to know the rolling landscapes of Prince Edward Island, the backdrop of the acclaimed novel, Anne of Green Gables. Arrive in delightful Cavendish and view Prince Edward Island National Park's picturesque beaches. Visit the Anne of Green Gables Museum where you will meet a farmer who teaches you the art of potato farming, the island's leading industry. Then, the choice is yours! Will you choose to learn about and indulge in award-winning cheeses -OR- is some handmade ice cream made the old fashion way on the menu? Next you'll return to Charlottetown with time to explore this fascinating city. Discover seaside Charlottetown with a tour along its narrow streets lined with quaint homes and hidden treasures. (B)

#### Day 7: Prince Edward Island - Saint John, New Brunswick

Leave Prince Edward Island behind as you cross the stately Confederation Bridge. Travel along the sea-sprayed shoreline to the amazing Hopewell Rocks. A New Brunswick icon, these flowerpot-shaped rocks carved by the Fundy tides seem to rise four stories high at low tide only to disappear into tiny islands when the tide is high. Savor a traditional Maritimes lobster feast as you look upon Daniels Flats. An expert teaches you how to crack and eat lobster like a local. Continue your journey through New Brunswick to the city of Saint John where you'll enjoy a 2-night stay in the bustling waterfront area. (B, L)

#### Day 8: Saint John

Explore the awe-inspiring Fundy Trail, marveling at the spectacular views of the famous tides. Make stops along the way that not only reveal breathtaking views but also the chance to savor authentic Maritimes dulse (seaweed), fiddleheads, and traditional fiddle music. Gaze out your window at St. Martin's famous covered bridges on your way to Saint John. Later, get a taste of local life at the celebrated Saint John City Market. The evening is at leisure in the city of Saint John. (B)

Day 9: Saint John - Western Shore, Nova Scotia This morning, board a ferry bound for Digby, Nova Scotia. Waterfront accommodations await in charming Western Shore. Upon arrival you may wish to stroll along the beach with views of Oak Island, home of a pirate's treasure still waiting to be found. (B)

#### Day 10: Western Shore - Lunenburg - Western Shore

Experience the small fishing village of Mahone Bay before stopping at Amos Pewter to learn about the intricate artistry that goes into each of their creations. Next, travel along the beautiful Lighthouse Route towards Lunenburg. Explore this fishing village on a walking tour and discover how early settlers turned to the sea for survival. Then it's on to the Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic. Learn how to prepare and launch a schooner before boarding a fishing boat for an up-close experience. Aboard, a fisherman will teach you all about scallops and how to shuck them! Complete your day along the waterfront at a spectacular farewell dinner with your fellow travelers and toast the end of a marvelous trip. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Western Shore - Tour Ends

Today you depart the Maritimes, taking home countless memories. (B)



#### **DATES & PRICES**

May - October 2018 May 28 June 4, 18, 25 June 27 July 9, 16, 23, 30 August 6, 13, 27 August 22, 29	Twin \$2849 \$2849 \$2749 \$2949 \$2949 \$2849	\$3499 \$3499 \$3399 \$3699 \$3699 \$3599	May - October 2018 September 5, 12, 26 October 1 October 3 Triple Room Reduction Rates are land only, per person	Twin \$2849 \$2899 \$2799 (-) \$50 n. Call abou	<b>Solo</b> \$3599 \$3599 \$3499
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2 Newfoundland & Labrador Discovery call for Details

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## CHARMING FRENCH CANADA

8 DAYS · 11 MEALS FROM \$2899



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Experience the grandeur of the Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac, Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu and Fairmont Le Chateau Montebello.
- Ferry to a 19th-century mill that lies on an island in the St. Lawrence River.
- Embark on a whale-watching cruise with a naturalist guide.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Tour Quebec City's old and new treasures.
- Visit the magnificent Shrine of St. Anne de Beaupré.
- Board a cable car for an up-close view of Montmorency Falls.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 2 | Join a local guide on a walking tour of Old Montreal or set out on a panoramic coach tour of the city that takes you to the top of Mount Royal.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Discover the tradition of maple syrup making at a local sugar shack.
- · Dine at a restaurant in Montreal's Old Port.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

**Days 1, 2** Le Centre Sheraton or Omni Mont Royal, Montréal

Days 3, 4 Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac,

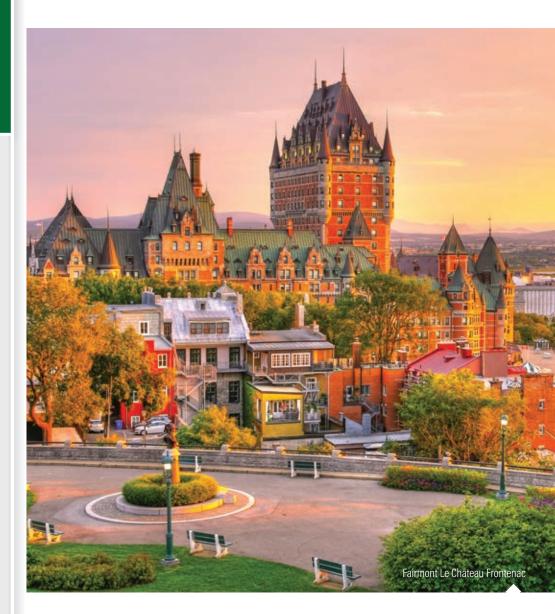
Quebec City **Days 5, 6** Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu,
La Malbaie

**Day 7** Fairmont Le Chateau Montebello, Montebello

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## discover the natural and historic wonders

of the province of Quebec while staying in some of its most luxurious hotels.

#### START EARLY



Montreal: Enjoy a little more time to soak up the European flair of this world renowned city. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Montréal, Quebec - Tour Begins

Your tour takes you on an in-depth exploration of the spectacular province of Quebec. Say "bonjour" to the second largest French-speaking city in the world, Montréal.

#### Day 2: Montréal 😯

This morning, **the choice is yours** as you decide how you would like to explore Montréal: on a walking tour or a panoramic coach tour. If you choose the walking tour, you'll join a local guide who will transport you back in time as you explore the streets of Old Montréal on

foot; stroll through historic squares and by impressive architecture, hearing stories of days gone by. If you opt for the coach tour, it highlights Jacques Cartier Square, McGill University, views of Notre Dame Cathedral and St. Joseph's Oratory; the tour concludes with a stop high atop Mount Royal, ascended by Jacques Cartier in 1535 and the jewel of Mount Royal Park, to soak in the spectacular view. The afternoon is yours to continue exploring the city independently. Sit in a sidewalk cafe, visit a museum, or browse some of the city's many famous shops. This evening, experience a taste of Montréal during dinner at a local restaurant in the Old Port. (B, D)

#### Day 3: Montréal - Quebec City

Journey to historic Quebec City, a city with a romantic ambiance reminiscent of Paris. Experience the beauty and history of both Old and New Quebec on a fascinating







sightseeing tour highlighting the provincial Parliament; the St. Louis Arch; and Place Royale, the site of the original settlement of the city of Quebec. Your day concludes at the city's famous Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac. Spend two nights in this grand castle-like hotel majestically overlooking the old city. This evening, enjoy dinner at a charming restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 4: Quebec City

Begin your day with breakfast at a local sugar shack nestled in the Quebec countryside. Learn about the custom of maple syrup-making and enjoy sampling delicious traditional foods made with this local product. Before leaving, try a favorite regional treat - maple taffy made in the snow! Return to Quebec City and spend the remainder of your day at leisure wandering the quaint streets and exploring this UNESCO World Heritage site. (B)

#### Day 5: Quebec City - La Malbaie, Charlevoix Region

Set off this morning for the breathtaking Charlevoix region. Board a ferry for a short ride to L'Isle-aux-Coudres, a tranquil island nestled in the lovely St. Lawrence River. Visit Les Moulins de l'Isle-aux-Coudres, a 19th-century flour mill, and join an expert for a tour of the grounds to see the working watermill and windmill built by the early settlers; learn about the traditional milling process. Later, we make our way to the luxurious Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu, your home for two nights. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Charlevoix Region

Today you'll take to the water and embark

on a whale-watching expedition for a unique encounter with these fascinating and majestic creatures. Take in the beauty of the natural surroundings in the heart of the Saguenay-St. Lawrence Marine Park. A naturalist guide will introduce you to the many species of marine mammals that reside in the St. Lawrence River. The remainder of the day is at leisure to take advantage of your resort's many amenities such as golfing, hiking, the spa, or you may simply relax and soak up the views. (B)

September 14

#### Day 7: La Malbaie, Charlevoix Region -Montebello

Our drive this morning takes us to the magnificent Shrine of St. Anne de Beaupré. Explore the rich history and magnificent architecture of one of the oldest pilgrimage sites in North America at your own pace and be sure to spend time strolling the beautiful grounds. Then it's on to Montmorency Falls where you will board a cable car that takes you up-close. Stand in awe as the river plunges 272 feet off the Canadian Shield, approximately 100 feet higher than Niagara Falls. Admire the stunning views from the many lookout points before heading back by cable car or by foot. Later, arrive at the Fairmont Le Chateau Montebello and luxuriate in the rustic elegance of the world's largest log cabin set in a spectacular location surrounded by nature. Say "au revoir" to your fellow travelers at a special farewell dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Montebello - Tour Ends

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



DATES & PRICES							
June - September 2018 June 22, 29 July 13, 20, 27 August 10, 24 August 31		<b>Solo</b> \$3849 \$4099 \$4099 \$4199	Triple Room Reduction (-) \$50 Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.				

This trip requires a passport. There is a \$25 USD/CAD charge (per piece) for checked baggage on most trans-border flights. This is a fee levied by the airlines and may be subject to change. Due to transfer scheduling, flights on the last day of your tour should be scheduled after 11:00 a.m. Our air passengers will depart from Montreal airport. All of our transfers will depart from Montebello to Montreal.

\$3099 \$4199

## CANADIAN ROCKIES BY TRAIN

9 DAYS · 13 MEALS FROM \$3749



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- See the dramatic Maligne Canyon, one of the area's most spectacular landmarks.
- Experience the beautiful city of Vancouver with a sightseeing tour.
- Visit a ranch where you can play horseshoes and enjoy a wagon ride.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Behold spectacular Moraine Lake and the Valley of the Ten Peaks.
- Witness spectacular views on your VIA Rail train ride.
- Traverse the unforgettable Icefields Parkway.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 5 | Stop at the Columbia Icefield and choose a fun ride across this mass of glacial ice or take a walk on the Glacier Skywalk to experience the breathtaking views from the glass-floored platform.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy breakfast at picture-perfect Maligne Lake.
- Diner's Choice...select from a "menu" of Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise's restaurants.
- · Delight in a traditional Albertan barbecue.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

**Day 1** Westin Bayshore, Georgian Court or The Listel, Vancouver

Day 2 VIA Rail's *The Canadian*, Vancouver

Days 3, 4 Sawridge Inn, The Crimson, Marmot Lodge, Lobstick Lodge or The Chateau Jasper, Jasper

Day 5 Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, Lake Louise

Days 6,7 Fairmont Banff Springs, BanffDay 8 Westin Hotel, Calgary

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## stunning landscapes, elegant hotels and resorts,

a day on a ranch and an overnight aboard a train...the perfect way to experience the Canadian Rockies.

#### START EARLY



Vancouver: Take more time in this bustling west coast seaport.

CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Vancouver, British Columbia - Tour Begins

Join us for a remarkable journey through the stunning landscapes, charming towns and beautiful lakes of the Canadian Rockies. Your adventure opens in Vancouver.

#### Day 2: Vancouver - VIA Rail

A city tour of Vancouver begins this morning at beautiful Stanley Park, Canada's renowned urban rainforest. Then, continue to Chinatown, the waterfront, and Gastown, a turn-of-the-century center comprised of pubs, art galleries, boutiques and the world-famous steam-powered clock, perhaps the most photographed subject in all of Vancouver. Stroll picturesque Granville Island and its fascinating markets. This evening, enjoy dinner overlooking the city skyline. Later, board VIA Rail's *The Canadian* to begin your journey to the majestic Canadian Rockies. Relive train travel in the days of old as you are rocked to sleep tonight in your private accommodations. (B, D)

#### Day 3: VIA Rail - Jasper, Alberta

Enjoy a lovely hot breakfast in the dining car as your eastbound train whisks you past the peaks of the Monashee Mountains and the stunning sight of Pyramid Falls cascading down Mt. Cheadle. Relax in the dome car as you experience 360-degree views of the glistening glaciers of the Albreda Icefields and on a clear day, view Mt. Robson – the highest peak of the Rockies! Moose, mountain goats, bear and caribou call this wonderland home. This afternoon, arrive in Jasper, nestled in the heart of the Canadian Rockies at the gateway to the incredible Icefields Parkway. (B, L)

#### Day 4: Jasper

This morning we travel to Maligne Lake, the largest natural lake in the Canadian Rockies, and enjoy breakfast against the backdrop of the picture-perfect sparkling waters of the lake. While at Maligne Lake you may choose to embark on an optional cruise highlighting the beauty of Spirit Island. Later, enjoy the dramatic Maligne Canyon, one of the area's most spectacular landmarks. Return to your hotel with time to independently explore this lovely town. (B, D)











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Set off for a wonderful day of sightseeing en route to Lake Louise. Journey along the unforgettable Icefields Parkway! Waterfalls, rushing rivers, glacial peaks, imposing cliffs and snowcapped peaks paint the breathtaking canvas - so have your camera handy! Enjoy a stop at the Athabasca Falls and marvel at its sheer beauty and power. Then, it's your choice! Stop at the Columbia Icefield and choose a fun ride across this mass of glacial ice which is over 1,000 feet thick - the largest accumulation of ice south of the Arctic Circle, -OR- take a walk on the Glacier Skywalk to experience the breathtaking views of the Sunwapta Valley and witness the dramatic landscape from the glassfloored platform. Continuing down the parkway, be on the lookout for bears, furry marmots and stately elk. Enjoy a stop at Peyto Lake - a turquoise glacier-fed lake that evokes pure serenity - before arriving in Lake Louise. Enjoy a stay at the world-famous Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise. This evening it's Diner's Choice... choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise's great restaurants. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Lake Louise - Banff

En route to Banff, view the spectacular Moraine Lake and the awe-inspiring Valley of the Ten Peaks. The jagged Ten Peaks are distinctively saw-toothed, standing out amidst stunning Alpine scenery. Arrive at the grand Fairmont Banff Springs, known as the "Castle in the Rockies," for a luxurious 2-night stay. (B)

#### Day 7: Banff

Set off for a scenic drive through Banff featuring the powerful Bow Falls and Hoodoos – known as the "Land of the Sleeping Giants." Next, meet a local ammolite specialist to learn about this rare gemstone found only in Alberta. During an afternoon at leisure, perhaps you will take a stroll through Banff's delightful downtown. This evening experience another Diner's Choice...you'll choose the perfect spot from one of the Fairmont Banff Springs' great restaurants. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Banff - Calgary

Leave the wonders of the Rockies for the prairies of Alberta en route to the Kananaskis Valley. Visit a local ranch where you can play a game of horseshoes, take a line dance lesson and enjoy a wagon ride in search of buffalo. Meet the family that lives there to gain insight into their daily life on the ranch. Then, delight in a traditional Albertan barbecue with beautiful views of the mountains in the background. Later, enjoy the views of the prairies before you reach the vibrant city of Calgary. (B, L)

#### Day 9: Calgary - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today in Calgary.

#### **STAY LONGER**



Calgary: Make more memories in Alberta's largest city.
CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 July 22, 29	Twin Solo \$4499 \$5599
April 5, 12, 19, 26	\$3299	\$3849	August 4, 9, 11, 18, 25	\$4599 \$5699
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – departures. Departures prior to this Please confirm at time of reservation	date will va n.	August 5, 12, 19, 26 \$4499 \$ September 1, 6, 8 \$4599 \$	\$4499 \$5599 \$4599 \$5699	
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★ July 5, 7, 11, 14	\$4899	\$5999	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50 - \$150
July 19, 21	\$4599	\$5699	Rates are land only, per perso additional dates.	on. Call about

#### **COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE**

Book another tour with Canadian Rockies by Train and create one grand experience. **Suggested Tour:** • Alaska and the Yukon CALL FOR DETAILS

## CELEBRATE TRADITION Calgary Stampede

Find yourself immersed in good old-fashioned Western-style fun and entertainment at the famous Calgary Stampede. Spend a day exploring the exhibits before enjoying the rodeo.

June 30 & July 5, 7, 11, 14, 2018



Optional Chuckwagon race is available and must be purchased at time of reservation.

This trip requires a passport. There is a \$25 USD/CAD charge (per piece) for checked baggage on most trans-border flights. This is a fee levied by the airlines and may be subject to change. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse and is one less night in Jasper. On some dates, the overnight stay in Lake Louise is replaced with an additional night in Banff. Inquire at time of reservation.

### **REDISCOVER CUBA**

8 DAYS · 16 MEALS FROM \$4299



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Interact with local art or theater students and their teachers.
- · Learn about the Cuban national dance, "Danzón," along with Salsa and Rhumba lessons.
- Learn about the dramatic evolution of Cuban art at the Cuban Fine Arts Museum.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Spend 3 nights at Cuba's pristine beaches of Cayo Santa Maria.
- · Savor a 4-night stay in lively and historic Havana.
- · Explore Finca Vigia, or "lookout house," Ernest Hemingway's Cuba home.
- · Get an insider's look at the work and life of Cuban artist Jose Fuster.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

· Meet the owners of a paladar, a small specialty restaurant with its own organic farm.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1 - 3 Iberostar Ensenachos, Cayo Santa

Days 4 - 7 Hotel Nacional, Havana

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



## experience the power of travel

to unite two peoples in a true cultural exchange

#### Day 1: Santa Clara, Cuba - Cayo Santa Maria - Tour Begins

Your journey begins as you fly to Santa Clara Airport, Cuba. Transfer to your hotel on the pristine beaches of Cayo Santa Maria, an island off of Cuba's north central coast. En route to your all-inclusive resort, stop at the Che Guevara Memorial & Museum and learn about this polarizing figure and the revolution he helped to spark. (D)

#### Day 2: Cayo Santa Maria - Santa Clara - Cayo Santa Maria

Embark on a journey to Santa Clara where we will meet local art or theatre students. Learn about Cuban art and their lives as you interact with students and teachers and discuss their techniques. Spend time at Piquete Melodías Antillanas, one of Cuba's last Piquete bands. Engage with this vibrant community and discover their passion for music, singing and dancing. Learn about how this musical genre emerged in Cuba back in the 17th century. Delight in the band's performance of original scores by renowned composers such as Miguel Faildes and Moses Simons. This special performance is conducted on original wind instruments dating back to the 1800s. Learn Cuba's national dance, Danzón, as the abuelos give you a dancing lesson. Then we make our

way to a handicraft market where you'll get to meet the local artisans and discover their unique crafts. Return to your hotel for a mojito-making demonstration, rum tasting and dinner. (B, L, D)

#### Day 3: Cayo Santa Maria - Remedios - Caibarién - Cayo Santa Maria

Journey to the Museo de la Sucre, or "Sugar Museum." Learn from local producers of the rise and fall of the Cuban region on the backs of sugar cane production. Enjoy a walking tour of Remedios, a charming town considered to be the oldest Spanish settlement in the former Las Villas province. Visit San Juan Bautista de Remedios, a 17th-century Baroque church. View the beautiful gold leaf altar made of carved cedar and one of only seven known statues in the world depicting a pregnant Virgin Mary. Later, learn about Cuban cigars - one of the country's most popular products. Continue to Caibarién and drive along the road of artists, pausing along the way at the home of a local artist who uses only recycled materials. (B, D)

#### Day 4: Cayo Santa Maria - Cienfuegos - Havana

This morning, embark on a scenic drive to Cienfuegos Province Botanical Gardens, the oldest of its kind on the







island. During a fascinating walking tour, learn about the garden's ties with Harvard University and its founding as a research center (where a sugar mill once stood). Enjoy lunch before exploring the historic Plaza Mayor in the heart of the city. Peruse the shops, converse with the shopkeepers and get a true taste of the local culture. Afterwards, sit back and enjoy an amazing a cappella choral performance conducted by the Cantores de Cienfuegos, a local student group gaining worldwide recognition. Visit the Tomas Terry Theatre, an impressive opera house on Plaza Mayor, before traveling across the countryside to Havana, Cuba's capital. (B, L, D)

#### Day 5: Havana - Casa Fuster - Havana

This morning you are in for a treat as we visit a local performing arts school and meet its creative students who will showcase their talents. Enjoy a farm-to-table lunch at a local paladar where you will meet the proprietors of this family-run, privately-owned specialty restaurant. Tour the grounds including their own organic farm. Later, travel to Casa Fuster for an insider's look at the work and life of Cuban artist Jose Fuster, whose artwork was inspired by Spain's famous architect, Antonio Gaudi. (B, L)

#### Day 6: Havana - Finca Vigia - Havana

Your day begins with a visit to Hamel Alley, a Havana neighborhood known for its Afro-Cuban murals which artist Salvador González Escalona famously began in 1990. Visit the Revolution Museum in what was once the Presidential Palace. Gain insight into Cuban history during the 1950s revolutionary war period. Afterwards, visit a local park where local antique car owners gather. Discuss how car ownership in Cuba works, along with the ingenious ways they keep these classics running. We then make our way to Finca Vigia, or "Lookout House," Ernest Hemingway's Cuba home located in the small town of San Francisco de Paula. It is here where Hemingway wrote two of his most celebrated novels: For Whom the Bell Tolls and The Old Man and the Sea. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Havana

This morning, walk through the dramatic evolution of Cuban art at the Cuban Fine Arts Museum. Then spend time in Old Havana to interact with some professional Salsa dancers. Strike up a conversation with the dancers and hear about their lives and Cuba's dance culture while learning some of the basic steps of this remarkable dance. Enjoy a tour of Old Havana on foot and stop at a local market for shopping. This evening, take a trip around Havana in one of the antique American cars that the city is known for. Finally, savor dinner in one of Havana's finest restaurants as you celebrate an amazing journey and your new Cuban friends. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Havana - USA - Tour Ends

Your Cuba adventure comes to a close today. Return home with vivid memories of this beautiful country and the rich personal experiences you shared with the people of Cuba. (B)

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#### **DATES & PRICES** January - April 2018 Twin Solo Triple Room Reduction N/A (featured itinerary) Rates are land only, per person. Call about January 10, 17, 24, 31 \$4299 \$5299 additional dates \$4299 \$5299 February 7, 14, 21, 28 March 7, 14, 21 Call for details on dates after May 1, 2018. \$4299 \$5299 April 4, 11, 18, 25 \$4299 \$5299

This trip requires a passport. All guests are required to obtain a Cuban Tourist Visa. Application for the tourist visa card is at point of exit from the United States to Cuba, provided by the airline at a cost of approximately \$100 USD. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. In order to fulfill OFAC's licensing requirements on this tour, you will have a full-time schedule of educational exchange activities that will result in a meaningful interaction between the traveler, you, and individuals in Cuba. The itinerary has been designed with these requirements in mind and there will be no leisure time on this program as on other Collette tours. The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour and to better facilitate meaningful educational exchanges. Due to unforeseen circumstances and schedule changes, educational visits may be interchanged with similar activities. Each passenger is required to keep a general written record of each day's activities in Cuba as to the various sites visited and transactions or activities engaged in. Such records shall be kept and retained by passenger to be made available for examination upon demand (by OFAC) for at least five (5) years from the date of each transaction. On some dates, this tour may operate in reverse.

### TROPICAL **COSTA RICA**

9 DAYS · 13 MEALS FROM \$1799



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

· Discover the charming town of Zarcero and its whimsical topiary garden.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy the breathtaking scenery surrounding Arenal Volcano.
- Spot indigenous wildlife while on a Cano Negro riverboat cruise.
- · Learn about Costa Rica's vegetation on a guided walk in the cloud forest.
- Set out on a cruise of Lake Arenal, Costa Rica's largest lake.
- Spend a free day exploring or simply relax by the pool at your resort.



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

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



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

· Discover the history of coffee in Costa Rica during your visit to a coffee plantation.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari, San Jose

Days 2, 3 Esplendor Tamarindo, Guanacaste

Days 4, 5 El Establo Hotel, Monteverde Cloud

Forest

Days 6,7 Arenal Springs Resort or Mountain Paradise Hotel, Arenal

DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari, San Jose

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL





## lush forests and stunning waterfalls

rumbling volcanoes...incredible wildlife and endless coastlines... this can only be Costa Rica.

#### START EARLY



San Jose: Enjoy an early start to your adventure in the colonial city of San Jose. CALL FOR DETAILS

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

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. We start 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. Spend a free day exploring the nearby town and beaches, or simply relax by the pool and take advantage of the resort's lovely amenities. (B)

#### Day 4: Guanacaste - Monteverde

You won't believe your eyes. It's off to the secluded Monteverde Cloud Forest, where trees grow to heights of 100 feet! Set off on a nature walk through this spectacular ecosystem. Along the way you are 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 8









July 21



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- you may take an exhilarating ride on one of the longest canopy zip-line tours in Costa Rica. 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 through the beautiful mountainous landscapes to Arenal, where spectacular views of the famous volcano await. Enjoy a delightful cruise on Lake Arenal, the largest and most important lake in Costa Rica. Later, check in for another 2-night stay at a lodge overlooking the majestic Arenal Volcano. (B, D)

Day 7: Arenal - Cano Negro - Arenal What's next? Embark on a Cano Negro guided riverboat trip in a panga (covered canoe). These 20,000 acres are home to the largest viewable collection of indigenous wildlife in all of Costa Rica. Go in search of crocodiles, river otters, sloths, river turtles, exotic birds and rare butterflies. Later, we return to Arenal for the chance to relax during an optional spa visit. (B)

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

Today we 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. We will see the bustling Plaza de Cultura and the National Theatre, a magnificent building of post-Baroque splendor. This evening, it's time to say farewell to paradise during 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)





#### **DATES & PRICES**

January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019	<b>Twin</b> \$1799	<b>Solo</b> \$2349
January 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 18	\$1899	\$2449	August 25 September 15, 22	\$1849	\$2349
January 20, 22, 25, 27, 29	\$1899	\$2449	October 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22	\$1849	\$2449
February 1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12	\$1899	\$2449	November 1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12	\$1849	\$2449
February 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, 26	\$1899	\$2449	December 1, 29	\$1849	\$2449
March 1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15	\$1899	\$2449	January 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17	\$1949	\$2599
March 17, 19, 22, 24	\$1899	\$2449	January 19, 21, 24, 26, 28, 31	\$1949	\$2599
April 2, 5, 7, 9, 14, 16	\$1849	\$2349	February 2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16	\$1949	\$2599
April 21, 23, 28	\$1849	\$2349	February 18, 21, 23, 25, 28	\$1949	\$2599
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - Ap	oril 2019 to	ur	March 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18	\$1949	\$2599
departures. Departures prior to this d	ate will va	ry. Please	March 21, 23, 25, 30	\$1949	\$2599
confirm at time of reservation.			April 1, 4, 6, 8, 11, 25, 27, 29	\$1899	\$2549
May 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo			

(featured itinerary) Triple Room Reduction (-) \$30 May 5, 12, 26 \$1799 \$2349 Rates are land only, per person. Call about \$1799 \$2349 June 9, 16

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Book another tour with Tropical Costa Rica and create one grand experience. Suggested Tour: • Discover Panama call for Details

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January 24, 2019



This trip requires a passport. Taxes/fees to be paid in local currency or USD upon exiting the country are approximately \$32 USD per person.

## COSTA RICA: A WORLD OF NATURE

12 DAYS · 23 MEALS FROM \$2649



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Join an expert guide to learn about the local culture and ecosystem.
- Visit the world's first green turtle research station in Tortuguero National Park.
- · Explore Arenal during an extended 3-night stay.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Stay in Tortuguero National Park and find yourself surrounded by wildlife.
- Enjoy your 2-night stay just outside of pristine Manuel Antonio National Park.
- Hop aboard a river boat for a jungle crocodile safari and bird watching excursion.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 7 | Embark on one of Costa Rica's most thrilling zip lining experiences or enjoy a moderate hike along the trails of Arenal Volcano National Park.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy a traditional Costa Rican dinner complete with a cooking demonstration.
- Indulge in the sweet taste of chocolate at a cacao plantation.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Doubletree by Hilton Cariari Hotel, San Jose

Days 2, 3 Evergreen Lodge, Tortuguero

**Days 4, 5** Selva Verde Eco-Lodge & Rainforest Reserve, Sarapiquí

Days 6 - 8 Mountain Paradise Hotel, Arenal

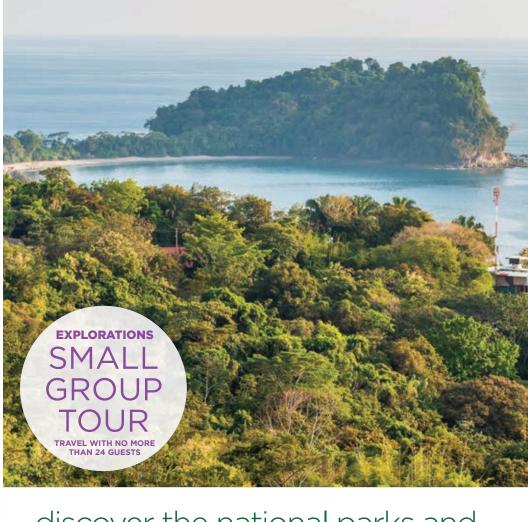
Days 9, 10 Parador Resort and Spa, Manuel Antonio

**Day 11** Doubletree by Hilton Cariari Hotel, San Jose

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





## discover the national parks and rainforests of Costa Rica,

one of the world's most popular eco-destinations.

#### START EARLY



San Jose: Arrive early to discover a city steeped in history and culture.

CALL FOR DETAILS

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

Discover the fascinating ecosystems of Tortuguero National Park, Arenal Volcano and Manuel Antonio National Park.

#### Day 2: San Jose - Tortuguero National Park

Today brings dormant volcanos and crater lakes as we journey through Braulio Carrillo National Park en route to the Caribbean lowlands. Along the way, take in mountain vistas and Caribbean-style villages. Later, discover the wonders of Tortuguero National Park's rainforest as you cruise the rivers and canals with an expert guide. Enjoy a 2-night stay at an eco-lodge surrounded by lush tropical forest and an array of wildlife. Learn more about your surroundings during a visit to the world's first green

turtle research station. Here, dedicated scientists are working to protect the turtle's nesting habitat and eggs. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome reception and dinner. (B, L, D)

#### Day 3: Tortuguero National Park

Get your camera ready. Set out on an early morning bird-watching excursion that explores the myriad of local and migratory birds that flock to this area. Next, embark on a nature cruise through the park – keep an eye out for howler monkeys, sloths, toucans and caimans. Tortuguero National Park, a study in biology, protects over 350 species of birds and mammals. Savor time to seek out green macaws and some of Costa Rica's endangered animals, including jaguars, tapirs, ocelots, cougars, river otters and even manatees. (B, L, D)

#### Day 4: Tortuguero National Park - Sarapiquí

Take to the water again and embark on a leisurely boat ride to the mainland as we travel to the Sarapiquí region, one of the world's most important research regions for tropical rainforests. Visit an organic pineapple plantation



to learn about the various types of this exotic fruit and taste why Costa Rican pineapples are among the world's best. Arrive at your eco-lodge nestled in the rainforest and surrounded by towering Almendro trees, howler monkeys and keel billed toucans. Enjoy free time to hike through the deep green forest or simply relax in a hammock and take in the nature around you. (B, L, D)

#### Day 5: Sarapiquí

Discover the history and continuing importance of cacao to Central America's economy when you visit a cacao plantation. Observe the process of producing chocolate from the cacao bean and sample the delicious finished product. Then, see the region from a different perspective on an exhilarating Sarapiquí River rafting adventure. Return to your rainforest lodge for a traditional Costa Rican dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Sarapiquí - Arenal Volcano

Begin the day engulfed in nature with an early morning bird watching tour along the natural forest trails and nearby stream. Later, behold the spectacular views of Arenal Volcano and absorb the tranquility of your surroundings as you begin a 3-night stay at your resort featuring panoramic views of the volcano. (B)

#### Day 7: Arenal Volcano 😯

This morning, experience the rainforest from the treetops on a guided walking tour along Arenal's hanging bridges. Then, **the choice is yours!**Embark on one of Costa Rica's most thrilling zip lining experiences and take in one-of-a-kind views of the Arenal rainforest **-OR-** enjoy a moderate hike along the trails of Arenal Volcano National Park; cross lava fields and pause to enjoy spectacular views of the volcano. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Arenal Volcano

Enjoy a day at leisure. This morning you may take an optional river safari down the Peñas Blancas River. For the more adventurous, an exhilarating white water rafting expedition on the San Blas River is also available. Or, simply explore the resort or relax in the soothing waters of one of the region's hot springs. This evening, roll up your sleeves for a hands-on cooking demonstration; then savor the local flavors of Costa Rica during a traditional dinner. (B, D)

## **Day 9:** Arenal Volcano - Tarcoles - Manuel Antonio National Park

Head to the Pacific Coast today. Along the way, stop for a jungle crocodile safari and bird watching excursion. Hop aboard a safari boat to explore the remarkable mangrove ecosystem of the Rio Grande of Tarcoles, home to one of the world's largest wild crocodile populations. View waterfowl, iguanas, and over fifty varieties of native birds, including the very rare scarlet macaw. Later we continue to the world-renowned Manuel Antonio National Park to check into our resort just outside the park. Soak up the sweeping views and take in the sunset overlooking the park and the Pacific Ocean before dining this evening. (B, L, D)

#### Day 10: Manuel Antonio National Park

Wake up to a cool breeze and spectacular views. The day is yours to relax and enjoy the surrounding beauty. You can enjoy the luxurious amenities of your resort, walk the nearby nature trails that lead to dramatic views of the Pacific, or head to the nearby white sand beaches. (B)

#### Day 11: Manuel Antonio National Park - San Jose

This morning we explore spectacular Manuel Antonio National Park, known for its pristine beaches and primary forest. Spend your time walking the forest trails in search of the three-toed sloth, agoutis, squirrel monkeys and iguanas; or take a swim in the inviting blue waters. Then, say goodbye to the coast and continue to San Jose and toast to the natural richness that is Costa Rica at a wonderful farewell dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 12: San Jose - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. Head for home with many amazing memories. (B)

#### STAY LONGER



San Jose: Enjoy more time to explore this exciting capital city.

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January 4, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, 28		\$3649	August 4, 18 September 8, 15	\$2649 \$2649	\$3299 \$3299		
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June 2 July 14	\$2649 \$2649	\$3299 \$3299	Rates are land only, per person additional dates.	. Call abou	t		

DATES & PRICES

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- Learn centuries-old Andean textile methods at a living museum.
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#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Venture through the Andes in a domed train to Machu Picchu.
- Spend the afternoon with a guide uncovering the mysteries of Machu Picchu.
- Discover Lima's fascinating history during a tour of the city center.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 7 | In Cuzco, follow a local guide on a walking tour of the city or board your coach for a comprehensive tour of the city's main sites.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Enjoy a culinary demonstration at your hotel at the base of Machu Picchu.
- Savor an authentic Pachamanca dinner where food is cooked in the ground.
- Delight in a home hosted farm-to-table lunch at a local Quechua community.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1, 2El Pardo DoubleTree by Hilton, LimaDays 3, 4Casa Andina Premium, Sacred Valley

Day 5 Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel, Aguas Calientes

Days 6, 7 Hilton Garden Inn, Cuzco

Days 8, 9 Libertador Lake Titicaca, Puno

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TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





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#### 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. Visit the Sacred Valley Brewing Company, a nonprofit brewery created to support a local orphanage. Taste these Andean-inspired craft beers and learn about their drive to support their community before continuing to Cuzco, a city that blends Inca and Spanish colonial influences, (B)

#### Day 7: Cuzco 😯

The morning is yours to relax and acclimate to the altitude. Then it's your choice! Follow a local guide on a walking tour of the city from your hotel -OR- choose to board your coach for a comprehensive tour of the city's main sites. Both tours will take you on a journey through this former capital of the Incan Empire to experience the architectural legacy visible in the Cathedral, Santo Domingo and Plaza de Armas, and the central market. Later, gather together and travel above the city to discover the important sacred Incan ruins of Sacsayhuaman Fortress. Enjoy a toast at sunset while overlooking the city before returning to the heart of Cuzco where you are treated to an authentic dinner highlighting local flavors. (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: Uros Floating Islands - Las Chullpas de Sillustani - Lake Titicaca

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 spongy surface made from compacted beds of tortora reeds and meet the locals, learning about their history and lifestyle. Later, mingle with some local residents during an authentic home-hosted lunch where you'll taste regional specialties and engage in lively conversation. In the afternoon, visit the mystical Chullpas de Sillustani - an archaeological area boasting 13th-century funerary monuments. Participate in a local home visit to gain insight into daily life. (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 we 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. Then we depart for Lima's airport and your connecting flight home. (B, D)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Lima: Spend one more day exploring or resting before your journey home.





#### **DATES & PRICES**

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(featured itinerary)			Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50			
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- · Embark on a 5-day cruise of the Galapagos Islands with a naturalist guide.
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- · Admire the giant tortoises at the Charles Darwin Research Station.



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#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1, 2 Casa Andina Premium Miraflores, Lima

Days 3, 4 Casa Andina Premium Sacred Valley,

Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel, Day 5 **Aguas Calientes** 

Casa Andina Premium, Cuzco Days 8, 9 Mercure Grand Hotel Alameda, Quito

Days 10-13 m/v Galapagos Legend, Galapagos

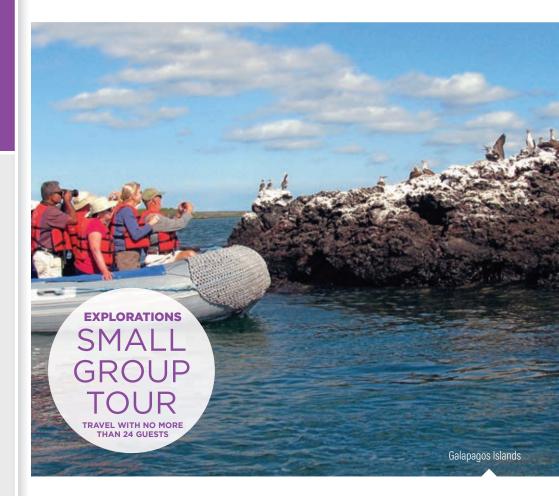
Day 14 Mercure Grand Hotel Alameda, Quito

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**TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL** 







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#### Day 8: Cuzco - Quito, Ecuador

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

#### Day 9: Quito

At the start of your city tour, enjoy a special visit to a Children International community center, supported by the Collette Foundation. Meet some of the children benefiting from the nutritional support and healthy cooking education that is the focus of this group's mission. Learn about Quito's colonial center on a tour featuring the Presidential Palace and 17th-century Church of La Compañía. Savor lunch overlooking the Pululahua volcanic crater. On a one-of-a-kind experience, cross between hemispheres at the Equatorial Line Monument and Museum at the "Middle of the World." Spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B, L)

# **Day 10:** Quito - San Cristóbal Island, Galapagos - Embark Ship

Fly to beautiful San Cristóbal Island, gateway to your Galapagos eco-adventure. After enjoying

lunch aboard the m/v Galapagos Legend, arrive at the Port Baquerizo Moreno for an up-close look at the endangered tortoises that call the San Cristóbal Cerro Colorado Tortoise Reserve home. After exploring the island, stargaze from the deck of your ship and toast the wonders of the Galapagos with tropical cocktails. (B, L, D)

# **Day 11:** Española Island (Gardner Bay and Suarez Point)

Board your panga to visit Gardner Bay. Guarded by a colony of sea lions, the beach is home to Galapagos hawks and endemic finches. Swim and snorkel with the marine life, including manta rays and white-tipped sharks. Continue on and meander through the volcanic terrain of Suarez Point. During your nature walk, watch for hooded mocking birds, lava lizards, Sally Lightfoot crabs and blue-footed boobies. Venture to count Waved Albatross at the world's largest colony. Finally, visit the spectacular Soplador (blowhole) where water shoots 75 feet into the air. (B, L, D)

# **Day 12:** Floreana Island (Post Office Bay and Cormorant Point)

Land at storied Post Office Bay, named for a barrel left in 1793 by Captain James Colnett as a "post office" for passing sailors. Continue the tradition and leave a letter for a loved one. Snorkel, if you choose, with green sea turtles or set out to search for Darwin's finches and yellow warblers. Sail to Cormorant Point and its olivine green sand beach. Try to spot stingrays and reef sharks in the emerald waters. Learn about the ecosystem's unusual plants. You may also observe graceful flamingos or spot a small colony of penguins. Seize another chance to snorkel and swim near playful sea lions! (B, L, D)

# **Day 13:** Santa Cruz Island (Charles Darwin Research Station & Highlands)

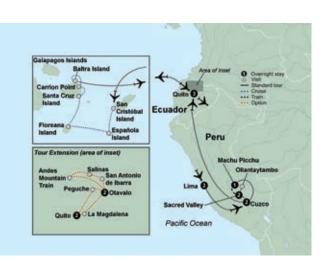
Visit the famous Charles Darwin Research Station and see the giant tortoises from the station's breeding program. Trek through the Santa Cruz highlands to Cerro Chato and find more giant tortoises. Take a break to savor some organic Galapagos coffee before we embark on a walk inside dormant lava tubes to gain insight on how these pristine islands formed. Enjoy time to explore Port Ayora town. (B, L, D)

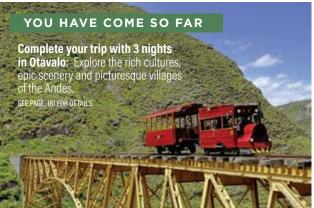
# **Day 14:** Carrion Point - Disembark Ship - Baltra Island - Quito

Garner panoramic views as you circumnavigate Carrion Point. Keep an eye out for marine iguanas, fur seals and crabs teetering along the rocky shore. Bid farewell to the Galapagos and fly back to the magnificent city of Quito. Fall in love with the lights of colonial Quito during a nighttime panoramic tour en route to your farewell dinner at one of the city's most historic restaurants and sample some of Ecuador's finest cuisine. (B, D)

#### Day 15: Quito - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today. (B)





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- DAY 21 | In Rio de Janeiro, step behind-the-scenes at Carnival and meet the artists who are designing the floats, costumes and dances or join a local guide for a tour of a favela, visiting with a local resident in their home.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

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- · Savor a Brazilian churrascaria featuring an assortment of grilled meats.
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of the Sacred Valley. The rest of the evening is yours... perhaps you'll take this opportunity to discover your hotel's planetarium to gaze at the stars. (B)

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

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 firsthand 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-totable lunch featuring local specialties. Tonight, savor an authentic Pachamanca dinner, a unique process where food is placed on hot stones and buried in the ground to cook. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 5:** Sacred Valley of the Incas - Machu Picchu Climb aboard the Machu Picchu Vistadome train for breathtaking views through domed windows as you ride

through the Andes to the "Lost City of the Incas." Hidden by mountains and 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 before experiencing an award-winning tasting menu at your resort. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Machu Picchu - Cuzco

With leisure time this morning you may return to Machu Picchu on your own or explore the local markets. Return by Vistadome train to the Sacred Valley and continue to Cuzco, a city that blends Inca and Spanish colonial influences. Make a stop at the Sacred Valley Brewing Company, a nonprofit brewery created to support a local orphanage. Taste these Andean-inspired beers and learn about their efforts to support their community. (B)

#### Day 7: Cuzco 😯

The morning is yours to relax and acclimate to the altitude. This afternoon, **it's your choice!** Explore Cuzco, the former capital of the Incan Empire, with a local guide on a walking tour of the city **-OR-** board a coach for a comprehensive tour of the city's main sites. Whichever you choose, you will experience the architectural legacy visible in the Cathedral, Santo Domingo and the Plaza de Armas; you'll also stop by the central market. Later, gather together and travel above the city to discover the sacred

Incan ruins of Sacsayhuaman Fortress. Enjoy a toast at sunset while overlooking the city before arriving at your authentic dinner and folklore show in the heart of Cuzco. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Cuzco - Santiago, Chile

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

#### Day 9: Santiago

This morning, embark on a walking tour of Santiago's historic city center. View such sights as the La Moneda Presidential Palace, Plaza de Armas and Santiago's Cathedral. Then venture out to Chile's wine region and visit a local winery for lunch. Sample some of Chile's famous cabernet and carmenere wine while a local expert teaches you about winemaking in this part of the world. Next, explore artwork and artifacts from Central and South America during your visit to the Chilean Museum of Pre-Columbian Art. Your evening is at leisure to further explore Santiago on your own. (B, L)

#### 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. Visit the old port village and Fort

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### THE COMPLETE SOUTH AMERICA

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#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1, 2 El Pardo DoubleTree by Hilton,

Days 3, 4 Casa Andina Premium, Sacred Valley

**Day 5** Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel, Aguas Calientes

Days 6, 7 Hilton Garden Inn, Cuzco

Days 8, 9 Hotel Plaza San Francisco,
Santiago

Days 10 - 12 Hotel Costaustralis, Puerto Natales

**Days 13, 14** Esplendor El Calafate Hotel, El Calafate

**Days 15 - 17** The Brick Hotel MGallery Collection, Buenos Aires

**Days 18, 19** Mabu Thermas Grand Resort, Foz do Iguazu

Days 20 - 22 Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort, Rio de Janeiro

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



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Bulnes, a historical reconstruction based on the original fortified settlement. 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

Embark on a 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, L)

# **Day 12:** Puerto Natales - Torres Del Paine - Puerto Natales

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

#### Day 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 some 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, D)

#### 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)

#### 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. Tonight, head to Esquina Carlos Gardel, named after Argentina's most famous tango maestro, and savor Argentine cuisine and wine before witnessing a stunning tango performance. (B, D)

#### Day 16: Buenos Aires 😯

Start your day with a panoramic tour of lively Buenos

Aires, Visit the Palermo district and Recoleta Cemetery, where Eva "Evita" Peron rests. Drive along the famous Avenida 9 de Julio; view the Teatro Colon opera house; the Metropolitan Cathedral, the former church of Pope Francis I; and the Presidential Palace - "La Casa Rosada" - at Plaza de Mayo. Then, it's your choice! Continue on your city tour by bus -OR- embark on a bicycle tour with a local guide. Either way you will visit La Boca and the Puerto Madero neighborhoods. 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; or take the optional Tigre Delta trip where you'll pass by an array of historic mansions before boarding a cruise through the canals. (B)

#### **Day 17:** Buenos Aires - Colonia del Sacramento, Uruguay - Buenos Aires

Hop aboard the Colonia Express, a ferry that takes you across the Rio de la Plata to the charming village of Colonia del Sacramento, Uruguay. This UNESCO site, dating back to 1680, is the only remaining Portuguese settlement in Uruguay. A local resident joins us for a ride through town to introduce you to its landmarks before leading you on a guided walk through the historic old town. Savor lunch featuring some local delicacies and Uruguayan wine before having free time to relax or explore independently. Later we return to Buenos Aires. (B, L)

#### Day 18: 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 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. (B)

#### 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 into your beachfront hotel in the exclusive Leblon neighborhood. Learn how to craft *caipirinhas* –

Brazil's famous cocktail made with sugar cane liquor and lime. Then, cap the night off with a feast in a typical Brazilian *churrascaria*. Indulge in wine and meats slow-roasted to perfection.

#### 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. 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. This afternoon, it's your choice! 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 -OR- join a local guide for a tour of a favela; learn about the unique contrasts and paradoxes of Brazilian society as you stroll through the community and visit a local home; relish some time for coffee, cake and discussion with the humble residents. The evening is yours to relax or explore independently. (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. Or, perhaps take an optional jeep ride through the Tijuca forest followed by a visit to historic Santa Teresa. This afternoon, witness the city of Rio that captivated the world during the 2016 Summer Olympics. Stop by the Maracanã football stadium, which hosted the 2014 World Cup finals, before continuing on to the famous Carnival parade route, the Sambadrome. Afterward, behold the renowned Metropolitan Cathedral with architecture that was inspired by a Mayan pyramid. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for an exciting farewell 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 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, you may choose an optional visit to the famous Botanical Gardens along with a cruise of Guanabara Bay, or perhaps a historic walking tour of the waterfront district which underwent a fantastic transformation for the 2016 Olympics. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Rio de Janeiro: Enjoy more time to enjoy one of the world's most dynamic cities. call for Details





#### **TOUR EXTENSIONS:**

- Peruvian Amazon: Begin your trip with a 3-night extension.
   Explore the wonders of the Amazon with a naturalist guide by your side.
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- Brazilian Amazon: Complete your trip with a 3-night extension. Stand in awe of one of the world's seven natural wonders.

  SEE PAGE 181 FOR DETAILS
- Salvador de Bahia: Extend your trip with a 3-night extension.
   Witness colonial architecture, a charming fishing village and a folklore performance.
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#### **DATES & PRICES**

January – March 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo
January 11, 25	\$7249	\$9649
February 15, 22	\$7249	\$9649
March 1, 8	\$7249	\$9649

Itinerary featured is for October 2018 – March 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

October 2018 - March 2019 Twin Solo (featured itinerary)

October 4, 18 \$7499 \$9899

October 2018 - March 2019	Twin	Solo
November 8	\$7499	\$9899
January 10, 24	\$7499	\$9899
February 21, 28	\$7499	\$9899
March 7	\$7499	\$9899

Triple Room Reduction (-) \$200

Rates are land only, per person, and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.

This trip requires a passport and visa.. Visa for Brazil (approximate visa cost is \$160 USD) is required for this tour at your expense. This tour may require a certificate of Yellow Fever inoculation when applying for your Brazilian visa especially if you have traveled to Peru prior to Brazil. These fees are at your own expense. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. 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. The internal flights on this tour are not included in the land price. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us. 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. In general, hotels outside of Lima are small with one or two levels and do not have elevators, which may require you to climb 10-15 steps to get to/from the room. Wheelchairs and walkers cannot be accommodated on this tour.

### **FROM THE OUTBACK TO** THE GLACIERS

21 DAYS · 29 MEALS FROM \$4999



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · 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.
- · Access the history and culture of the Walpiri Aboriginal people during a "Dreamtime Tour."
- Watch a skilled New Zealand "strong eye" sheep-herding dog at a working farm.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Board a catamaran and sail to the Low Isles to explore the fascinating underwater world of the **Great Barrier Reef**
- · Explore Kata Tjuta and the base of Ayers Rock (Uluru).



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

DAY 12 | Choose to experience the area on a 24-hour hop-on hop-off Sydney Harbour cruise pass or visit two attractions - the Sydney Tower Eye and Sea Life Sydney Aguarium.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Behold Ayers Rock at sunset while you sip champagne.
- · Take in the sights during a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour.
- A New Zealand family welcomes you in their home for dinner.
- · Enjoy a tasting and tour at one of New Zealand's famous wineries.





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ADD A DAY Cairns: Take more time in this sunny gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### 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 its 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 World Heritage site). 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: Great Barrier Reef

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 sand island located on the outer reef. Or maybe you are a bit more adventurous and will go snorkeling, 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 5: 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 upclose 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 cuddly creatures. (B)

#### Day 6: Cairns - Melbourne

Fly to the beautiful Victorian city of Melbourne. Set around 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 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 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. A special experience is in store this evening as you have the opportunity to meet the young Aboriginal group, Drum Atweme. Supported by the Collette Foundation, Drum Atweme is a musical group comprised of at-risk youth from the local community. 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 Walpiri 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 life 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. Learn about their 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

Say farewell to the quiet of the rugged Outback and fly to Sydney, an energetic metropolis. Upon arrival in Sydney, enjoy dinner in the bustling Darling Harbour restaurant area. (B, D)

#### Day 12: Sydney 😯

Join a local resident for a tour of Sydney. Begin on a driving tour of the landmarks of Sydney before disembarking for a walking tour. See Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and fashionable Paddington. Then it's time for a stroll through the Rocks, Sydney's oldest district. Next, discover one of the world's most fascinating architectural sights on 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

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# FROM THE OUTBACK TO THE GLACIERS

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#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Overnight Flight

Days 1, 2

Days 3 - 5
Pullman International, Cairns

Days 6, 7
Mercure Melbourne Treasury
Gardens, Melbourne

Days 8, 9
Doubletree by Hilton, Alice Springs
Day 10
Desert Gardens, Uluru

Days 11 - 13
The Tank Stream Hotel, Sydney
Day 14
Pavilions Hotel, Christchurch
Day 15
Scenic Franz Josef Glacier Hotel,

Days 16 - 18Novotel Lakeside, QueenstownDay 19The Hermitage, Mount CookDay 20Pavilions Hotel, Christchurch

Franz Josef

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#### **COLLETTE CARES**

Australia - Drum Atweme was formed in the early '90s as an answer to the needs of the aboriginal at risk youth, particularly girls ages 6-13 years old. The focus of the program is to create a positive influence and healthy atmosphere through cultural immersion and musical engagement. The group was originally established as an attendance-raising program but later grew into a performance group providing an environment for confidence and education. The at-risk youth are also active in the decision-making of the group regarding performances, creativity and budgeting which ultimately results in giving the girls a strong sense of self-worth and esteem.





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during a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. This afternoon **the choice is yours!** Experience the area 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 Watson's Bay, historic Fort Denison or Taronga Zoo. Hop off to explore places of interest or stay on and relax during a narrated cruise **-OR-** choose to ascend the Sydney Tower Eye for incredible views and then explore the renowned Sea Life Sydney Aquarium. (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 - Christchurch, New Zealand

Leave Australia behind and fly to the historic city of Christchurch, New Zealand. 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. (B)

#### Day 15: Christchurch - Franz Josef Glacier

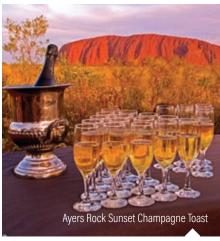
Take in marvelous snowcapped peaks, rugged mountains, and beautiful river gorges as you cross the Southern Alps. You may choose to take the TranzAlpine train (optional) for a truly inspiring train ride through this glorious scenery. Arrive in the Franz Josef Glacier Region, which offers travelers a rare opportunity to experience a living glacial landscape in a temperate environment. (B, D)

#### Day 16: Franz Josef - Queenstown

Before departing Franz Josef, if the dynamic New Zealand weather cooperates, you may opt to see this beautiful glacier region from a bird's-eye view during a flightseeing tour. En route to Queenstown, watch as the amazing landscape unfolds before your eyes as you pass through the rainforest, bordered by the Southern Alps and the twisting coastline. Cross jade green glacial rivers, view thundering waterfalls and enjoy dramatic changes in scenery. After crossing the Haast Pass, arrive in Queenstown, one of New Zealand's prettiest towns. Tonight, ascend the mountainside on a cable car for dinner at the Skyline Restaurant. Enjoy sweeping views of the valley. (B, D)

# Day 17: Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown Journey to Milford Sound. Soak in the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley. You'll travel through ancient 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 the 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 18: Queenstown

Enhance your free day with a variety of optional activities. Shop in the charming village center or enjoy an optional and exhilarating jet boat ride on the Shotover River. Perhaps you will join the optional "Journey through Middle Earth" tour which takes you through the majestic Remarkable Mountains and the breathtaking Queenstown countryside showcasing many of the spots where *The Lord of the Rings* movies were filmed. Or...just relax! (B)

#### Day 19: Queenstown - Mt. Cook

Set off for the beautiful 19th-century gold rush settlement of Arrowtown, a boomtown during the 1860s gold fever. Next, enjoy a tasting and tour at one of New Zealand's famous wineries. Then, 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 20: Mt. Cook - Christchurch

As you return to Christchurch this morning, pay a visit to a working farm. Watch a skilled New Zealand "strong eye" sheep herding dog at work, followed by a sheep shearing demonstration. Get to know these New Zealand farmers over morning tea. A special treat is in store for you tonight as you dine with a New Zealand family in their home. Meet and talk with a friendly Kiwi family who is delighted to share their culture, traditions and home with you. (B, D)

#### Day 21: Christchurch - Tour Ends

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

#### **STAY LONGER**



Christchurch: Enjoy the chance to relax in the most English city outside of Britain. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

January - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin	Solo	<b>May 2018 - April 2019</b> August 6, 20	Twin \$5499	<b>Solo</b> \$7249
January 8, 15, 22, 29	\$5149	\$6949	September 3, 10	\$5499	\$7249
February 5, 12, 19, 25, 26	\$5149	\$6949	September 24	\$5799	\$7849
March 5, 12, 19, 26	\$5149	\$6949	October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	\$5799	\$7849
April 2, 8, 9, 16, 23	\$4999	\$6499	November 5, 12	\$5799	\$7849
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour			January 14, 21, 28	\$5799	\$7849
departures. Departures prior to this confirm at time of reservation.	date will va	ry. Please	February 4, 11, 18, 25	\$5799	\$7849
	Total	0-1-	March 4, 11, 18, 25	\$5799	\$7849
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	April 7, 8, 15	\$5599	\$7499
May 7	\$4999	\$6799	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$100	
May 28	\$5499	\$7249	Rates are land only, per perso	n, and do no	ot
June 4, 25	\$5499	\$7249	include the internal flights on	tour. Call ab	out
July 9, 23	\$5499	\$7249	additional dates.		

This trip requires a passport and visa. The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us.

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- · Tour the sandstone domes known as Kata Tjuta at the base of Avers Rock.
- · Feel at home when overnighting at a New Zealand family's home.
- · See koalas in a natural setting during a stop at a koala conservation center.
- · Visit Te Puia, a Maori cultural and geothermal experience.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Board a catamaran to explore the Great Barrier Reef.
- · Explore the beauty of Mt. Cook National Park.
- · Witness the Little Penguins on the beach at Phillip Island.
- · Take a guided tour of Tasmania's Port Arthur Historic Site.
- · Marvel at the wonders (and wildlife) of Kakadu National Park.



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

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#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Savor a memorable bush dinner in the Australian Outback.
- Take in the sights during a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour.
- Choose from a variety of local restaurants along bustling Darling Harbour.







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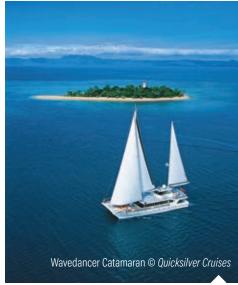
#### Day 5: Cairns

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 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. Tour the area and learn how people once communicated in the remote Outback at the Old Telegraph Station, dating back to the 1800s. Visit the School of the Air to find out more about the educational system of the Outback. There's even a chance of witnessing a class in session! Become locally invested as you have the opportunity to meet the young Aboriginal group, Drum Atweme. Supported by the Collette Foundation, Drum Atweme is a musical group comprised of at-risk youth from the local community. Tonight, continue your cultural immersion with a memorable bush dinner set against the backdrop of this unique desert environment. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Alice Springs - Darwin - Kakadu National Park

Access the history and culture of the Aboriginal people during a "Dreamtime Tour." A specialist guide shares Aboriginal creation stories and explains everyday life. You'll even taste native cuisine. Later, board your flight to the city of Darwin on the northern edge of Australia and drive into the heart of Kakadu National Park. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Kakadu National Park

Soak in the natural beauty of the "Top End." Kakadu National Park is home to crocodiles, wallaroos and wallabies, monitors and lizards, and birds of every imaginable variety. Witness artwork dating back thousands of years as you view Nourlangie Rock. During an afternoon cruise, be on the lookout for crocodiles as they bask in the sun, as well as waterfowl such as jabiru, egrets, herons and eagles. (B, D)

**Day 10:** Kakadu National Park - Darwin - Melbourne Transfer to Darwin for your flight to the beautiful Victorian city of Melbourne. (B)

#### Day 11: Melbourne

Set out on a city tour and see Fitzroy Gardens, the Shrine of Remembrance and bustling "laneways" of Melbourne. There is time at leisure to explore the city independently. Later, see koalas in their natural setting during a stop at a koala conservation center before arriving at Phillip Island, a 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 12: 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 2-night stay. (B, D)

#### Day 13: Hobart

Brace yourself for the Tasmanian Devil! 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 14: Hobart - Sydney

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

#### Day 15: Sydney 😯

Join a local resident for a tour of Sydney. Begin on a driving tour of the landmarks of Sydney before disembarking for a walking tour. See Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and fashionable Paddington. Then it's time for a stroll through the Rocks, Sydney's oldest district. Next, discover one of the world's most fascinating architectural sights on a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. Next, you're in for a unique experience as you learn firsthand about opals during a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. This afternoon the choice is yours! Experience the area at your own pace with a 24 hour hop-on hop-off Sydney Harbour cruise pass...hop off to explore places of interest or stay on and relax during a narrated cruise -OR- you may choose to visit two of Sydney's unique attractions...ascend the Sydney Tower Eye for incredible views before exploring the renowned Sea Life Sydney Aquarium. (B)

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# THE COMPLETE SOUTH PACIFIC

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#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1, 2
Days 3 - 5
Pullman International, Cairns
Day 6
Day 7
Doubletree by Hilton, Alice Springs
Days 8, 9
Days 10, 11
The Swanston Grand Mercure,
Melbourne

Days 12, 13 Hadley's Orient Hotel, Hobart

Days 14 - 16 Hyatt Regency Darling Harbour,
Sydney

Days 17 - 19 Crowne Plaza, Queenstown

The Hermitage (Mt. Cook Region),

Mount Cook

Day 21 Novotel Hotel Cathedral Square, Christchurch

Days 22, 23 Amora Hotel, Wellington

Day 24 Home Stay or Millennium Hotel,
Rotorua

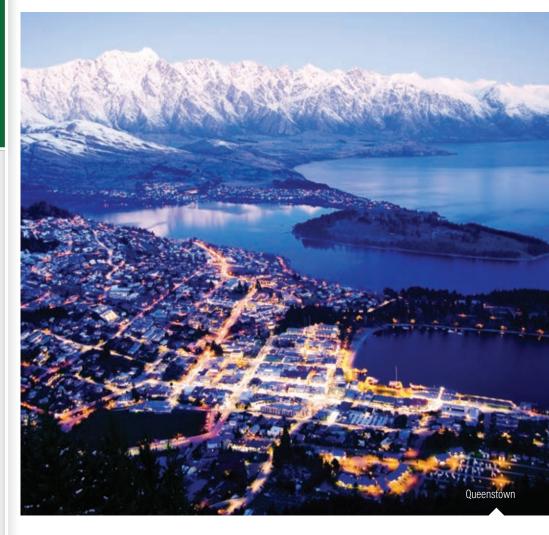
Day 25 Millennium Hotel, RotoruaDay 26 Rydges Hotel, Auckland

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

#### **COLLETTE CARES**

Australia - Drum Atweme was formed in the early '90s as an answer to the needs of the aboriginal at risk youth, particularly girls ages 6-13 years old. The focus of the program is to create a positive influence and healthy atmosphere through cultural immersion and musical engagement. The group was originally established as an attendance-raising program but later grew into a performance group providing an environment for confidence and education. The at-risk youth are also active in the decision making of the group regarding performances, creativity and budgeting which ultimately results in giving the girls a strong sense of self-worth and esteem.





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#### Day 16: Sydney

Enjoy a day at leisure. This evening, say your farewell to Australia while taking in the sights during a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour. Marvel at the scenic vistas of the harbour showcasing Sydney's magnificent skyline, the iconic Sydney Opera House and the Harbour Bridge. (B, D)

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

Fly to one of the world's best-kept secrets – New Zealand! Arrive in gorgeous Queenstown. Dinner is at the famous Skyline restaurant overlooking Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu and the Remarkable Mountains. After dinner this evening **the choice is yours!** Take a seat at a cultural show, enjoy star gazing with a naturalist **-OR-** if you are feeling more adventurous, give the luge a try! (B, D)

#### Day 18: Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown

En route to Milford Sound, enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley. You'll travel through 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 the optional "Journey through Middle Earth" tour which takes you through the majestic Remarkable Mountains and the breathtaking Queenstown countryside showcasing many of the spots where *The Lord of the Rings* movies were filmed. (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. There will be time to enjoy 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)

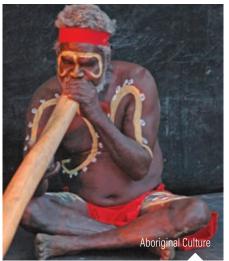
#### Day 21: Mt. Cook - Christchurch

Travel to the historic city of Christchurch, the "Garden City". Enjoy some free time to explore. Stroll the city's magnificent gardens or view cutting-edge examples of post-earthquake architecture in the central district.

(B)









#### 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. Explore the National 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 one-third of its population boasts Maori roots making it known as the Maori capital of New Zealand. You'll feel right at home this evening when a New Zealand family welcomes you into their home for the night! This is sure to be an unforgettable experience as you make new friends, learn about the customs of the "Kiwis," and enjoy a home-cooked meal. (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 being made to remove this marvelous creature from the endangered species list. Next, meet the skilled carvers who work with pounamu, New Zealand greenstone, at a jade factory. At the Agrodome, see a sheep shearing demonstration and learn about the importance of agriculture to the nation. (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 at a local restaurant for a farewell dinner where you will toast the end of a wonderful trip! (B, D)

#### Day 27: Auckland - Tour Ends

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

#### **STAY LONGER**

ADD A DAY Auckland: Reward yourself with another night to enjoy the "City of Sails." CALL FOR DETAILS

#### DATES & PRICES

DATES & FRIEZS							
January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 September 1	Twin Solo \$7499 \$10299			
January 13, 20	\$6999	\$9399	September 15	\$7749 \$10549			
February 3, 10, 17, 24 March 3, 10, 17	\$6999 \$6999	\$9399 \$9399	September 22, 29 October 6, 13, 20	\$7999 \$10799 \$7999 \$10799			
April 7, 14 Itinerary featured is for May 2018 –	\$6999 Anril 2019 to	\$9399	November 3, 10 January 12, 19, 26	\$7999 \$10799 \$7999 \$10799			
departures. Departures prior to this date will vary.  Please confirm at time of reservation.			February 2, 9, 16, 23 March 2, 9, 16	\$7999 \$10799 \$7999 \$10799			
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	April 6, 25, 27	\$7999 \$10799			
May 26	\$6999	\$9999	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$100 - \$200			
June 16, 23 July 7, 21 August 18	\$6999 \$6999 \$6999	\$9999 \$9999 \$9999	Rates are land only, per person, and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.				

This trip requires a passport and visa. Your home stay will take place in the greater Rotorua area. Your host family will pick you up at your hotel and return you to meet up with your group the following morning. If you prefer not to stay in a private home, you may choose to stay at your Rotorua hotel with dinner included. Please make your decision known at the time of booking as no changes are allowed on tour. If your preference is not made known, your stay in Rotorua will default to the home stay. The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us.

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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Come to know the history of Australia's original inhabitants at the Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Center.
- Get up close and personal with cuddly koalas and native crocodiles at Hartley's Croc Farm.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Board a catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great Barrier Reef.
- Take a guided tour of the fascinating Sydney Opera House.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 7 | Ascend to the top of the Sydney Tower Eye and then visit the Sea Life Sydney Aquarium or explore the best spots of Sydney Harbour in a high-speed boat.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Take in the sights during a dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour.
- A New Zealand family welcomes you into their home for dinner!
- Visit a local winery in Queenstown to taste some of their famous wines.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Days 1, 2 Overnight Flight

Days 3 - 5 Pacific Hotel, Cairns

**Days 6 - 8** Novotel Rockford Darling Harbour, Sydney

Days 9, 10 Pavilions Hotel, Christchurch

Days 11 - 14 Millennium Hotel, Queenstown

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





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#### START EARLY



Cairns: Reward yourself with more time to enjoy the gateway to the Great Barrier Reef, CALL FOR DETAILS

#### 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 one of the world's most spectacular natural attractions and a World Heritage site – 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: Great Barrier Reef

Board a high speed catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great Barrier Reef. This immense series of 2,800 coral reefs is home to amazingly diverse marine life. Explore the reef from your base on Green Island. Enjoy a glass bottom boat ride, stroll the island 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 with the reef, optional scuba diving and an outer reef tour are also available. Whichever way you choose, you'll see some of the world's most fascinating marine and plant life. (B, L)

#### Day 5: Cairns

Come to know the history of Australia's original inhabitants at the Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Center. Here you'll see traditional dances, learn how to play a didgeridoo or even throw a boomerang. Browse the renowned art gallery and interpretation center's artifact collection. At Hartley's Croc Farm, get up-close with crocodiles in their natural habitat! 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 cuddly creatures. Take an exciting cruise on the lagoon and watch for crocodiles before enjoying a delicious Aussie barbecue. (B, D)

#### 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 😯

Tour Sydney and discover where the original English colonists first settled in 1788. Other highlights include Kings Cross, the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks, Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens and the fashionable suburb of Paddington. Discover one of the world's most fascinating architectural sights on a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on



Sydney Harbour. Next, learn how raw opals are transformed into beautiful works of art at the National Opal Centre. This afternoon **the choice is yours!** Experience the area at your own pace with a 24 hour hop on hop off Sydney Harbour cruise pass. Hop off to explore places of interest or stay on and relax during a narrated cruise **-OR-** choose to ascend the Sydney Tower Eye for incredible views and explore the renowned Sea Life Sydney Aquarium. (B)

#### Day 8: Sydney

Embrace the exciting city of Sydney during a day of independent exploration. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to offer suggestions. Tonight, say 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 of the harbour showcasing Sydney's magnificent skyline, the iconic Sydney Opera House and the Harbour Bridge. (B, D)

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

Fly to the historic city of Christchurch, New Zealand. Devastated by an earthquake in early 2011, see firsthand how the city known as "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 home-cooked meal. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Christchurch

Delight in some leisure time to explore Christchurch on your own. You may wish to visit the informative and interactive International Antarctic Centre to learn about the 7th continent, or simply relax and enjoy what the city has to offer. (B)

# **Day 11:** Christchurch - Mt. Cook Region - Queenstown

Traverse the spectacular countryside. Stop at a Canterbury farmyard for the rare opportunity to learn how a New Zealand family farm operates – you may even catch a sheep shearing demonstration. Continuing to Queenstown, savour the chance to spot the highest peak in the Southern Alps, Mt. Cook, before stopping at a local fruit stand for an inside look at the produce of New Zealand. Arrive in Queenstown and have time to explore before dinner this evening. (B, D)

# Day 12: Queenstown - Arrowtown - Queenstown Set off for the beautiful turn-of-the-century Gold Rush settlement of Arrowtown. Take time to explore independently and stroll its quaint, historic streets. Next, explore the Central Otago region where many of New Zealand's best wines are grown and produced. During a stop at a local winery, visit their storage cave for a tasting of some of their famous wines. (B)

# **Day 13:** Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown

En route to Milford Sound, enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley. You'll travel through ancient beech forest via the Homer Tunnel. During a cruise of the breathtakingly beautiful Milford Sound 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, 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 14: Queenstown

A free day offers a variety of optional activities to enhance your tour. Shop or people-watch in the village; partake in an optional, exhilarating jet boat ride on the Shotover River; or join the optional "Journey through Middle Earth" tour which takes you through the majestic Remarkable Mountains and the breathtaking Queenstown countryside showcasing many of the spots where *The Lord of the Rings* movies were filmed. This evening, take in the city of Queenstown from above. A breathtaking gondola ride takes you to dinner at the Skyline Restaurant overlooking Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu and the Remarkable Mountains. (B, D)

# **Day 15:** Queenstown - Tour Ends (B)

#### ADD A DAY

Queenstown: Enjoy a bit more of this 'English' city tucked away in the South Pacific. CALL FOR DETAILS

**STAY LONGER** 





DATES & PRICES							
January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note) January 16, 23, 30 February 6, 13, 19, 20, 27 March 6, 13 April 3, 9, 10, 17 Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – Ay departures. Departures prior to this of Please confirm at time of reservation	late will va		May 2018 – April 2019 August 21 September 11 October 2, 9, 23 January 15, 22 February 5, 12, 19, 26 March 5, 12, 19 April 2, 9, 16	Twin \$3799 \$3799 \$3999 \$3999 \$3999 \$3799	\$00 \$5099 \$5099 \$5499 \$5499 \$5499 \$5499 \$5099		
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary) May 1 June 5 July 10, 17, 31	Twin \$3599 \$3799 \$3799	\$4699 \$5099 \$5099	Triple Room Reduction Rates are land only, per person include the internal flights on to additional dates.				

This trip requires a passport and visa. Due to frequent flight schedule changes, a post-night in Queenstown may be required (at an additional cost). Please inquire at the time of booking. The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us.

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#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Stop for a sushi lunch in Tokyo's famous fish market.
- Taste the local culture during a variety of included local meals.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

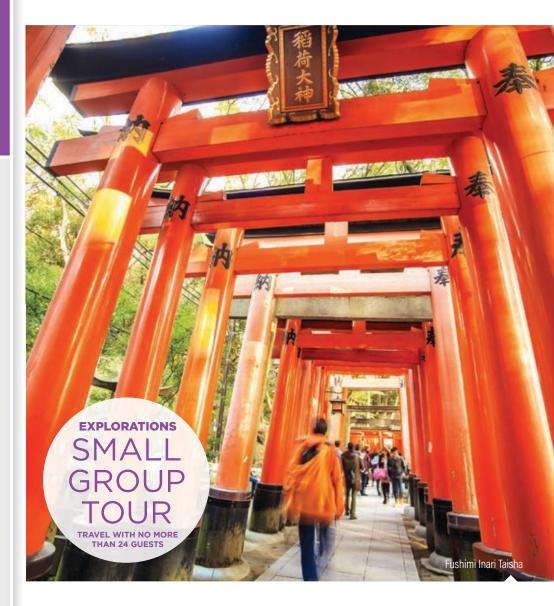
Days 2 - 4 Grand Prince Hotel New Takanawa,

Tokyo

Days 5 Odakyu Hotel de Yama, Hakone
Days 6, 7 Hida Plaza Hotel, Takayama
Days 8, 9 ANA Crowne Plaza, Kanazawa

Days 10 - 13 Westin Miyako, Kyoto

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**Tokyo:** Arrive early to begin your adventure in the "Land of the Rising Sun." CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Come to know Japanese culture — both ancient and modern. Discover its timeless temples, unimaginable natural beauty, and technological marvels.

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

Welcome to "the Land of the Rising Sun." Your tour opens in Tokyo where rich traditions and pop culture thrive side by side. This evening, meet your fellow travelers at a welcome dinner. (D)

#### Day 3: Tokyo

Excitement builds this morning as you explore the famous Ginza district where skyscrapers and neon lights meet high fashion. Traverse Shibuya Crossing, the busiest intersection in the world! Find peace and harmony at Meiji Shrine, which rests amid a forest in the shadow of the city. See the Imperial Palace, a fine example of traditional Japanese architecture. Next, it is time for a true taste of Japan; a sushi lunch in Tokyo's famous fish market. (B, L)

#### Day 4: Tokyo

This morning join the locals to experience a tea ceremony in an authentic setting. Next have free time to explore the Nakamise Shopping Arcade, the best place to find a souvenir of your trip. Later, travel to

Asakusa, Tokyo's oldest Geisha district. See its famous Senso-ji, a Buddhist temple dedicated to the Bodhisattva Kannon. Soak in the relaxed atmosphere and old-world Japanese architecture. Return to Tokyo by boat on a cruise down the Sumida River. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Tokyo - Hakone

Today we head to the lakeside resort of Hakone. Renowned for its hot springs and spas, this scenic town hugs the shores of Lake Ashi. With magnificent Mt. Fuji (UNESCO) rising in the distance, sit back, relax and soak up the incredible setting. Take to the deep-blue waters of Lake Ashi on a cruise featuring epic views of the mountain and stops at some of the lakeside towns. Tonight, gather for a leisurely walk to the charming town of Moto-Hakone. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Hakone - Matsumoto - Takayama

This breathtaking day begins in the Kawaguchi's "Five Lakes" area. Climb aboard the Kachi Kachi Ropeway which ascends over 1,300 feet and affords you a glorious panorama of Mt. Fuji and the surrounding lakes. Next, stop in Matsumoto for a traditional Japanese lunch. Then it's on to see Matsumoto Castle, known as the "Crow Castle" due to its striking black exterior. Later, step back in time in Takayama, a rural Edo period town nestled in the Japanese Alps. Well known to the locals for its connection to sake, this is the perfect place to gather for a visit to one of Japan's last family-owned sake breweries. You are in for a treat as we sample some traditional rice wine. In the old city, a special Hida beef dinner is on tonight's menu. (B, L, D)

#### Day 7: Takayama

Embrace the ancient culture of Takayama as you explore its historic district. Next, head to the bustling open-air markets that date back over 600 years. Catch a glimpse of the past at the 19th-century Jinya government building. Explore the winding streets lined with charming traditional inns and houses. Your afternoon is free to explore however you like, including joining your local guide at a nearby nature park. (B)

#### Day 8: Takayama - Shirakawa-go - Kanazawa

Today we cross the mountainous Shokawa Valley on our way to Shirakawa-go (UNESCO). Uncover the unique charm of this village with gassho-zukuri-style (resembling two hands joined in prayer) thatch-roofed houses. The adventure continues as we travel to the scenic town of Kanazawa. Once one of the country's richest regions, gold leaf-making began here in the 16th century. Explore at your leisure and enjoy the timeless feel of this special place. Tonight we gather in town for dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 9: Kanazawa

Adventure awaits as we travel as the locals doaboard a local transport. We will make our way through the Omicho market, the Samurai district, Higashi tea district, and Kenroku-En (Garden of Six Qualities), one of Japan's most beautiful gardens. Then it is time for your hands-on gold leaf class. Dive deep into this ancient craft as you create your own bento box to take home. Once again you have a free afternoon to independently experience this dynamic culture. (B)

#### Day 10: Kanazawa - Thunderbird Express Train

#### - Kyoto

Board an express train bound for Kyoto. This former Imperial capital of Japan (784 – 1868) is now one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the nation. Even as it has taken its place as an international city, it remains true to the past and is home to a staggering 2,000 temples and shrines. Next, head to the Gion (Geisha) district. Along its narrow lanes you will find teahouses and women in traditional dress. Dine tonight in the heart of the city at a traditional yakitori (grilled chicken) restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Kyoto

Explore Nijo Castle (UNESCO), home of the first Shogun. See elaborate woodcarvings, wall paintings, and the Ninomaru Garden, designed by Kobori Enshu, a landscape architect and tea master. Travel to Kodai Yuzen-en Gallery for a lesson in the art of stenciling. Ascend the hillside to Kiyomizu temple and take in a wonderful view of the city. Then, it's on to the Fushimi Inari Taisha for a tour of the most revered shrine of Inari. Find yourself strolling along its spectacular rows of orange Torii (made famous in the movie Memoirs of a Geisha) as they weave through the forest and lead you to the inner shrine. (B)

#### Day 12: Kyoto - Bullet Train - Hiroshima - Kyoto

Board the Shinkansen bullet train to travel to Hiroshima. Pause to see the ruined building known as the Atomic Dome (UNESCO) before visiting the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum and park. After lunch in the city we will make our way south to board a ferry for the short trip to Miyajima Island, "Shrine Island." See the iconic Torii gate which appears to be floating on the water. As this moving day comes to a close, return to Kyoto by Shinkansen bullet train for an evening at leisure. (B)

#### Day 13: Kyoto

Relax or set out to explore Kyoto on your own. Tonight, experience Japanese culture during a special farewell dinner that features a Geisha show. (B, D)

#### Day 14: Kyoto - Tour Ends

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





DATES & PRICES								
February - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note) February 24 March 3, 10, 17, 24 April 7, 14, 21	Twin \$4499 \$4699 \$4999	\$5799 \$5999 \$6299	May 2018 - April 2019 September 1, 15, 22 October 6, 13, 20, 27 November 3, 10, 17 January 26	Twin \$5999 \$5999 \$5999 \$5599	<b>Solo</b> \$7299 \$7299 \$7299 \$6899			
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May 19, 26 June 9 July 7 August 4	\$5849 \$5849 \$5849 \$5849	\$7149 \$7149 \$7149 \$7149	Triple Room Reduction Rates are land only, per perso additional dates.	N/A				

This trip requires a passport. 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. Flights arrive into Tokyo and depart from Osaka.

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#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Walk on the Juyongguan section of the
- Explore Old Town Shanghai and tranquil Yuyuan Garden.
- Enjoy a relaxing 4-night upstream cruise on the Yangtze River.
- · Visit a Panda Breeding Sanctuary.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Savor traditional Chinese food including dumplings, noodles and Peking Duck.
- · Meet a local family and enjoy a dumplingmaking class.
- · Partake in a traditional tea ceremony.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Grand Gongda Jianguo Hotel, Days 2 - 5

Days 6, 7

Grand Dynasty Culture Hotel, Xian

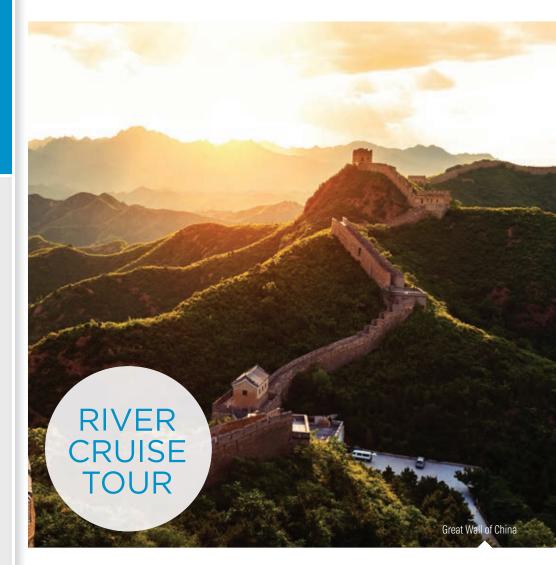
Days 8 - 11 Victoria Cruises

Days 12, 13 Tianfu Sunshine Hotel, Chengdu Days 14 - 16 Lijiang Waterfall Hotel, Guilin

Days 17, 18 Jinjiang Huating Hotel & Towers,

Shanghai

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



# experience China's marvels, ancient and modern.

rural and cosmopolitan, on an epic journey that features a scenic cruise along the Yangtze River.

#### **START EARLY**



Beijing: Arrive early to enjoy China's ancient capital city.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out on a journey that takes you to Beijing, Xian, Chengdu, Guilin 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. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

#### Day 3: Beijing

We begin our day with a stroll through iconic Tiananmen Square. Afterwards, set out to discover the Forbidden City, an awe-inspiring 15th-century complex of palaces, courtyards and gardens that was once the home of the Ming and Qing emperors. Enjoy special access to the

Treasure Hall. Its three palaces have been turned into exhibition rooms that now contain an array of imperial treasures. The remainder of your day is at leisure. (B, L)

#### 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. Finally, return to the city, driving past the Olympic Village. (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 dumpling-making class before a traditional calligraphy lesson. Then, share a simple

**TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL** 





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. Tonight, celebrate during a traditional Xian dumpling banquet. (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 - handpulled noodles. The rest of the day is yours to explore. (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 begins. (B, D)

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

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-of-the-art site Three Gorges Dam, the world's largest hydroelectric project. Tonight, enjoy the Captain's welcome dinner and cabaret. (B, L, D)

#### Day 10: Cruising - Shennong Stream - Wu Gorge - Qutang Gorge

Take in the tranquil surroundings on a ride up the remote Shennong 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 Chongging 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 Panda Breeding Sanctuary. 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 traditional-style buildings. (B, L)

#### Day 14: Chengdu - Guilin

Board a flight to Guilin to begin a 3-night stay. This evening, take a walking tour around Ronghu Lake and enjoy the stunning night skies. (B, L)

#### Day 15: Guilin

Enjoy a full-day visit to the Longji Rice Terraces. Known as the Dragon's Backbone for its scaly appearance, the terraces are actually rows and rows of stunningly colorful rice paddies. Walk through the fields and the nearby villages, meeting local residents along the way. (B, L)

#### Day 16: Guilin

Set out on a Li River cruise that takes you from Guilin to Yangshuo and past some amazing karst limestone scenery. Be sure to look out for cormorant fishermen and water buffalo. Upon arrival in Yangshuo, visit West Street, home to a number of shops selling traditional paintings, calligraphy and more. There will be time at leisure to relax at one of the many outdoor cafés. (B)

#### Day 17: Guilin - Shanghai

Welcome 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. Then explore the past as we visit a silk museum. This evening, take a cruise on the mighty Huangpu River. (B, L)

#### Day 18: Shanghai

Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Shanghai. Set out for the waterfront district, known as the Bund, which runs along the Huangpu River. 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. Enjoy lunch at a celebrated local restaurant known for its xiao long bao soup dumplings. Then, visit the imposing Urban Planning Center, the nerve center of the city. Finally, celebrate you adventure during your farewell dinner before enjoying a marvelous acrobatics show. (B, L, D)

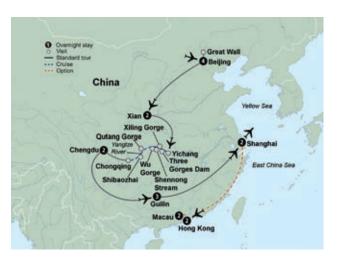
#### Day 19: Shanghai - Tour Ends

Your adventure comes to an end today. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Shanghai: Enjoy more time to explore this bustling waterfront city.





DATES & PRICES						
April – October 2018 April 11 May 2, 16 June 13 September 5, 19, 26 October 3, 10, 31	\$3599 \$ \$3599 \$ \$3599 \$ \$3599 \$	Solo 4999 4999 4999 4999	Triple Room Reduction Rates are land only, per person a include the internal flights on to additional dates.			

This trip requires a passport and visa. 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. The internal flights are not included in the land price of the tour. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us. All guests will be confirmed in balcony cabins during the cruise portion of the tour.

### **MYSTERIES OF INDIA**

15 DAYS · 26 MEALS FROM \$2799



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

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

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

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



#### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

DAY 5 | Participate in a relaxing yoga class and learn basic exercises and breathing techniques from a local expert or enjoy a morning walking tour of Udaipur just as the city is waking up.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- · Sit down for a home-hosted dinner and observe daily life inside the old city.
- · Revel in an interactive cooking demonstration followed by dinner.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Overnight Flight Day 1 Vivanta by Taj Dwarka, New Delhi Days 2, 3 Days 4, 5 Lalit Laxmi Vilas, Udaipur

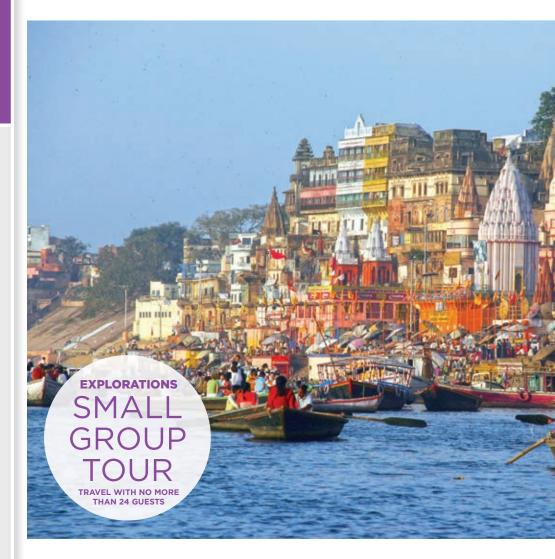
Days 6, 7 The Lalit, Jaipur

Juna Mahal, Ranthambore Days 8, 9 Days 10, 11 Radisson Blu Taj East Gate, Agra Day 12 Radisson Jass Hotel, Khajuraho Days 13, 14 Radisson Hotel, Varanasi

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL





# unravel the mysteries of this vast and diverse country

through its natural wonders, magnificent palace and flavorful cuisine.

#### START EARLY

**ADD** A DAY

Delhi: Arrive early to discover India's capital city. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

#### Day 2: Delhi, India - Tour Begins

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

#### Day 3: New Delhi

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

#### Day 4: Delhi - Udaipur

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

#### Day 5: Udaipur 😯

It's your choice! Participate in a relaxing yoga class and learn basic exercises and breathing techniques from a local expert -OR- enjoy a morning walking tour of Udaipur just as the city is waking up. Later, we visit the exquisite City Palace – its main entrance, Tripolia, was built in 1725. Stop at Sahelion-ki-Bari, the Garden of the Maids of Honor, and learn about the lifestyle of the royal ladies who once strolled through these gardens. This evening, cruise along Lake Pichola and take in views of the Jag Mandir Palace and the City Palace. (B)

#### Day 6: Udaipur - Jaipur

Depart for a scenic drive through the countryside to the "Pink City" of Jaipur. After having lunch and checking into your hotel, head out for a brief stop at Hawa Mahal,



home to a former Maharaja, with its façade of 953 windows. Visit the City Palace and find gardens, courtyards, intricate decorative art and carved doorways. Marvel at Jantar Mantar, an astronomical observatory built in 1726 by Sawai Jai Singh. (B, L)

#### Day 7: Jaipur

Board a vintage jeep and ascend to the top of the majestic Amber Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage site and India's former seat of power. Visit a local school where the children are part of a midday program supported by the efforts of the Collette Foundation. Tap into local customs during lunch as you learn about turban and sari tying. Stroll through a flower market for a glimpse into the art of making garlands used in traditional Indian ceremonies. Delve deeper into Indian culture during a henna tattoo and bindi demonstration. Tonight, sit down for a homehosted dinner and observe daily life inside the old city. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 8:** Jaipur - Ranthambore National Park

Travel to Ranthambore National Park to learn about Project Tiger's efforts at conservation in India. Meet a naturalist who will discuss the wildlife of the country with you during a slideshow presentation. Embark on a game drive by canter (an open air vehicle). Watch for marsh

crocodiles, hyenas, sloth bears and even tigers. (B, L, D)

#### Day 9: Ranthambore

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

#### Day 10: Ranthambore - Bharatpur - Agra

An early morning train brings you to Bharatpur. Disembark and continue your journey to Agra, a city rich with the splendors of the past, where you will enjoy a relaxing lunch. (B, L)

#### Day 11: Agra

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

#### Day 12: Agra - Jhansi - Orchha - Khajuraho

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

#### Day 13: Khajuraho - Varanasi

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

#### Day 14: Varanasi

Cruise along the River Ganges past various Ghats where people ritually cleanse themselves of their sins, hoping for salvation. A city tour of Varanasi includes the Benaras Hindu University and Bharat Mata Temple. Continue to Sarnath where Siddarth Gautama, later known as Buddha, gave his first sermon on a quiet grove in the 6th century B.C. A Hindu scholar discusses the philosophy of Hinduism with you. Join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner this evening. (B, D)

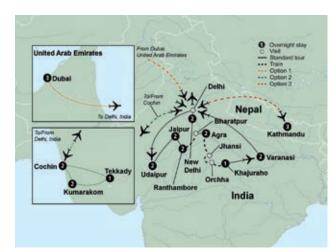
#### Day 15: Varanasi - Delhi - Tour Ends

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

#### LONGER



Delhi: Enjoy more time to explore this exciting cultural melting pot. CALL FOR DETAILS





#### **TOUR EXTENSIONS:**

September 27

- Dubai: Begin your trip with 3 nights in Dubai. Visit one of the world's most exciting, must-see destinations. SEE PAGE 182 FOR DETAILS
- Nepal: Complete your trip with a 4-night extension. Head to the Himalayas and the legendary city of Kathmandu. SEE PAGE 183 FOR DETAILS
- South India: Complete your trip with a 6-night extension. See how ancient and colonial influences have come together along the seacoast. SEE PAGE 184 FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

January - April 2018	Twin	Solo	September 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)			October 4, 18, 25	\$2999	\$3999
January 11, 18, 25	\$3199	\$4349	November 1, 8, 15, 29	\$2999	\$3999
February 8, 15, 22	\$3199	\$4349	January 10, 17, 24, 31	\$2999	\$3999
March 1, 8	\$3199	\$4349	February 7, 21	\$2999	\$3999
April 5, 19	\$2749	\$3599	March 7, 21	\$2999	\$3999
Itinerary featured is for September 2018 - April 2019 tour			March 28	\$2799	\$3799
departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			April 4, 25	\$2799	\$3799
September 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	N/A	
(featured itinerary)			Rates are land only, per person and	do not in	clude

This trip requires a passport and visa. The approximate visa cost is \$135 USD. Rates are approximate

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the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.

and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. The Indian Government charges a camera and/or video fee of approximately \$6 USD/\$20 USD respectively (total for the entire trip) for taking photos inside attractions. Your Tour Manager will collect these fees at the beginning of the tour and pay the government accordingly. Each guest is responsible for proper medical 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. Due to tour scheduling, return flights home should not be booked to leave prior to 6:00 p.m. on the last day. The internal flights are not included in the tour cost. All air, including internal air, can be purchased through us. Due to flight schedules, flights arriving into Delhi may arrive very late in the evening on Day 2 or just after midnight the morning of Day 3. A pre or post night may be required (at an additional cost).

#### **ALSO AVAILABLE**

**India's Treasures** 10 days - 17 meals Visit collette.com for details.

# KINGDOMS OF SOUTHEAST ASIA

20 DAYS · 36 MEALS FROM \$2999



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Meet the monks of a local monastery and participate in a private blessing ceremony.
- Journey to the famous Pak Ou Caves, home to hundreds of Buddhas.
- See the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground Viet Cong passageways.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

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



#### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

**DAY 13** Come to know life in Ky Son on a stroll **or** bike ride through the village.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Learn to prepare traditional Vietnamese dishes at a cooking class.
- Enjoy lunch at a nonprofit restaurant that employs underprivileged children.
- Learn about locally made rice wine called "lao lao" in Ban Xang Hai.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 4 New World Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City

Days 5-7 Le Meridien Hotel, Siem Reap

Days 8-10 The Sanctuary Hotel, Luang Prabang

Days 11 - 13 The Movenpick Hotel, Hanoi

**Day 14** Bhaya Classic, Halong Bay

**Day 15** Pilgrimage Village, Hue

Days 16 - 18 Almanity Hoi An Resort and Spa,

Hoi An

Day 19 New World Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# explore an ancient and mysterious world

where each day paints a new picture of the rich cultures, lost civilizations and vibrant cities of Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos.

#### START EARLY



Ho Chi Minh City: Spend more time in this metropolis once known to the world as Saigon. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

**Day 2:** Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam - Tour Begins Your tour opens in historic Ho Chi Minh City.

#### Day 3: Ho Chi Minh City

This morning, head to the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground passageways used as hideouts by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. This afternoon you'll get acquainted with the city's colonial landmarks on a tour that features the Post Office, Notre Dame Cathedral, the Reunification Palace, and the Binh Tay Market. Tonight, gather with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Ho Chi Minh City - Mekong Delta - Ho Chi Minh City
Explore the famous Mekong Delta, rich with natural and
cultural wonders, during a cruise along this bustling
river. Be introduced to daily life during a visit to a home
where coconut candy and rice paste are made. Enjoy a
lunch of regional cuisine in a lush tropical garden. Visit a

local residence to learn about their traditional way of life. Later, enjoy a visit to Cao Dai Temple. (B, L)

#### Day 5: Ho Chi Minh City - Siem Reap, Cambodia

Fly to Cambodia and the village of Siem Reap, a town which brings together colonial and Chinese architecture. Today, this ancient place is home to chic hotels and a thriving culinary scene. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Siem Reap

Begin your day exploring the ancient ruins of Angkor Thom, known for its colossal stone-carved faces. Discover its famous Bayon temple, Baphoun; Phimeanakas, the Royal Palace, the Elephant Terrace and the Leper King Terrace. Next, explore the famous Angkor Wat, the world's largest religious building and the symbol of Cambodia. Remain until evening for an opportunity to see a spectacular sunset over the monuments. Dinner this evening is accompanied by an Apsara show. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Siem Reap

Set out to see three impressive Hindu temples: the towering 11th-century pyramid-shaped Temple of Shiva; Banteay Srei Temple with its remarkably intricate carvings; and the well-preserved Banteay Samre Temple. This afternoon, spend time at a local monastery where you'll meet the monks who reside there and participate in a private blessing ceremony. Then we continue to the

mystical Buddhist temple Ta Prohm, overgrown by the creeping jungle. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Siem Reap - Luang Prabang, Laos

Your day begins at the JWOC Community Center where you'll meet local school children. Then, fly to Luang Prabang, the spiritual capital of Laos. (B)

#### Day 9: Luang Prabang

This morning we are off to two of the most remarkable temples in Luang Prabang: Wat Sen or "Temple of 100,000 Treasures," and Wat Visun. Continue through the countryside to the stunning Kuang Si waterfalls. Return to town in time to gaze over Luang Prabang from atop Mount Phousi. Later, immerse yourself in the Night Market to browse for items made by local residents. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Luang Prabang

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

#### Day 11: Luang Prabang - Hanoi, Vietnam

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

#### Day 12: Hanoi

Begin your day in Ba Dinh Square, home of the mausoleum built to honor Ho Chi Minh. Behind this impressive site and standing in stark contrast is Minh's simple house on stilts. Admire the lotus-shaped One Pillar Pagoda resting on a single stone pillar emerging from the water. Take in the well preserved traditional architecture at the Temple of Literature. Enjoy lunch at a nonprofit restaurant that empowers underprivileged children by training them with new skills. Then, set out on a cyclo tour of Hanoi that takes you through its old quarter where you'll see traditional Vietnamese architecture. End the day with a traditional water puppet performance. (B, L, D)

#### Day 13: Hanoi - Ky Son - Hanoi 😯

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

#### Day 14: Hanoi - Halong Bay

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

#### Day 15: Halong Bay - Hanoi - Hue

Wake as the fog lifts, revealing the morning light. Cruise through the emerald waters of Halong Bay back to the harbor. Then we return to Hanoi to board a flight to Hue, the Imperial capital city. (B)

#### Day 16: Hue - Hoi An

Travel to the Perfume River and embark on a cruise that reveals Hue's Imperial past. Stop at Thien Mu Pagoda, one of the oldest and most remarkable religious buildings in the country. Then it's on to the sprawling Imperial Citadel. After your cruise, continue through the countryside via the breathtaking Hai Van Pass on our way to Hoi An. Pause to see the quaint Lang Co fishing village before arriving in Hoi An, an ancient merchant trading port and a UNESCO World Heritage site. (B, L, D)

#### Day 17: Hoi An

Learn about the local cuisine at today's cooking class. Begin with a visit to a local market to interact with vendors and learn about traditional ingredients. Learn how each of the vegetables and herbs are used to create everyday Vietnamese cuisine and enjoy lunch after your class. Then, visit one of Hoi An's famous lantern workshops and try your hand at lantern making. Enjoy a walking tour of this well-preserved town. Later, enjoy a peaceful boat trip along the Thu Bon River before free time to explore. (B, L)

#### Day 18: Hoi An

Catch a glimpse into the Champa Kingdom at the remarkable ruins of My Son Sanctuary, a UNESCO World Heritage site situated in a remote jungle valley. This once thriving epicenter of religion and politics has more than 20 well-preserved monuments to explore. Then it's off to Tra Que Herb Village, a small farming community. En route, stop to see 17th-century Japanese tombs. Arrive in town and observe the local farmers tending to their crops and sample some local delicacies. Relax as you soak your feet in an herbal bath before returning to Hoi An. Tonight, enjoy dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 19: Hoi An - Ho Chi Minh City

Fly to Ho Chi Minh City this afternoon. Tonight, toast to the end of a remarkable trip while savoring your farewell dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 20: Ho Chi Minh City - Tour Ends

Return home with a wealth of incredible memories. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Ho Chi Minh City: Relax after your adventure or enjoy more time to explore. CALL FOR DETAILS





#### **DATES & PRICES**

January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 September 3, 10, 17, 24	Twin \$2999 \$	<b>S</b> (
January 8, 15, 22, 29	\$3549	\$4549	October 1	7-000 7	\$43
February 5, 12, 19, 26	\$3549	\$4549	October 22	7	\$48
March 5, 19, 26	\$3549	\$4549	November 12, 26	\$3549 \$	\$48
April 2, 16	\$3549	\$4549	January 14	\$3549 \$	\$48
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – departures. Departures prior to this Please confirm at time of reservation	s date will va		February 18, 25 March 4, 18, 25 April 8, 15	700.0	\$48 \$48 \$48
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	N/A	,
May 7, 14	\$2999	\$4099	Rates are land only, per perso	n and do not	
June 11	\$2999	\$4099	include the internal flights on	tour. Call abo	ut
July 9	\$2999	\$4099	additional dates.		
August 6, 27	\$2999	\$4099			

This trip requires a passport and visas. The approximate cost for a one month multiple entry Vietnam visa is \$135 USD and must be obtained prior to departure. You can obtain the visa for Cambodia at the airport upon arrival. The cost is approximately \$30 USD and two complete blank pages are required in your passport along with one passport photo. A Laos visa is required for this tour at your expense. This can be purchased upon arrival in Luang Prabang, Laos. The approximate cost is \$36 USD. One blank page is required in your passport. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from the date of return home. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Due to flight schedules, a pre and/or post night stay 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. The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price of your tour. All air, including internal flights. can be purchased through us.



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#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- See Rothschild giraffes up-close as you feed them from a platform.
- Learn about the culture and traditions of the Samburu people.
- Get to know the Masai people during a stop at a Masai village.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Set out on numerous game drives in search of lions, elephants, buffalo, leopards and rhinos.
- View wildlife up-close from your treetop lodge, The Ark.
- Explore the farmhouse of Karen Blixen, author of Out of Africa.
- Pause at the Equator and perhaps step on the Northern and Southern Hemisphere at the same time.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Savor a traditional dinner in the bush with Masai entertainment.
- Enjoy a leisurely breakfast in the bush, surrounded by nature.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Day 2 Sarova Stanley Hotel, NairobiDay 3 Aberdare Country Club, Nyeri

Days 4, 5 Sarova Shaba Lodge, Shaba Reserve

Day 6 The Ark Hotel, Nyeri

Days 7, 8 Sarova Lion Hill Lodge, Lake Nakuru

Days 9, 10 Sarova Mara Camp, Masai MaraDay 11 Sarova Stanley Hotel, Nairobi

**Days 12, 13** Ol Tukai Lodge, Amboseli

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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# scenic vistas and magnificent wildlife surround you

as you traverse the African plains on an intimate safari adventure.

#### START EARLY



Nairobi: Get ready for the adventure of a lifetime with an extra night to relax.

CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Get ready for an amazing safari adventure as you explore Kenya's wildlife and stunning natural vistas.

#### Day 2: Nairobi, Kenya - Tour Begins

Arrive in Nairobi for an overnight stay at the Sarova Stanley Hotel, the city's first luxury hotel.

#### Day 3: Nairobi - Aberdare National Park

Today we set off for the mountainous region of Aberdare National Park. This ecologically diverse area boasts lush valleys and peaks reaching 14,000 feet. Arrive at your hotel situated on the slope of Mweiga Hill overlooking the park. Keep an eye out for the giraffes that welcome you to the lodge. The afternoon is yours enjoy the amenities of the lodge; perhaps you'll take a nature walk or enjoy a round of golf! (B, L, D)

# **Day 4:** Aberdare National Park - Buffalo Springs Reserve - Shaba National Reserve

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



#### Day 5: Shaba Reserve - Samburu National Reserve - Shaba Reserve

Bring your camera as you continue searching for the elusive "Big 5" on a morning game drive through the rugged Samburu National Reserve. The striking contrast of sand, sky and bush will leave you breathless. After lunch at the lodge, continue on an afternoon game drive in Shaba, Watch for the spectacular local birds: over 350 species of birds are known to inhabit the reserve. Look for the desert rose plant, splashing color against its natural surroundings. Your day comes to a close on the banks of the Ewaso Ng'iro River. Sit back and relax as the sun sets on the horizon, partaking in a traditional Sundowner. (B, L, D)

#### Day 6: Shaba Reserve - Aberdare National Park

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

the comfort of the lodge. Sit back and let the animals come to you! (B, L, D)

Day 7: Aberdare National Park - Lake Nakuru Drive past the mountains via the spectacular Nyahururu waterfalls. Then, make a photo stop at the Equator. Arrive at the floor of the Great Rift Valley and continue your search for the "Big 5" during your time at Lake Nakuru. (B, L, D)

#### Day 8: Lake Nakuru

A taste of Africa. After your morning game drive, savor a traditional breakfast in the bush. Then, enjoy some time to relax and enjoy the amenities at the lodge. Your exciting afternoon game drive returns to the lodge before sunset. (B, L, D)

#### Day 9: Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara Game Reserve

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

#### Day 10: Masai Mara

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

#### Day 11: Masai Mara - Nairobi

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

#### Day 12: Nairobi - Amboseli National Park

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

#### Day 13: Amboseli

Further explore Amboseli with two game drives your final chance to see the "Big 5." (B, L, D)

#### Day 14: Amboseli - Nairobi - Tour Ends

Return to Nairobi where a day room has been reserved for you to freshen up prior to your departure for home. (B)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Nairobi: Stay a bit longer to reflect on your amazing adventure in Kenya. CALL FOR DETAILS





#### **TOUR EXTENSIONS:**

July 5, 12, 19, 26

- Nairobi: Begin your trip with an extra night. Vistit the Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage and learn about the efforts to protect and rehabilitate the elephants.
- Tanzania: Complete your trip with a 4-night extension. Explore Serengeti National Park and the Ngorongoro Crater. SEE PAGE 180 FOR DETAILS

DATES & PRICES								
January - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Twin \$5799	<b>Solo</b> \$7549			
January 25	\$5319	\$6619	September 6, 13, 20	\$5799	\$7549			
February 8, 22	\$5319	\$6619	October 11, 14, 18, 25	\$5799	\$7549			
March 8, 15	\$5319	\$6619	November 1, 4, 15	\$5249	\$6499			
April 5, 19	\$4619	\$5119	<ul> <li>December 16</li> </ul>	\$6249	\$7949			
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - April 2019 tour			January 17, 24	\$5349	\$6549			
departures. Departures prior to this		ry.	February 7, 14, 28	\$5349	\$6549			
Please confirm at time of reservation			March 7	\$5349	\$6549			
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	April 11, 18	\$5049	\$5549			
May 17, 24, 31	\$4649	\$5099	Triple Room Reduction	N/A				
June 7, 10, 14, 21, 28	\$4649	\$5099	Rates are land only, per person	n. Call abou	t			

#### The Best Christmas Ever! **Unwrap the Masai Mara!** Awaken on Christmas morning in the Masai Mara ready to explore the most spectacular game viewing spot in all of Kenya. Make lions, giraffes, zebras and elephants your gift this year! **December 16, 2018**

\$5799 \$7549

additional dates

This trip requires a passport and visa. A Kenya visa is required for this tour and must be obtained in advance. To apply for your visa in advance, visit www.ecitizen.go.ke to submit an application and register yourself as a visitor. You will need a scanned copy of your passport as well as a passport photo to apply for the visa. Please allow for ample time as it may take up to a week or more to process. Bring a printed copy of your visa to present upon arrival in Kenya. The current cost of the single entry visa through this website is \$50 USD; rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Should you wish to use an alternate visa service provider, additional processing fees may apply. Park fees of \$572 USD are included in the land price of your tour. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment. Each guest is responsible for proper documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Collette will not be responsible for costs incurred for missed flights or canceled tours where a guest fails to secure proper documentation. Please contact your local travel clinic or personal physician for specific details. Soft duffel bag luggage is required for this tour with maximum weight of 15 kgs. (approximately 33 pounds). Due to tour scheduling, return flights should not be scheduled prior to 9:00 p.m.

### **TREASURES OF EGYPT**

13 DAYS · 22 MEALS FROM \$2199



#### **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.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- · Explore the expansive Karnak Temple, dating back to 2000 B.C.
- · Visit the pyramids of Giza, one of the seven ancient wonders of the world.
- · Explore the Valley of the Kings.
- Discover the Museum of Egyptian Antiquities.



#### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

DAY 10 | In Aswan, board a felucca (wooden sail boat) and sail to the lush oasis of Kitchener Island or experience Nubian culture past and present during a visit to a fascinating museum.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

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



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Fairmont Nile City Hotel, Cairo

Days 4, 5 Sonsesta St. George Hotel, Luxor

**Days 6-9** Movenpick Royal Lily

Movenpick Hotel, Aswan Day 10

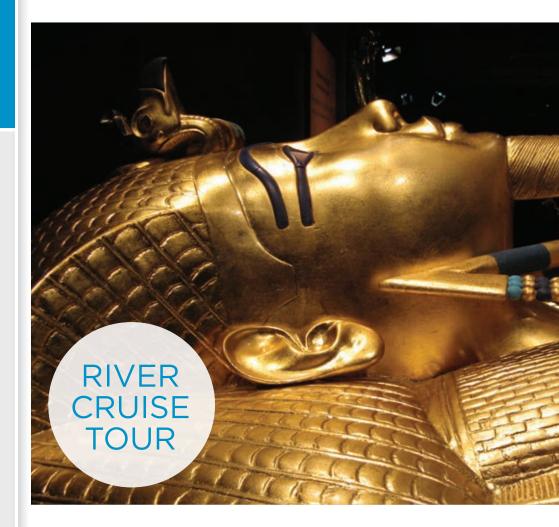
Days 11, 12 Intercontinental Citystars Hotel, Cairo

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL







# travel to the ancient land of Egypt to discover the beauty

and legends of the Nile River and the wonders that line its shores.

#### START EARLY



Cairo: Step into the sands of time a day early with another night in the capital.

#### 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

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 Museum of Egyptian Antiquities. 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)

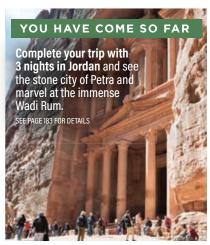
#### Day 5: Luxor

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

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 - your stop for the evening. Following dinner, enjoy a folkloric show featuring a belly dancing performance. (B, L, D)

#### Day 9: Kom Ombo - Aswan

Set sail to Aswan, the Nubian city. 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. The choice is yours! You may choose to board a felucca (wooden sail boat) and sail to the lush pasis 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 travelers 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)

#### **STAY LONGER**



Cairo: Take another night to explore more of Egypt's mysteries. CALL FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

January - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note) January 10, 24 February 7, 21 March 7, 14 April 4, 18	\$2249 \$2249	\$2899 \$2899 \$2899 \$2849	October 2018 - April 2019 November 7 December 5 January 9 February 6, 27 March 6, 20	\$2249 \$2249 \$2249	\$0lo \$2949 \$2949 \$2949 \$2949 \$2949
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This trip requires a passport and visa. Passport numbers are required in advance. An Egyptian visa is required for this tour and costs approximately \$28 USD. If you have purchased either international air and/or transfers through us, your visa will be provided upon arrival at no additional cost. If you purchase your own air and transfers, you must obtain your own visa upon your arrival in Egypt. Due to flight schedules, the Abu Simbel option must be purchased at time of booking. Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Each quest is responsible for proper medical 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. The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price of your tour. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us.

# COLORS OF MOROCCO

11 DAYS · 18 MEALS FROM \$2749



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Stroll the cobbled alleyways and ancient market of the Medina in Fes.
- Experience a Moroccan tradition at a henna workshop.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Explore Fes, one of the holiest Muslim cities in the world.
- Board a camel to your desert camp and overnight in the Sahara Desert.
- Jump into a 4x4 and make your way to a nomadic village.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 10 | Choose to visit the gardens of Jardin Majorelle and the Berber Museum, or tour Marrakech by horse-drawn carriage.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Learn how madfouna (stuffed bread with potato, meat, onion and Moroccan spices) is made.
- Experience Moroccan hospitality during lunch with a local family.
- Select your own ingredients before a culinary workshop at a local riad.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Day 2 Kenzi Basma Hotel, Casablanca

Days 3, 4 Riad Yacout, Fes

Day 5 Kasbah Xaluca, Erfoud

Day 6 Auberge du Sud Hotel, Merzouga Day 7 Hotel Xaluca Dades, Boumalne du

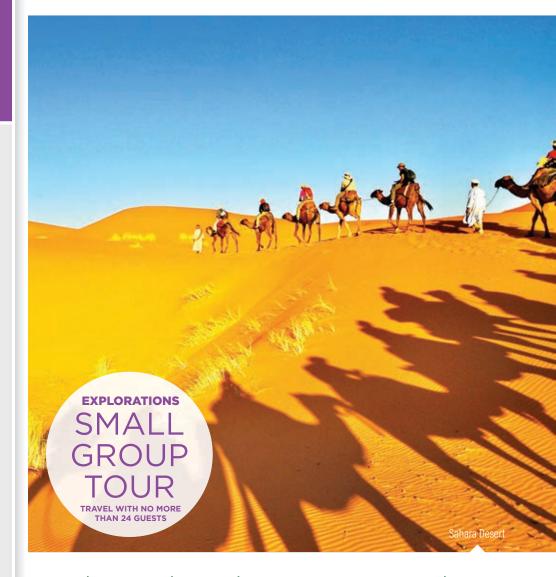
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Days 8 - 10 Opera Plaza, Marrakech

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.







# take in the vibrant surroundings and dazzle your senses

as you are immersed in the unique atmosphere that is Morocco.

#### START EARLY

ADD A DAY Casablanca: Begin your adventure with more time in this cultural mecca.

CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Embark on a captivating Moroccan adventure featuring centuries-old customs and colorful culture.

#### Day 2: Casablanca, Morocco - Tour Begins

Your journey begins in Casablanca. See the city by night on your drive along the seashore to a welcome dinner at Rick's Café, the mythical saloon from the film *Casablanca*. (D)

#### Day 3: Casablanca - Rabat - Meknes - Fes

This morning, tour the impressive Hassan II Mosque, a stunning, high-tech, architectural masterpiece.

Then we are off to Rabat, the capital of Morocco, to

visit the Mausoleum of Mohammed V and explore the Oudaya Kasbah. Continue to the imperial city of Meknes (UNESCO). Lush rolling hills studded with ancient olive groves await you in this cultural city where you will see Bab El Mansour and Bab El Khamis. Arrive in Fes in time for dinner prepared by local women, known as "dadas." Taste traditional Moroccan delights passed down from generation to generation. (B, D)

#### Day 4: 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, including the Medersa Bou Inania, built in 1325. See the Jewish Quarter, the city ramparts and the gates of the palace. Set out on a walking tour in the Medina. Founded in the 9th century, it is home to one of the world's oldest universities. Amid the cobbled alleyways of this ancient market you'll see donkeys and mules laden with goods walking alongside buyers. Spend time at the famous leather tanneries, a

honeycomb of vats exploding in brilliant colors. (B)

#### Day 5: Fes - Ifrane - Erfoud

Continue towards Erfoud. Along the way we pause in Ifrane for excellent views of the Middle Atlas Mountains and the surrounding villages. Overnight in a kasbah. (B, D)

# **Day 6:** Erfoud - Rissani - Sahara Desert Expedition - Merzouga

Your day begins at Erfoud's fossil factory and museum where they turn fossil rocks into decorative items. Next, travel to the Saharaoui town of Rissani. Enjoy a true taste of the region as you learn how madfouna (homemade stuffed bread with potato, meat, onion and Moroccan spices) is made. Jump into a 4x4 vehicle and stop in one of the nomadic villages of the Sahara before arriving at the edge of the dunes. Board your camel for a ride to a desert camp. Cross the stunning fine sands of Merzouga while the red sun slips toward the horizon. As night falls, listen to intoxicating Berber drums during the traditional pouring of mint tea followed by a delightful Moroccan feast. Sleep in a fully equipped Berber-style tent and experience an unrivaled sense of tranquility in the serene desert. (B, L, D)

# **Day 7:** Merzouga - Todra Gorge - Boumalne du Dades

Enjoy amazing views of the sunrise as you return to the edge of the dunes via camel. Then, begin the journey to Todra Gorge. Spend time in the Jewish quarter where you may sample some local favorites at a bakery. Arrive in vibrant Boumalne du Dades. Along its river valleys, palmeries and burnished mud-brick homes light up in the desert sun. (B, D)

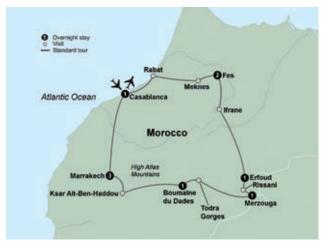
#### **Day 8:** Boumalne du Dades - Ksar Ait-Ben-Haddou - Marrakech

Follow the rugged "Road of a Thousand Kasbahs." These fortress-like structures rise up like turreted sandcastles along the ancient trading route. Drive through the Valley of Roses, stopping en route at a local cooperative. Then, it's on to the UNESCO World Heritage site of the Ksar Ait-Ben-Haddou, an impressive feat of Moroccan architecture. Continue along the High Atlas Mountains following the Tizi n' Tichka Pass. This scenic route brings you through lush oasis valleys, imposing mountains and several Berber villages before you reach the exotic city of Marrakech. (B)

#### Day 9: Marrakech

Explore Marrakech and its ancient El Bahia Palace where today you'll find a sentry of nesting storks standing guard. Enter the royal Saadian Tombs, explore the vibrant and historic Jewish Mellah, and see the majestic 12th-century Koutoubia Mosque. Tour the ancient city wall, passing by the Royal Palace. Savor lunch and tea in the home of a local family and get a true taste of Moroccan hospitality. Then, enter the 9th-century walled Medina and enjoy time to







mingle with locals and artisans as you shop at the ancient market. This evening enjoy time on your own to explore the city. Or, perhaps you'll choose to join an optional excursion and dinner at Jemaa el Fna, Marrakech's main square. (B, L)

#### Day 10: Marrakech 😯

This morning, select the ingredients for your culinary workshop that takes place at a local riad, a traditional Moroccan house. After lunch, experience another local custom at a henna workshop. Then **it's your choice!** Visit Jardin Majorelle, one of the most beautiful gardens in Morocco; enjoy a tour of the gardens and the Berber Museum **-OR-** tour Marrakech by horse-drawn carriage. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for an unforgettable farewell dinner in a palace. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 11:** Marrakech - Casablanca - Tour Ends

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

#### **STAY LONGER**



Casablanca: Explore more of this Moroccan port city.
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#### DATES & PRICES

January - April 2018	Twin	Solo	October 2018 - April 2019	Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)			November 7	\$2749	\$3449
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April 5	\$2449	\$3149	March 6, 27		\$3449
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Please confirm at time of reservation.

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(featured itinerary)
October 3, 17, 24, 31 \$2749 \$3449

Triple Room Reduction (-) N/A
Rates are land only, per person. Call about



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This trip requires a passport. Return flights from Casablanca should not be booked prior to 11:30 a.m. Due to flight schedules, a post-night may be required in Casablanca (at an additional cost).

# SPECTACULAR SOUTH AFRICA

13 DAYS · 21 MEALS FROM \$2999



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

- Visit one of the oldest working ostrich farms in Oudtshoorn, the ostrich capital of South Africa, and learn about these fascinating animals.
- Experience a thrilling cable car ride rising more than 3,000 feet.
- Learn the local beat with a lesson on the djembe drums.

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

- Search for the "Big 5" on an open-air safari game drive!
- Marvel at the breathtaking Drakensberg Mountains.
- Behold the luxurious mansions of Soweto South West Township.



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

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

**DAY 11** In Franschhoek, tour a local wine cellar **or** embark on a stroll through the winelands.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

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



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Da Vinci Hotel and Suites, Sandton

**Days 4, 5** Protea Kruger Gate or Premier Winkler, Kruger National Park

Days 6 - 8 Log Inn, Knysna

Days 9 - 12 The Commodore Hotel, Cape Town

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# tap into South Africa's harmonious mix of cultures

cosmopolitan cities, magnificent wildlife and fertile wine country.

#### START EARLY



**Sandton:** Add an extra night in this dynamic section of Johannesburg.

CALL FOR DETAILS

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

One country with a world of treasures, South Africa awaits your arrival.

#### 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 you visit the Apartheid Museum which commemorates the rise and fall of apartheid in South Africa. 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, have some time to ponder history at Liliesleaf, the location of Nelson Mandela's arrest and the former center and place of refuge of the liberation movement. Gather this evening with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

#### Day 4: 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. Set against the triple mountain formation of the Three Rondovals, resembling traditional round houses of the indigenous people, the canyon is the third largest in the world. Along this magnificent route you will also see Bourke's Luck Potholes, the dramatic natural cylinders shaped by millions of years of natural erosion caused by fast-flowing sand-filled waters. This evening, enjoy a traditional Boma dinner under the stars 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 open-air-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 giraffe in the natural beauty of Kruger National Park. (B, L, D)

#### Day 6: 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, to enjoy a 3-night stay. (B)

#### Day 7: Knysna

Today we visit nearby Featherbed Nature Reserve. 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, visit Plettenberg Bay, a tranquil and charming town originally known as "Bahia

Formosa" (or "Beautiful Bay.") Enjoy views of beaches, dramatic rock formations and lagoons. Later you return to Knysna.(B, L, D)

#### Day 8: Knysna - Oudtshoorn - 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. Travel to Oudtshoorn, the ostrich capital of South Africa. Enjoy a guided tour of one of the oldest working ostrich farms in the area, after which you can catch a glimpse of ostriches big and small while on a tractor safari through the Lucerne fields. An outdoor barbecue lunch adds to an amazing day. Upon your return to Knysna, enjoy some time to independently explore the waterfront area. (B, L)

#### Day 9: Knysna - Cape Town

Before leaving the Garden Route, enjoy a visit to the Aloe Ferox region where you will enjoy an aloe-tapping demonstration and a stroll in the indigenous gardens. Later this afternoon, arrive in the beautiful harborside city of Cape Town. (B)

#### Day 10: Cape Town

Enjoy a panoramic tour of lovely Cape Town, celebrated for its architecture that fuses the traditions of the French, German and Dutch. Enjoy a thrilling ride on a cable car as it whisks you to an altitude of more than 3,000 feet, landing atop the aptly named 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 Milnerton Lighthouse. (B)

Day 11: Cape Town - Franschhoek - Cape Town 😵 Journey to the beautiful winelands region, known for its colorful mountains and endless vineyards. Visit a local winery for a wine tasting, followed by lunch overlooking the vineyards. After lunch, it's your choice! Take a tour of the wine cellar and learn about the different vintages and blends created at the winery -OR- embark on a scenic walk through the winelands along the Franschhoek River. (B, L)

#### Day 12: 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 and a soothing hand washing ceremony before a communal African dining experience! (B, D)

Day 13: Cape Town - Tour Ends Your tour ends today in Cape Town. (B)

#### STAY LONGER



Cape Town: Delight in another night to explore this vibrant coastal CITY. CALL FOR DETAILS





#### **TOUR EXTENSIONS:**

- Dubai: Begin your trip with 3 nights in Dubai. Visit one of the world's most exciting, must-see destinations.
- Victoria Falls: Complete your trip with a 3-night extension. Stand in awe of one of the world's seven natural wonders.

SEE PAGE 182 FOR DETAILS

#### **DATES & PRICES**

January - April 2018	Twin	Solo	September 2018 - April	2019 Twin	Solo
(different itinerary - see note)		00.0	October 4, 11, 18, 25	\$3099	
January 11, 18	\$2899	\$3599	November 1, 8, 29	\$3099	\$3749
February 8, 15	\$2899	\$3599	January 10, 17, 31	\$3149	\$3799
March 1, 8, 15	\$2899	\$3599	February 7, 14, 21	\$3149	\$3799
April 12, 26	\$2899	\$3599	March 7, 14, 21	\$3149	\$3799
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confirm at time of reservation. September 2018 - April 2019 Twin Solo (featured itinerary)

September 4, 6, 13, 20 \$2999 \$3699 Triple Room Reduction

Rates are land only, per person and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates

N/A

#### TRAVEL WITH IMPACT

This special tour date blends sightseeing with volunteering. Give back to the local community while having a truly immersive experience. Call for more details.

November 8, 2018



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. We will not be responsible for costs incurred for missed flights or canceled tours where a guest fails to secure proper documentation. For guests transiting via Europe, an additional overnight flight will be required. Our air passengers will arrive on Day 2 into Johannesburg. All of our transfers on Day 2 will be from Johannesburg to Sandton. Day rooms or overnight stays can be arranged for a cost upon request. The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us. 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.

### EXPLORING SOUTH AFRICA, VICTORIA FALLS & BOTSWANA

14 DAYS · 23 MEALS FROM \$4846



#### **CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

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

#### **MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS**

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



#### IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 13 | In Chobe National Park, search for wildlife on a game drive by land or embark on a safari cruise.



#### **CULINARY INCLUSIONS**

- Savor a true African dining experience including a hand-washing ceremony.
- Sample a variety of South African wines during a wine tasting.
- Dine under the stars during your stay in a nature conservancy.



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 4 Commodore Hotel, Cape Town

Days 5, 6 Spier Hotel or Devon Valley Hotel,

Stellenbosch

Days 7, 8 Hanglip Mountain Lodge, Entabeni

**Day 9** Da Vinci Hotel and Suites, Sandton

Days 10, 11 Victoria Falls Safari Lodge,

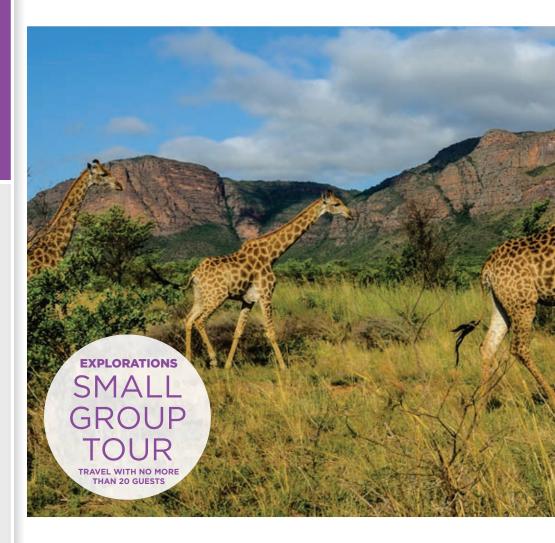
Victoria Falls

Days 12, 13 Chobe Marina Lodge, Kasane

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL
See page 187 for details.





# epic scenery, abundant wildlife, winding coastlines and

remarkable cultural diversity come together in an incredible adventure.

#### START EARLY



Cape Town: Take an extra day in this beautiful harborside city.

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#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Epic scenery, winding coastlines, remarkable cultural diversity and abundant wildlife come together in an incredible experience.

#### Day 2: Cape Town, South Africa - Tour Begins

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

#### Day 3: Cape Town

Step aboard a cable car that whisks you to an altitude of more than 3,000 feet atop Table Mountain. Gaze at the astounding view of Cape Town, Robben Island and Lion's Head. Return to the city via Table Bay, passing through the Moorish Malay Quarter on your panoramic

tour, pausing along the way at Milnerton Lighthouse. Spend the remainder of your afternoon at leisure. You may choose to explore charming Victoria and Alfred Waterfront, known for its shopping and entertainment venues. Be sure to stop by the local craft market for some hidden gems. This evening, savor a true African dining experience as you become familiar with a traditional African hand-washing ceremony before sampling local delicacies. (B, D)

#### Day 4: Cape Town

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



#### Day 5: Cape Town - Stellenbosch

After a leisurely morning, a short drive brings you to the beautiful winelands of the Western Cape. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure. This evening, learn about the varieties of wines South Africa is known for during a wine tasting; then savor a delicious dinner created with locally-sourced ingredients. (B, D)

#### Day 6: Stellenbosch - Hermanus - Stellenbosch

Enjoy a leisurely drive over the Sir Lowry Pass to the quaint seaside village of Hermanus. A walking tour will acquaint you with the village. Enjoy some leisure time to explore the shops and art galleries before returning to Stellenbosch. Alternatively, you may choose to stay in Stellenbosch and explore the winelands region independently or just relax in the beautiful setting. (B)

# **Day 7:** Stellenbosch - Johannesburg - Entabeni Conservancy

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

#### Day 8: Entabeni Conservancy

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

#### **Day 9:** Entabeni Conservancy - Johannesburg Carry on your quest for the "Big Five" before breakfast. Later, journey to the vibrant city of Johannesburg. Enjoy some leisure time in

Sandton this afternoon. (B)

Day 10: Johannesburg - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe Fly to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. Spend some time at a local village learning more about the regional culture. Embark on a walking tour of the stunning Victoria Falls. Later you may enjoy a sundowner poolside and the spectacular African sunset while the animals gather at the

African sunset while the animals gather at the watering hole. Tonight's dinner is a fun and interactive experience with traditional dancers and drummers. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Victoria Falls

This morning explore a local craft market. Later you will meet African elephants and have the opportunity to interact with them before you enjoy some free time at the lodge. Reflect on your surroundings as you relax while overlooking the wildlife watering hole. This evening you may wish to partake in an optional sunset cruise on the Zambezi River. (B)

#### Day 12: Victoria Falls - Chobe, Botswana

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

#### Day 13: Chobe National Park 😵

This morning, venture into Chobe National Park on a one-of-a-kind game drive. After lunch, **it's your choice!** Continue to search for wildlife by land on an afternoon game drive **-OR-** get a different perspective from the river on a safari cruise. Tonight's dinner by the river is hosted by a chef who will teach you the art of cooking a traditional braai (barbecue) complete with some local favorites such as game meat. (B, L, D)

#### **Day 14:** Chobe - Johannesburg - Tour Ends Fly to Johannesburg where your tour comes to a close. (B)





#### **DATES & PRICES**

January – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Twin	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019 August 8	Twin \$4846	<b>Solo</b> \$5996		
January 10, 17, 24	\$4846	\$5846	August 29	\$4946	\$6196		
February 7, 12, 14, 21, 24, 28	\$4846	\$5846	September 1, 5, 12, 19, 26	\$4946	\$6196		
March 7, 14	\$4846	\$5846	October 3, 10, 13, 17, 24, 31	\$4996	\$6346		
April 4, 11, 14, 18, 25	\$4746	\$5746	November 7	\$4996	\$6346		
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			February 6, 13, 16, 20, 27 \$4996 \$	\$6346 \$6346 \$6346			
May 2018 – April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Twin	Solo	April 3, 10, 17, 24	\$4896	\$6146		
May 9, 30	\$4846	\$5996	Triple Room Reduction	N/A			
June 6, 20 July 4, 11	\$4846 \$4846	\$5996 \$5996	Rates are land only, per person and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.				



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Suggested Tours: 1 The Plains of Africa 2 Treasures of Egypt CALL FOR DETAILS

This trip requires a passport and visa. You must have at least 4 blank pages (with visa hologram) remaining in your passport to allow for the entry stamp issued for South Africa as well as the visas for Zimbabwe and Botswana. The 2 pages for South Africa MUST be facing each other. Failure to comply with this law will result in denied boarding of your international flight. A valid multiple entry visa is required for Zimbabwe. Multiple entry visa cost is approx. \$45 USD for US citizens. The visa may be purchased upon arrival, in cash only. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Park fees of \$97 USD per person are included in the land price. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment. A mandatory tourism levy of \$30 USD is required for all travelers upon arrival at the port of entry, paid by cash or credit card. Fees are subject to change. 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. Malaria pills are recommended when visiting Zimbabwe and Botswana. Consult your physician 2-3 weeks prior to departure. Due to tour scheduling, return flights from Johannesburg should not be scheduled prior to 6:30 p.m. 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. The internal flights are not included in the land price. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us.

# extend YOUR TOUR Extensions

# Optional

### MILAN 2-night post tour ADD TO: Italian Vistas (pg. 60)

Extension Day 1: Stresa - Milan

Transfer to Milan, a chic and sophisticated metropolis known for being a hub of high fashion. Milan is filled with historic architecture including the Duomo, its magnificent Gothic cathedral, Upon arrival, receive your sightseeing bus ticket valid for 48 hours...hop-on and hop-off the red

open-top double-decker buses and explore this bustling city at your own pace.

#### Extension Day 2: Milan

Continue your independent exploration of Milan at your leisure. You may choose to visit the Sforza Castle, Sant'Ambrogio Cathedral, Parco delle Basiliche or the

Duomo, Milan's most famous landmark. (B)

Extension Day 3: Milan - Tour Ends (B)

Please Note: A minimum of 3 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. This extension is not hosted or guided.



2 MEALS - \$599\*

2 Breakfasts

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Doria Grand Hotel, Milan

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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See page 187 for details.

### **ICELAND** 3-night post tour

ADD TO: Norwegian Coastal Voyage & Scandinavian Capitals (pg. 32) Spectacular Scandinavia (pg. 30)

#### Extension Day 1: Fly to Reykjavik, Iceland

Discover Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice. Enjoy free time to explore the city's old section that features Hallgrimskirkja church, City Hall, the harbor, and Reykjavik's oldest building, home of the Kraum Icelandic design center.

#### Extension Day 2: Reykjavik - Golden Circle - Reykjavik

Travel the incredible Golden Circle, a route that encompasses many of Iceland's most

renowned natural wonders. Marvel at the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Journey to Thingvellir National Park, the nation's most historic area. Find yourself standing upon one of the globe's most geologically significant landscapes, Thingvellir's rugged rift valley, a UNESCO World Heritage site that marks the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Return to Reykjavik and have

time to explore the city on your own. (B)

#### Extension Day 3: Reykjavik

Enjoy a day at leisure. (B)

#### Extension Day 4: Reykjavik - Tour Ends (B)

Please Note: During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services for the Golden Circle. A minimum of 2 quests is required for this extension to operate. Due to flight schedules, a post night may be required in some Iceland Air gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of reservation. Additional air segment purchase required.





**ACCOMMODATIONS 3 MEALS** 

\$699 - \$999\* 3 Breakfasts

#### Hotel Reykjavik Centrum, Reykjavik

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

1) 2 3 4 5

See page 187 for details.

# MADEIRA ISLAND 4-night post tour

ADD TO: Sunny Portugal (pg. 58)

#### Extension Day 1: Lisbon - Funchal, Madeira - Monte - Botanical Garden

Fly to Madeira Island, the "pearl of the Atlantic." Stop in Monte, perched on the hills overlooking Funchal. Visit the Botanical Garden of Madeira with its vast collection of more than 2,500 plants from all continents. Next, enjoy a leisurely paced tour of Funchal's charming plazas, colonial mansions, 15thcentury cathedral and local market.

#### Extension Day 2: Funchal - Câmara de Lobos

- Cabo Girão - São Vicente - Porto Moniz Visit Câmara de Lobos, a traditional village with a wonderful bay. Continue

#### 5 MEALS - \$699\*

4 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

along mountain roads, passing banana plantations and vineyards, en route to Cabo Girão, the world's second highest cliff. São Vicente, a charming agricultural town, offers dramatic views. Explore the lively fishing village of Porto Moniz. (B)

#### Extension Day 3: Funchal - Ribeiro Frio -Santana 😯

Wind through the mountains to Poiso to visit the island's third highest point — Pico do Arieiro. Then it's your choice! At Ribeiro Frio (Cold River), you may choose to explore a fascinating trout farm and the surrounding natural beauty - OR - perhaps

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Pestana Casino Park, Funchal Turim Marques, Lisbon

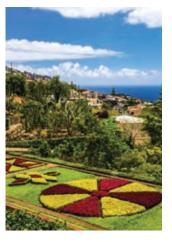
you will choose to join an exhilarating "levada walk" and follow the paths that run along the water channels that flow through the mountains. Later, continue to Santana. Visit a family-owned embroidery shop for a first-hand look at this delicate craft. This is followed by a tasting of world-famous Madeira wine. Enjoy a traditional dinner known as espetada. (B, D)

#### Extension Day 4 Funchal - Lisbon Return to Lisbon and spend the remainder of the day at leisure. (B)

Extension Day 5: Lisbon - Tour Ends (B)

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

1 2 3 4 5 See page 187 for details.



Please Note: The levada walk is approximately 45 minutes on a flat surface. Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Additional air segment purchase required.

### **HAWAII** 2-night post tour

ADD TO: Hawaiian Adventure (pg. 100)

#### Extension Day 1: Maui - Big Island

Board your inter-island flight to the "Big Island" of Hawaii. Also known as Hawaii Island, the Big Island is famous for its volcanoes and is larger than all the other Hawaiian islands combined. The remainder of your day is at leisure.

#### Extension Day 2: Big Island

Today you will circumnavigate the Big Island during a full day excursion. Tour the South Coast and see Kealakekua Bay. Next, visit a Kona coffee plantation. See the famed black sand beaches of the Big Island. Journey to the incredible Volcanoes National Park and learn about the world's most active volcano, Kilauea. Explore steam bluffs, a fern tree jungle and the Thurston Lava Tube. You will also visit the Jaggar Museum as well as the Big Island Candy Factory. Then, you will drive past the many waterfalls of the Hamakua Coast stopping

at Rainbow Falls. Finally, enjoy a visit to the Hamakua Macadamia Nut Factory before returning back to your hotel. (B)

#### Extension Day 3: Big Island - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)

Please Note: A minimum of 6 passengers is required for this extension to operate. This extension is hosted by a driver/ quide only during the transportation portions of the tour. Additional air segment purchase required.



2 MEALS - \$799\*

2 Breakfasts

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Sheraton Kona, Kona

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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See page 187 for details.

# SALVADOR DE BAHIA 3-night post tour

ADD TO: The Complete South America (pg. 146)

### Extension Day 1: Rio de Janeiro - Salvador

Continue exploring Brazil in Salvador de Bahia, known for its Portuguese colonial architecture, Afro-Brazilian culture and tropical coastline. Tour the Pelourinho neighborhood (UNESCO), the historic heart of the city, with cobblestone pathways opening onto large squares, colorful buildings and Baroque churches. Visit the stunning São Francisco Church and Convent, featuring Baroque gilt woodwork. Later, enjoy a traditional Bahian meal. (L, D)

#### Extension Day 2: Salvador de Bahia - Praia do Forte - Salvador de Bahia

Travel along the Coconut Coast to Praia do

#### **6 MEALS** \$1499 - \$1599\*

3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 2 Dinners

Forte, the most charming fishing village of Bahia. You will see some of the most beautiful beaches in the area. Next, visit the ruins of Garcia D'Ávila Castle as well as the Projeto Tamar, a project to preserve sea turtles. Enjoy a leisurely afternoon in Praia do Forte before returning to your hotel. (B)

#### Extension Day 3: Salvador de Bahia

Embark on a panoramic city tour of Salvador highlighting the Barra Lighthouse, the Lower City (Cidade Baixa), and the traditional neighborhood of Ribiera. Your tour includes a visit to the Bonfim Church. Explore the Mercado Modelo, the largest handicraft center in Bahia. Evenings in Bahia are a real spectacle, Cap off

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Fera Palace Hotel, Salvador

your last evening with a visit to one of the most traditional show houses in Salvador. Savor a wide variety of Bahian cuisine while watching a folkloric performance showcasing Afro-Bahian cultural expressions such as samba-de-roda, maculelê, hauling of the fishnet, candomblé and capoeira. This is truly a fascinating show and the perfect end to your Salvador de Bahia

#### Extension Day 4: Salvador de Bahia - Tour

Transfer to the airport as your tour ends today.

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

1 2 3 4 5 See page 187 for details.



The Brazilian Amazon and Salvador de Bahia extensions operate concurrently. Only one post extension may be booked. The order of sightseeing may be altered due to weather conditions or flight schedules. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Additional air seament purchase required.

# FIJI 3-night post tour

ADD TO: From the Outback to the Glaciers (pg. 150), The Complete South Pacific (pg. 154), South Pacific Wonders (pg. 158)

#### Extension Day 1: Nadi, Fiji

Today you will arrive in the beautiful tropical paradise of Fiji. Fijians are warm and friendly, with a welcoming, vibrant South Pacific culture. The expansive sandy beaches and clear ocean waters draw visitors from around the world

#### Extension Day 2: Fiji

Your day is free to explore everything that

your resort has to offer. Relax by the beach and pool, or choose one of the many fun, adventurous activities available to you from the hotel activities desk. Tonight, enjoy a lovely dinner. (B. D)

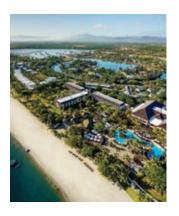
#### Extension Day 3: Fiji

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

#### Extension Day 4: Fiji - Tour Ends

Your time in Fiji comes to an end today. (B)

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 A minimum of 6 passengers is required for this extension to operate. The internal flights are not included in the extension land cost. Additional air segment purchase required.



4 MEALS - \$599\*

3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Sofitel Fiji Resort

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**



See page 187 for details.

# extend YOUR TOUR Extensions

# Optional

# JUNGLE ADVENTURE 3-night post tour

ADD TO: Tropical Costa Rica (pg. 138)

#### Extension Day 1: San Jose - Tortuguero National Park

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 eco-lodge surrounded by the beauty of a tropical forest and amazing wildlife. Learn more about your surroundings with a visit to the world's first Green Turtle Research Station and discover how to protect the turtle's nesting habitat and eggs. (L, D)

#### Extension Day 2: Tortuguero National Park

An early morning bird watching excursion is offered so you may learn about the variety of local species and migratory birds that flock to this area. Later, experience a spectacular boat cruise through the various canals and be sure to keep an eye out for wildlife including howler monkeys, sloths, toucans, aquatic birds, bats and caimans, as well as exotic flora. Tortuguero National Park is a study in rainforest, freshwater, and marine biology. (B, L, D)

#### Extension Day 3: Tortuguero National Park San Jose

Return to San Jose today for your last night in

Costa Rica before your return home. (B, L) Extension Day 4: San Jose - Tour Ends (B)

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 sightseeing as specified in your itinerary 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. 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.

8 MEALS \$499 - \$549\*

3 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Evergreen Lodge, Tortuguero National Park DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari, San Jose

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

1 2 3 4 5

See page 187 for details.

#### NAIROBI WITH ELEPHANT ORPHANAGE 1-night pre tour

ADD TO: The Plains of Africa (pg. 168)

Extension Day 1: Overnight Flight

Extension Day 2: Nairobi, Kenya - Extension Begins

Your extension begins with an overnight stay in Nairobi.

Extension Day 3: Nairobi - Elephant Orphanage Visit

This morning we visit the Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage, an internationally renowned orphanage located in Nairobi National Park. Learn about their efforts to protect and rehabilitate elephants who have been orphaned by poachers or have lost their habitat due to human population. You may

even choose to foster your own elephant! After lunch, visit Kazuri, which means "small and beautiful" in Swahili. This workshop creates handmade and hand-painted jewelry, ceramic beads and pottery. Return to your hotel early this evening where you will join the remainder of your traveling companions. (B, L)



A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times.

2 MEALS - \$349\*

1 Breakfast, 1 Lunch

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Sarova Stanley, Nairobi

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

1 2 3 4 5

See page 187 for details.

# TANZANIA 4-night post tour

ADD TO: The Plains of Africa (pg. 168)

#### Extension Day 1: Amboseli - Arusha, Tanzania - Karatu

Depart Amboseli for the border town of Arusha, Tanzania. After clearing border crossing formalities, enjoy lunch in Arusha. Then continue to your hotel in Karatu. (L, D)

#### Extension Day 2: Karatu - Serengeti National Park

After breakfast, depart for Serengeti National Park, undoubtedly the most famous wildlife

sanctuary in the world and known to have the greatest concentration of Plains' game anywhere. (B, L, D)

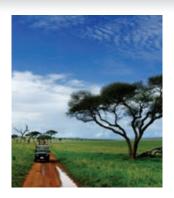
Extension Day 3: Serengeti National Park Today you will enjoy a full day game drive in the

Extension Day 4: Serengeti National Park -Ngorongoro Conservation Area After breakfast, begin your safari in the

Ngorongoro Crater, the largest intact caldera in the world. Enjoy a picnic lunch as you continue your journey to Ngorongoro Conservation Area.

### Extension Day 5: Ngorongoro - Arusha - Tour

Drive through Arusha on the way to the Kilimanjaro Airport (JRO) for your departure flight home. (B)



Park fees (approximately \$284 USD) are not included in the land price of your extension. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. A day room in Arusha is available for purchase before your departure for home. The cost of the unused dayroom on the last day of your base tour in Nairobi has been deducted from the price of your extension. Clients leaving Kenya and continuing their travels to Tanzania (including Zanzibar), even if only for a transit, will need a Yellow Fever certificate to enter Tanzania. Soft duffel bag luggage is required for this tour with maximum weight of 15 kgs. (approximately 33 pounds). 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 approximate cost of a Tanzania visa, purchased at the border, is \$100 USD, for US and Canadian citizens, payable in USD cash only. This requires a second blank page in your passport in addition to the required blank page for your Kenya visa. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Additional air segment purchase required.

12 MEALS \$1849 - \$2449\*

4 Breakfasts, 4 Lunches, 4 Dinners

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Country Lodge, Karatu Serengeti Sopa Lodge, Serengeti National Park Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge, Ngorongoro

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**





See page 187 for details.

# OTAVALO 3-night pre tour ADD TO: Machu Picchu & the Galapagos Islands (pg. 144)

Extension Day 1: Quito - Peguche - Otavalo

This morning, travel across the colorful valleys and make a stop at the Andean Instruments Museum in Peguche village. Continue on to meet local residents at lunch and enjoy indigenous music and dance. Then it's off to Otavalo, home of beautifully colored fabrics and a famous indigenous market. Learn how to make the Ecuadorian spiced drink canelazo and have the opportunity to sample this delicious beverage along with a empanada. Tonight, savor a typical dinner in the charming hacienda restaurant. (L. D)

Extension Day 2: Otavalo-Andes Mountain Train-Salinas-San Antonio de Ibarra-Otavalo Today, travel to the region of Imbabura, known

> 8 MEALS \$1149 - \$1249\*

3 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners

for towering volcanoes. Take an unforgettable train ride on the Andes Mountain Train through spectacular Andes scenery. Arrive in Salinas and gather for lunch featuring regional specialties and Afro-Ecuadorian music and dance. Then, drive to San Antonio de Ibarra, a picturesque town famous for elaborate wood carvings. Later, learn how to make helados de paila (fruit sorbet) before sampling the treat for yourself. This evening, arrive back at your historic Andean hacienda. Or, you may choose a home-cooked dinner and homestay in the Karanki indigenous community of La Magdalena on the slopes of Cubilche volcano. The Karanki welcome visitors into charming guest houses so travelers can learn about their culture. (B, L, D)

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Hacienda Pinsaqui or La Magdalena, Otavalo Mercure Grand Alameda, Quito Extension Day 3: Otavalo - La Magdalena - Quito

Witness the extraordinary community tourism project at La Magdalena and discover how the Collette Foundation is helping to support its residents. Experience the shepherding and harvesting activities, taste the homemade cheeses and breads, and learn about their medicinal herbal teas. Next, venture to Condor Park, a rescue center for a variety of birds of prey, to learn about the protection of these birds. Then it's off to La Compañía Hacienda, where you'll visit greenhouses full of roses. Arrive in Quito and enjoy the city during your last night in Ecuador. (B, L)

**Extension Day 4:** Quito - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today in Quito. (B)

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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The optional homestay at La Magdalena must be pre-booked. Space is limited. Rooms are simple and have private bathrooms. Dinner is included with the homestay. Otherwise you may overnight at the Hacienda (with dinner included). Please make your decision known at the time of booking. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. 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: The Complete South America (pg. 146)

#### Extension Day 1: Manaus - Amazon

This morning, fly from Rio de Janeiro to Manaus, the gateway to the Brazilian Amazon. Upon arrival, travel by boat to the Amazon Ecopark Jungle Lodge. Located in the middle of the Amazon rainforest the ecotourism lodge rests on the banks of the Rio Trauma. Visit the Monkey Jungle Reserve, a rehabilitation center for rescued primates until they can be reintroduced to the forest. After dinner, set out on a canoe and do some caiman spotting! (L, D)

#### Extension Day 2: Amazon

Learn about the Amazon's diverse flora and

#### 9 MEALS - \$1049\*

3 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 3 Dinners

fauna on a nature trek before visiting the Botanical Garden, an orchidarium housing 1,000 plants of 87 different species. Experience lunch at a traditional restaurant and visit the home of local Amazonian residents (*caboclos*). Spend some time exploring the jungle nature trails or swimming at the private beach. Relax over dinner in this tropical setting. (B, L, D)

#### Extension Day 3: Amazon

Enjoy a full day tour of the "Meeting of the Waters," where the yellow-grey Rio Solimoes meets the chocolate-colored Rio Negro, forming the mighty Amazon. Through the

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Amazon Ecopark Lodge, Manaus

lodge you may purchase an optional canoe ride and piranha fishing excursion. Feast on traditional local dishes (such as *tambaqui* and *tucunaré* fish) and luscious exotic fresh fruits on your final evening in the jungle. (B, L, D)

Extension Day 4: Amazon - Manaus - Tour Ends Sip tropical fruit juices at breakfast before enjoying some leisure time. Head back to Manaus by boat and then on to your final destination. (B)

The order of sightseeing may be altered due to weather conditions or flight schedules. This optional extension may require a certificate of Yellow Fever inoculation when

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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applying for your Brazilian visa, 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. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. The Brazilian Amazon and Salvador de Bahia extension operate concurrently. Only one extension may be booked. The internal flights are not included in the extension land cost. Additional air segment purchase required.

# PERUVIAN AMAZON 3-night pre or post tour

ADD TO: Complete South America (pre-tour - pg. 146), Peru: Ancient Land of Mysteries (post-tour - pg. 142)

#### Extension Day 1: Lima

Your extension begins with an overnight stay in Lima.

# **Extension Day 2:** Lima - Puerto Maldonado - Peruvian Amazon Basin

Fly from Lima and meet your naturalist guide. Board a canoe and transfer to your hotel. After a welcome lunch, walk through the Concepcion trails where you will learn about the rainforest's composition, its uses, the human impact and its relevance to the world climate. At dusk, once again take to the water on a motorized canoe. Your evening excursion will teach you about the river's ecosystem, nocturnal animals' behavior and the southern sky's constellations. Then, you'll enjoy a delightful dinner in the Casa Grande's dining room. (B, L, D)

#### 7 MEALS - \$649\*

3 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 2 Dinners

# **Extension Day 3:** Lake Sandoval - Canopy Walkway and Anaconda Walk - Hidden Rainforest

After an early breakfast, your naturalist guide will lead you on a trek through Tambopata National Reserve, Arrive at pristine Lake Sandoval and board a dugout canoe. Glide along taking in your peaceful surroundings. Keep an eye out for the endangered giant river otter, blue and yellow macaw, red howler monkey, black caiman, and more, After lunch, the Inkaterra canopy walkway awaits. Begin at the Interpretation Center to learn about the project. Then ascend 98 feet in the air and cross a series of hanging bridges that connect the treetops, taking in the breathtaking panoramas and exciting wildlife. This evening, explore the Amazon rainforest by moonlight and listen to the unique nocturnal sounds of the rainforest. Your day concludes with dinner. (B, L, D)

## **Extension Day 4:** Puerto Maldonado - Lima - Extension Ends

After breakfast, take a scenic boat ride back to Puerto Maldonado. Arrive at the Inkaterra Lounge (Butterfly House) where you may wait for your flight back to Lima. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

When traveling in the Amazon you will encounter full days of sightseeing, frequently in warm temperatures. The lodge does not have air conditioning. Wift 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 10:00 p.m. You will be travelling by small river boats to reach the lodge and by canoe during some excursions and should be reasonably fit in order to board comfortably. 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, wheelchairs cannot be accommodated on this trip. 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. Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Guests may leave any large luggage at their Lima hotel during the extension. A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. Additional air segment purchase required.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

El Pardo Doubletree by Hilton, Lima Inkaterra Hacienda Conception, Peruvian Amazon

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# extend YOUR TOUR Extensions

# Optional

# VICTORIA FALLS 3-night post tour

ADD TO: Spectacular South Africa (pg. 174)

#### Extension Day 1: Cape Town - Johannesburg -Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Fly this morning to one of the world's natural wonders, Victoria Falls, and transfer to the Victoria Falls Hotel, known as the "grand old lady of the falls." Upon arrival, enjoy a tour of this historic hotel. Tonight, enjoy a leisurely cruise on the Zambezi River, taking in the majestic African sunset.

#### Extension Day 2: Victoria Falls

After breakfast you have an opportunity to

#### 5 MEALS - \$1299\*

3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner

mingle with the residents of a local village. Next, interact with African elephants, up-close and in their natural environment. Following lunch with a local family, take a walking tour of Victoria Falls, truly one of the "Seven Wonders of the World." Shop at a local curio market before returning to your hotel. (B, L)

#### **Extension Day 3:** Victoria Falls

Your day is free to explore independently. Or, take an optional full day excursion to Chobe National Park in Botswana. (B, D)

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Victoria Falls Hotel

#### Extension Day 4: Victoria Falls -Johannesburg, South Africa - Tour Ends

Fly back to Johannesburg to prepare for your international flight home. (B)

A mandatory tourism levy of \$30 USD is required for all travelers upon arrival at the port of entry. This levy can be paid by cash or credit card. Fees are subject to change. 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. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. The internal flight is not

included in the land cost of your tour. 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. Additional air segment purchase required.

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**





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# **DUBAI** 3-night pre tour

ADD TO: Spectacular South Africa (pg. 174), Exploring South Africa, Victoria Falls & Botswana (pg. 176), Mysteries of India (pg. 164)

#### Extension Day 1: Overnight Flight

Your tour begins with an overnight flight to Dubai.

#### Extension Day 2: Dubai, United Arab Emirates

- Tour Begins

Arrive in Dubai, one of the world's most exciting destinations. The remainder of your day is at leisure to relax or explore this dynamic and cosmopolitan city independently. As one of the seven emirates of the United Arab Emirates, Dubai is considered the shopping capital of the Middle East. With its many world-famous manmade structures built in recent years, Dubai is a must-see destination.

#### 4 MEALS - \$649\*

3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

#### Extension Day 3: Dubai

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

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Sheraton Dubai Creek, Dubai

#### Extension Day 4: Dubai

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

Extension Day 5: Dubai - Extension Ends You will board your flight to begin your tour. (B)

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. For US, UK. Australia and Canadian citizens, no advance visa arrangement is required to visit the UAE when your stay is less than 30 days Simply disembark your flight at Dubai International Airport and proceed to Immigration where your passport will be stamped with a 30-day visit visa free of charge. Rates can be changed at any time based on governing authority. The flight from Dubai on the last day is not included in the land-only cost of your tour. Additional air segment purchase required.

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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# HONG KONG & MACAU 4-night post tour

ADD TO: Wonders of China (pg. 162)

#### Extension Day 1: Shanghai - Hong Kong

Fly from Shanghai to Hong Kong. Upon arrival you will be met by your local representative who will help you transfer to your hotel. The rest of your day is at leisure.

#### Extension Day 2: Hong Kong

This morning embark on a Hong Kong Island city tour. Start by traveling up Victoria Peak for panoramic views of Victoria Harbour and the Hong Kong skyline. Continue exploring and browse the stalls at Stanley Market before seeing traditional fishing junks at the

Aberdeen Fishing Village. The afternoon is at leisure, (B)

#### Extension Day 3: Hong Kong - Macau

Travel to the ferry terminal in Hong Kong for your ferry to Macau. Upon arrival, partake in a tour of the Macau Peninsula. Visit the ruins of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, sections of the Old City Wall, and the Temple of A-Ma before heading to the Museum of Macau. Next, go up the Macau Tower, the tallest building in the region, before trying your luck at gambling at one of Macau's exciting casinos. Return to

the pier where you will board the shuttle to your hotel. (B, L)

#### Extension Day 4: Macau

Enjoy a day on your own to relax or explore the former Portuguese colony of Macau independently. (B)

#### Extension Day 5: Macau - Tour Ends

Transfer to the Macau pier by shuttle for your ferry which takes you directly to Hong Kong International Airport, (B)

**5 MEALS** \$999 - \$1199\*

#### 4 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Dorsett Wanchai Hotel, Hong Kong Holiday Inn, Macau

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**





See page 187 for details.



During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Additional air segment purchase

# JORDAN 3-night post tour

ADD TO: Treasures of Egypt (pg. 170)

Extension Day 1: Amman, Jordan - Madaba -Mt. Nebo - Petra

Fly to Amman, the capital of Jordan. Travel to the city of Madaba, the "City of Mosaics." Visit the church of St. George to see the famous 6th-century Byzantine mosaic map of the region, one of the oldest in existence, and the museum where many other spectacular mosaic examples are on display. Also visit Mt. Nebo, where Moses saw the Promised Land - present day Israel - and is believed to be laid to rest. Continue to the ancient city of Petra for a 2-night stay.

#### Extension Day 2: Petra

Enjoy a full day tour of the remarkable stonecarved city of Petra (UNESCO), one of the new Wonders of the World. Explore this breathtaking city, carved from sandstone by the Nabataeans, with an expert guide and learn about the importance of Petra to the ancient trade routes, the history of its prominence and decline, its rediscovery, and efforts at preservation. (B, D)

Extension Day 3: Petra - Wadi Rum - Amman This morning depart for the immense desert of Wadi Rum, stunning in its natural beauty and

home of the famous film, Lawrence of Arabia. Experience desert life and learn about the fascinating history of the Bedouin people who have lived for generations in the Wadi Rum's stark, fragile and unspoiled desert. Later, return to Amman, known as the "White City" because of the white limestone used to construct the majority of the buildings. (B, D)

Extension Day 4: Amman - Tour Ends (B)



Please Note: All services are provided by a local representative. Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. During your extension, your local quide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. The internal flight to Amman is not included in the land price of your extension. This flight needs to be arranged and purchased directly from us. A Jordanian visa is required and can be purchased at the Amman Airport upon arrival at an approximate cost of \$57 USD, paid in local currency (40 Jordanian dinar). Money can be exchanged at the airport prior to arriving at the visa desk. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Additional air segment purchase required.

#### 5 MEALS - \$1099\*

3 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Movenpick Nabatean Castle, Petra Le Meridien Amman, Amman

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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# JORDAN 4-night post tour ADD TO: Iconic Israel (pg. 96)

Extension Day 1: Jerusalem - Border Crossing - Madaba, Jordan - Mt. Nebo - Petra

This morning you travel to the Jordan Valley, crossing the border into Jordan. Travel the Desert Highway to the city of Madaba, the "City of Mosaics." Visit the church of St. George to see the famous 6th-century Byzantine mosaic map of the region, one of the oldest in existence, and the museum where many other spectacular mosaic examples are on display. You will also visit Mt. Nebo, where Moses saw the Promised Land - present day Israel - and is believed to be laid to rest. Continue to the ancient city of Petra for a 2-night stay.

#### Extension Day 2: Petra

Enjoy a full day tour of the remarkable stonecarved city of Petra (UNESCO), one of the new Wonders of the World. Explore this breathtaking city, carved from sandstone by the Nabataeans, with an expert guide and learn about the importance of Petra to the ancient trade routes, the history of its prominence and decline, its rediscovery, and efforts at preservation. (B, D)

Extension Day 3: Petra - Wadi Rum - Amman This morning depart for the immense desert of Wadi Rum, stunning in its natural beauty and home of the famous film, Lawrence of Arabia. Experience desert life and learn about the fascinating history of the Bedouin people who have lived for generations in the Wadi Rum's

stark, fragile and unspoiled desert. Later, return to Amman, known as the "White City" because of the white limestone used to construct the majority of the buildings. (B, D)

Extension Day 4: Amman - Jerash - Jordan Valley Border Crossing - Tel Aviv, Israel

Travel the quiet valley among the mountains of Gilead to the city of Jerash – the "Pompeii of the East." Step back in time as you tour the ruins with a local guide. Walk through columned streets, hilltop temples, public squares and plazas. Later, travel to the Jordan Valley Border Crossing, and continue to Tel Aviv. (B)

Extension Day 5: Tel Aviv - Tour Ends (B)

Please Note: When using the shuttle buses at the border crossings, a \$3 USD fee per person, paid in local currency or USD, is collected on the bus by each driver. Israel exit fee is approximately \$32 USD per person, paid in local currency when crossing the border into Jordan. A Jordanian visa is required and can be purchased at the Sheik Hussein (Jordan Valley) border crossing at an approximate cost of \$57 USD, paid in local currency (40 Jordanian dinar). Money can be exchanged at the border crossing. When returning to Israel, the Jordan exit fee is approximately \$15 USD per person, paid in local currency, subject to change without advance notice. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. 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. Additional air segment purchase required.

#### 6 MEALS - \$1499\*

4 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Movenpick Nabatean Castle, Petra • Le Meridien Amman, Amman • Isrotel Tower Hotel, Tel Aviv

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**



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# **NEPAL** 4-night post tour

#### ADD TO: Mysteries of India (pg. 164)

#### Extension Day 1: Delhi

Overnight in Delhi before traveling to Nepal in

Extension Day 2: Delhi - Kathmandu, Nepal Board a flight to Kathmandu and enjoy a sightseeing tour of Patan city, the old Newar city. See the Patan Durban Square, listed as a World Heritage site. The complex is the center of Patan's religious and social life. (B)

#### Extension Day 3: Kathmandu

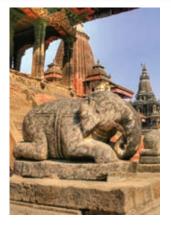
Tour Kathmandu city and Swoyambhuanth Stupa, a famous monkey temple boasting the famous painted eyes of Buddha watching all who ascend the steps. Continue on to visit such sights as the 17th-century Durbar complex; Hanuman Dhoka, the temple of the living goddess; and Kasthmandap - a wooden temple built from a single tree. See the Shiva Paravati, Seto Bhairay and Kal Bhaira temples. Head to Swoyambhunath, a Buddhist temple, and take in views of the entire Kathmandu valley. Tonight, enjoy a Nepali dinner and cultural dance performance at a local restaurant. (B, D)

#### Extension Day 4: Kathmandu

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

Extension Day 5: Kathmandu - Delhi - Tour Fnds

Fly to Delhi where you may have leisure time at an airport hotel before transferring back to the airport for your return flight home. (B)



The cost of the unused dayroom on the last day of your base tour in Delhi has been deducted from the price of your extension. A day room in Delhi is available for purchase before your departure flight home from Delhi Airport. If you choose to purchase this day room, you must obtain a multiple-entry visa for India, 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. A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Due to inter-flight scheduling, return flights should not be booked prior to 7:00 p.m. on the last day. The approximate cost of a Nepalese visa is \$30 USD and obtainable on arrival. A passport photo is required for the visa in Nepal and costs approximately \$5 USD. We recommend bringing a passport photo as well as small bills for these expenses as oftentimes change is not available. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Additional air segment purchase required.

#### 5 MEALS - \$949\*

4 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Vivanta by Taj Dwarka, Delhi Soaltee Crowne Plaza, Kathmandu

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**







See page 187 for details.

# extend YOUR TOUR Extensions

# Optional

# **SOUTH INDIA** 6-night post tour

ADD TO: Mysteries of India (pg. 164)

#### Extension Day 1: Delhi

Enjoy your overnight stay before departing for South India in the morning.

#### Extension Day 2: Delhi - Cochin

Take a flight to Cochin and transfer to your hotel. This evening, witness the "Kathakali," a special dance form of Kerala, with its origins in the "Theyyam" - a ritual tribal dance of North Kerala. (B, D)

#### Extension Day 3: Cochin

Tour the captivating port city of Cochin. View the remarkable cantilevered Chinese fishing nets, explore the 16th-century Mattancherry Palace and the Church of St. Francis. Walk through the narrow cobbled streets of Jew Town, lined with antique and handicraft shops, to the Jewish Synagogue, the oldest active synagogue in the commonwealth countries. Continue to the Ginger House - an old warehouse now converted into an antique showroom - where you will enjoy an included lunch. This evening you'll take in the sights on a harbor cruise. (B, L)

#### Extension Day 4: Cochin - Thekkady

Begin your day with a visit to a plantation

house in Kanjirapally to witness rubber tapping and enjoy lunch with the family. Continue to Thekkady, an unending chain of hills dotted with spice and tea plantations. Here, in the crisp, cool air of the Western Ghats, learn about the local agriculture during a guided visit to a spice garden led by its caretaker. (B, L)

Extension Day 5: Thekkady - Kumarakom This morning, continue to Kumarakom, and enjoy some leisure time to explore. (B, D)

#### Extension Day 6: Kumarakom

Embark on a boat cruise from Alleppey to Kumarakom through the backwaters, a network of lagoons, lakes, rivers and canals. Enjoy lunch on board, (B, L)

#### Extension Day 7: Kumarakom - Cochin Delhi - Tour Ends

A morning drive returns you to Cochin. Stop at a small local village to witness daily activities. Fly to Delhi where you may have leisure time at an airport hotel before transferring to the airport for your return flight home. (B)



#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Vivanta by Taj Dwarka, Delhi Le Meridien Cochin, Cochin Cardamom County, Tekkady Kumarakom Lake Resort, Kumarakom

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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#### 11 MEALS \$1299 - \$1499\*

purchase required.

6 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners

# BANGKOK 3-night post tour

The cost of the unused dayroom on the last day of your base tour in Delhi has been deducted from the price of your extension. Maximum elevation is 4,400 feet. Day rooms are not included on the last day at Delhi airport on return from Cochin, but are available for purchase. This extension is hosted by a local representative who will provide all included services. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. The flights from Delhi to Cochin are not included in the land-only cost of your tour. Due to tour scheduling, return flights should not be booked prior to 9:00 p.m. on the last day. Additional air segment

ADD TO: Kingdoms of Southeast Asia (pg. 166)

# Extension Day 1: Ho Chi Minh City - Bangkok,

Board a short flight to Bangkok, the capital of Thailand. Marvel at ancient monuments, explore local culinary treasures, shop for unique souvenirs or just soak in the energy of the city.

#### Extension Day 2: Bangkok

Begin your day with a cruise on the Chao Phraya River. Drift past local houses and learn about daily life along the waterways. Stop at the iconic Wat Arun, the Temple of Dawn. The boat trip ends at Chang pier. Explore the grounds of

the Grand Palace and marvel at the grandeur of this royal residence. Stop at Wat Phra Kaew, home of the Emerald Buddha and Thailand's most sacred temple. Enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant, Afterward, visit the Golden Buddha, one of the world's largest solid gold statues. Discover how it was once covered in plaster to conceal it from invaders, Continue with a visit to the Jim Thompson House, home of the American entrepreneur who revitalized the Thai silk industry before his mysterious disappearance. (B, L)

#### Extension Day 3: Bangkok

Visit the famous Damnoen Saduak floating market where hundreds of vendors sell fruits and vegetables from their boats. Next, visit Phra Pathom Chedi in Nakhon Pathom, purported to be the largest pagoda in Southeast Asia. Your afternoon is at leisure.

Extension Day 4: Bangkok - Tour Ends Board your flight home. (B)

#### 4 MEALS - \$749\*

3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Rembrandt Hotel, Bangkok

#### **TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**



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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 internal flights for this extension are not included in the land price of your tour. Additional air segment purchase required.

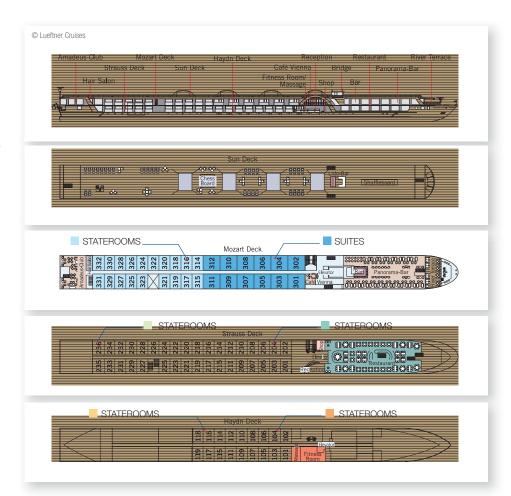
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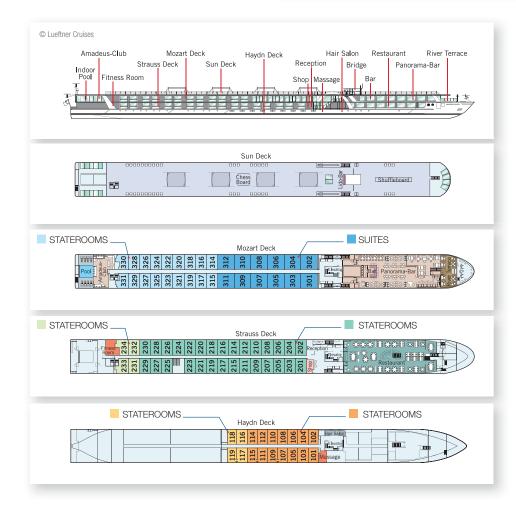
#### **ONBOARD FACILITIES**

- · Panorama Restaurant
- · Panorama Bar & Lounge
- Amadeus Club
- "Café Vienna" with Viennese Coffee specialties
- · Outdoor glass-shielded "River Terrace"
- Sun Deck with Lido Bar, lounge chairs, shade awnings, giant Chess Board and Shuffleboard
- Fitness Room
- · Hair Salon, Massage Room
- Gift Shop
- Laundry Service
- · Complimentary onboard bicycles
- Wi-Fi available
- Elevator

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

Built: 2016 • Registry: Germany • Height above water: 6 m/19,8 feet • Length: 135 m/ 443 feet • Width: 11,4 m/ 37,5 feet • Staterooms/Suites: 72/12 • Speed: 25 km/h/ 15,5 mph • Decks: 4 Max. passengers: 168 • Crew members: approx. 46





# Amadeus Queen



#### **ONBOARD FACILITIES**

- Panorama Restaurant
- Panorama Bar & Lounge
- Amadeus Club
- "Café Vienna" with Viennese Coffee specialties
- Outdoor glass-shielded "River Terrace"
- Sun Deck with Lido Bar, lounge chairs, shade awnings, giant Chess Board and Shuffleboard
- Fitness Room
- Hair Salon, Massage Room
- Gift Shop
- Laundry Service
- Complimentary onboard bicycles
- Wi-Fi available
- Elevator

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

Being built: operating as of April 1, 2018 · Registry: Germany · Height above water: 6 m/19,8 feet · Length: 135 m/ 443 feet · Width: 11,4 m/ 37,5 feet · Draft: 1,45 m/ 5ft. · Staterooms/Suites: 69/12 · Speed: 25 km/h/ 15,5 mph · Decks: 4 Max. passengers: 162 · Crew members: approx. 46

# 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 187) 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 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.

#### What do these symbols mean?



Leisure Stay tours are designed to allow for multiple night stays at each hotel. This allows you a more leisurely pace and more time to explore the destinations on your own.



Cruise-Land tours combine the best of both land and sea. These tours feature all the qualities of our traditional escorted tours, including a Tour Manager, and also include an ocean vessel and a portion on land.



River Cruise tours feature small, intimate vessels for a more personal experience as you travel through a variety of beautiful waterways that are inaccessible to larger cruise ships, and sometimes include a portion on land.

#### **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 detail about the number of activities included in each day.

The Tour Activity Level Ranking is featured on each tour itinerary in a circle. The definition of each activity level is listed here. If you have additional questions regarding a specific tour, please inquire at time of reservation. 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 do not apply to pre- and post-night stays. Passengers who do not purchase airfare through Collette can purchase transfers (for the first and last day of the tour) at an additional cost of \$100 per person, roundtrip. Some restrictions may apply. All transfers leave at prescheduled times.

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

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 complete a trip that departs 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.

#### **Our Awards**













# The choice is yours. **3** great air options.

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

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Whether you select Elite, Flex, or Instant Purchase Airfare, you'll enjoy the ease and security that comes with reserving your air with Collette.

















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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. These transfers are available on the first and last day of the actual tour dates and when you are traveling on select flights (not applicable to pre & post nights). Land only clients may purchase transfers on the first and last day of the actual tour dates for an additional cost of \$100 per person, roundtrip (some restrictions may apply). Clients who purchase pre/post hotel nights may purchase transfers to/from the pre/post hotel. Instant Purchase Airfare is offered on select dates; consult your booking agent. 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. 5Lounge 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.

# 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 and Cruises only reservations, a non-refundable \$500 deposit is required.
   An additional \$1,000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.

#### Air Inclusive Package Deposit

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

#### Instant Purchase Air

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

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 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. The balance is due 120 days before departure for cruises. 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
- \* 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 air-inclusive 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 pre- or 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 airport-to-hotel transfers, of which both hold no airline reissue value. Once issued, there can be no fluctuation in price due to an increase in government taxes or in airline fuel surcharges. 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/aircraft-disinsection-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.

#### **Checked Baggage Charges:**

Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies. 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 at home. 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 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 187 and supersede any other previously printed policies relating to these same charges.

#### GENERAL DISCLAIMER

Collette montiors 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**

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 and is not an insurance benefit 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), except the Travel Protection Plan fee itself, made to Collette for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans 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.

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.

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 underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company.

Part B Insurance Benefits provided by United States Fire Insurance Company: On tour, insurance benefits are provided if you: must interrupt your trip or return home early for a covered reason; incur medical expenses for a covered sickness or injury; need medical assistance or evacuation; suffer a baggage loss or delay of more than 24 hours; or are delayed on tour for 12 hours or more for a covered reason.

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SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS	MAXIMUM BENEFIT AMOUNT
Trip Cancellation	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 Evacuation & Repatriation	\$50,000
<ul> <li>Accidental Death &amp; Dismemberment</li> </ul>	\$25,000
<ul> <li>Baggage and Personal Effects</li> </ul>	\$1,500
Baggage Delay	\$200

\*This benefit is only applicable to Instant Purchase (nonrefundable) air tickets 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 herein, 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 herein); 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. failure of any tour operator, Common Carrier, or other travel supplier, person or agency to provide the bargained-for travel arrangements for reasons other than Bankruptcy or Default; 19. a mental or nervous condition, unless hospitalized for that condition while the Plan is in effect for You: or 20, a loss that results from a Sickness, Injury, disease or other condition, event or circumstance which occurs at a time when the Plan is not in effect for You.

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 T-210 MP.

Non-Insurance Services	
One Call 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. One Call 24-Hour Assistance Services are provided by: One Call Worldwide Travel Services Network, Inc. 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. 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, MO 64114, 1-800-888-7292.

#### Collette's Travel Protection Plan Pricing (per person)

The Cost of the Travel Protection Plan 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 One Call Worldwide Travel Services Network, Inc. and Trip Mate.

#### Land Only Clients:

- \$99 adult/\$99 child for all domestic escorted tours under 6 days
- \$210 adult/\$110 child for all domestic escorted tours of 6 days or more
- \$260 adult/\$135 child for all international tours (except cruises, Canadian Rockies train tours, Australia, New Zealand, Africa, South Africa & Egypt tours)
- \$310 adult/\$160 child for all cruises, Canadian Rockies train tours, Australia, New Zealand. Africa. South Africa & Egypt 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 fees. Please confirm with your reservation agent at time of booking.

Air-Inclusive Clients (Collette Flex Airfare is purchased through Collette)

- \$110 adult/child for all domestic tours under 6 days
- \$250 adult/child for all domestic tours of 6 days or more
- \$290 adult/child for all international tours (except cruises, Canadian Rockies train tours, Australia, New Zealand, Africa, South Africa & Egypt tours)
- \$360 adult/child for all cruises, Canadian Rockies train tours, Australia, New Zealand, Africa, South Africa & Egypt tours

Collette's Travel Protection Plan 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.



# **More Tours**

You've looked through this guide and found some of our favorite tours, but there are even more to explore. Below is a list of every other tour offered at Collette. For a more in-depth look at all our tours, **visit collette.com** 

# **Europe**

#### **ICELAND & SCANDINAVIA**

Icelandic Adventure, 10 days

#### **IRELAND & THE UNITED KINGDOM**

Shades of Ireland featuring Northern Ireland, 13 days Irish Splendor, 8 days Countryside of the Emerald Isle, 10 days Exploring Britain and Ireland, 15 days England's Treasures, 12 days UK by Rail, 10 days Exploring Scotland and Ireland, 13 days Christmas in London, 7 days

#### **FRANCE**

French Impressions, 11 days Journey Through Southern France, 13 days

#### **SPAIN & PORTUGAL**

Spain's Classics & Portugal, 14 days
Spain's Costa del Sol
& the Portuguese Riviera, 13 days
Portugal & Its Islands, 13 days
Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes, 10 days
Northern Spain & Portugal, 14 days

#### **ITALY**

Tuscany and the Italian Riviera, 8 days Splendid Sicilia, 10 days Tuscan & Umbrian Countryside, 11 days Spotlight on Rome, 7 days Shrines of Italy, 11 days







#### **CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE**

Classic Christmas Markets, 9 days Magical Christmas Markets, 7 days Discovering Poland, 12 days On the Trail of Martin Luther, 11 days Pilgrimage to Poland, 9 days Christmas on the Danube, 9 days

# GREECE & THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN

Greece in the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle, 11 days Israel: A Journey of Faith, 9 days Israel: Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, 9 days

## **North America**

#### USA

Colors of New England, 8 days New England Charm, 8 days Historic Hotels of New England, 8 days America's Historic Mid-Atlantic, 8 days Spotlight on New York City Holiday, 5 days Mackinac Island, 8 days Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta, 6 days Spotlight on New Orleans, 5 days Spotlight on San Antonio, 5 days Spotlight on San Antonio Holiday, 5 days Northern National Parks, 8 days Winter in Yellowstone, 7 days California Coast, 8 days California New Year's Getaway, 5 days Southern California New Year's Celebration, 6 days The Pacific Northwest's Coastal Treasures, 9 days Southern Charm Holiday, 6 days America's Music Cities Holiday, 8 days Alaska and the Yukon, 13 days

#### CANADA

Canadian Rockies with Rocky Mountaineer\*, 8 days Canadian Rockies & Glacier National Park, 8 days Canada's Winter Wonderland, 7 days Newfoundland & Labrador Discovery, 12 days

# South & Central America & Antarctica

Discover Panama, 9 days Spotlight on Havana, 6 days Highlights of South America, 10 days Cultures of Peru & Bolivia, 14 days Adventure to Antarctica, 17 days

## **Australia & New Zealand**

South Pacific Wonders w/ New Zealand's North Island, 18 days Exploring Australia, 18 days Exploring New Zealand, 21 days

## **Asia**

India's Treasures, 10 days Exploring Sri Lanka, 13 days Kingdoms of Southeast Asia, 20 days Taste of Vietnam, 15 days Discovering Myanmar, 13 days Dubai, Oman & Abu Dhabi, 12 days

# **Africa**

Spectacular South Africa featuring Swaziland, 15 days

# 1 Million MEALS to Celebrate 100 YEARS!

Global hunger is a central part of our mission at Collette Cares. We're thrilled to celebrate 100 years of service by giving **1 million meals** to those in need globally through volunteering, meal programs and partnerships with Rise Against Hunger, Edesia and No Kid Hungry.

## **100 WAYS TO CARE**

We celebrate the children we have helped through global programs in India, Cambodia, Australia, Fiji, Kenya, Ecuador, Peru, Poland, Costa Rica and South Africa.

## **100 ACTS OF KINDNESS**

Employees volunteer over 5,000 hours of service each year. Travelers are rolling their sleeves up by joining us on Impact Tours.

For more information, visit collettecares.org



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# For reservations, contact your Travel Professional or call Collette at **800.611.3361.**

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