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STOP DREAMING & *start doing*

Drift off to sleep in the peaceful quiet of the Sahara Desert. Set out on a cyclo tour through Hanoi's Old Quarter and witness the bustling activity. Meet with local winegrowers in Switzerland and taste the fruits of their labour. Together with a small, tight-knit group of like-minded travellers, you'll embark on a journey of the senses and engage with local culture in ways you couldn't imagine – or ever replicate. It's what makes Explorations so special. These moments, and so many more can only be experienced on an Explorations tour, with a local guide right by your side.

Whatever your reason for travel, let us help you explore the world in a deeper, more meaningful way. Turn the page and start your journey, right here, right now.





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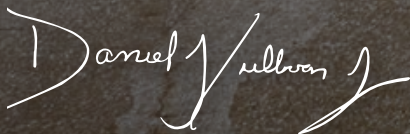
DEAR TRAVELLER,

You hold in your hands Collette's 2018-2019 Explorations brochure. Inside, you will find everything you need to start exploring new possibilities all over the world.

Explorations changes the way you experience travel. Hotel stays emerge as savoured occasions. Meals evolve into culinary events. Here ancient traditions become part of your life and history rests in the palm of your hand. The hidden revealed. The distant brought close. The unfamiliar made brilliant. These are the personal adventures that today's cultural explorers dream of.

As Collette celebrates our 100th year, we find ourselves reflecting on how very special our travellers are to us. We consider everyone who travels with us our personal guest. The members of our team that you'll meet along the way all share the same passion for travel and the belief in making every moment matter, because we know how much they matter to you. That's the kind of care you can expect from a company that's been creating extraordinary travel experiences for as long as we have.

Sincerely,



Daniel J. Sullivan, Jr.
President and CEO





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always included...

- A professionally planned itinerary
- 4-star accommodations
- The services of a professional tour manager
- Expert local guides with insider knowledge
- Attraction entrance fees with preferential access
- Unparalleled sightseeing
- Enriching cultural experiences
- Comfortable on-tour transportation
- Hotel-to-hotel baggage handling
- Plus, Wifi! Available on tour 📶

Machu Picchu, Peru

MORE PEACE OF MIND

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

MORE EXPERTISE

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



COLLETTE GIVES YOU *more*

MORE FLEXIBILITY

Every traveller is different. From pre and post nights in the world's greatest cities, to tour extensions to built-in free time in your destination, you can make every trip your own. With more 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 100 YEAR *Journey*

1918

OUR STORY *begins*

Jack Collette establishes Collette and runs a 21-day trip to Florida for \$68.50

1930s

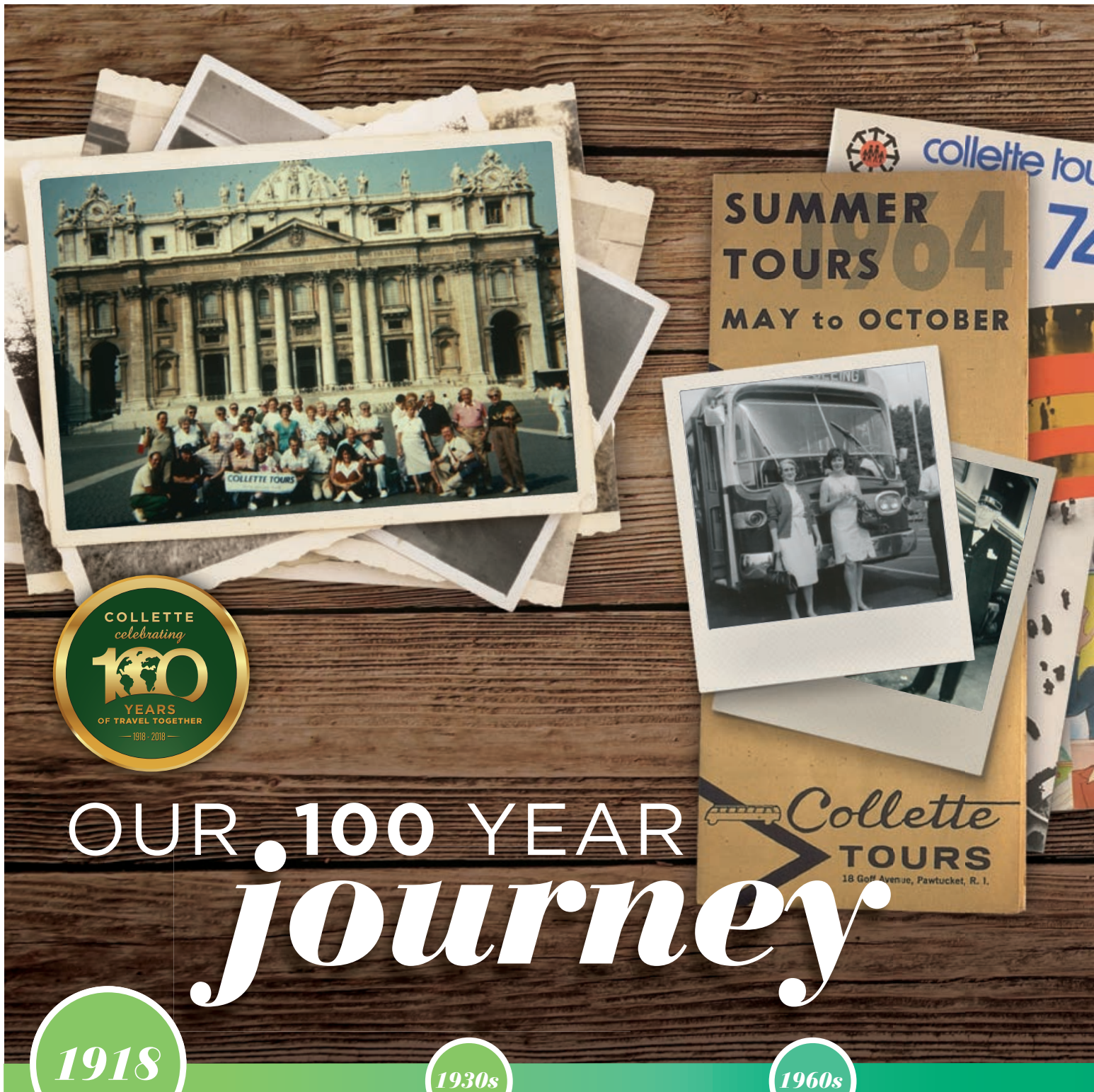
NEW DESTINATIONS

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

1960s

CHANGING THE STORY

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





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 travellers navigate all 7 continents in style.

Our promise to you is that we will keep doing what we do best – creating tours, travel styles and experiences tailor-made to the needs of our diverse travellers. Like Jack Collette, our experts are always looking ahead, carving out new paths.

THANK YOU

Our 100-year travel journal could never be written without you, our travellers. Here's to many more years of new friendships, new discoveries, and making new memories together. Thank you for taking the journey with us. Now, let's look ahead to where we'll go next.

To learn more, go to Collette100.com

1970s

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.

1980s

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.

1990s
&
2000s

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.



more PEACE OF MIND

With you every step of the way

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

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.

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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.

Enhanced!



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.

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more EXPERTISE

Unmatched experience

Our team of experts have 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.



Heather Larsen

Tour Manager: 6 years of service

As a Tour Manager, I love being able to be a part of someone's journey of a lifetime. I love the spark I see in people's eyes when they come across an inspiring view or have a personal interaction.

My advice if visiting Europe would be my advice when visiting anywhere. Keep an open mind and open expectations. Give in to the norm of each place you are, and let that guide you. Let go of preconceived notions and allow yourself to be immersed. Take any inconvenience as an adventure.

“Our tour manager made our tour. There was no concern as to how to get to the airports, check ins, room reservations etc. We would definitely do this again.”

- Arthur M.

Burano, Venice, Italy

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.



more FLEXIBILITY

Personalize your adventure

Every traveller is different, so make your trip your own. With features such as **pre and post night 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.

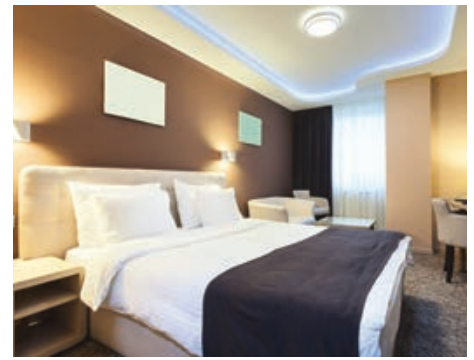
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ELITE AIRFARE

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 Collette introduced **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.

SWITZERLAND: HIDDEN TRAILS AND MAJESTIC PEAKS

Travel this magnificent country by train, from the Alps to the Swiss Riviera.

Breathtaking Alpine views and charming historic villages abound on this Swiss journey, where you can walk the grounds and cellars of a 400-year-old vineyard, view the mighty peak of the Matterhorn, and sample the fares of legendary chocolatiers, all while travelling by train.

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more NEW TOURS

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 explorations tours *for 2018*



CULTURES OF PERU & BOLIVIA

Immerse yourself in the fascinating cultures of these great destinations.

Peru and Bolivia hold many wonderful surprises for travellers. Visit all the must-see locations like Machu Picchu, the Andes and Lima while enjoying immersive cultural experiences and local cuisine along the way.

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THE NORTHERN LIGHTS OF FINLAND

Let your childhood wonder guide you on a winter odyssey.

Hunt for the elusive and spectral Northern Lights on this exciting expedition, where you can dash across a pristine winter landscape in a reindeer-pulled sleigh, walk through the famous home of Santa Claus, and spend the night in a glass igloo.

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ICELANDIC ADVENTURE

Be mesmerized by the mighty natural wonders that await around every turn.

Venture across the otherworldly beauty of Iceland on an immersive tour that will take you trekking across rugged glaciers, searching for whales aboard a zodiac boat, and slipping into geothermal hot springs for a relaxing soak. The adventurous landscapes of Iceland are waiting.

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ITALY'S BELLA VITA

Live the good life amongst the culture, cuisine and charm of Italy.

Explore a country filled with art, architecture, culinary experiences and charm. Walk or ride a bike through the classical streets of Bologna, visit the Academy Museum in Florence to see Michelangelo's famous statue of *David*, and participate in an Italian cooking lesson. *Bellissimo!*

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JOURNEY THROUGH SOUTHERN FRANCE

Discover world-renowned wines, distinctive local flavours, and the pastoral splendour of the French countryside.

From idyllic landscapes to bustling Bordeaux, vine-gilded vistas to cerulean-blue waters of the Cote d'Azur, Southern France is captivating. Search for truffles during a chef-led journey, walk into a living storybook at the villages of Carcassonne, savour a Grand Cru in the region it was born, and so much more.

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THE NOVELTIES OF NORTHERN SPAIN

Delight in the local flavours and unique cultures from Barcelona to Madrid.

Join us for a journey that delves deep into the culture of Northern Spain. Enjoy a private conversation with a local bullfighter in Pamplona, master your paella-making skills at a workshop led by locally acclaimed chefs, and take a paddleboard or kayak for a cruise around the port city of Santander.

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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

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

EXPLORING NORTHERN SPAIN

It's your choice how you spend your day in San Sebastián! You may join a locally guided tour of old town and board a funicular to the apex of Monte Igueldo for breathtaking views of La Concha Bay. **Or**, take a walking tour along the farms, vineyards, and villages of the Camino de Costa.



Camino de Costa Walking Tour



Walking Tour



Bicycle Riding

DISCOVER THE VILLAGE OF KY SON

Come to know life in the village of Ky Son, Vietnam on the outskirts of Hanoi. **It's Your Choice:** choose between a leisurely stroll **or** a bike ride through the village.



Ring of Kerry



Killarney National Park

TRAVERSING THE COUNTRYSIDE OF THE EMERALD ISLE

It's Your Choice: Explore Killarney National Park, cruise through Killarney's lakes and walk the "Kerry Way" **or** traverse the world-famous Ring of Kerry.



Look for the **It's Your Choice** icon!

more on tour



Iguana,
Galapagos Islands

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.



Taj Mahal, India



Souk Market, Morocco



L'Anse Aux Meadows National Historic Site
© Parks Canada/Dale Wilson



Lantern Making,
Vietnam

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

- J.L. Welton

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



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

Hanglip Mountain
Lodge, South Africa

Experience staying in a glass igloo in Finland

Accommodations

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.

culinary adventures

Chocolate Workshop,
Switzerland



Hot Berry Juice



The culinary delights you'll find on Explorations tours offer an amazing window on local cultures. With Collette, you'll not only taste the incredible dishes, but you'll take a cooking class to learn how they're made; you will meet the people whose everyday life is intertwined with these traditions. **Your culinary adventures await!**



Cheese Sampling,
France



Boma Dinner, Africa



“It was an absolutely fabulous trip, from the beautiful hotel (in a perfect location) to the wonderful included sights and shows.”

- Rhonda M.

© Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort, Lapland, Finland

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.



more TRAVEL STYLES

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 travellers 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

Exploring the Rivers of the World

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 travellers 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.



IMPACT TRAVEL

Travel to Make a Difference

Impact Travel allows you to combine your love of travel with your desire to make a difference. Go beyond simply seeing destination highlights and work alongside members of the local community to help bring about positive, sustainable change.

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. Travellers are rolling their sleeves up by joining us on Impact Tours.

**For more information,
visit collettecares.org**





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cares

for our employees • for our community • for the world

ITALY'S TREASURES

12 DAYS · 17 MEALS
FROM \$3999



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Explore Lake Orta, one of Italy's hidden treasures.
- Discover the colourful 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.



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

ADD A DAY

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

[CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

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

Day 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



Tuscan Countryside



Cinque Terre



Lake Orta

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)

DATES & PRICES

March - April 2018

(different itinerary - see note)

March 10, 17

April 2, 7

April 14, 21

May 18 - April 2019

(featured itinerary)

May 5, 12, 19

June 2, 9, 16, 23

July 14, 28

August 4, 20, 25

September 1, 3, 8, 9, 10

September 15, 17, 22, 24, 29

Double Solo

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TUSCAN & UMBRIAN COUNTRYSIDE

11 DAYS · 16 MEALS
FROM \$3589



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Embark on a guided walking tour of Spoleto.
- Marvel at the ornate Duomo of Santa Maria Assunta.
- Behold the magnificent Ponte delle Torri, a 13th-century aqueduct.
- Take the road less travelled visiting small villages in Italy's countryside.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Venture to the Etruscan hill town of Orvieto.
- Journey to Florence, the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance."
- Explore historic Siena to see the piazza famous for the Palio Horse Race.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 9 | Explore the 14th century Tower del Mangia at your own pace **or** join a local guide to explore a local neighborhood.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Participate in a cooking class in a 16th-century Umbrian farmhouse.
- Experience a home-cooked meal at one of Umbria's country homes.
- Taste Umbria's most prized wine.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Day 1 Overnight Flight
Day 2 Hotel Kolbe, Rome
Days 3 - 6 Hotel Antica Dimora Alla Rocca, Trevi, Umbria or Hotel Dei Duchi, Spoleto, Umbria
Days 7 - 10 UNA Palazzo Mannaioni, Montaione, Tuscany

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



Tuscan Winery

see another side of Italy on a cultural journey

filled with local charms, regional delicacies and delicious wine.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

Rome: When in Rome... come early and enjoy more of what the "Eternal City" offers. [CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Follow the less-travelled roads of Umbria and Tuscany. Along the way experience charming towns, regional delicacies and renowned Italian wines.

Day 2: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins

Welcome to Rome - Italy's dynamic capital city. Say hello to your fellow travellers during a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Rome - Orvieto - Umbria

Travel to the Etruscan hill town of Orvieto. A local expert

leads you on a walking tour amid the town's treasures, including a visit to its prominent Gothic cathedral, home to a Signorelli fresco. Explore the many sides of Orvieto on your own. Perhaps pause for a leisurely lunch, sip on some white wine and become a part of the local scene. This is just the beginning. You'll spend the next four nights immersed in country life in a pristine Umbrian hill town. (B, D)

Day 4: Umbria - Spoleto - Cooking Class - Umbria

Set off for a guided walking tour of historic Spoleto. See medieval palaces, the ornate Duomo of Santa Maria Assunta, and the magnificent Ponte delle Torri, an aqueduct dating back to the 13th century. Enjoy free time to peruse the town's shops and cafés. Next, visit a country restaurant housed in a 16th-century farmhouse. This is the Italy few get to experience. Take a stroll through their herb garden (weather permitting) and see how they make their own cheese. Afterwards, join the chef for a hands-on Umbrian



Florence

cooking lesson. Indulge in an early dinner in the countryside before turning in for the evening. (B, D)

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

Travel to Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis. Set out on a walking tour of the old city with a local guide. Come to know its history as you stroll the medieval streets, pausing along the way to see its famed Basilica of St. Francis. Next, you are in for a treat when an Umbrian family welcomes you to their country home as they prepare you a delicious home-cooked meal. Share stories and make an Umbrian friend (or two). (B, L)

Day 6: Umbria - Montefalco - Winery - Bevagna - Olive Oil Farm - Umbria

Head to the "Balcony of Umbria." The charming medieval town of Montefalco received this moniker because of its unobstructed views of the Umbrian countryside. Step back in time as you explore independently. Then, it's on to a local winery to sample some of this region's most prized wine, Sagrantino. Next, savour a lunch of authentic Umbrian dishes. Continue to Bevagna where we meet a local expert for a walking tour featuring Roman and medieval archaeological and architectural marvels. Cap off your day by learning about another locally made product - olive oil - at a family-run 'frantoio' (olive-presser). (B, L)

Day 7: Umbria - Winery - Tuscany

It's on to Tuscany! You'll fall in love with the picturesque Renaissance landscape of hills and villages as you make your way through the Val d'Orcia region. Of course you'll make a stop at a local winery to see the wine cellar, family estate, vineyards and olive groves. The winery's chef creates an authentic Tuscan lunch, expertly paired with wines produced on-site. Later, make yourself at home in your restored Tuscan palazzo. (B, L)

Day 8: Tuscany - Florence - Tuscany

Today it's Florence, "Cradle of the Italian

Renaissance." Join a local guide for a walking tour of the city's iconic sights. Return to another age as you view the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, located in the religious center of the Piazza del Duomo and the Palazzo Vecchio. Catch a glimpse into the creative side of Florence when you meet a local artisan in his workshop to see how and where he refines his craft. Take some time to browse the shops and explore Florence on your own. (B)

Day 9: Tuscany - Siena - Monteriggioni - Tuscany

Travel to the city of Siena. During your locally guided walking tour, visit the historic piazza famous for the Palio Horse Race. Then, **the choice is yours!** Explore the 14th-century Torre (Tower) del Mangia, the 3rd tallest tower in Italy at your own pace - **OR** - join your guide to get to know local life in a Contrada (neighbourhood). Each of these small, close-knit communities is unique and has traditions all their own. Then it's off to the walled town of Monteriggioni. Stroll its quaint streets, seemingly frozen in time. Take an afternoon break and try some local snacks before heading back to your quiet Tuscan retreat. (B)

Day 10: Tuscany - Volterra - San Gimignano - Tuscany

Roll along the country roads to Volterra, a former Etruscan city perched high above the countryside. Spend time at the Guarnacci Museum, one of the oldest public museums in Europe, founded in 1761. Then it's on to an alabaster carving demonstration at a local workshop. Later, travel to San Gimignano, known as the "City of Beautiful Towers." Look up to see the town's fourteen medieval towers that date back to the 13th century. Enjoy a stroll along Piazza del Duomo and Piazza della Cisterna. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. Partake in an interactive and fun presentation on wine by the restaurant's sommelier. (B, D)

Day 11: Tuscany - Tour Ends

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



Cooking Class

DATES & PRICES

March – April 2018	Double	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019	Double	Solo
<i>(different itinerary – see note)</i>			July 14	\$4059	\$4599
March 17	\$3919	\$4459	August 18	\$4059	\$4599
April 14, 21	\$4129	\$4669	September 1, 8, 15, 22	\$4059	\$4599
April 28	\$4189	\$4729	October 6, 13	\$4059	\$4599
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			October 20	\$3919	\$4459
			November 3	\$3589	\$3989
			March 9, 16, 23, 30	\$3719	\$4259
May 2018 – April 2019	Double	Solo	April 6, 9, 23	\$3919	\$4459
<i>(featured itinerary)</i>					
May 5, 19	\$3919	\$4459	Triple Room Reduction (-) \$50 Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.		
May 26	\$4059	\$4599			
June 16	\$4059	\$4599			



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This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Rome airport and depart from Florence or Pisa airport. All of our departure transfers will depart from Tuscany region to either Florence or Pisa airport.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

ITALY'S BELLA VITA

9 DAYS · 11 MEALS
FROM \$4729



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Journey through the olive groves and vineyards of the Chianti Rufina region.
- Take a private guided tour of Castello di Tabiano, a medieval castle in the hills of the Parma region.
- Relax as you cruise Lake Como during a boat tour that shows you the villas and vistas of this famous region.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Visit the Academy Museum in Florence, home to Michelangelo's famous Statue of *David*.
- See Bellagio, a beautiful city set on Lake Como, known as the "Pearl of the Lake."



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

- **DAY 4** | Walk the historic medieval streets of Bologna on a guided tour **or** pedal around town on a bicycle tour.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Learn how to craft the delicious and famous Italian cocktail, the Spritz.
- Taste true Italian cuisine during a home-hosted cooking lesson and dinner in historic Bologna.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Hotel Pierre, Florence
- Days 4, 5** I Portici Hotel, Bologna
- Day 6** Antico Borgo di Tabiano Castello, Parma Region
- Days 7, 8** Hilton Lake Como, Como

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

NEW TOUR



We invite you to live the good life

amongst the culture, cuisine, and charms that can only be found in Italy

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

Florence: See the city that birthed the Renaissance before your tour starts.

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Day 1: Overnight Flight

Ciao, Italy!

Day 2: Florence, Italy - Tour Begins

Benvenuti a Firenze! You arrive in Florence – "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance," home of the Medici, Gucci and il Duomo. *Mangiare* and mingle at one of the city's best local restaurants this evening and settle in for a true Italian experience – the aperitivo – when you learn to craft one of Italy's most famous cocktails, the *Spritz*. (D)

Day 3: Florence

The streets and *piazze* of Florence await you. A walking tour through Florentine history showcases four pillars of life in this city: art, architecture, food and fashion. Then it's off to the Chianti Rufina region and the stunning Castello di Trebbio, a countryside retreat once owned

by the wealthy Pazzi family. Feeling adventurous? Join your local expert on a Vespa tour* through Tuscany's olive groves and vineyards. Or, stay back and explore the castle's family-run vineyard on foot. A trip to one of Italy's best wine regions wouldn't be complete without a tasting, so against a pastel sunset, enjoy a tasting of the very best Italy's wine region has to offer. (B)

Day 4: Florence - Bologna

This morning, join your fellow travelers for a visit to the Galleria dell'Accademia (Gallery of the Academy). An expertly-guided journey through the museum's halls reveals perhaps the greatest collection of Renaissance art on Earth, not to mention Michelangelo's marble masterpiece, the *David*. Afterward, depart Florence on a train to Bologna, capital of the Emilia-Romagna Region. Upon arrival, **it's your choice!** Whether you decide to join an expert-guided walk of this medieval city **-OR-** pedal the city streets on a bicycle tour, you will be immersed in the narrow lanes and winding alleys of this iconic market town. This evening, relax in the homey surroundings of a private apartment in Bologna's historic center during a home-hosted cooking lesson. Learn the



Florence



Lake Como

secrets of making three traditional pasta recipes and enjoy the fruits of your labor over dinner, replete with locally-selected wines and the requisite espresso with dessert. (B, D)

Day 5: Bologna

The entire day is at your leisure to explore the region's thriving capital city, virtually unchanged since the Renaissance. Defined by its past but very much alive in the present, Bologna is an eclectic cultural city waiting to be explored. (B)

Day 6: Bologna - Parma Region

Bid *arrivederci* to Bologna and head north to Parma. Stop to experience the workings of a local cheese shop and sample the Parmigiano-Reggiano this region is famous for. Venture to the Castello di Tiabiano, a medieval castle rising over rugged hills. Take time to explore the grounds on your own before embarking on a private tour. An expert guide leads you on an intimate sojourn through the castle's elaborate stuccos, frescos, private rooms and grand reception. Gain insight to the castle's rich history, including the role it played as one of the feudal period's most vital defensive monuments. Overnight on the grounds of the castle this evening. (B, D)

Day 7: Parma Region - Lake Como - Bellagio - Lake Como

After a leisurely morning, depart for Lake Como, the world-famous resort area that's charmed visitors for over a hundred years with its legendary villas, monuments and Alpine vistas. At the lake, depart for an afternoon cruise to Bellagio, affectionately known as the "Pearl of the Lake." Learn the city's rich history during an orientation tour; then spend time independently exploring the cobbled streets, Romanesque churches, and traditional Italian trattoria. Enjoy the evening at leisure as you take in the picturesque shoreline guarded by the towering drama of the Rhaetian Alps. (B)

Day 8: Lake Como

Relax amongst the natural beauty of Lake Como. For early risers, catch a sunrise funicular ride and watch the lake wake up. You may wish to join your guide to explore Como's lakeside trails and frescoed hamlets on foot or remain at the hotel to enjoy the amenities. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers over a farewell dinner to say *Addio Italia!* (B, D)

Day 9: Lake Como - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today. (B)

DATES & PRICES

Sept. - November 2018	Double	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$50
September 1, 8, 15	\$5249	\$6849	Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.	
October 13, 20	\$5249	\$6849		
November 3	\$4729	\$5679		

This trip requires a passport. *Upon arrival for the start of the Vespa tour, guests will go through an orientation. If guests are not comfortable driving themselves or if the vendor determines a guest should not be driving, you will be paired up with a driver. While there is no definitive weight limit, guests must be reasonably mobile, fit and prepared for an adventure. Air passengers will depart from Milan airport. All return transfers will depart from Lake Como for Milan airport. Due to tour scheduling flights must arrive prior to 3pm.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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COUNTRYSIDE OF THE EMERALD ISLE

10 DAYS • 12 MEALS
FROM \$3449



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Explore the Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson Irish Whiskey.
- Overnight on the enchanting Aran Islands and jump head-first into Irish culture.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Explore the breathtaking and remote Aran Islands.
- Enjoy an after-hours private tour of Christ Church Cathedral.
- Embark on one of Ireland's most scenic drives: West Cork's Wild Atlantic Way.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

- DAY 3** | Drive with a local guide to visit the landmarks of Dublin **or** join a walking tour of the city's historic center.
- DAY 5** | Join a local expert on a tour of the historic Cobh port **or** spend a leisurely day in Kinsale.
- DAY 7** | Explore Killarney National Park, cruise through Killarney's lakes and walk the "Kerry Way" **or** traverse the world-famous Ring of Kerry.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Savour canapés and cocktails in the crypt of Christ Church Cathedral.
- Put a modern twist on Irish cuisine during a cooking class at a premier culinary institution in Dublin.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Hampton Hotel, Dublin
- Days 4, 5** Actons Hotel, Kinsale
- Days 6, 7** Plaza Hotel, Killarney
- Day 8** Tigh Ruairi, Inisheer, Aran Islands
- Day 9** Old Ground Hotel, Ennis

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



experience a seldom-explored side of Ireland

on this small group adventure that takes you
from Dublin to the incredible Aran Islands.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

Dublin: The 'Fair City' is calling you. Come early and enjoy more of this lively capital. [CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

winding streets as you follow in the footsteps of Vikings. This evening we put a modern twist on Irish cuisine during a cooking class at one of Dublin's premier culinary institutions. (B, D)

Day 4: Dublin - Irish National Stud - Midleton - Kinsale

Take to Ireland's country roads. Tour the Irish National Stud, an area of incredible natural beauty and home to some of the world's most magnificent horses and gardens. Next, head south to the Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson Irish Whiskey. Give it a go with a tasting of the distillery's production. Continue on to the quaint coastal village of Kinsale and join a local expert on a walking tour. This evening, it's Diner's Choice in Ireland's gourmet capital! Choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of Kinsale's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 5: Kinsale - Choice of Cobh or Relaxing in Kinsale

It's your choice! Visit the seaside town of Cobh, the last stop of the RMS Titanic. Follow a local expert on a tour of this historic port from which 2.5 million Irish people left their native land for new frontiers **-OR-** spend a leisurely day in Kinsale and enjoy its many galleries, shops and cafes. (B)

Day 1: Overnight Flight

From the vaults of Christ Church Cathedral to the bewitching forests of Killarney National Park, we'll bring you back to your Irish roots (even if you don't have any).

Day 2: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

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

Day 3: Dublin - Choice on Tour

Today it's your choice! Set out on a drive with a local guide to visit St. Patrick's Cathedral and see St. Stephen's Green, Grafton Street and Phoenix Park **-OR-** join a walking tour of the city's historic center and meander its



Inisheer, Aran Islands



Cooking Class



Killarney National Park

Day 6: Kinsale - Garnish Island - Killarney
Embark on the drive of a lifetime on Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way. You'll fall in love with the quaint towns and charming villages found along this iconic coastal route. Board a ferry and sail to Garnish Island, a place that has to be seen to be believed. Sheltered in the Glengariff harbour of Bantry Bay, this hidden island is home to one of Ireland's most beautiful gardens. Continue over the Cork and Kerry mountains to Killarney via the breathtaking Cahaba Pass. (B)

Day 7: Killarney National Park or Ring of Kerry 
Today is yours to explore one of Ireland's most remarkable regions – County Kerry. **It's your choice!** Join a local expert and explore the rugged mountains, lakes and lush forests of Killarney National Park; cruise through Killarney's lakes to Lord Brandon's Cottage, where a guided walk on the "Kerry Way" takes you through seldom explored and enchanting scenery **-OR-** travel on the world-famous Ring of Kerry, an unspoiled trail boasting stunning beaches, plunging cliffs and miles of brilliant greenery. (B)

Day 8: Killarney - Cliffs of Moher - Aran Islands (Inisheer)
Leave the rugged southern coast behind and embark on a life-changing adventure. Board a ferry bound for Inisheer, the smallest of the three Aran Islands. Take in unrivalled views from the Wild Atlantic Way before sailing beneath the iconic Cliffs of Moher. Upon arriving in Inisheer's ethereal landscape, take a private tour through

the labyrinth of stone walls blanketing the island. Learn about the island's 250 inhabitants, their livelihoods and devotion to traditional culture and customs. As the last ferry leaves for mainland Ireland, settle in to your island abode for what is sure to be an unforgettable experience amid desolate yet magnificent beauty. (B, D)

Day 9: Aran Islands (Inisheer) - Ennis
Enjoy a relaxed morning among Inisheer's ancient sites and picturesque stone walls as you soak up the island's timeless beauty. Dive into local culture during a knitting workshop and learn traditional methods and stitches used to make the famous Aran sweaters. Don't worry if you're not a knitter, you'll be a pro before you know it! Next, experience the traditional craft of making the St. Brigid's Cross. Throughout the country you will see these crosses, symbol of the patroness of Ireland, affixed in homes to ward off evil and danger. This evening, after ferrying back to the mainland, join your fellow travellers and toast the end of an incredible adventure! (B, D)

Day 10: Ennis - Tour Ends
Your journey comes to a close today, leaving you with the spirit of Ireland in your heart forever. (B)

STAY LONGER

**ADD
A DAY**

Ennis: Experience more of the real Ireland in this charming town.

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DATES & PRICES

March – April 2018	Double	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019	Double	Solo
<i>(different itinerary – see note)</i>			July 15	\$3859	\$4459
March 18	\$3319	\$3859	August 19	\$3859	\$4459
April 8	\$3449	\$3989	September 2, 9, 23	\$3859	\$4459
April 22	\$3519	\$4059	October 7	\$3589	\$4129
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			April 7	\$3449	\$3989
			April 28	\$3589	\$4129
May 2018 – April 2019	Double	Solo	Triple Room Reduction		(-) \$50
<i>(featured itinerary)</i>			Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.		
May 6	\$3589	\$4129			
May 20	\$3719	\$4329			
June 17, 24	\$3859	\$4459			



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This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Dublin airport and depart from Shannon airport. All of our transfers will arrive into and depart from these airports.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

Level 3: This tour includes moderate physical activity and a blend of longer days, shorter days, and leisure time. You can expect walking tours, walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces. See page 79 for details.

JOURNEY THROUGH SOUTHERN FRANCE

10 DAYS · 13 MEALS
FROM \$5249



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- See the Medoc wine region as you travel along the "Route des Châteaux," the stunning Castle Road.
- A tuk-tuk vehicle brings you around the charming medieval village of Saint Émilion.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Visit La Cité du Vin wine museum, sometimes referred to as the "Guggenheim of Wine."
- Stay two nights on the grounds of a beautiful château in the Dordogne Valley, right in the heart of wine country.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

- **DAY 5** | Explore the Dordogne Valley by bicycle, on a tour that gives you an up close and personal view of the countryside, **or** relax while enjoying the chateau's luxurious spa.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Sample a wide array of wines from Bordeaux, Saint Émilion, Medoc and Dordogne Valley.
- Learn how fine foods pair with even finer wines during a delectable multi-course dinner.
- Savour fresh and local farm-to-table tastings across the southern French countryside.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Intercontinental Le Grand Hotel de Bordeaux, Bordeaux
- Days 4, 5** Château des Vigiers, Dordogne Valley, Monestier
- Day 6** Hotel de La Cité, Carcassonne
- Days 7 - 9** Hotel Le Vallon De Valrugues, Saint-Rémy-de-Provence

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



châteaux and charming medieval villages, alluring wines and active experiences,

this is your gateway to Southern France's personality.
Let the region charm you one sip and stroll at a time.

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Allons-y! You're on your way to Bordeaux and the Dordogne Valley, two of the world's most renowned wine regions, before it's on to chromatic Provence.

Day 2: Bordeaux, France - Tour Begins

Welcome to Bordeaux, a region known as much for its vibrancy and dynamism as its world-renowned wine. A local restaurant famous for its *sélection de vins* and locally-sourced meat invites you for a gastronomic adventure expertly pairing locally sourced foods and wine to mark the beginning of your journey through the south of France. (D)

Day 3: Bordeaux - Medoc - Bordeaux

This morning, explore Bordeaux through a local's perspective during a guided city tour. Embark on an interactive journey through a world of wine and culture at La Cité du Vin. Referred to as the "Guggenheim of wine," this sensory adventure takes you on a fascinating discovery of wine culture and history, ending with a glass of wine while overlooking a 360-degree view of Bordeaux. Next, travel the stunning "Route des Châteaux," viewing the historic wine estates of the

Medoc region. Complete your journey today with a walk through a winery to absorb the atmosphere of the vineyards, smell the grapes and taste locally grown wine. Enjoy the evening at leisure to take in the sights and sounds of Bordeaux. (B)

Day 4: Bordeaux - Saint Émilion - Monestier (Dordogne Valley)

A tuk-tuk vehicle brings you around the charming medieval village of Saint Émilion, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of Bordeaux's largest winemaking areas. After getting acquainted with the city, enjoy time to explore this perfectly compact French village. Then it's on to the Château Des Vigiers, known as "Petit Versailles," your home for the next two evenings. Tonight, enjoy a fine dining experience in this 16th-century estate. (B, D)

Day 5: Dordogne Valley

Venture to the countryside for a charming local market experience. Stop in Eymet, one of Southern France's iconic "bastides" (fortified towns) before visiting the Chateau Monbazillac – a wine cooperative best known for its dessert wine and a symbol of the Bergerac region since the end of the 16th century. This afternoon, **it's**



Carcassonne



Medoc Wine Region



Truffle Hunting



your choice how you would like to explore the Dordogne Valley. Pedal the narrow streets on a bicycle tour for an up close and personal view of the valley **-OR-** relax while enjoying the spa your château has to offer. (B)

Day 6: Dordogne Valley - Carcassonne

Bid adieu to the Dordogne Valley as you make your way to Carcassonne, a UNESCO World Heritage site and virtual storybook that comes to life, replete with drawbridges, towers and cobbled streets. This afternoon step back centuries to medieval times when you explore this breathtaking city independently. (B)

Day 7: Carcassonne - Pont du Gard - Avignon - Saint Rémy

Journey this morning from Carcassonne to Provence. En route, marvel at the Saint-Benezet Bridge and the Pont du Gard, the greatest surviving stretch of aqueduct to have remained since Roman times. In the incredible village of Avignon, often called the "City of Popes," you'll gain an inside look at all this village has to offer during a walking tour with your local expert guide. End with a visit to the dramatic Palace of the Popes, a center of European religion since the Popes moved there in 1309. This evening, sip on locally crafted cocktails followed by dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Saint Rémy

A visit to Gordes yields a sojourn to France's

famed lavender fields and museum, where you'll learn the origin of this beautiful and fragrant flower. An unforgettable epicurean adventure commences with a truffle hunt led by a local chef and trained truffle dogs. Après hunt, savour the unique experience of farm tastings throughout the countryside among landscapes said to have inspired Van Gogh, Picasso, Renoir, and other master artists. (B, L)

Day 9: Saint Rémy - Les Baux-de-Provence - Saint Rémy

Navigate the winding medieval streets in the hilltop town of Les Baux-de-Provence where you have time to explore. Experience one of the world's most impressive and beautiful multimedia presentations, the Carrières de Lumières, set in the ancient quarries of the Alpilles Mountains. With cavernous sound and a spectacle of light complemented by fortress views on the Alpilles mountain range, you'll notice immediately why this is one of the most acclaimed attractions in the region. Later, take time to relax or explore the charming village of Saint Rémy. Tonight's farewell dinner leaves you to compare notes and experiences with your fellow travellers as you prepare to bid au revoir to the magic of Southern France. (B, D)

Day 10: Saint-Rémy - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

YOU HAVE COME SO FAR

Complete your trip with 2 nights in Nice

Relax along the French Riviera and experience the thrill of Monaco. SEE PAGE 74 FOR DETAILS



DATES & PRICES

April 2018 <i>(different itinerary - see note)</i>	Double	Solo	Sept. 2018 - April 2019 <i>(featured itinerary)</i>	Double	Solo
April 14, 21	\$6349	\$7839	September 10, 17, 24	\$5609	\$7499
itinerary featured is for September 2018 - April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			October 8, 15	\$5339	\$7099
			April 8, 29	\$5249	\$6889
			Triple Room Reduction	N/A	
Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.					

This trip requires a passport. Entrance is included to spa only on Day 5; additional spa treatments will be at your expense. Our air guests will depart from Marseilles airport. All of our departure transfers will depart from your hotel in Saint-Rémy to Marseilles airport.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

THE NOVELTIES OF NORTHERN SPAIN

11 DAYS · 13 MEALS
FROM \$4749



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Immerse yourself in Pamplona's unique bullfighting culture during a conversation with a local expert.
- Visit one of Madrid's bustling marketplaces to seek out Spanish treasures and shop like the locals do.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- In Barcelona, experience the Sagrada Familia Church and towers where you'll enjoy panoramic views of the city.
- Visit the Cathedral of Burgos, which represents the pinnacle of Spain's religious architecture.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

- DAY 5** | Join a guided tour of San Sebastian and ride a funicular to the apex of Monte Igeldo **or** take a walking tour along the rural beauty of the Camino de Costa.
- DAY 7** | In Santander, explore via your own paddleboard or kayak **or** take the day to explore the beauty independently.
- DAY 10** | Walk Madrid's centuries-old city center and learn about the Habsburg dynasty **or** take a sightseeing tour that visits the Prado Museum.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Explore the secrets of Catalan cuisine during an interactive culinary workshop.
- Sample traditional pintos during a local dining experience in San Sebastián.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Avenida Palace Hotel, Barcelona
- Day 4** Hotel Maisonnave, Pamplona
- Day 5, 6** Barcelo Costa Vasca Hotel, San Sebastián
- Days 7, 8** NH Collection Palacio de Burgos, Burgos
- Days 9, 10** Hotel NH Madrid Nacional, Madrid

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

NEW TOUR



uncover all the unique wonders of Northern Spain.

From medieval cities to modern Madrid, art and architecture to active exploration, you'll find yourself enchanted by Spain's allure.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

Barcelona: Enjoy the magic of the Catalanian capital before your tour starts. [CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

Day 1: Overnight Flight

You're headed to Barcelona where you'll begin your journey through Northern Spain on an unforgettable Spanish holiday.

Day 2: Barcelona, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Barcelona, a major global city that abounds with culture, architectural gems, and a world-class culinary scene. A welcome reception at one of the port of Barcelona's historic buildings invites you to sip locally-crafted cocktails amidst views of one of the Mediterranean's liveliest ports.

Day 3: Barcelona

Visit the famous La Sagrada Família Church and towers and explore the basilica where you can enjoy panoramic views of the city from 213 feet up. Next, embark on a guided tour of the city and experience sights including the Columbus Monument, the Parc de Montjuïc, and

the exteriors of two of Gaudí's classic constructions, the Casa Mila and the Batlló House. This afternoon you may decide to join an optional expedition to Montserrat for a guided tour of the monastery; or, stay behind to independently see more of the city. Tonight, venture to the city's gourmet quarter where the best Catalan cuisine is right at your fingertips during a culinary workshop with locally-acclaimed chefs! (B, D)

Day 4: Barcelona - Pamplona

This morning, voyage to the Basque region and Pamplona, famous for the running of the bulls. Be part of a private conversation with a local expert regarding the sport's long tradition and historical ties to Pamplona, and get inside information about the colourful San Fermin festival. The evening is yours to relax or explore the city's lively neighbourhoods full of culinary delights. (B)

Day 5: Pamplona - San Sebastián

From Pamplona it's on to charming San Sebastián. **It's your choice** how you spend your day here! Join a locally guided tour of the old town and board a funicular to the apex of Monte Igeldo for breathtaking views of La Concha Bay **-OR-** take a walking tour along the farms, vineyards, and villages of the Coastal Camino; mingle



with locals as you return to San Sebastián by local train. Afterward, dine on pinxtos, traditional Basque tapas, in one of San Sebastián's local restaurants. (B, D)

Day 6: San Sebastián

This morning, explore San Sebastián at your leisure. You may choose to join an optional tour to Bilbao where you can stroll the quirky riverfront landscapes along the Costa Verde and visit the Guggenheim Museum. (B)

Day 7: San Sebastián - Santander - Burgos

Today **it's your choice** how you spend your day in the port city of Santander. See the coast on your own paddleboard or kayak **-OR-** take the day to explore Santander independently, perhaps strolling the gardens of the Palacio de la Magdalena or exploring the historic district of El Sardinero. Later, we gather and continue on to historic Burgos. (B, D)

Day 8: Burgos

A walking tour of medieval Burgos reveals rich religious architecture and glimmering streetscapes. Visit Burgos Cathedral, the UNESCO-protected relic of Spain's religious architecture. The afternoon is at leisure. (B)

Day 9: Burgos - Salamanca - Madrid

Depart Burgos for Salamanca, perched on the tiered hills of the Tormes River. Choose a walking tour or bicycle tour through the city,

and discover the Baroque architecture of the UNESCO-designated Old City and uncover the two cathedrals of Salamanca. Next it's on to Madrid, the Spanish capital and the epicenter of art, culture and politics, as well as home to the Spanish Monarchs. Seek out the treasures of the city and shop as a Spaniard would during a visit to one of Madrid's bustling marketplaces. (B)

Day 10: Madrid

It's your choice how you spend your last day in Madrid. Unearth Madrid's centuries-old city center and learn about the Habsburg dynasty's reign over Spain during a walking tour of the old town **-OR-** take a panoramic sightseeing tour ending with a visit to the Prado Museum, Spain's national art museum. This afternoon, perhaps you'll join an optional walking tour of the city of Segovia and the storybook castle, the Alcázar of Segovia, a UNESCO World Heritage site. This evening, savour Spain's cuisine one last time over a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers to commemorate a Spanish adventure you'll never forget. (B, D)

Day 11: Madrid - Tour Ends

Your adventure ends today. (B)

DATES & PRICES

Sept. 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	N/A
September 13, 27	\$4999	\$6099	Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.	
October 11, 25	\$4999	\$6099		
November 1, 8	\$4749	\$5769		
March 28	\$4889	\$5969		
April 4, 25	\$4999	\$6099		

This trip requires a passport.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

STAY LONGER

**ADD
A DAY**

Madrid: Experience more of Madrid, the Spanish epicenter of art and culture. [CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

SWITZERLAND: HIDDEN TRAILS & MAJESTIC PEAKS

10 DAYS · 12 MEALS
FROM \$4999



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Discover Neuchatel's historic quarter, and see the unique architecture of the Belle Époque period.
- Explore the vineyards of Swiss wine country on foot, and sample the vineyard's delicious offerings.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Visit the charming and picturesque village of Zermatt and marvel at views of the Matterhorn.
- Enjoy a wine tasting nestled among the vines of a UNESCO World Heritage site, the Lavaux vineyards.
- Soak in the stunning grandeur of the Alps and the Swiss Riviera, views that will take your breath away.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 8 | Choose to return to Vevey via rail and enjoy leisure time **or**, continue through the miles of Lavaux vineyard to the medieval village of Saint-Saphorin.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Savour lunch at a family-owned restaurant in Lavaux and enjoy the cuisine of Swiss wine country.
- Bring out the kid in you during a chocolate workshop, where you'll witness the artistry of Swiss chocolatiers.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 - 4** Best Western Premier Hotel Beaulac, Neuchâtel
- Days 5, 6** Unique Hotel Post or Hotel Alex, Zermatt
- Days 7 - 9** Astra Hotel Vevey, Vevey

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

NEW TOUR



embark on an active journey across Switzerland

from the soaring peaks of the Swiss Alps to the picturesque villages
of the Swiss Riviera – all while travelling by train.

Day 1: Overnight Flight

You're on your way to a world wedged between Germany, Austria, France and Italy -- the country of four languages that's one of the most heralded destinations in Europe. Your journey through Switzerland will be entirely by train, offering an up close and personal rendezvous with the best the country has to offer, from the Alps to the historic villages of the Swiss Riviera. Get ready to experience the culture, history and lifestyle of Switzerland firsthand.

Day 2: Neuchatel, Switzerland - Tour Begins

Willkommen! Bienvenue! Board a Swiss Rail train to Neuchatel, where Gothic landmarks and sandstone grandeur beckon you to discover the abounding history of this medieval waterfront city. A reception of cocktails and canapes welcomes you to the first stop on your tour: the centuries-old cloister of the Collégiale, a church and chateau perched atop Neuchatel's highest point. Retire this evening in your lakefront room with incredible views of Lake Neuchatel.

Day 3: Neuchatel - Auvornier - Neuchatel

Good morning, Neuchatel a la Belle Époque! Set out on a walking tour and discover the treasures of Neuchatel's historic quarter with its unique architecture from the Belle Époque period. Next, it's on to the village of Auvornier and Caves du Chateau d'Auvornier, a centuries-old vineyard that has remained in the same family for fourteen generations. A tour of the chateau's cellars demands a tasting of their everlasting vintages and a chance to learn how nature, soil and tradition converge to create a vintage's character and flavour. (B)

Day 4: Neuchatel

Enjoy a day of leisure in Neuchatel. You may use your Swiss Travel Pass to explore the surrounding areas or gain admission to museums. Or, just relax and stroll this charming place. Perhaps you will choose to join your guide for an optional e-biking excursion on Switzerland's Absinthe Trail to Maison de l'Absinthe to learn the history of production and enjoy a private tasting and cooking experience. This evening we gather to unwind over dinner at a local brasserie and sample local favourites such as boeuf tartare and fromage. (B, D)



Lavaux



Swiss Train

Day 5: Neuchatel - Bern - Zermatt

From Neuchatel we travel via train to Bern, the Swiss capital city. Enjoy time at leisure to discover Bern's enthralling blend of influences - old and new. Then it's on to the striking resort village of Zermatt, nestled against the backdrop of the Matterhorn. (B, D)

Day 6: Zermatt

Zermatt's modern holiday amenities steeped in traditional Alpine roots make this pedestrian city a truly peak experience. Today is yours to explore all this village has to offer. Consider using your Swiss Travel Pass to ascend the Gornergrat Railway to take in breathtaking views of the famed Matterhorn. (B)

Day 7: Zermatt - Vevey

Say goodbye to Zermatt and head to the north shore of Lake Geneva to Vevey, one of the "Pearls of the Swiss Riviera," with awe-inspiring views of the Alpine panorama. While the city's promenades and majestic hotels are classic reminders of the Belle Époque, its modernity is characterized by its art and music festivals, and the ever-present memory of Charlie Chaplin, who spent the last quarter of his life as a resident. Enjoy a walking tour before paying a visit to Läderach. Switzerland is world-famous for its chocolate, and Läderach chocolate is Swiss perfection. Participate in an immersive tasting workshop that reveals a behind-the-scenes

glimpse at the artistry behind the handmade Swiss chocolate. (B)

Day 8: Vevey - Lavaux - Vevey

A relaxed morning in Vevey preludes your journey to the terraced vineyards of Lavaux. Begin with lunch at a family-owned restaurant before visiting our friends, Jacques and Aurelia, for a wine tasting nestled amongst the vines. Traipse the Lavaux vineyards (UNESCO) on foot before enjoying another tasting of the region's finest varieties. Next, **it's your choice!** Return to Vevey via rail and enjoy the rest of your day at leisure **-OR-** continue your exploration through the miles of Lavaux vineyards to Saint-Saphorin, a medieval village dating back to Roman times, located on the banks of Lake Geneva. (B, L)

Day 9: Vevey

Enjoy a full day at leisure. Check out everything Vevey has to offer. Don't forget to take advantage of your Swiss Travel Pass to explore any one of the city's museums, among them the Swiss Camera Museum, Charlie Chaplin Museum, or the Nestle Foundation's Nest. Or use your Pass to board a ferry to discover Montreux and Chillon. Join us this evening for a farewell dinner at one of Vevey's best local restaurants. (B, D)

Day 10: Vevey - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

DATES & PRICES

August 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	N/A
August 31	\$4999	\$6199	Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.	
September 14	\$4999	\$6199		
October 5, 19	\$4999	\$6199		
April 5	\$4999	\$6199		

This trip requires a passport. Due to tour scheduling, flights must arrive prior to 11:30 a.m. Return flights should not be booked prior to 9:00 a.m. Our air passengers will arrive and depart Zurich, Switzerland airport. Your Swiss Travel Pass will be needed for ALL transportation on this tour, utilizing the Swiss Travel System. Porterage service for luggage is included between hotels. Upon arrival, a Collette representative will meet you at the Zurich airport to secure luggage transfer; then accompany you via train to Neuchatel - utilizing the Swiss Travel System - and escort you to the hotel. Transfer times will be provided closer to departure. For departure transfers, you will independently make your way to the Zurich airport with your luggage using the train system. Your Tour Manager will provide you with train schedules for the most convenient routing and timing to the Zurich airport.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 5: This tour is very active, requiring participants to be physically fit to fully enjoy all the experiences. You can expect more strenuous activities like: extensive walking tours, transfers over uneven or dusty terrain, high altitudes, early-morning departures, late-night activities, or extreme temperatures. This tour is not appropriate for individuals who use walkers or wheelchairs. See page 79 for details.

ICELANDIC ADVENTURE

10 DAYS • 13 MEALS
FROM \$5269



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Spend time with a family that keeps alive a 400-year-old tradition of catching and preserving Greenland shark.
- Spend time at the geothermal baths of Lake Mývatn.
- Tour the old section of Reykjavík on foot.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Explore Snæfellsjökull glacier aboard an Icelandic snow cat.
- Relax in the mineral rich waters of the Blue Lagoon.
- Travel the beautiful Golden Circle route and explore Thingvellir National Park.
- Go whale watching in Skálafandi Bay with specialized zodiac boats.



CHOICE ON TOUR

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

Day 8 | Take a guided Vatnshellir Cave tour or explore a coastal lava field featuring a myriad of natural textures and colours.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Taste "hákarl," cured shark meat.
- Enjoy dinner at a restaurant featuring farm-to-table experiences during your 3-night farmhouse stay.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Day 1 Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3 Centerhotel Arnarhvoll, Reykjavík
Days 4 - 6 Raudaskrida Hotel & Guesthouse, Húsavík
Days 7, 8 Fosshotel Stykkishólmur, Stykkishólmur
Day 9 Centerhotel Arnarhvoll, Reykjavík

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

NEW TOUR



Goðafoss Waterfall

set out to discover Iceland's

adventurous landscapes and rich cultural heritage.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

Reykjavik: Reward yourself with an early arrival in Iceland's colorful cultural hub.

CALL FOR DETAILS

Day 1: Overnight Flight

You are on your way to Iceland. From ethereal lava fields to thundering waterfalls to coastal villages, this tour reveals the island's dramatic contrasts.

Day 2: Reykjavík, Iceland - Tour Begins

Your journey opens in Reykjavík. Step into Icelandic culture and explore the historic side of this capital city during a guided walking tour. As we make our way through the old section of the city, see the towering Hallgrímskirkja church, city hall, the harbour and Reykjavík's oldest building, home of the Kraum Icelandic design center. Marvel at Reykjavík's modern architecture, especially the Harpa concert hall and its famous glass façade. Tonight, get to know your fellow travellers during a delectable Icelandic dinner at a distinctive local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Reykjavík

Travel the Golden Circle. This spectacular route takes you to many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders. Begin at Thingvellir National Park, where Icelanders gathered in A.D. 930 and established one of the world's first parliaments. Here, at Thingvellir's rift valley, stand at the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge (UNESCO), the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Next, lose yourself in the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Stop at the famous thermal area of Geysir and see the fountain geyser known as Strokkur. Watch for its explosive vertical spout which can reach 90 feet. Then, visit the Friðheimar greenhouse cultivation center. Learn how the Icelanders grow delicious pesticide-free tomatoes and cucumbers with the aid of the island's geothermal energy. Witness the Icelandic farm-to-table culinary culture. We have more in store as you discover the special breed of Icelandic horse during a brief show and stable visit on a family-run farm. (B)

Day 4: Reykjavík - Akureyri - Staðarbraut - Æðafossar - Húsavík

Experience the true beauty of the way up north. This



Snæfellsjökull glacier

morning we fly to Akureyri. Upon arrival enjoy some leisure time to absorb the quaint culture of Iceland's second largest city. En route to Húsavík, we'll make a stop at Staðarbraut to see its fascinating collection of turf settlement homes. Continue to the Knútsstaðaborg Hollow; a rocky outcrop that Icelandic sheep can often be found upon. We will pause at Eider falls on the Laxá River, which claims the largest brown trout population on the island. Later, settle into your farmhouse in the Icelandic countryside. This family-owned property holds Iceland's first environmental gold certification. Savour the reflective stillness of its dreamlike surroundings during a 3-night stay. This evening, enjoy the true essence of farm-to-table as locally sourced ingredients are incorporated in your dining experience. (B, D)

Day 5: Húsavík

Take to the sea! This morning we venture into the town of Húsavík. Ancient tales say this was the first place in Iceland settled by the Norse. Your adventure starts with a visit to the town's whaling museum. Next, gear up in thermal wear because you'll be joining expert whale watchers on Skálfandi Bay. Aboard specialized zodiacs, get as close as you can to whales in northern Iceland. You may see the humpback, minke, orca, fin or even the giant blue whales that frequent these waters. This afternoon enjoy some leisure time and meet the people who call this town home. (B)

Day 6: Húsavík - Lake Mývatn - Dettifoss - Ásbyrgi Canyon - Húsavík

Spend today exploring the magnificent Diamond Circle – the Golden Circle of the North – a scenic circuit that covers over 160 miles. Begin with a stop at one of Iceland's most historic waterfalls, Goðafoss, where Iceland was converted to Christianity in A.D. 1000. Next, marvel at Lake Mývatn, the Blue Lagoon of the north. Enjoy time exploring the warm, mineral-rich geothermal waters of this man-made lagoon. Continue on to the powerful Dettifoss waterfall, known to be one of the strongest waterfalls in all of Europe due to its volume. End the day at the horseshoe shaped Ásbyrgi Canyon. Hear the legend behind the canyon as you take in the view of this massive formation. This evening continue to experience the gifts of your surroundings during another farm-to-table inspired dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Húsavík - Snæfellsnes Peninsula - Stykkishólmur

Are you ready for a place unlike any other?

Today you experience the otherworldliness of the Snæfellsnes Peninsula during a scenic drive to Stykkishólmur. This afternoon enjoy leisure time in the quaint fishing village to explore the picturesque scenery and charming shops and museums. (B).

Day 8: Stykkishólmur - Vatneshillir Cave or Lava Field Walk

Today we continue our journey through the Snæfellsnes Peninsula. Have your camera ready to capture the landscapes of black sand beaches, stunning cliffs, mountain peaks, volcanic craters, plunging waterfalls, rocky coastlines and tiny fishing villages. Board an Icelandic snow cat to ascend the captivating Snæfellsjökull glacier, said to be one of the world's seven great energy centers. Climb to over 4,800 feet and enjoy breathtaking views as you explore the glacier on foot. Then, **it's your choice!** Take a guided Vatneshillir Cave tour and head 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, stalactites and more -OR- perhaps you will choose a guided coastal lava field tour featuring a myriad of natural textures and colours. Later, we gather for a stop in the quaint fishing town of Grundarfjörður for a glimpse of coastal living. (B, D)

Day 9: Stykkishólmur - Borgarnes - Blue Lagoon - Reykjavík

Our voyage continues as we head south on the Snæfellsnes Peninsula. 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 was used by their grandfather; the tiny farmer's church; and explore the museum to learn more about Iceland's deep relationship with this trade. Before leaving, test your culinary courage and try hákarl (cured shark meat), a local specialty. Visit the Settlement Museum to dive into the origins of Icelandic heritage including the works of the famous Viking - and poet - Egill Skallagrímsson. Embark on a drive to the Reykjanes Peninsula, best known as the home of the Blue Lagoon. You can't leave Iceland without taking a dip in the warm, mineral-rich waters of this geothermal wonder, located in the middle of a dramatic lava field. Spend the afternoon at leisure before coming together for an unforgettable farewell dinner at a restaurant featuring Icelandic-inspired cuisine. (B, D)

Day 10: Reykjavík - Tour Ends

(B)



DATES & PRICES

May - September 2018	Double	Solo	May - September 2018	Double	Solo
May 1	\$5269	\$6219	September 18	\$5479	\$6419
May 8	\$5479	\$6419	September 25	\$5269	\$6219
May 15, 22	\$5609	\$6559	Triple Room Reduction (-) \$100		
May 29	\$5999	\$7499	Rates are land only, per person, in Canadian dollars, and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.		
June 5, 12, 19, 26	\$5999	\$7499			
July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31	\$5999	\$7499			
August 7, 14, 21, 28	\$5999	\$7499			
September 4, 11	\$5609	\$6559			

This trip requires a passport. Due to flight schedules, a pre or post night may be required in some Iceland Air gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of reservation. Due to tour scheduling, arrival flights should arrive prior to 10:00 a.m. The internal flight is not included in the land price of your tour. This flight needs to be arranged and purchased separately if you arrange your own air. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 3: This tour includes moderate physical activity and a blend of longer days, shorter days, and leisure time. You can expect walking tours, walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces. See page 79 for details.

THE NORTHERN LIGHTS OF FINLAND

8 DAYS · 11 MEALS
FROM \$5269



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

- Savour 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](#)
- Day 7** Lilla Roberts Hotel, Helsinki

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



come to know Finnish culture in bustling Helsinki

and the quiet beauty of the remote Lapland.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

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 travellers 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 flavours. Next, see Kaivopuisto Park, an ornate neighbourhood 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 lands. (B)

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



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Husky Dog Sled



Reindeer sleigh ride * Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort/Valtteri Hirvonen

Finnish log cabin equipped with a private fireplace and sauna. Join your fellow travellers 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 colours 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)

DATES & PRICES

October 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo	October 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo
October 25	\$5269	\$6489	April 4, 11	\$5269	\$6489
November 1, 8, 30	\$5269	\$6489			
December 6	\$5269	\$6489			
January 10, 12, 24, 31	\$5269	\$6489			
February 14, 28	\$5269	\$6489			
March 21	\$5269	\$6489			

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COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE

Book another tour with The Northern Lights of Finland and create one grand experience. **Suggested Tour:** ① 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.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 3: This tour includes moderate physical activity and a blend of longer days, shorter days, and leisure time. You can expect walking tours, walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces. See page 79 for details.

STAY LONGER

ADD
A DAY

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

CALL FOR DETAILS

THE PLAINS OF AFRICA

14 DAYS · 33 MEALS
FROM \$6154



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

- Savour 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, Nairobi
Day 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 Mara
Day 11 Sarova Stanley Hotel, Nairobi
Days 12, 13 Ol Tukai Lodge, Amboseli

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



scenic vistas and magnificent wildlife surround you

as you traverse the African plains on an intimate safari adventure.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

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)



Leopard

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

Day 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

**ADD
A DAY**

Nairobi: Stay a bit longer to reflect on your amazing adventure in Kenya.
CALL FOR DETAILS



YOU HAVE COME SO FAR



Serengeti

TOUR EXTENSIONS:

- **Nairobi: Begin your trip with an extra night.**
Visit the Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage and learn about the efforts to protect and rehabilitate the elephants. SEE PAGE 74 FOR DETAILS
- **Tanzania: Complete your trip with a 4-night extension.**
Explore Serengeti National Park and the Ngorongoro Crater. SEE PAGE 74 FOR DETAILS

DATES & PRICES

February – April 2018 (different itinerary – see note)	Double	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019	Double	Solo
February 8, 22	\$7059	\$8809	September 6, 13, 20	\$7704	\$10064
March 8, 15	\$7059	\$8809	October 11, 14, 18, 25	\$7704	\$10064
April 5, 19	\$6109	\$6789	November 1, 4, 15	\$6964	\$8654
			December 16	\$8314	\$10604
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			January 17, 24	\$7094	\$8714
			February 7, 14, 28	\$7094	\$8714
			March 7	\$7094	\$8714
			April 11, 18	\$6694	\$7364
			Triple Room Reduction N/A		
			Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.		

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



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. Any guests partaking in the post-tour Tanzania extension will need to apply for a double-entry visa. Alternatively, Collette recommends using CIBT visa service to ensure accuracy and timeliness of visa processing. The approximate visa cost for a single entry visa is \$140 CAD (includes CIBT fees as well as consular fees) plus shipping, subject to change. Please contact CIBT or visit their website at www.cibtvisas.ca or check with your consulate for more information. Park fees of \$775 CAD 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.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

EXPLORING SOUTH AFRICA, VICTORIA FALLS & BOTSWANA

14 DAYS · 23 MEALS
FROM \$6419



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

- Savour 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.



epic scenery, abundant wildlife, winding coastlines and

remarkable cultural diversity come together in an incredible adventure.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

Cape Town: Take an extra day in this beautiful harbourside city.

[CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

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 harbourside 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, savour 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)



Chobe Safari Cruise

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 savour 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 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

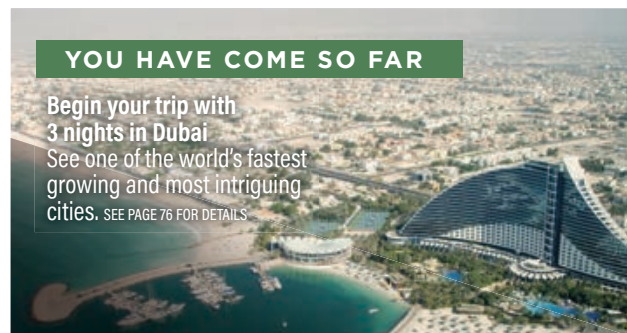
Watch for bushbuck (African antelope) as well as birdlife during a nature walk with a local guide. Cross the border as you travel to Chobe, Botswana. An exciting safari cruise awaits. Spot wildlife along the water's edge, find hippos swimming along the shores, and crocodiles basking in the sun. (B, L,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

Day 14: Chobe - Johannesburg - Tour Ends

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



YOU HAVE COME SO FAR

Begin your trip with 3 nights in Dubai
See one of the world's fastest growing and most intriguing cities. SEE PAGE 76 FOR DETAILS

DATES & PRICES

February – April 2018 <i>(different itinerary – see note)</i>	Double	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019	Double	Solo
February 7, 12, 14, 21, 24, 28	\$6429	\$7779	August 29	\$6549	\$8239
March 7, 14	\$6429	\$7779	September 1, 5, 12, 19, 26	\$6549	\$8239
April 4, 11, 14, 18, 25	\$6279	\$7629	October 3, 10, 13, 17, 24, 31	\$6619	\$8439
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			November 7	\$6619	\$8439
May 2018 – April 2019 <i>(featured itinerary)</i>	Double	Solo	January 9, 16, 19, 23	\$6619	\$8439
			February 6, 13, 16, 20, 27	\$6619	\$8439
			March 6, 13, 20, 27	\$6619	\$8439
			April 3, 10, 17, 24	\$6479	\$8169
			Triple Room Reduction		N/A
Rates are land only, per person, in Canadian dollars, and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.					



COMBINE TWO TOURS INTO ONE ADVENTURE

Book another tour with Exploring South Africa and create one grand experience.

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. Canadian citizens are required to purchase two single entry visas at a cost of \$30 USD for each visa (total of \$60 USD). 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 \$130 CAD 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 travellers 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.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

COLOURS OF MOROCCO

11 DAYS · 18 MEALS
FROM \$3589



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 Dades
Days 8 - 10	Opera Plaza, Marrakech

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



Sahara Desert

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.

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Day 1: Overnight Flight

Embark on a captivating Moroccan adventure featuring centuries-old customs and colourful 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 colours. (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 favourites 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. Savour 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



Hassan II Mosque



Fez Market

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 travellers 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

ADD
A DAY

Casablanca: Explore more of this Moroccan port city.

CALL FOR DETAILS

DATES & PRICES

February - April 2018 <i>(different itinerary - see note)</i>	Double	Solo	October 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo
February 8	\$3179	\$4129	November 7	\$3589	\$4529
March 15	\$3179	\$4129	December 5	\$3589	\$4529
April 5	\$3179	\$4129	January 9	\$3589	\$4529
Itinerary featured is for October 2018 - April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.					
October 2018 - April 2019 <i>(featured itinerary)</i>	Double	Solo	February 6, 13	\$3589	\$4529
October 3, 17, 24, 31	\$3589	\$4529	March 6, 27	\$3589	\$4529
			April 3, 24	\$3589	\$4529
Triple Room Reduction (-) N/A					
Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.					



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Book another tour with Colours of Morocco and create one grand experience.

Suggested Tour: ① Spain's Costa del Sol & the Portuguese Riviera

CALL FOR DETAILS

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).

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

DUBAI, OMAN & ABU DHABI

13 DAYS · 20 MEALS
FROM \$5479



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Explore the history of falconry and get up close to this majestic bird.
- Delight in an exhilarating "dune bashing" by 4x4.
- Take a short camel ride during a visit with a nomadic Bedouin Wahiba tribe.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Ascend the Burj Khalifa, the world's tallest building.
- Stand in awe of the impressive Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan Mosque.
- Explore Al Ain, an oasis town dotted with abundant groundwater springs.
- Discover Masdar City, a sustainable eco-community.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 10 | In Dubai, choose to sail on a dhow (traditional boat) along the Dubai Creek **or** explore Dubai Marina by metro where you can enjoy a leisurely walk along the water.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Enjoy a desert dinner with traditional Arabic cuisine and traditional dances.
- Savour dinner with views of Dubai's well-known fountain show.
- Be treated to traditional Omani cuisine at a seaside home.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Day 1 Overnight Flight
Days 2 - 4 Radisson Blu Yas Island, Abu Dhabi
Days 5 - 7 Radisson Blu Hotel, Muscat
Day 8 Hilton, Al Ain
Days 9 - 11 Sheraton Dubai Creek Hotel & Towers, Dubai

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



embark on an adventure to this captivating region

that blends luxurious cities with vast deserts and old-world traditions.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

Abu Dhabi: Arrive early to experience more of this ultramodern city.

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Day 1: Overnight Flight

From today's immeasurable opulence to the ancient culture of the past, uncover the treasures of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Oman.

Day 2: Abu Dhabi, UAE - Tour Begins

Your adventure opens in Abu Dhabi, capital of the United Arab Emirates and one of the world's most modern cities. Explore at leisure as you settle into this lavish metropolis and enjoy the amenities of your hotel.

Day 3: Abu Dhabi

Prepare to be dazzled. This morning, enjoy a panoramic tour of Abu Dhabi, stopping at the famous Emirates Palace and Corniche. Visit a bustling fish market where you will see the colourful array of seafood. Then we'll experience a lively date market where you will learn about the region's many varieties of dates. Early this evening, visit the impressive Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan Mosque, a sprawling structure initiated by the late president of the UAE. Created in hopes of uniting the

cultural diversity of the Islamic world, it's a prominent place of worship. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Abu Dhabi

Learn the importance of falcons to Arabian culture at the largest falcon hospital in the UAE. Explore its museum that takes you through the history of falconry and take advantage of this rare opportunity to see these majestic birds up close. Step into the examination room to perhaps witness a falcon checkup or a pedicure. You might even have a falcon sit on your arm! Next, travel to Masdar City, a sustainable eco-community relying on solar power and renewable energy. Ride aboard a driverless car to the city centre to enjoy a walking tour and learn about futuristic initiatives. The remainder of the afternoon is yours. (B)

Day 5: Abu Dhabi - Muscat, Oman

Fly to Oman, a mystical land of contrasts with deep traditions and friendly people. Discover the port city of Muscat, the capital and heart of Oman. Your afternoon city tour reveals Old Muscat and the Corniche before arriving at Mutrah Souq, the oldest bazaar in Oman. Wander and browse the souq's narrow lanes and colourful displays. Tonight, enjoy traditional Omani cuisine at a seaside home. (B, D)



Dubai

of Mount Nakhal and was built 350 years ago to protect trade routes. Drive through a date plantation on the way to our next stop at Ain Thowarah, known for its hot springs. Crossing the border into the UAE, we will do as thousands of desert travellers have done before us and arrive at Al Ain...a lush oasis of palm trees, flowers and fountains. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Al Ain - Dubai

Get acquainted with Al Ain, "the garden city" of the UAE. With abundant groundwater springs, this "oasis town" was the perfect stopover on the caravan trail between the UAE to the Sultanate of Oman. Explore the museum to learn about the unique irrigation system - known as Falaj. Continue on to Hili Gardens and the city's archaeological sites where a village and a burial ground dating back to 2700 B.C. were discovered. This afternoon, arrive in the epic city of Dubai, known for its beautiful coasts and magnificent man-made wonders. (B, L)

Day 10: Dubai

This morning, **the choice is yours**. Will you sail on a dhow (traditional boat) along the Dubai Creek? **-OR-** travel to Dubai Marina, one of the "newest" sections of Dubai, by metro where you can enjoy a leisurely walk along the water? Following your walk, set out for Palm Jumeirah, one of Dubai's many man-made islands. This evening, enjoy a desert dinner with traditional Arabic cuisine and traditional dances. (B, D)

Day 11: Dubai

We start our day with a visit to the Sheikh Mohammed Centre for Cultural Understanding, located in the oldest traditional Emirati neighbourhood, Bur Dubai. Walk among the neighbourhood's narrow sikkas (alleyways) and gaze at the beautiful wind towers that adorn the original residences along Dubai Creek. Visit the Dubai Museum and textile market before taking a ride across the dazzling Dubai Creek in a private "abra" (traditional water taxi). Witness the bustling waterfront as you pass by. Enjoy a walk through the famous gold souk where you learn firsthand why Dubai has earned its title as "The City of Gold" and enjoy the aroma of traditional spices as you walk through the spice market. Later this afternoon, ascend the world's tallest building, the Burj Khalifa. Enjoy magnificent views of the city from the tallest observatory in the world. Descend from the tower and join your fellow travellers for a dinner with views of Dubai's well-known fountain show. (B, D)

Day 12: Dubai

Enjoy a day at leisure to explore Dubai on your own. (B)

Day 13: Dubai - Tour Ends

Your adventure comes to a close today. (B)

STAY LONGER

ADD A DAY

Dubai: Explore more of the city's beautiful coasts and man-made wonders. [CALL FOR DETAILS](#)



YOU HAVE COME SO FAR

Complete your trip with 3 nights in Jordan. Explore this ancient land - from the stone city of Petra to the sands of Wadi Rum.

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DATES & PRICES

February - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Double	Solo	October 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo
February 14	\$5879	\$7769	December 5	\$5479	\$6889
March 14	\$5879	\$7769	January 9, 23	\$5479	\$6889
April 18	\$5879	\$7769	February 6, 20	\$5479	\$6889
Itinerary featured is for October 2018 - April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			March 6, 20	\$5479	\$6889
			April 3	\$5479	\$6889
			Triple Room Reduction N/A		
			Rates are land only, per person, in Canadian dollars, and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.		
October 2018 - April 2019 (featured itinerary)	Double	Solo			
October 24	\$5479	\$6889			
November 7	\$5479	\$6889			

This trip requires a passport and visa. A visa is required for Sultanate of Oman, which may be purchased on arrival in Muscat. The approximate cost of the visa is \$52 CAD, payable in cash. The internal flights are not included in the tour cost. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us. 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.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

Day 6: Muscat - Wadi Bani Khalid - Wahiba Sands - Muscat

Buckle up today! Board a 4-wheel drive vehicle for your journey to Wadi Bani Khalid. Pass through the striking Western Hajar Mountains with their colourful rock formations before arriving at the stunning wadi (valley floor). Stroll through the wadi before pausing to relax and enjoy a picnic lunch. Continue to the breathtaking desert dunes of Wahiba Sand, home to a nomadic Bedouin Wahiba tribe that once crossed the dunes in search of water. Spend time at their camp and get to know their culture. Take a short camel ride followed by an exhilarating "dune bashing" by 4x4, a favourite local activity. (B, L)

Day 7: Muscat - Nizwa - Jabrin - Muscat

Travel to the traditional city of Nizwa, Oman's old capital city from the 6th and 7th centuries. Step back in time as you walk through the impressive 17th-century fort before exploring the souq, famous for Bedouin silver and beautifully crafted clay items. Next, discover Jabrin's late 17th-century Jabreen Castle, the finest in all of Oman. Pause for a moment to take in the view from the top of the castle...it is mesmerizing. (B, L)

Day 8: Muscat - Al Ain, UAE

As we head back to the UAE we will stop en route to visit the Grand Mosque of Oman. Stand in awe of this remarkable sandstone structure that is home to the world's second-largest hand woven carpet and chandelier. Continue to Nakhal Fort which lies on a hill at the base

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CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

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

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

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



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

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

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Vivanta by Taj Dwarka, New Delhi
Days 4, 5	Lalit Laxmi Vilas, Udaipur
Days 6, 7	The Lalit, Jaipur
Days 8, 9	Juna Mahal, Ranthambore
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.



unravel the mysteries of this vast and diverse country

through its natural wonders, magnificent palace and flavourful 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 Honour, and learn about the lifestyle of the royal ladies who once strolled through these gardens. This evening, cruise along Lake Pichola and take in views of the Jag Mandir Palace and the City Palace. (B)

Day 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,



River Ganges

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 home-hosted 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 neighbouring villages and trains them to be self-sufficient artists. Next, visit Dastkar Ranthambore Project, founded in 1981 by six women united to protect India's traditional artisans. Dive into the local cuisine with an interactive cooking demonstration followed by dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Ranthambore - Bharatpur - Agra

An early morning train brings you to Bharatpur. Disembark and continue your journey to Agra, a city rich with the splendours 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 Siddhartha Gautama, later known as Buddha, gave his first sermon on a quiet grove in the 6th century B.C. A Hindu scholar discusses the philosophy of Hinduism with you. Join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner this evening. (B, D)

Day 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)



YOU HAVE COME SO FAR



TOUR EXTENSIONS:

- **Dubai: Begin your trip with 3 nights in Dubai.**
Visit one of the world's most exciting, must-see destinations.
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- **Nepal: Complete your trip with a 4-night extension.**
Head to the Himalayas and the legendary city of Kathmandu.
SEE PAGE 77 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 76 FOR DETAILS

DATES & PRICES

February - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Double	Solo	September 2018 - April 2019 Double	Solo
February 8, 15, 22	\$4189	\$5749	November 1, 8, 15, 29	\$3919 \$5269
March 1, 8	\$4189	\$5749	January 10, 17, 24, 31	\$3919 \$5269
April 5, 19	\$3589	\$4729	February 7, 21	\$3919 \$5269
Itinerary featured is for September 2018 - April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.				
September 2018 - April 2019 Double Solo (featured itinerary)			March 7, 21	\$3919 \$5269
September 27	\$3919	\$5269	March 28	\$3649 \$4999
October 4, 18, 25	\$3919	\$5269	April 4, 25	\$3649 \$4999
				Triple Room Reduction N/A
Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.				

This trip requires a passport and visa. A tourist e-visa is available to Canadian citizens entering India through Delhi. You can apply online for a tourist e-visa, at least 4 days prior to travelling, for visits not exceeding 30 days. Carry a printed copy of the email confirmation of your e-visa and have a formal visa affixed on your passport upon arrival at the airport. We recommend using CIBT visa service to ensure accuracy and timeliness of visa processing. The approximate visa cost is \$149 CAD. Contact CIBT or visit their website at www.cibtvissas.ca or check with your consulate for more information. All fees are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. The Indian Government charges a camera and/or video fee of approximately \$10 CAD/\$30 CAD respectively (total for the entire trip) for taking photos inside attractions. Your Tour Manager will collect these fees. Each guest is responsible for proper medical documentation and inoculations required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Contact your local travel clinic or personal physicians. 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). Due to tour scheduling, return flights home should not be booked to leave prior to 6:00 p.m. on the last day.



COLLETTE CARES

India - At a local school, see the efforts of the Akshaya Patra Foundation, which distributes healthy meals to the children.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

1 2 3 4 5

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

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ADD
A DAY

Delhi: Enjoy more time to explore this exciting cultural melting pot.
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CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Visit a local residence to learn about their traditional way of life.
- Try your hand at lantern making at a famous lantern workshop.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Get acquainted with Ho Chi Minh City on your sightseeing tour.
- Cruise along the famous Mekong Delta, a place rich with wonders.
- Overnight on a luxury junk boat cruise in Halong Bay.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 7 | Come to know life in Ky Son on a stroll **or** bike ride through the village.

DAY 8 | Explore the floating fishing village by traditional row boat **or** by kayak!



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Learn about local culinary traditions during a cooking demonstration.
- Visit a home where coconut candy is made.
- Savour a lunchtime seafood feast aboard your luxury junk boat.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 - 4** New World Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City
- Days 5 - 7** Movenpick Hotel, Hanoi
- Day 8** Bhaya Classic, Halong Bay
- Days 9, 10** Pilgrimage Village, Hue
- Days 11 - 13** Almanity Hoi An Resort & Spa, Hoi An
- Day 14** New World Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



Halong Bay

delve into an ancient and mysterious world

as you explore Vietnam's rich culture and complex history.

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ADD A DAY

Ho Chi Minh City: Spend more time in this metropolis once known to the world as Saigon. [CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out on a journey that reveals the best of Vietnam, a beautiful country with a long and rich history.

Day 2: Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in historic Ho Chi Minh City, formerly known as Saigon. For centuries, the city has been the commercial hub of the region, creating a cultural melting pot.

Day 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. After lunch at a local

restaurant 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 Old Market in District 1. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Ho Chi Minh City - Mekong Delta - Ho Chi Minh City

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

Day 5: Saigon - Hanoi

Fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's capital. From the ancient past, through colonial rule to the modern day, this vibrant city

boasts many layers of history. Hanoi's French influences and traditional motifs paint a rich cultural portrait that entralls visitors. (B, D)

Day 6: Hanoi

Begin your day in Ba Dinh Square, home of the mausoleum built to honour Ho Chi Minh, a revered figure in Vietnam. Behind this impressive site and standing in stark contrast is Minh's simple house that sits on stilts. Admire the lotus-shaped One Pillar Pagoda resting on a single stone pillar emerging from the water. Take in the well-preserved traditional architecture at the Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first university, founded in the early 11th century. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Then, set out on a cyclo tour of Hanoi that takes you through its Old Quarter. Catch a glimpse of ancient Hanoi and see the traditional Vietnamese architecture including the "long house." (B, L)

Day 7: Hanoi - Ky Son - Hanoi

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

Day 8: Hanoi - Halong Bay

Journey to Halong Bay for your overnight cruise on a luxury junk boat. Travel through the rice paddy fields and stop in some of the villages. Marvel at the thousands of limestone islands that dot these waters. Enjoy a lunchtime seafood feast aboard followed by a swim in the crystal clear waters of the bay. This afternoon **it's your choice!** Explore the floating fishing village by traditional row boat -OR- by kayak! Overnight among the dramatic limestone peaks rising out of the sea. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Halong Bay - Hanoi - Hue

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

Day 10: Hue

Travel to the shores of the Perfume River and embark on a cruise that reveals Hue's Imperial past. Our first stop is at Thien Mu Pagoda, one of the oldest and most remarkable religious buildings in the country. Then it's on to see the incredible mausoleum of Emperor Tu Duc, the most elaborate royal tomb in the country. Continue on to explore the sprawling Imperial Citadel that originally encompassed 148 buildings before arriving at the Dong Ba Market to witness or partake in the timeless art of

bartering. Later, savour the local flavours during dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 11: Hue - Hoi An

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

Day 12: Hoi An

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

Day 13: Hoi An

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

Day 14: Hoi An - Ho Chi Minh City

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

Day 15: Ho Chi Minh City - Tour Ends

Return home with a wealth of incredible memories. (B)



DATES & PRICES

February - April 2018 <i>(different itinerary - see note)</i>	Double	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo
February 1, 8, 22	\$3589	\$4529	September 13, 27	\$3379	\$4729
March 1, 15, 22	\$3589	\$4529	October 11, 18	\$3379	\$4729
April 5, 12, 19	\$3589	\$4529	December 6	\$3649	\$4999
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 - April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			January 10, 17, 24, 31	\$3649	\$4999
May 2018 - April 2019 <i>(featured itinerary)</i>	Double	Solo	February 28	\$3649	\$4999
May 10, 24	\$3379	\$4729	March 7	\$3649	\$4999
June 14	\$3379	\$4729	April 4, 11, 18	\$3649	\$4999
July 12	\$3379	\$4729			
August 23	\$3379	\$4729			

Triple Room Reduction

N/A

Rates are land only, per person, in Canadian dollars and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.

This trip requires a passport and visa. The approximate cost for a one month single entry visa is \$80 USD and must be obtained prior to departure. 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. 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. 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.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 3: This tour includes moderate physical activity and a blend of longer days, shorter days, and leisure time. You can expect walking tours, walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces. See page 79 for details.

STAY LONGER

ADD A DAY

Ho Chi Minh City: Relax after your adventure or enjoy more time to explore. [CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

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CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

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

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ADD A DAY

Ho Chi Minh City: Spend more time in this metropolis once known to the world as Saigon. [CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

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

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 travellers 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

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 colourful Tree of Life mosaic. Continue on, pausing along the way to get to know the rural way of life in the small villages. Head for Wat Long Khoun – or the "Monastery of the Happy." 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 harbour. 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

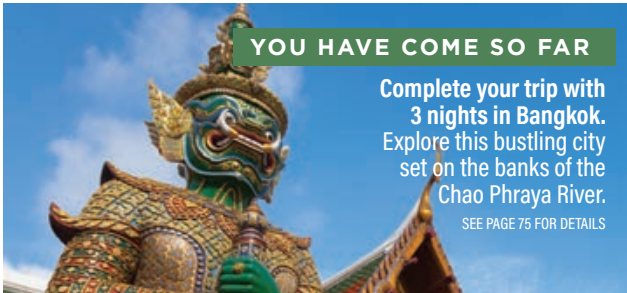
Catch a glimpse into the Champa Kingdom at the remarkable ruins of My Son Sanctuary, a UNESCO World Heritage site situated in a remote jungle valley. This once thriving epicenter of religion and politics has more than 20 well-preserved monuments to explore. Then it's off to Tra Que Herb Village, a small 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 savouring your farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 20: Ho Chi Minh City - Tour Ends

Return home with a wealth of incredible memories. (B)



DATES & PRICES					
February – April 2018 <i>(different itinerary – see note)</i>		Double	Solo	May 2018 – April 2019	
February 5, 12, 19, 26		\$4669	\$6019	September 3, 10, 17, 24	
March 5, 19, 26		\$4669	\$6019	October 1	
April 2, 16		\$4669	\$6019	October 22	
Itinerary featured is for May 2018 – April 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.				November 12, 26	
May 2018 – April 2019 <i>(featured itinerary)</i>		Double	Solo	January 14	
May 7, 14		\$3999	\$5499	February 18, 25	
June 11		\$3999	\$5499	March 4, 18, 25	
July 9		\$3999	\$5499	April 8, 15	
August 6, 27		\$3999	\$5499	Triple Room Reduction	
				N/A	
Rates are land only, per person, in Canadian dollars and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.					

This trip requires a passport and visas. A multiple entry visa is required for Vietnam at your expense. We recommend using CIBT visa service to insure accuracy and timeliness of visa processing. The approximate visa cost is \$214 CAD (includes CIBT fees as well as consular fees) plus shipping, subject to change. Contact CIBT or visit their website at www.cibtvissas.ca or check with your consulate for more information. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. It is the traveller's responsibility to obtain any required visa and/or documents prior to departure. All document/processing fees are at the expense of the traveller. You can obtain the visa for Cambodia at the airport upon arrival. The cost is approximately \$40 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 \$40 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.



COLLETTE CARES

Cambodia - Through Journeys Within Our Community (JWOC) we have funded the building of a community center which provides children a safe place to learn, develop and grow.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

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Level 5: This tour is very active, requiring participants to be physically fit to fully enjoy all the experiences. You can expect more strenuous activities like: extensive walking tours, transfers over uneven or dusty terrain, high altitudes, early-morning departures, late-night activities, or extreme temperatures. This tour is not appropriate for individuals who use walkers or wheelchairs. See page 79 for details.

CULTURAL TREASURES OF JAPAN

14 DAYS · 21 MEALS
FROM \$7519



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Explore the famous Ginza district where skyscrapers and neon lights meet high fashion.
- Cruise the deep blue waters of Lake Ashi.
- Travel by express train and the famous Shinkansen bullet train.
- Meet the locals during various included experiences, including a tea ceremony.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Explore Nijo Castle, home of the first Shogun.
- Take in magnificent views of Mt. Fuji from the Kachi Kachi Ropeway.



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
Day 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

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



Fushimi Inari Taisha

discover the intriguing Japanese culture

and the country's distinctive architecture and unparalleled natural beauty.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

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 travellers 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 do - aboard 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)



Mt. Fuji

DATES & PRICES

February - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Double	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo
February 24	\$6039	\$7789	September 1, 15, 22	\$7969	\$9729
March 3, 10, 17, 24	\$6309	\$8059	October 6, 13, 20, 27	\$7969	\$9729
April 7, 14, 21	\$6709	\$8469	November 3, 10, 17	\$7969	\$9729
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 (featured itinerary)	Double	Solo	January 26	\$7519	\$9279
May 19, 26	\$7769	\$9529	February 23	\$7519	\$9279
June 9	\$7769	\$9529	March 2, 9, 16, 23	\$7969	\$9729
July 7	\$7769	\$9529	March 30	\$8239	\$9999
August 4	\$7769	\$9529	April 6, 13	\$8239	\$9999
			April 20, 27	\$7969	\$9729
			Triple Room Reduction N/A		
			Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.		

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.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

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Level 3: This tour includes moderate physical activity and a blend of longer days, shorter days, and leisure time. You can expect walking tours, walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces. See page 79 for details.

NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR DISCOVERY

12 DAYS · 18 MEALS
FROM \$5719



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Watch for puffins and whales on a nature cruise.
- Come to know St. John's, North America's oldest and easternmost city.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Experience a cruise through fjords and watch for whales and eagles.
- Spend time at Cupids Cove Plantation.
- Explore Gros Morne National Park's fjords, stark mountains and highland tundra.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 6 | Explore Newfoundland's history at Mary March Museum **or** learn about Atlantic salmon at the Salmonid Center.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

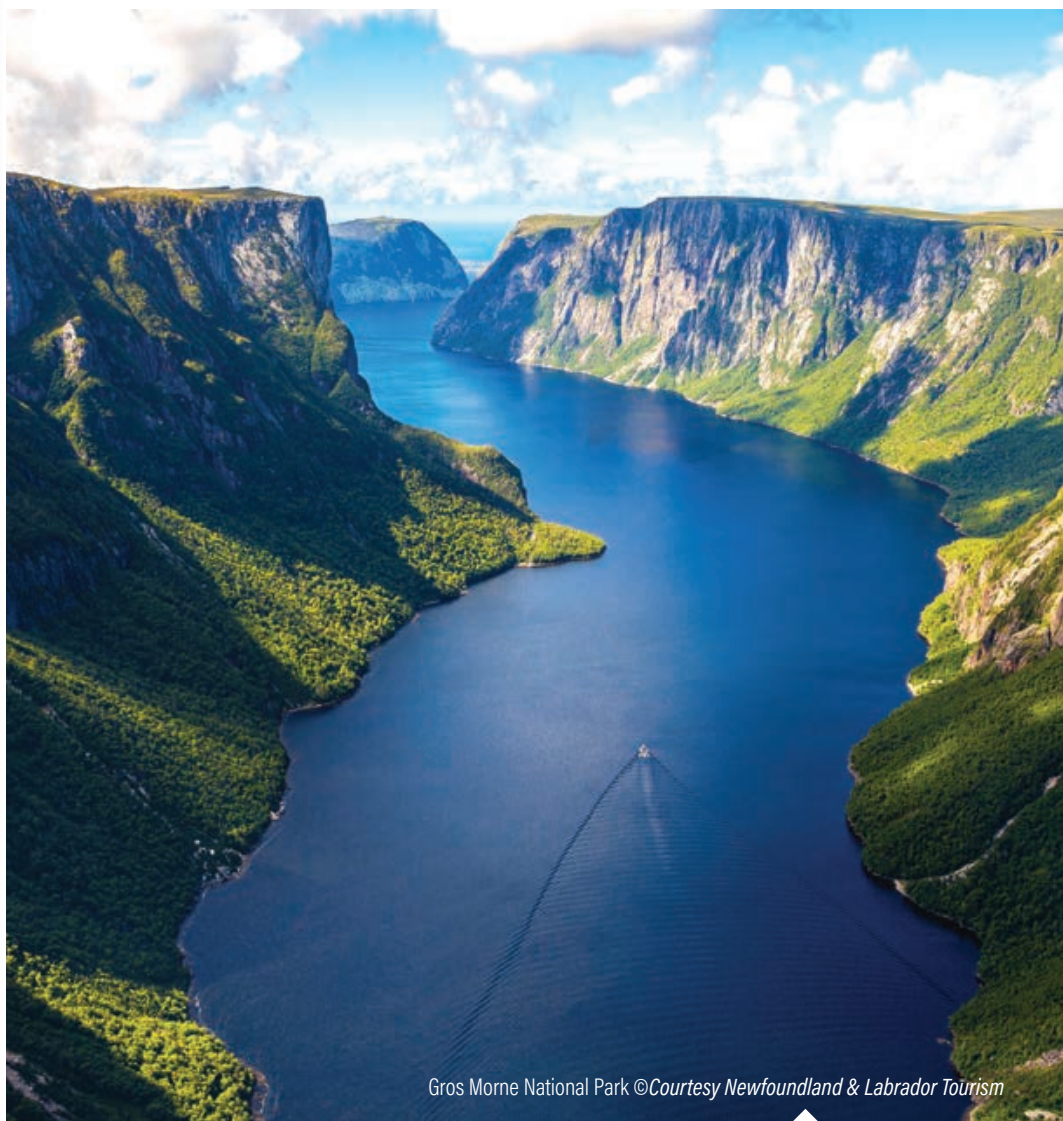
- Enjoy a traditional Newfoundland gathering known as a "Jiggs dinner."
- Learn how to make partridgeberry and bakeapple into jams, sauces and vinegars.



ACCOMMODATIONS

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

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



Gros Morne National Park ©Courtesy Newfoundland & Labrador Tourism

discover a blend of natural beauty, quaint villages,

stunning ocean views and friendly people on your
exploration through Newfoundland.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

St. John's: Settle into the historic city of St. John's which rests on the Avalon Peninsula. [CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

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

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

Day 2: St. John's

Meet your fellow travellers at this morning's breakfast. Then come to know North America's oldest and easternmost city on a tour highlighting Signal Hill, Cape Spear lighthouse, Government House and the Basilica of St. John the Baptist. Continue on to tour the quaint fishing harbour of Quidi Vidi

Village. Watch for puffins while on a nature cruise to Witless Bay Ecological Reserve where millions of seabirds gather to nest. A local specialist joins us for a talk on the marine life in the region, especially the thousands of Humpback and Minke whales who make this their home. (B, D)

Day 3: St. John's - Clarenville Area

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



Cape Spear Lighthouse ©Barrett & MacKay Photo

Day 4: Clarenville - Cape Bonavista - Clarenville

In Trinity Village, relive days gone by during visits to historic buildings including the Georgian Lester-Garland House and the Green Family Forge, a living history blacksmith museum. At Cape Bonavista, pause at the lighthouse to take in the sweeping views — you may even spot an iceberg! (B)

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

Welcome to Terra Nova National Park. Here the forest meets the sea. Stand in awe of the park's towering cliffs and tranquil bays. Spend time exploring the Marine Atlantic Centre and its interactive exhibits. Next, venture to Twillingate's Long Point Lighthouse, a location that offers prime viewing over Iceberg Alley. This evening, prepare for a rollicking good time at a traditional Newfoundland gathering known as a "jiggs dinner." (B, D)

Day 6: Gander - Rocky Harbour

It's your choice! Trace Newfoundland's natural and human history at the Mary March Museum **-OR-** travel to the Salmonid Center to learn about the Atlantic salmon. Both institutions offer interactive exhibits and their own unique window into the culture of the region. Later, arrive in Rocky Harbour for your two-night stay. (B)

Day 7: Gros Morne National Park

This morning we visit the Discovery Centre to learn how natural forces have shaped the park's dramatic landscape. Explore Tableland Mountains and uncover the park's hidden fjords, stark peaks and highland tundra. Next, board a boat for a new perspective — watch for whales and eagles while listening to traditional Newfoundland music. Then become an honorary Newfoundlander when you participate in a "Screech-In" ceremony that seals your new status with a shot of rum. Tonight, enjoy dinner overlooking the Gulf of St. Lawrence. (B, D)

Day 8: Rocky Harbour - St. Anthony

Follow the Viking Trail to L'Anse aux Meadows and travel back to A.D. 1000 when Vikings first made landfall. See how Newfoundlanders have adapted to this forbidding landscape and experience firsthand their unique solutions to living under extreme conditions. Later, a visit to an economuseum reveals the famous local

partridgeberry and bakeapple and how you can make them into jams, sauces and vinegars. (B, D)

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

Board a ferry this morning and cross the Straits of Belle Isle to Labrador. Learn about the history and importance of whaling to this region as you pass by colourful fishing villages. Arrive in Red Bay and spend some time at Red Bay National Historic Site. This UNESCO World Heritage site recounts the traditions of Basque whalers in the 16th century. (B, D)

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

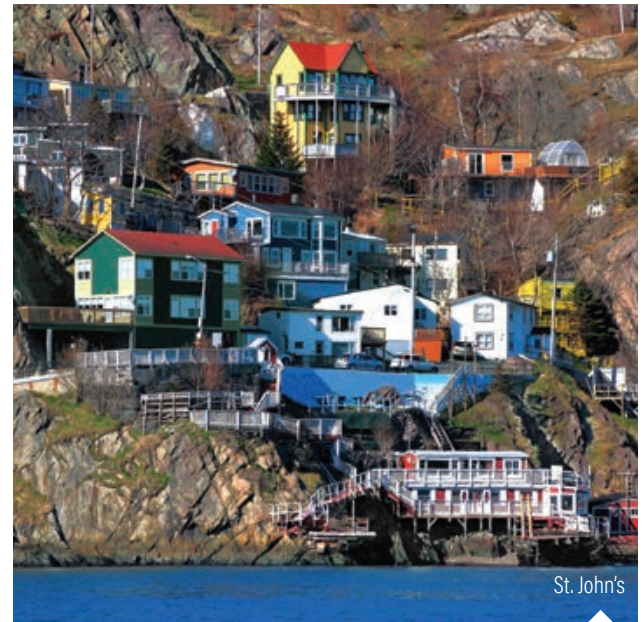
A morning ferry ride returns you to Newfoundland. Take to the roads that Captain James Cook travelled back in 1770. Sit back and take in the spectacular scenery that unfolds along the way. Be sure to have your camera ready! (B)

Day 11: Corner Brook

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

Day 12: Corner Brook - Tour Ends

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



St. John's

DATES & PRICES

May - September 2018	Double	Solo	Triple Room Reduction	(-) \$30
May 31	\$5719	\$6899	Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.	
June 7, 14, 21	\$5719	\$6899		
July 5, 12, 19	\$5719	\$6899		
August 2, 9, 16	\$5719	\$6899		
September 6, 13, 20	\$5719	\$6899		

Due to flight schedules, you may require a very early morning departure from the hotel on the last day of the tour. There is a \$25 CAD charge (per piece) for checked baggage on most flights. This is a fee levied by the airlines and may be subject to change. Our air passengers will depart from Deer Lake Airport. All of our transfers will depart from Cornerbrook to Deer Lake.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

1 2 3 4 5

Level 3: This tour includes moderate physical activity and a blend of longer days, shorter days, and leisure time. You can expect walking tours, walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces. See page 79 for details.

WINTER IN YELLOWSTONE

7 DAYS · 11 MEALS
FROM \$4579



CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- See elk in their natural habitat during a sleigh ride in the National Elk Refuge.
- Join an expert on a private walking tour to learn the history of Yellowstone.
- See the tranquil Lamar Valley tucked away in the scenic northwest corner of Yellowstone.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Journey to the picturesque Caribou Targhee National Forest in Idaho.
- Witness the colossal geyser Old Faithful in action and surrounded by snow and ice.
- Travel by snowcoach to observe Yellowstone's iconic scenery.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Give the local specialty – bison – a try at dinner at the Yellowstone Snow Lodge.



ACCOMMODATIONS

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

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



find yourself amid a rare
blend of elegance

and western charm that sparkles in the wintertime.

START EARLY

**ADD
A DAY**

Jackson Hole: Saddle up and enjoy a bonus night in Jackson Hole.

[CALL FOR DETAILS](#)

Day 1: Jackson Hole, Wyoming - Tour Begins

Your adventure begins in Jackson Hole, America's most famous cowboy town. (D)

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

Take a drive through the majestic Grand Tetons to the entrance of Yellowstone National Park. Your Yellowstone winter adventure begins by boarding a snowcoach. This

unique vehicle will transport you over the snow-covered landscape, past some of the park's most stunning scenery — and on to Old Faithful. (B, D)

Day 3: Yellowstone Snow Lodge

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

Day 4: Yellowstone - Gardiner, Montana

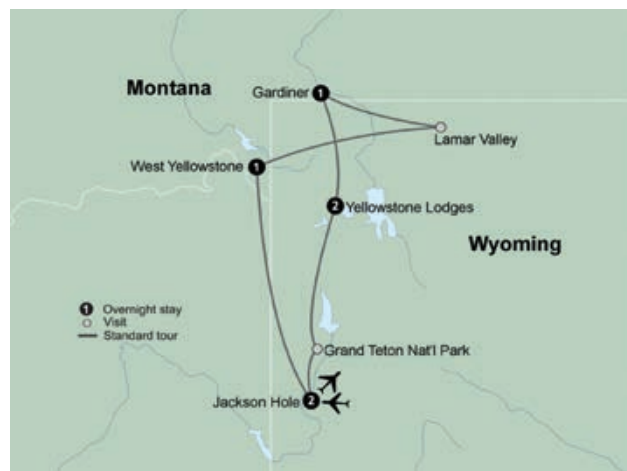
Board your snowcoach again for your transfer across the frozen landscape en route to Mammoth at the north



Yellowstone Hot Springs



Elk Refuge



Bison

entrance to Yellowstone. During your journey, view some famous areas of the park, including the Painted Mud Pots, Fire Hole Canyon and the Madison Warming Hut. Your day will be filled with incredible scenery and plenty of photo opportunities. Depart Yellowstone and cross the border into Montana before arriving in Gardiner for the night. (B, L)

Day 5: Yellowstone, Wyoming - Lamar Valley - West Yellowstone, Montana

An early departure takes you back into Yellowstone en route to the remote Lamar Valley in the scenic northwest corner. You will traverse forests and meadows before arriving in the Lamar Valley where you will be surrounded by tranquility. This area of the park is not only breathtaking but it's also an excellent habitat for the park's wildlife. This is where, in the 1990s, previously endangered wolves were reintroduced to the park. There are now over 400 wolves living here. (B)

Day 6: West Yellowstone - Jackson Hole, Wyoming

Today's journey brings you south through Idaho to the picturesque Caribou Targhee National Forest. You will be amazed by the stunning views of the Grand Tetons as you make your way back to Jackson Hole. Get up-close to wildlife on a delightful sleigh ride to the National Elk Refuge and view hundreds of elk in their natural habitat. Tonight, toast to the end of your winter adventure at a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 7: Jackson Hole - Tour Ends

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

DATES & PRICES

February 2018 <i>(different itinerary - see note)</i>	Double	Solo	January - February 2019 <i>(featured itinerary)</i>	Double	Solo
February 3, 6	\$4729	\$5949	January 7, 12, 19, 21, 26, 28 February 2, 4	\$4579	\$5799
Itinerary featured is for January - February 2019 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.			Triple Room Reduction (-) \$50		
Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.					

This trip requires a passport. Please be advised 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.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 3: This tour includes moderate physical activity and a blend of longer days, shorter days, and leisure time. You can expect walking tours, walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces. See page 79 for details.

COSTA RICA: A WORLD OF NATURE

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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.



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ADD A DAY

San Jose: Arrive early to discover a city steeped in history and culture.

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turtle research station. Here, dedicated scientists are working to protect the turtle's nesting habitat and eggs. This evening, join your fellow travellers 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. Savour 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

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



Manuel Antonio National Park

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 savour the local flavours 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)



Arenal Volcano

DATES & PRICES

February - April 2018 (different itinerary - see note)	Double	Solo	May 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo
February 1, 4, 8, 11, 15	\$3589	\$4799	August 4, 18	\$3449	\$4329
February 18, 22, 25	\$3589	\$4799	September 8, 15	\$3449	\$4329
March 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18	\$3589	\$4799	October 6, 20	\$3449	\$4329
April 5, 8, 12, 15, 19	\$3589	\$4799	November 3, 6	\$3449	\$4329
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 (featured itinerary)	Double	Solo	December 1, 4	\$3449	\$4329
May 12	\$3449	\$4329	January 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26	\$3649	\$4599
June 2	\$3449	\$4329	February 2, 5, 9, 12, 16	\$3649	\$4599
July 14	\$3449	\$4329	February 19, 23, 26	\$3649	\$4599
			March 2, 5, 9, 16, 23, 26, 30	\$3649	\$4599
			April 2, 6, 27	\$3649	\$4599
			Triple Room Reduction (-) \$30		
			Rates are land only, per person and in Canadian dollars. Call about additional dates.		

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.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

STAY LONGER

**ADD
A DAY**

San Jose: Enjoy more time to explore this exciting capital city.
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MACHU PICCHU & THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS

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CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Discover centuries-old Andean textile methods at a living museum of the Peruvian Andes.
- Venture through the Andes to Machu Picchu in a domed train.
- Stand at the "Middle of the World" at the Equatorial Line Monument and Museum.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Embark on a 5-day cruise of the Galapagos Islands with a naturalist guide.
- Explore the fabled ruins of Machu Picchu.
- Admire the giant tortoises at the Charles Darwin Research Station.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 7 | In Cuzco, join a local guide on a walking tour **or** climb aboard your coach for a tour of the city's dramatic architectural treasures.



CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Savour an authentic Pachamanca dinner, where food is buried in the ground to cook.
- Enjoy a culinary demonstration at your Machu Picchu hotel.
- Delight in a home-hosted farm-to-table lunch at a local Quechua community.



ACCOMMODATIONS

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

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



Galapagos Islands

from the Galapagos Archipelago to the Sacred Valley of the Incas

this tour offers a look into mankind's collective history.

START EARLY

ADD A DAY

Lima: Discover more of Lima's colonial heritage with an extra night.

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Day 1: Lima, Peru - Tour Begins

Welcome to Peru, one of the treasures of South America. Arrive late this evening in Lima, the "City of Kings."

Day 2: Lima

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

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

Fly to Cuzco, in the heart of the Inca civilization. Journey through the Andes to the majestic Sacred Valley of

the Incas, the agricultural center of their grand empire. Learn the centuries-old methods of spinning, dyeing and weaving traditional textiles during a visit to Awana Kanicha, a living museum of the Peruvian Andes. Stop in Pisac village to browse the colorful handicraft market. This evening, settle in at your hotel nestled in the heart of the Sacred Valley. The rest of the evening is yours. (B)

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

This morning you visit the uniquely terraced Ollantaytambo archaeological site, the only Incan settlement that has been continually inhabited since its inception. Then, head to the Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio where you'll get first-hand knowledge on this internationally renowned artist's techniques and designs, inspired by ancient Peruvian cultures. Later, experience the lifestyle of the modern Andean people when you travel to a nearby community and interact with the locals. You'll get a true taste of their daily life when participating in small group workshops that teach you traditional methods of growing, harvesting and weaving. Celebrate their culture as you learn their dances and listen to their musical instruments before enjoying a home-hosted farm-to-table lunch featuring local specialties. 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)

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

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. Stop at the Sacred Valley Brewing Company for a tasting and learn how this nonprofit brewery was created to support a local orphanage. (B)

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 journey through this colonial city and 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 to discover the important sacred Incan ruins of Sacsayhuaman Fortress. Enjoy a toast at sunset overlooking the city before arriving at your authentic dinner and folklore show in the heart of Cuzco. (B, D)

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

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)

Fly to beautiful San Cristóbal Island, gateway to your Galapagos eco-adventure. After enjoying

Your tour ends today. (B)



CULTURES OF PERU & BOLIVIA

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CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Learn centuries-old Andean textile methods at a living museum.
- Explore the colourful markets of Peru & Bolivia, including the famous Pisac village market.
- Delight in a Peruvian Paso horse show.
- Enjoy panoramic views of La Paz on a cable car ride high above the city.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Venture through the Andes to Machu Picchu in a domed train.
- Spend the afternoon with a guide uncovering the mysteries of Machu Picchu.
- Discover Lima & La Paz's fascinating history during a tour of their historic city centers.
- Explore the breathtaking and surreal Uyuni Salt Flats.



IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

(Be sure to arrange before trip departure)

DAY 7 | In Cuzco, join a comprehensive tour by coach **or** embark on a walking tour with a local guide.

DAY 10 | Visit the Gold Museum, which houses an impressive collection of pre-Columbian precious metals **or** visit Casa Pedro Murillo, the 19th-century mansion that was once home to the martyr of Bolivian Independence.

NEW TOUR



find yourself among archeological wonders

set amidst natural masterpieces including the majestic Andean Mountains
and the largest Salt Flat in the world.

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ADD A DAY

Lima: Arrive early to discover a city steeped in history and culture.

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Day 1: Lima, Peru - Tour Begins

Peru and Bolivia hold many surprises for those willing to make the journey. Let us show you what these countries have to offer. This adventure begins with a late arrival in Lima, the "City of Kings."

Day 2: Lima

Discover Lima's fascinating history during a tour through the historic city center (UNESCO). Admire the artwork at San Francisco Monastery and enter the catacombs.

View the Government Center, the elegant Cathedral at Plaza de Armas, an abundance of colonial architecture, and the fashionable suburbs of San Isidro and Miraflores for insight into the daily life of the Limeños. Then it's on to the Archbishop's Palace where we have reserved the balcony exclusively for you to witness the changing of the guard. This evening, visit the Larco Museum, a former mansion built on the site of a pre-Columbian temple. The museum's collection features over 3,000 years of ceramic, textile and precious metal artifacts. Later, enjoy a sumptuous welcome dinner on the grounds of the museum. (B, D)

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

Fly to Cuzco. From here we travel through the Andes to the majestic Sacred Valley of the Incas, once the agricultural center of their grand empire. Learn the



centuries-old methods of spinning, dyeing and weaving textiles during a visit to Awana Kancha, a living museum of the Peruvian Andes. Stop in Pisac village to browse the colourful handicraft market. Visit a local hacienda for a farm-to-table lunch along with a Paso horse show. The Peruvian Paso has been declared a Cultural Heritage of Peru and you are sure to be impressed by the regal performance. Settle in this evening at your hotel in the heart of the Sacred Valley. (B, L)

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

This morning, visit the spectacular Ollantaytambo ruins, the only Incan settlement continually inhabited since its inception. A uniquely terraced complex topped with carved stone panels, these ruins reflect ancient Incan architecture and heritage. Then we travel to the Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio where you'll get first-hand knowledge of this internationally-renowned artist's techniques. Experience the lifestyle of the modern Andean people and delve into their culture when you visit a nearby Quechua community and interact with the locals. 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 lunch of local specialties. (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 to further soak up its atmosphere. Attend an exclusive culinary demonstration before enjoying an award-winning tasting menu at your resort. (B, D)

Day 6: Machu Picchu - Cuzco

During free time this morning you may take an optional tour to Machu Picchu to view the sunrise; or, explore the local markets in Aguas Calientes on your own. Return via Vistadome train to the Sacred Valley and visit the Sacred Valley Brewing Company, a nonprofit brewery created to support a local orphanage. Taste these Andean-inspired craft beers and learn about the brewery's efforts to support the community. Afterwards, continue to Cuzco. (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-** board your coach for a comprehensive tour of the city's main sites. Both trips take you on a journey through this former Incan capital 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. Return to Cuzco where you are treated to an authentic dinner highlighting local flavours along with a traditional folkloric performance. (B, D)

Day 8: Cuzco - Puno - Uros Floating Islands

This morning, fly to Puno. Known as the birthplace of the Inca Empire, ancient legends say that life began here on the shores of Lake Titicaca. Meet the people who call this place home and discover the history of this region as you explore the village center. Then, embark on an afternoon cruise to the floating islands of the Uros people

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CULTURES OF PERU & BOLIVIA

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CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- Enjoy a culinary demonstration at your hotel located at the base of Machu Picchu.
- Delight in a home hosted lunch at a local Quechua community.
- Experience the serenity of a picnic lunch on the Uyuni Salt Flats.
- Enjoy a farm-to-table meal on a hacienda.



ACCOMMODATIONS

- Days 1, 2** Casa Andina Premium Miraflores, Lima
- Days 3, 4** Aranwa Hotel & Wellness, Sacred Valley
- Day 5** Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel, Aguas Calientes
- Days 6, 7** Hotel Aranwa Boutique, Cuzco
- Day 8** Libertador Lake Titicaca, Puno
- Days 9, 10** Casa Grande Hotel, La Paz
- Days 11, 12** Luna Salada Salt Hotel & Spa, Uyuni
- Day 13** Casa Grande Hotel, La Paz

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



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of Lake Titicaca. Walk on the spongy surface made from compacted beds of tortora reeds, meet the locals and learn about their lifestyle. Arrive at your lakeside hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 9: Puno- Copacabana- Lake Titicaca Cruise- Sun Island- La Paz, Bolivia

Today your journey to Bolivia begins. Arrive at the lakeside town of Copacabana. Visit the Basilica of Our Lady of Copacabana and see the statue of the patron saint of Bolivia, La Virgen de la Candelaria. Explore the main square and local market before boarding a catamaran cruise to the sacred and legendary birthplace of the Inca Empire, Isla del Sol (Sun Island). The Titicaca region, steeped in tradition and folklore, remains the center of Incan legends which you will experience first-hand upon arriving on the island. Climb the ancient Inca steps and see ruins dating back to the Inca period circa 15th century AD. Walk along agricultural terraces and take in the spectacular views of Lake Titicaca during your visit to the Inti Wata Cultural Complex. Experience a Shaman blessing on a cliff overlooking the lake. Your visit to Sun Island closes with an authentic sailing experience when you board a traditional Titikaka vessel for a panoramic viewing of the ruins of the Pilkokaina Inca Palace. You can even get hands-on and help to

row back to your catamaran. This evening, arrive in La Paz, the highest altitude administrative capital city in the world. This special place is recognized as one of the seven urban wonders of the world. (B, L)

Day 10: La Paz 🇵🇪

Situated at nearly 12,000 feet above sea level, La Paz is located in a valley at the foothills of the Andes mountain range. Begin your day with a visit to Moon Valley, a maze of canyons, giant spires and geological formations. It is said that Moon Valley was actually named by astronaut Neil Armstrong after he likened the area to the lunar landscape. Continue to the city center where you will see the main square, Plaza Murillo, surrounded by La Paz Cathedral, the Presidential Palace and the Congress building. Then **it's your choice!** Visit the Gold Museum, with its impressive collection of pre-Columbian precious metals, some dating back 3,000 years **-OR-** visit Casa Pedro Murillo, the former home of the martyr of Bolivian Independence, and see the immense collection of artifacts, colonial art, furniture, and musical instruments. This afternoon take in the magnificent views of La Paz while on an exhilarating cable car ride high above the city. Venture into the famous Witches Market and mingle with the locals buying supplies for ritual ceremonies and offerings to the Pachamama (Mother Earth). Gather with your fellow travellers this evening for a cocktail reception before enjoying some traditional Bolivian cuisine. (B, D)



Machu Picchu



Cuzco



Uros Floating Islands

Day 11: La Paz - Uyuni

Fly to Uyuni, the largest salt flat in the world. Upon arrival, you will be whisked away in 4x4 vehicles to tour the spectacular salt flat. Visit the Train Cemetery where the remains of 19th- and 20th-century steam locomotives have come to rest. Continue to the village of Colchani to meet a local artisanal salt factory owner and observe first-hand the traditional methods of salt extraction. At Incahuasi Island, situated in the middle of the salt flat, marvel at the hundreds of cacti, some dating back thousands of years. You are in for a treat when you enjoy a picnic lunch in the middle of the salt flats! Arrive for your 2-night stay in a one-of-a-kind hotel made completely of salt bricks. Your evening is at leisure to enjoy your unique accommodations or perhaps you will select an optional salt flats stargazing experience. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Uyuni

Enjoy a relaxing morning before returning to explore the salt flats this afternoon. Arrive at the village of Chantani, located at the base of Tunupa Volcano, and visit the local museum and ancient burial ground. Your local guide and driver will assist in creating a memorable perspective photo shoot, a popular way of recording your

time spent on the salt flats. Toast to the end of your visit to Uyuni with a sunset reception on the salt flats. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Uyuni - La Paz

Fly back to La Paz and spend an afternoon at leisure. Join your fellow travellers this evening for a farewell dinner showcasing Bolivian fusion cuisine. (B, D)

Day 14: La Paz - Tour Ends

As your tour comes to a close, reflect on your amazing Andean adventure. (B)

DATES & PRICES

Nov. 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo	Nov. 2018 - April 2019	Double	Solo
November 1, 29	\$6699	\$8059	April 4, 25	\$7299	\$8849
December 6	\$6699	\$8059	Triple Room Reduction (-) \$100		
January 10, 17	\$7299	\$8849	Rates are land only, per person, in Canadian dollars and do not include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.		
February 21, 28	\$7299	\$8849			
March 14, 21	\$7299	\$8849			

This trip requires a passport. Upon your arrival into Bolivia, you will receive an immigration card (bottom half of the arrival form) which immigration officers will stamp upon entry. Please keep this card in a safe place, as immigration officials will ask for it when you depart the country in order to apply the departure stamp. Passengers arranging their own transfers from Lima's Jorge Chavez International Airport should use a secure taxi service to go into the city. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us. 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.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

Level 4: This tour is active, with a mix of longer days and some evening activities. To fully enjoy this tour, you need to be able to participate in physical activities like longer walking tours, traversing uneven terrain, climbing stairs, and periods of standing. See page 79 for details.

extend YOUR TOUR

Optional Extensions

NICE 2-night post tour ADD TO: Journey Through Southern France (pg. 36)

Extension Day 1: Saint-Rémy - Avignon - Nice

After a short transfer to Avignon, head to beautiful Nice on the iconic French Riviera via TGV high-speed train*. This afternoon, explore the highlights of Nice with a hop-on hop-off pass.

Extension Day 2: Nice - Monaco - Monte Carlo - Nice

This morning you'll feel like a local as you stroll through the colourful and fragrant

flower market in Nice. Then you're off to discover Place Massena and the lively seafront Promenade des Anglais. Your journey then takes you to Monaco, the dazzling gem of the Riviera. A panoramic tour highlights the famous and extravagant Casino of Monte Carlo and the spectacular 13th-century Prince's Palace. Pause to see the Cathedral of Monaco, where Prince Rainier III and Princess Grace are buried. Later, stop in the charming village of Eze.

Enjoy a visit to the Fragonard perfumery to take in the scents of Southern France. (B)

Extension Day 3: Nice - Tour Ends (B)

Please Note: This extension is independent; guests will not be accompanied by our representative. *No porterage will be provided on the TGV train from Avignon to Nice; guests will be responsible for their own luggage. A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate.



2 MEALS

\$945 - \$1080*

2 Breakfasts

ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel Splendid, Nice

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 79 for details.

NAIROBI WITH ELEPHANT ORPHANAGE 1-night pre tour

ADD TO: The Plains of Africa (pg. 46)

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 travelling 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 - \$475*

1 Breakfast, 1 Lunch

ACCOMMODATIONS

Sarova Stanley, Nairobi

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 79 for details.

TANZANIA 4-night post tour ADD TO: The Plains of Africa (pg. 46)

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 park. (B, L, D)

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. (B, L, D)

Extension Day 5: Ngorongoro - Arusha - Tour Ends

Drive through Arusha on the way to the Kilimanjaro Airport (JRO) for your departure flight home. (B)



Park fees (approximately \$385 CAD) 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.

12 MEALS

\$2500 - \$3310*

4 Breakfasts, 4 Lunches, 4 Dinners

ACCOMMODATIONS

Country Lodge, Karatu
Serengeti Sopa Lodge, Serengeti National Park
Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge, Ngorongoro

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 79 for details.

OTAVALO 3-night pre tour

ADD TO: Machu Picchu & the Galapagos Islands (pg. 68)

Extension Day 1: Quito - Peguche - Otavalo

This morning, travel north across the colourful valleys of Guayllabamba. 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 coloured 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 tasty empanada. Tonight, savour 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 for towering volcanoes. Take an unforgettable train ride on the Andes Mountain Train past towering volcanoes and 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 and sculptures. Later, learn how to make *helados de paila* (fruit sorbet) prepared in great copper

pans before sampling the treat for yourself. This evening, arrive back at your historic Andean hacienda. Or, you may choose a home-cooked dinner and homestay in the Karanki indigenous community of La Magdalena on the slopes of Cubilche volcano. The Karanki welcome visitors into charming guest houses so travellers can learn about their culture. (B, L, D)

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 some of the most magnificent varieties 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)



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.

8 MEALS

\$1555 - \$1690*

3 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners

ACCOMMODATIONS

Hacienda Pinsaqui or
La Magdalena, Otavalo
Mercure Grand Alameda, Quito

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 79 for details.

BANGKOK 3-night post tour

ADD TO: Kingdoms of Southeast Asia (pg. 58), Taste of Vietnam (pg. 56)

Extension Day 1: Ho Chi Minh City - Bangkok, Thailand

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. (B)

Extension Day 4: Bangkok - Tour Ends

Board your flight home. (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. The internal flights for this extension are not included in the land price of your tour. Additional air segment purchase required.

4 MEALS - \$1015*

3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch

ACCOMMODATIONS

Rembrandt Hotel, Bangkok

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 79 for details.

*Canadian Dollars, per person, land only, double occupancy. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Your extension may require an additional air segment purchase. For any extension requiring a flight in order to operate, or departing from a gateway different than the base tour, please inquire for rate at time of booking.

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Optional Extensions

SOUTH INDIA 6-night post tour

ADD TO: Mysteries of India (pg. 54)

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 harbour 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)



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 purchase required.

11 MEALS

\$1755 - \$2025*

6 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches,
2 Dinners

ACCOMMODATIONS

Vivanta by Taj Dwarka, Delhi
Le Meridien Cochin, Cochin
Cardamom County, Tekkady
Kumarakom Lake Resort, Kumarakom

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 79 for details.

DUBAI 3-night pre tour

ADD TO: Exploring South Africa, Victoria Falls & Botswana (pg. 48),
Mysteries of India (pg. 54)

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 man-made structures built in recent years, Dubai is a must-see destination.

Extension Day 3: Dubai

Dubai is a city that provides a new setting at every turn. Richly mixing together the old and the new, it's a city of ages that rises out of the desert and crowns the gulf coast with its presence. This afternoon your route takes you to a magnificent view of Dubai Creek, passing by the heritage area of Bastakiya, with its fascinating old wind-towered houses built

by wealthy merchants. Visit the 180-year-old Al Fahidi Fort which today houses the Dubai Museum. Continue your journey by abra – a traditional water taxi – across the creek. Stroll through the spice and gold souks, the colourful bazaar markets. On your way to Burj Al Arab – one of Dubai's landmarks – make a photo stop at Jumeirah Mosque. (B)

Extension Day 4: Dubai

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

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.

4 MEALS - \$880*

3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

ACCOMMODATIONS

Sheraton Dubai Creek, Dubai

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 79 for details.

JORDAN 3-night post tour

ADD TO: Dubai, Oman & Abu Dhabi (pg. 52)

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 stone-carved 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 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. 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 - \$1485*

3 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners

ACCOMMODATIONS

Movenpick Nabatean Castle, Petra
Le Meridien Amman, Amman

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 79 for details.

NEPAL 4-night post tour

ADD TO: Mysteries of India (pg. 54)

Extension Day 1: Delhi

Overnight in Delhi before traveling to Nepal in the morning.

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 Durbar 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 Bhairav and Kal Bhaira temples. Head to Swoyambhuanth, 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 Ends

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 - \$1285*

4 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

ACCOMMODATIONS

Vivanta by Taj Dwarka, Delhi
Soaltee Crowne Plaza, Kathmandu

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 79 for details.

*Canadian Dollars, per person, land only, double occupancy. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Your extension may require an additional air segment purchase. For any extension requiring a flight in order to operate, or departing from a gateway different than the base tour, please inquire for rate at time of booking.

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 Canadian 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? 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 travellers 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 79) for details.

Can you tell me more about the safaris? In order to most fully experience the wildlife, you will be travelling by custom-built safari vehicle which requires climbing in and out frequently and sometimes travels on bumpy roads. To experience Africa fully, we recommend that all travellers 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 theatre performances suitable for children? Some theatre 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 Canada. All passengers should check with the appropriate foreign consulate for entry and validity requirements. We recommend that your passport has seven months validity, and at least 3 blank pages. Passports and visas are the responsibility of each client.

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.

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 cancelled 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 counsellors 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 counsellors 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 arrival and departure transfers from Collette. 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 when you reside within a 100 km radius of the airport.* Please confirm at time of booking. Not valid on group travel.

*One transfer per room booking. Additional stops are not permitted on route. Other restrictions apply; call for details.

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.



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

	Flex Airfare	Instant Purchase Airfare ³	Elite Airfare ⁴
Receive roundtrip home to airport sedan service – your journey begins at home! ¹	●	●	●
Free roundtrip airport to hotel transfers included ²	●	●	●
Dedicated Concierge Service			●
Lounge Passes ⁵			●
Express Check-In ⁵			●
Eligible for Collette's Travel Protection Plan	●	● part b	● part b
Benefit from our flexible change and refund policies	●		⌘
Deposit now, pay the balance later	●		⌘
Eliminates future surcharges by locking in price		●	
All the perks of upgraded air (more leg room, comfort, and space)			●



treat yourself
& *enjoy*

Whether you select Elite, Flex, or Instant Purchase Airfare, you'll enjoy the ease and security that comes with reserving your air with Collette.



¹This roundtrip home to airport sedan service is included when you reside within a 100 km radius of most major Canadian gateways and purchase an air-inclusive tour. One transfer per room booking. Additional stops not permitted on route. Not valid on group travel. ²These transfers are available on the first and last day of the actual tour dates and when you are travelling on select flights (not applicable to pre & post nights). Land only clients may purchase transfers on the first and last day of the actual tour dates for an additional cost 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. ³Instant Purchase Airfare is offered on select dates; consult your booking agent. ⁴Elite 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 on a per person, double occupancy unless otherwise noted. Availability of departures at the prices noted in the brochure is limited. Government taxes and fees are additional. For current prices, please see our website at www.gocollette.com. Land rates are guaranteed at the time that the deposit is received by Collette.

The land price includes those land based items delineated as included in the package itinerary and does not include any other items such as air travel, airline fees, airport or departure taxes, transfers, visas, customary end of trip gratuities for your tour manager, driver, local guides, hotel housekeepers, cruise ship waitstaff, and any incidental charges.

Payments

Land Package Deposit

- A \$250 non-refundable deposit is due with your land only reservation.
- For Antarctica, Cruises only and Oberammergau reservations, a non-refundable \$500 deposit is required. An additional \$1000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica. An additional \$1500 is due one year prior to departure for Oberammergau.

Air Inclusive Package Deposit

- A \$500 non-refundable deposit is due with your air inclusive reservation.
- For Antarctica, Cruise and Oberammergau air inclusive reservations, a non-refundable \$750 deposit is required. An additional \$1000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica. An additional \$1500 is due one year prior to departure for Oberammergau.

Instant Purchase Air

- If you have selected Instant Purchase Air, the deposit required is the full cost of the airfare plus a \$500 deposit, all of which is non-refundable

Should you decide to purchase our 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, Antarctica, Galapagos and Oberammergau. The balance is due 120 days before departure for cruises, Antarctica, Galapagos and Oberammergau. Payment may be made by charging to clients' Mastercard, Visa, American Express, or Discover (card imprint and signature required) or by sending a check or money order. All land rates are guaranteed upon deposit. Payment may also be made online at <https://reservations.gocollette.com/payment.aspx?co=CAD>

TRAVEL PROFESSIONALS PLEASE CONTACT:

Collette: 1-800-468-5955
reservations@gocollette.com

PLEASE SEND PAYMENTS TO:

Collette, 40 Queen Street South, Mississauga, ON L5M 1K3
Attn: Accounts Receivable

Revision Fees

Upon receipt of your itinerary, you must review it and report any discrepancies to Collette immediately in order to avoid any supplier incurred penalties. 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 the departure date will be treated as a cancellation, and cancellation charges will apply.

Cancellation Charges

Cancellations of confirmed bookings and transfers to new travel dates will 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 total price
- 15 - 1 day prior to departure: 50% of total price
- Day of departure and after: 100% of total price

Exceptions:

Ocean Cruises:

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

River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China

- More than 90 days prior to departure, the nonrefundable deposit will be retained.

- 90 - 61 days prior to departure: 50% of total price
- 60 - 31 days prior to departure: 85% of total price
- 30 - 0 days prior to departure: 100% of total price

Galapagos & Antarctica:

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

Oberammergau

- More than 120 days prior to departure – a nonrefundable deposit will be retained.
- 120 - 91 days prior to departure - 75% of total price
- 90 days - 0 days prior to departure - 100% of total price

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

Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the client, are not at fault and have not cancelled in violation of these terms and conditions, 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 exclusive 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). If you have selected Instant Purchase nonrefundable air, you are required to pay the full air cost in addition to the \$250 deposit at time of booking (all of which is nonrefundable). 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; you 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>.

Currency

Unless specified otherwise, all statements of or references to dollar amounts in these terms and conditions are to lawful money of Canada.

Proof of Citizenship: Passports & Visas

Documentation is required by foreign governments for all trips outside Canada. Clients/passengers should check with the appropriate foreign consulate/embassy for entry requirements, including whether you need to obtain a visa before entering your destination country and, if you do need to get a visa, its cost and timing. Please remember that the possession of valid passports and necessary visas are the responsibility of each client/passenger. If you would like assistance in ensuring you have the proper visa(s) for your trip outside of Canada, we would be happy to refer you to a company that can assist you.

Travel Conditions

There may be different living standards and practices and different standards and conditions with respect to the provision of services and accommodations outside of Canada.

Door to Door Transfer Service

Return door to door transfers are offered up to 100 kilometers from most major Canadian gateways with the purchase of an air-inclusive tour.

Travellers Needing Special Assistance

You must report any disability requiring special attention to Collette at the time your booking is made.* Collette will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants. 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 traveller 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 traveller 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 airline/airport, 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. Collette is not responsible for submitting your insurance claim.

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 impose additional charges if you choose to check 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 79 and supersede any other previously printed policies relating to these same charges.

GENERAL DISCLAIMER

Collette monitors security situations around the world as well as government travel advisories. Conditions may require Collette to change or even cancel trips. You accept the risks involved in travel, both foreign and domestic, and accept responsibility for your own travel decisions. Guests may be required to review and sign a participation agreement prior to engaging in certain activities on the trip.

Neither Collette Travel Service, Inc., its affiliated entities and its and their employees, shareholders, officers, directors, successors, agents, and assigns (collectively "Collette"), own or operate any person or entity which is to or does provide goods or services for these trips. You agree to be bound by the conditions of carriage for all transportation providers. Collette does not maintain control or operate the personnel, equipment, or operations of these suppliers it uses and as such Collette assumes no responsibility for and cannot be held liable for any personal injury, death, property damage or other loss, accident, delay, inconvenience, or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of (1) any wrongful, negligent, willful or unauthorized acts or omissions on the part of any of the suppliers or other employees or agents, (2) any defect in or failure of any vehicle, equipment, or instrument owned, operated or otherwise used by any of these suppliers, or (3) any wrongful, willful or negligent act or omission on the part of any other party.

Client shall indemnify and hold harmless Collette Travel Service, Inc., its affiliated entities and its and their employees, agents, shareholders, officers, successors and assigns (collectively "Collette"), from all suits, actions, losses, damages, claims or liability for any personal injury, death, property damage or other loss, accident, delay, inconvenience or irregularity which is occasioned by any negligent acts or omissions of Collette arising out of any goods or services provided for this or these trips.

Additionally, responsibility is not accepted for losses or expenses due to sickness, lack of appropriate medical facilities or practitioners, weather, strikes, theft or other criminal acts, war, terrorism, computer problems, or other such causes. Other risks may arise such as, but not limited to, hazards of traveling in foreign countries including undeveloped areas, the hazards of travel by aircraft, bus, van, train, automobile or other motorized vehicle, differing safety standards, sickness, criminal acts committed by others, allergic reactions, and/or animal encounters. You are voluntarily participating in the tour and Collette, and as lawful consideration for the agreement to travel with Collette, you agree not to make a claim against Collette, its related companies, officers and employees for injuries, death, or any other claim and agree to release Collette, its related companies, officers and employees from any such claim. This release is binding on all members of your traveling party, as well as your Estate and heirs and this provision shall be enforceable even after your trip has ended. If you make your own air reservations, Collette is not responsible and shall provide no refund if your flight schedule changes so that you are not able to enjoy the entirety of your tour. All services and accommodations are subject to the laws of the country in which they are provided. Collette reserves the right to make changes in the published itinerary whenever, in their sole judgment, conditions warrant, or if Collette deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience, or safety of the tour. Collette reserves the right to withdraw any tour announced. Collette reserves the right to decline to accept any person as a member of the tour, or to require any participant to withdraw from the tour at any time, when such action is determined by the Tour Manager to be in the best interests of the health, safety, and general welfare of the tour group or of the individual participant. If you are traveling with children, you are solely responsible for their behavior and monitoring them throughout the tour. Neither does Collette accept liability for any carrier's cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable airline or other ticket to the tour departure city and return or otherwise. Baggage and personal effects are the sole responsibility of the owner at all times.

Collette is not responsible, and will not be bound by, representations made by third party representatives, travel agents, unaffiliated websites, or any other party.

Participants may be photographed for the promotional purposes of Collette. In addition, any comments that you submit as a review or your social media posts may be used for Collette's promotional purposes.

Payment of the deposit to Collette constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. Collette reserves the right to modify these terms and conditions at any time, without notice.

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. Full details are available from these organizations or Collette. Collette is pleased to provide this additional protection to our clients.

Collette's Travel Protection Plan

(for Canadian citizens or residents only*)

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 Tours Canada, Ltd.: The Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver is provided by Collette and is not an insurance benefit underwritten by Northbridge General Insurance Corporation. Payment of a per person Travel Protection Plan fee to Collette at the time of booking guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposits), except the Travel Protection Plan fee itself, 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 that you purchase from Collette.

Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, this Part A Travel Protection Plan does not provide a refund for any such nonrefundable airline tickets 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 travelling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. (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 cancelling client, the travelling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement.

The Travel Protection Plan fee is nontransferable and valid for each applicant (paying client) only. Collette assumes no responsibility for and cannot and will not be held liable for any wrongful, negligent or unauthorized acts or omissions of any travel agent or travel agency other than that of Collette Tours Canada, Ltd. and its own employees, directors and officers.

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, 40 Queen Street South, Mississauga, ON L5M 1K3

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.

PART A – Provided By Collette

Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee & Unused Services Waiver up to Trip Cost

The Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver is provided by Collette and is not an insurance benefit underwritten by Northbridge General Insurance Corporation.

Part B Insurance Benefits provided by Northbridge General Insurance Corporation (*NOT AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS OF QUEBEC): On tour, travel protection benefits may provide coverage if you: must interrupt your trip or return home early for a covered reason; incur medical expenses for a covered sickness or injury; need a medical evacuation; suffer a baggage loss or delay; or are delayed on tour for 12 hours or more for a covered reason.

SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS MAXIMUM BENEFIT AMOUNT

PART B – Benefits Provided by the Insurance Company Listed Below

Accidental Death & Dismemberment	\$25,000
Trip Interruption	\$1,000
Missed Connection	\$1,000
Trip Cancellation	Amount Purchased†
Travel Delay (Up to \$150 Per Day)	\$1,500
Single Supplement	\$1,000
Medical Expense/Emergency Assistance, Accident & Sickness	
Medical Expense, Emergency Evacuation & Repatriation	\$1,000,000**
Baggage/Travel Documents	\$2,000
Baggage Delay (Up to \$150 Per Day)	\$750

†This benefit is only applicable to Instant Purchase (Non-Refundable) Air Tickets and any single supplement penalties you are assessed if your Family Member or Travelling Companion has his/her Trip canceled and does not cover any other land, air or water arrangements.

**The Medical Expense/Emergency Assistance benefits of this plan are subject to a maximum benefit limit of \$10,000 for those persons who at the time of a covered injury or sickness do not have valid hospital and medical insurance under a Government Health Insurance Plan of a Province or Territory of Canada.

PART B Exclusions & Limitations

Benefits are not payable for any loss due to, arising or resulting from: 1. suicide, attempted suicide or any intentionally self-inflicted injury while sane or insane; 2. an act of declared or undeclared war; 3. participating in maneuvers or training exercises of an armed service; 4.

riding, driving or participating in races, or speed or endurance contests; 5. mountaineering (engaging in the sport of scaling mountains generally requiring the use of picks, ropes, or other special equipment); 6. participating as a member of a team in an organized sporting competition; 7. participating in skydiving, hang gliding, bungee cord jumping, or scuba diving if the depth exceeds 130 feet 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 specifically defined in the policy, or under the influence of any controlled substance unless administered on the advice of a Legally Qualified Physician; 10. the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation; 11. normal childbirth, normal pregnancy (except complications of pregnancy) or voluntary induced abortion; 12. dental treatment (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided herein); 13. amounts which exceed the Maximum Benefit Amount for each coverage as shown in the Schedule of Benefits; 14. due to a Pre-Existing Condition, as defined in the Policy. The Pre-Existing Condition Limitation does not apply to the Emergency Medical Evacuation or Return of Remains coverage; 15. a mental or nervous condition, unless hospitalized; 16. any rehabilitation or convalescent care; 17. treatment, services or expenses related to or resulting from travel in a specific country, region or city for which Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada has issued a formal Travel Warning, before Your departure date, advising Canadians to avoid all travel to that specific country, region or city; or 18. Sickness or Injury resulting from a motor vehicle accident where You are entitled to receive benefits pursuant to any policy or legislative plan of motor vehicle insurance.

NON-INSURANCE SERVICES

One Call 24-Hour Assistance Services

Global Xpi Medical Records Services

Please Note: Plan cost is based upon the cost of your trip. Benefits are described on a general basis only. The information in this brochure is only an outline of the coverage available, and is subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of the policy. Please refer to the policy wording for complete details. Plan benefits, limits and provisions may vary by province jurisdiction. You will receive a Description of Coverage and a Description of 24-Hour Emergency Assistance Services which describe the benefits and limitations in detail. To review full plan details online, go to: www.tripmate.com/wpCN426C.

The Part B Insurance Benefits are underwritten by: Northbridge General Insurance Corporation, 105 Adelaide St. W., Toronto, ON M5H 1P9.

Payment for the plan(s) is required at time of purchase and is non-refundable once purchased.

Prices and coverage are subject to change. For full plan details online, please visit: www.tripmate.com/wpCN426C (except for Cancel for Any Reason Waiver).

This Part B travel insurance is underwritten by: Northbridge General Insurance Corporation: 105 Adelaide Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5H 1P9. Benefits are administered by: Northbridge Claims Administration, c/o Active Care Management, Tel: 1.888.421.5378.

For specific questions regarding Travel Insurance or to report a claim, call the Claims Administrator: **Northbridge Claims Administration at: 888.421.5378. Representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.**

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 Northbridge General Insurance Corporation, as well as non-insurance assistance services provided by One Call Worldwide Travel Services Network, Inc. and Trip Mate.

Land Only Clients:

- \$95 adult/\$95 child for all North American escorted tours under 6 days
- \$255 adult/\$140 child for all North American escorted tours of 6 days or more
- \$335 adult/\$165 child for all international tours not otherwise listed below
- \$395 adult/\$190 child for all cruises, Canadian Rockies train tours, Australia, New Zealand, Africa, South Africa & Egypt tours
- \$450 adult/\$225 child for Galapagos tours
- \$500 adult/child for Oberammergau tours (**must** accompany 1st deposit)
- \$925 adult/\$425 child for Antarctica tours

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

Air-Inclusive Clients (Flex Airfare is purchased through Collette)

- \$140 adult/child for all North American tours under 6 days
- \$295 adult/child for all North American tours of 6 days or more
- \$355 adult/child for all international tours not otherwise listed below
- \$425 adult/child for all cruises, Canadian Rockies train tours, Australia, New Zealand, Africa, South Africa & Egypt tours
- \$500 adult/child for Galapagos tours
- \$550 adult/child for Oberammergau tours (**must** accompany 1st deposit)
- \$975 adult/child for Antarctica 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 is 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.

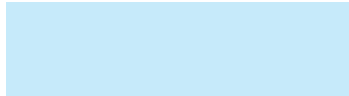
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up to
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†Mention source code for savings. Offers can expire earlier due to space or inventory availability. Space is limited and savings are only available on select departures. Space is on a first come, first served basis. Offers are not valid on group or existing bookings or combinable with any other offer. Promotional pricing may remain in effect after the expiration date. Offer amounts vary by tour and departure date. Other restrictions may apply. Call or visit collette.com/offers for more details.

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For reservations, or contact your Travel Professional
or call Collette at 800.468.5955.



what's your reason **FOR TRAVEL?**

In 2018, Collette proudly celebrates its **100th year**.

As we look back over the past century, where and how we travel has changed. But one thing remains the same – the reasons why we travel. We have come a long way, from simple bus tours to culturally immersive and inclusive explorations. But whether it's fulfilling a dream, celebrating a milestone, or simply broadening our horizons, our reasons for travel remain the same.

To learn more about our Centennial, visit Collette100.com

