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Worldwide TRAVEL GUIDE

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Africa | Asia | South Pacific | Europe | The Americas



“In planning this trip for my husband's 75th birthday,

the criteria was to be awed... We were awed and then some. Such a beautiful journey and experience, all due to the professional care taken by Collette.”

– FLORENCE C., TRAVELLER ON AFRICAN SAFARI: KENYA & TANZANIA, PG. 32





*We travel to add to our story.
I've believed that my whole life.*

And that story isn't just told through a list of destinations you visited or the pictures you post on social media. It's told through the moments that become a part of you. The wonder the first time you see Michelangelo's *David*. The pure thrill when you catch sight of a lion crossing the African veld. Every memory that stays with you long after you've returned home.

These stories are meaningful not just because of where you explore, but who you meet along the way. Our tours are crafted to encourage connection because we believe people reveal as much about a destination as its landmarks.

That's the thinking behind the Impact Moments and responsible travel experiences woven into our journeys. Through the people we meet, we gain insight into the traditions, craftsmanship, and community initiatives that help define a destination. Those are often the moments I remember most because they offer a deeper understanding of a place and the many stories that continue to shape it.

And for every person you meet during your journey, there are countless others whose work makes those moments possible. Tour Designers who know the perfect time to visit the local market. Tour Managers who showcase the heart of a destination while handling every detail. They're the storytellers behind the stories you'll take home.

I can't wait to see where your next story begins.

Warm Regards,

Jaclyn Leibl-Cote
President & CEO, Collette



A vibrant scene of flamenco dancers in Seville, Spain. In the foreground, two women in bright red, ruffled flamenco dresses are dancing. One woman is wearing a straw hat and has her arms raised. To their right, another dancer in a blue dress with a pink fringe and a yellow dress with large black polka dots are also in motion. The background features the ornate architecture of a historic building, likely the Plaza de España, under a clear blue sky.

— Welcome to —
SEASON
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20+ New Tours Join the Lineup

A new season brings a new question: where will your curiosity take you next? We've added new tours across the world filled with the kind of immersive moments no guidebook can offer.

Cruise through Cambodia and Vietnam, connecting with centuries of tradition and life along the river on **Treasures of the Mekong**. See page 46 for more.

Explore two Mediterranean islands shaped by centuries of Italian and French influence, uncovering seaside villages and timeless coastal beauty on **Sardinia & Corsica: Islands of Italy & France**. See page 180 for more.

Taste your way through Singapore, Malaysia, and Thailand, connecting with local life through home-style meals, sacred sites, street food, and coastal moments on **The Soul of Southeast Asia: Singapore, Malaysia, and Thailand**. See page 48 for more.

Journey from vibrant cities to untamed landscapes, discovering the history, culture, and wildlife of **Iconic South Africa**. See page 28 for more.

Here's to the next great adventure.

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A Season of *Discovery*

We know you're always looking for what's next, and this new season brings more than 20 new ways to experience the world. Wherever the journey leads, you can travel with confidence, knowing you're backed by the expertise, insight, and passion we've cultivated for 109 years.



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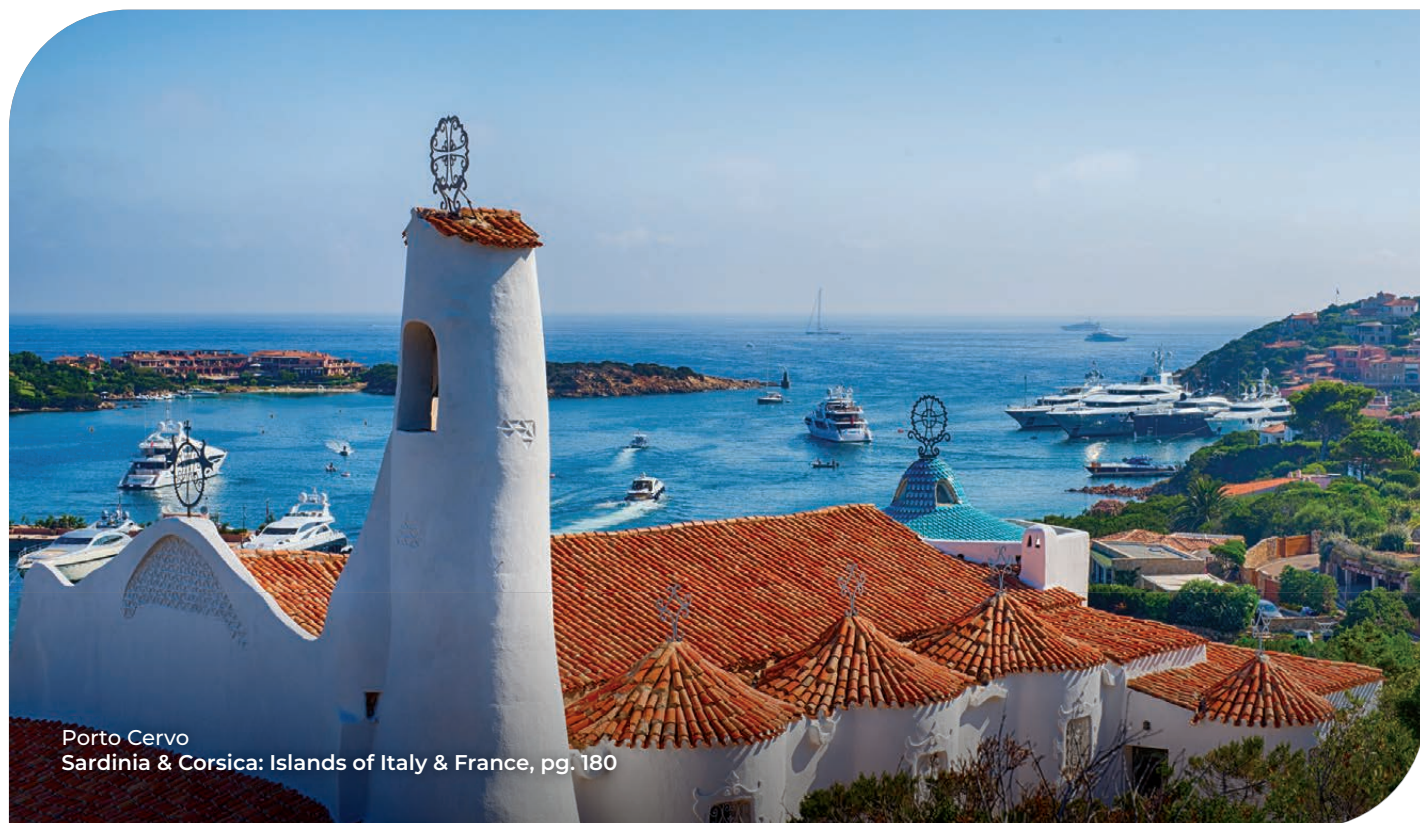
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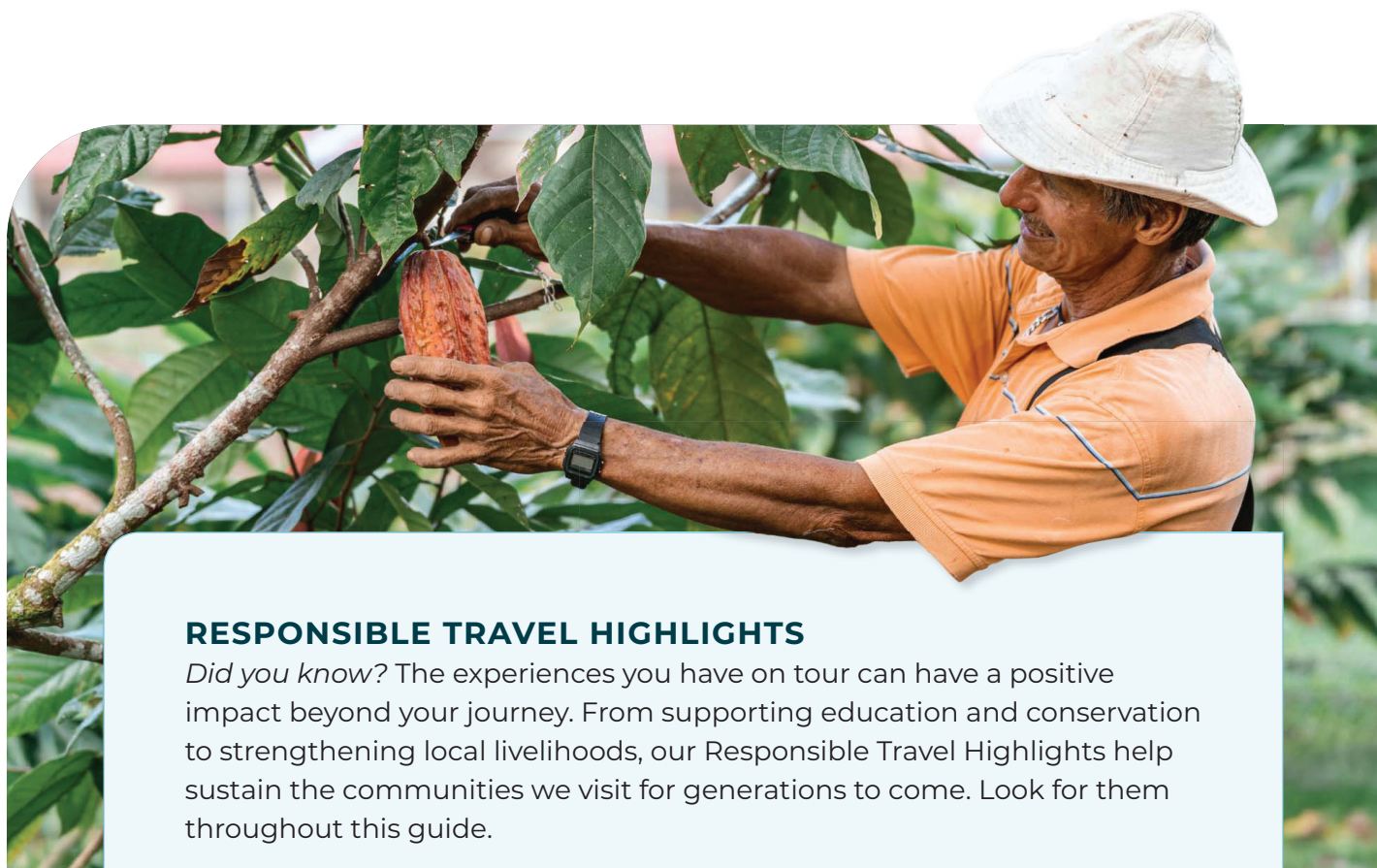
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Masai Mara, Kenya.
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RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL HIGHLIGHTS

Did you know? The experiences you have on tour can have a positive impact beyond your journey. From supporting education and conservation to strengthening local livelihoods, our Responsible Travel Highlights help sustain the communities we visit for generations to come. Look for them throughout this guide.

The Collette Packing List

Just as you have certain essentials you never leave home without, we do, too. For 109 years, we've refined what belongs on every Collette journey, not just to help you see the world, but to experience it more fully. The result? Travel that's seamless, meaningful, and designed to connect you to the places you visit. Here's a look at what comes along on every tour, without fail.

Industry-leading service. Travel with confidence knowing you'll have 24/7 global support every step of the way. And because plans can change, our industry-leading Travel Protection Plan lets you cancel up to 24 hours before departure and receive a full refund, minus the cost of the plan.*

Private Chauffeur Service. When you purchase your air with Collette, enjoy door-to-door Private Chauffeur Service to and from the airport. It's the perfect way to start and end your trip.*

Thoughtful pacing. Spend more time in each destination, not driving between them, with multi-night stays and balanced itineraries designed to help you travel deeper.

Free time to explore. Enjoy the perfect balance of expert guidance and independence, with built-in time to follow your own interests and discover a destination at your own pace.

Experiences beyond the guidebook. Go beyond the must-sees with hands-on experiences, home visits, and meaningful conversations that reveal a side of a destination many travellers never see.

More included, more flexibility. Enjoy included drinks with lunch and dinner, gratuities for your local tour guides, and the freedom to extend your adventure with pre- and post-night stays and curated tour extensions.

Support for local economies. Travel knowing your journey helps support local businesses, artisans, and community organizations while contributing to the long-term vitality of the destinations you visit.





"You won't find it online.

You won't find it in a guidebook.

But we'll take you there."

— ELENA D., TOUR DESIGNER, ITALY



BY Travellers.

Every destination has stories most visitors never hear. These are the perspectives we crave and seek out.

Our tours are shaped by people who've spent years building relationships, earning trust, and finding the stories hidden beneath the surface. The family restaurant with three generations in the kitchen. The artisan carrying on a craft that nearly disappeared. The local traditions that still bring communities together.

These are the places we call home. We've spent our lives falling in love with them. Sharing them with you is our privilege.



A CLOSER LOOK

In Romagna, roll fresh pasta by hand and discover the care and patience that goes into every bite. Experience on **Italy Uncovered** (page 184).



FOR Travellers.

Because travel isn't about checking places off a list. It's about connection.

It's the conversation that changes your perspective. The welcome that makes you feel at home half a world away. The story you find yourself telling long after you've returned.

That's the power of travel created by travellers, for travellers.



A CLOSER LOOK

At Papeterie Saint-Gilles, learn the centuries-old techniques of traditional papermaking from the craftspeople preserving this artistic link to the past. Experience on **Charms of Québec** (page 294).



*"John brought Ireland to life
with his deep historical knowledge,
captivating storytelling, and genuine
passion... He was not just a guide;
he was a steward of Ireland's soul."*

– JOSHUA W., TRAVELLER ON
SHADES OF IRELAND, PG. 130

Travel Styles

FIND YOUR WAY WITH COLLETTE

Travel is a deeply personal experience. At Collette, we don't just understand that — we celebrate it. We're travellers, too, and we know everyone experiences the world differently. That's why we offer a variety of travel styles, each designed to match the way you love to travel.

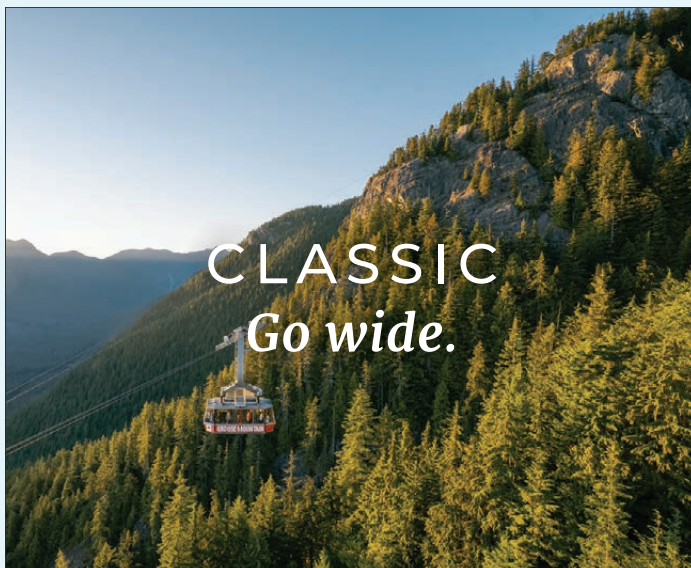


Head off the beaten path and connect deeply with a destination through these small group journeys designed to uncover a place's personality, illuminate its history, and celebrate its people. Ideal for the curious, seasoned traveller.

GROUP SIZE AVERAGE: 19

EXPLORATIONS EXPERIENCES:

- ▶ Stroll a winery tucked into Tuscany's rolling hills, enjoying a glass of its famous Chianti. *Flavours of Italy*, page 186.
- ▶ Experience everyday life in rural Peru by sharing a meal at the home of a local family in Lake Titicaca. *Peru: Machu Picchu and Lake Titicaca*, page 82.



See all the storied sites and understand the legacy of each landmark. Classic tours allow you to enjoy many of a region's must-experience moments in one perfectly coordinated trip. Great for the bucket-list traveller.

GROUP SIZE AVERAGE: 37

CLASSIC EXPERIENCES:

- ▶ Learn about the elaborate moats and walls protecting Matsumoto Castle, also known as the "Crow Castle" for its black exterior. *Cultural Treasures of Japan*, page 62.
- ▶ Journey through Alpine landscapes, from Bern's storybook streets to Salzburg's musical landmarks. *Discover Switzerland, Austria & Bavaria*, page 174.



Unpack, settle in, and get to know one destination by soaking in its sights. Focus in on all the riches these places have to offer during your seamless stay. Perfect for first-time visitors who want to dive deep into a place.

GROUP SIZE AVERAGE: 37

SPOTLIGHTS EXPERIENCES:

- ▶ See the City of Lights from a different perspective with a gourmet French dinner at the Eiffel Tower. *Spotlight on Paris*, page 166.
- ▶ Settle into Montecatini Terme and savour Tuscany's timeless charms, from medieval hill towns to Florence's cultural treasures. *Spotlight on Tuscany*, page 200.



Voyage through breathtaking landscapes, sail into vibrant ports, and discover destinations from an entirely different perspective. These journeys blend the serenity of cruising with immersive experiences ashore. Perfect for the traveller who likes to take their time.

GROUP SIZE AVERAGE: VARIES BY TOUR

CRUISING EXPERIENCES:

- ▶ Sail Croatia's sparkling Adriatic coast, visiting Dubrovnik's medieval streets, an ancient palace in Split, and the waterfalls of Krka National Park. *Croatia & Its Islands*, page 220.
- ▶ Navigate the mesmerizing maze of rivers and waterways that make up the Rice Bowl of Vietnam. *Treasures of the Mekong*, page 46.



Follow centuries-old pilgrimage routes, visit sacred sites, and experience places of enduring devotion. These journeys bring history, faith, and culture together in a way that invites reflection and connection. Ideal for the spiritual traveller.

GROUP SIZE AVERAGE: 37

FAITH EXPERIENCES:

- ▶ Journey into a glacial valley to Glendalough, where you can explore the ruins of a medieval monastic settlement. *Shrines of Ireland*, page 230.
- ▶ Visit an icon-painting workshop and learn the ancient traditions used in creating these sacred images. *Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle*, page 231.



Christchurch, New Zealand

Small Group Travel. *Deeper by Design.*

What if guided travel didn't follow the usual script? What if curiosity led the way through every journey?

That's the thinking behind our small group Explorations travel style. Crafted by local experts who are passionate travellers like you, these tours are designed to give you access to the moments that reveal a destination's true character. With an average of just 19 travellers, each journey offers more opportunities to connect with the people, places, flavours, and traditions that bring a destination to life.



Sheroes Hangout, Agra

THE PEOPLE

Every destination has people whose stories can't be found in a guidebook. At Sheroes Hangout in Agra, you'll meet the remarkable women behind this café, whose resilience has transformed it into a place of healing, empowerment, and hope. It's a perspective you'll experience on **Mysteries of India** (see page 60).

THE PLACES

The places that shape a destination aren't always the ones on a postcard. At the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ), the narrow stretch separating North and South Korea, you'll gain a deeper understanding of the history and tensions that continue to define the region today. Experience it on **Japan & South Korea: From Tokyo to Seoul** (see page 54).

THE TASTES

What if dinner began long before you sat down at the table? In Santiago, you'll head to the local market alongside a chef, bargaining with fishmongers before transforming your ingredients into an authentic meal together. Discover a true market-to-table experience on **Flavours of Chile & Argentina** (see page 80).

THE WAY THERE

Some of the best ways to understand a destination are the ones that carry you through it. Just outside Christchurch, you'll paddle a traditional Māori canoe, or *waka*, along the Avon River while learning about Indigenous culture from those who know it best. Experience a different way to travel on **Exploring New Zealand's Wonders** (see page 68).



Demilitarized Zone, South Korea

Why Solo Travellers Love Collette

Freedom. Community. Seamless logistics. Our guided tours offer solo travellers the opportunity to enjoy an experience that blends expert curation with ample free time, all while connecting them with fellow adventurers.



“Travelling solo with a company like Collette is so easy.

The entire experience is well organized, I have the ability to select single lodging, which I prefer over sharing a room with a stranger, and I know I will be safe because...I’m part of a larger group.”

– KELLY, TRAVELLER



Going Guided Makes Travelling Solo *Easy*

- ✓ **Insider Insight & Experiences**
Every itinerary is crafted by travellers, for travellers. Focus on enjoying the experience and leave the planning to us.
- ✓ **Camaraderie Without Compromise**
Small groups make connection easy while private rooms give you space to recharge.
- ✓ **Confidence Every Step of the Way**
With 100+ years of experience and expert Tour Managers, you're never on your own.
- ✓ **Safety & Peace of Mind**
Itineraries and vetted partners ensure a worry-free journey.



If you're looking for experiences that transcend the typical destination checklist, our **small group Explorations** tours are thoughtfully designed around distinctive stays, with accommodations that celebrate the local setting and experiences that help you better understand a place. Plus, we take care of every detail so you can be fully present, knowing we have you covered.

Personalize Your Travel

Make your journey your own with flexible options that let you tailor your experience before, during, and after your tour.



EXTENSIONS

Go further into a destination. Add a pre- or post-tour extension for even more time to discover another destination, with hotels, transportation, and more seamlessly arranged for you.



PRE- OR POST-NIGHTS

Looking to start early, or not ready to head home? Add extra nights before or after your tour to settle in, revisit a favourite spot, or explore at your own pace. Plus, if you book your air travel with us, you'll receive a ride to and from the airport while travelling, no matter how many days you add before or after your trip.*



IT'S YOUR CHOICE

Enjoy the freedom to choose. Some days offer the opportunity to choose between two included experiences, allowing you to personalize your tour while staying with the group. Look for **"IT'S YOUR CHOICE!"** in the itinerary.



FREE TIME

Discover on your own terms. Enjoy a thoughtful blend of guided experiences and free time to wander, relax, shop, or uncover your own favourite corners of a destination.



OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Add even more to your journey. Choose from optional excursions that let you dive deeper into the places that capture your imagination.



BACK-TO-BACK TOURS

Why stop at one adventure? Many tours are designed to pair together, making it easy to continue your travels with another unforgettable journey.



Extend Your Tour

Want to explore even more without any additional planning? Here are a few of our favourite extensions you can add before or after some of our top tours. You can find more extension options on the tour itinerary pages.



CC | *Italy: Amalfi Coast to Puglia*

Pre-Tour Extension: 2-Night Naples

Experience the energy of Naples with two extra nights to explore, plus a street-food tour and a day trip to the idyllic island of Ischia.



CC | *Flavours of Portugal & Spain*

Pre-Tour Extension: 3-Night Alentejo Countryside

Journey through Portugal's scenic Alentejo countryside, where cork oak forests, the charming "village of rugs," and a local vineyard showcase the region's rich traditions and flavours.



CC | *The Plains of Africa*

Post-Tour Extension: 5-Night Tanzania

Extend your African adventure with five nights in Tanzania, featuring unforgettable safari game drives through Serengeti National Park and the wildlife-rich Ngorongoro Crater.



CC | *Kingdoms of Southeast Asia*

Post-Tour Extension: 3-Night Bangkok

Immerse yourself in Bangkok's vibrant culture with three nights exploring glittering temples, bustling floating markets, scenic canals, and the city's rich culinary traditions.

AFRICA & THE MIDDLE EAST



📍 Chobe National Park, Botswana



Sip at a Shebeen in Soweto

Pull up a chair, order a drink, and settle in. In Soweto, a visit to a *shebeen* is about far more than what's on the menu. Once hidden gathering places during Apartheid, these neighbourhood pubs became spaces where activists often connected and

history quietly unfolded. Today, they're still filled with warmth, conversation, and stories best heard firsthand. Experience one for yourself on **Iconic South Africa**.

Turn to page 28 to read more.



Every Stitch Tells a Story

Beautiful craftsmanship has a way of drawing you in. But at Penduka in Windhoek, it's the stories behind each handmade piece that leave the deepest impression. Here, women transform traditional skills into opportunity, building businesses, confidence, and brighter futures through the

nonprofit's training and support. Visit Penduka on **Namibia & South Africa** and discover the impact woven into every creation.

See page 26 to find out more.

NEW TOUR

Cape Town to Cairo: The Ultimate African Expedition featuring Victoria Falls, Masai Mara, & 4-Night Luxor to Aswan Cruise

25 DAYS • 50 MEALS • STARTING AT \$18,599

Small Group

Lion

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$18,599 (DOUBLE) or \$22,699 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on May 18, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; February – May 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

September – November 2027; February – May 2028

(featured itinerary)

*Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – May 2028 tour departures.

Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

HIGHLIGHTS

Kruger National Park, Table Mountain, Victoria Falls, 7 Wildlife Safaris, Masai Mara National Reserve, *Out of Africa* Farmhouse, Pyramids of Giza & Great Sphinx, 4-Night Nile River Cruise, Karnak Temple, Valley of the Kings, Kom Ombo, Philae Temple, Grand Egyptian Museum

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Embark on a 4-night voyage down the Nile, where temples, tombs, and timeless landscapes unfold at every bend.
- Visit the Karen Blixen farmhouse in Nairobi and step into the world of *Out of Africa*.
- Explore Chinotimba township in Victoria Falls for a glimpse of everyday Zimbabwean life.
- Marvel at Victoria Falls, one of the world's most breathtaking waterfalls.
- Wander the Khan el-Khalili bazaar in Cairo, a maze of colour, scent, and sound.
- Spot the "Big 5" on multiple game drives in Kruger National Park and the Masai Mara.
- Dine with a Capetonian family and share stories over dinner in their home.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Your adventure through Africa begins!

Day 2: Johannesburg, South Africa

Welcome to Johannesburg, South Africa's vibrant gateway city. After your long international flights, there are no scheduled activities today.

Day 3: Johannesburg - Kruger National Park

Leave the city behind and start your adventure with a six-hour overland drive into the wild as you head to Kruger National Park, South Africa's largest game reserve. See the expansive savannas and diverse ecosystems that make Kruger so unique. Your lodge, positioned at the park's entrance, sets the stage for your safari experience. Tonight, gather with fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Kruger National Park

Set out on a full-day game drive in an open-air vehicle, searching for Africa's iconic "Big 5" — lions, leopards, rhinos, elephants, and buffalos. Pause midday for a picnic lunch, then continue your safari into the afternoon. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Kruger National Park This morning in Kruger National Park, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Rise early for a sunrise safari to watch the landscape awaken **-OR-** or enjoy a slower start and head out later for an afternoon game drive. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Kruger National Park - Cape Town

Fly south to Cape Town, South Africa's electric cultural mecca, and settle in for your three-night stay. (B)

Day 7: Cape Town Start your day with a ride up Table Mountain by cable car, where panoramic views stretch from Lion's Head to Robben Island. Then, dive into Cape Town's rich history on a guided city tour including a drive past the colourful Bo-Kaap and a walk through The Company's Garden. Your tour will end early afternoon. Tonight, travel to a home of a Capetonian family where you're an honoured guest. Over dinner, exchange stories and get to know what everyday life is like in Cape Town. (B, D)

Day 8: Cape Town Venture along the Western Cape, stopping at the legendary Cape of Good Hope, where dramatic cliffs meet the crashing sea. Take a funicular to the top of Cape Point and hike up sandstone steps to the lighthouse. Enjoy free time for lunch before heading to Boulders Beach to see the protected colony of endangered African penguins. (B)

Day 9: Cape Town - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Fly to the awe-inspiring Victoria Falls. Settle in at your lodge overlooking Zambezi National Park. (B, D)

Day 10: Victoria Falls Feel the mist on your face as you stand before the mighty Victoria Falls. After a free afternoon, unwind with a sunset cruise along the Zambezi River. (B)

Day 11: Victoria Falls This morning, experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you connect with conservation efforts during a visit to the Victoria Falls Wildlife Trust. After, travel into Chinotimba township and market — a bustling hub and great place to shop for some African souvenirs to take back home. (B, L)

Day 12: Victoria Falls - Nairobi, Kenya

This morning, you might opt to join a responsibly organized wildlife viewing with African elephants in their natural habitat as you learn about them from their handlers. Later this afternoon, fly to Nairobi, the capital city of Kenya. (B, L)

Day 13: Nairobi - Masai Mara National Reserve

Depart Nairobi early this morning and begin your journey in specially designed 4x4 safari vehicles into the Masai Mara. Traverse along roads that can be bumpy and dusty

at times — it all adds to the adventure! Settle into your tented safari camp — an experience that brings you closer to nature. You won't sacrifice comfort in these unique semi-permanent tents complete with plush bedding and ensuite facilities. This afternoon, head out on your first game drive and witness the Mara's incredible biodiversity. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Masai Mara National Reserve

Today, go deeper into the wild with a morning and afternoon game drive. As you explore the Mara's open grasslands and rolling plains, you'll have the chance to see large herds of antelope and wildebeest. Keep your eyes peeled for the "Big 5" and enjoy a picnic lunch on the open plains, surrounded by zebras and scattered acacia trees. (B, L, D)

Day 15: Masai Mara National Reserve

After breakfast, depart on an early morning game drive, returning to camp mid-morning. Perhaps you'll spend some time in one of the camp's treehouses, spotting giraffes in the distance. Later, head out on an afternoon game drive, returning to camp as the sun sets. (B, L, D)

Day 16: Masai Mara National Reserve - Nairobi

Return to Nairobi and step into the world of *Out of Africa* with a visit to Karen Blixen's farmhouse. Enjoy a free evening to relax. (B, L)

Day 17: Nairobi - Cairo, Egypt

Pre-dawn this morning, say goodbye to your African Tour Manager before boarding your five-hour flight to Cairo, Egypt. Upon arrival, meet your Egyptian Tour Manager, who will accompany you for the rest of the tour. Feel Cairo's energy wrap around you as you arrive to your hotel for a two-night stay. Take the rest of the day to relax and catch up on sleep after the red-eye flight. This evening, gather for your first taste of Egyptian cuisine at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 18: Cairo

Be prepared for a dose of Cairo's legendary traffic as you head to Giza this morning. Today, stand in awe before the Pyramids of Giza and the enigmatic Great Sphinx — timeless icons of human achievement. Return to your hotel in the late afternoon and enjoy a free evening. (B, L)

Day 19: Cairo - Luxor - Board Ship

Rise before dawn for your 75-minute flight to Luxor. Upon arrival, visit the expansive Karnak Temple — a sprawling 4,000-year-old complex of towering pylons and intricate obelisks. Then, board your Nile River cruise ship and settle in for your four-night voyage.

After lunch on board, enjoy a leisurely afternoon to explore the ship. This evening, gather for your first dinner aboard. (B, L, D)

Day 20: Luxor - Valley of the Kings - Edfu

As dawn breaks, venture to Luxor's West Bank, trekking along the elaborate tombs of the Valley of the Kings. Delve even further into Egyptian legends with an included viewing of the tombs of King Tutankhamun and Ramses VI. Visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut as well as the Colossi of Memnon before returning to the ship. In the early afternoon, set sail to Edfu, where you'll arrive early tomorrow morning. As you sail upstream, glimpse the small farms scattered along the Nile's banks, and appreciate the simple, modest livings of local farmers. (B, L, D)

Day 21: Edfu - Kom Ombo

In Edfu, pick between an early or a late start to your day, because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Head out at daybreak for a guided visit of the mesmerizing Temple of Horus, returning for a late breakfast aboard **-OR-** rise at your leisure and linger over a relaxed breakfast, as you take in views of a place where daily life has changed little over the centuries. This afternoon, coast along to Kom Ombo and visit a rare double temple. Then, sail on to Aswan. This evening, don a traditional Egyptian gown and join a festive *galabeya* party for a fun evening on board. (B, L, D)

Day 22: Aswan

Your morning opens in Aswan, the Nubian city. Discover the mysteries of Philae Temple. Located on a small island, this complex can only be reached by motorboat. Philae is among the architectural wonders rescued from the rising waters of the Nile during the construction of the High Dam. The afternoon is yours to explore more of Aswan. Perhaps you'll visit the fascinating artifacts at the Nubian Archeological Museum. This evening, aboard a *felucca* (wooden sailboat) and enjoy dinner aboard. (B, L, D)

Day 23: Disembark Ship - Fly to Cairo

Early this morning, return to Cairo with a 90-minute flight. Upon arrival, head towards the old town and enjoy some free time to shop in the world-famous Khan el-Khalili bazaar. Peruse colourful trinkets, hand-painted crafts, polished pendants, and more. This afternoon, check into your hotel and enjoy the evening at leisure. (B)

Day 24: Cairo

This morning, get a glimpse into ancient Egypt's pharaohs, power struggles, and dynasties during



Arrival: Johannesburg (JNB)

Departure: Cairo (CAI)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2	Radisson Hotel & Convention Centre, Johannesburg
Days 3 – 5	Mdluli Safari Lodge, Kruger National Park
Days 6 – 8	Southern Sun the Cullinan Hotel, Cape Town
Days 9 – 11	Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls
Day 12	Ole Sereni Hotel, Nairobi
Days 13 – 15	Mara Fig Tree Camp, Masai Mara
Day 16	Hilton Garden Inn Nairobi Airport, Nairobi
Days 17, 18	Marriott Cairo Hotel & Casino, Cairo ▲
Days 19 – 22	Jaz Elite Regent
Days 23, 24	Marriott Cairo Hotel & Casino, Cairo ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

23 Breakfasts (B) • 13 Lunches (L) • 14 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Johannesburg • Pre-Night Stay

Cairo • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

A FASTER PACE

This tour moves at a brisker pace to make the most of your time in these iconic destinations. Expect several early-morning departures — typically between 5:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. — to enjoy cooler temperatures and arrive ahead of the crowds at sites like the Pyramids of Giza, the Valley of the Kings, and Edfu. Due to flight schedules, some travel days may begin even earlier, with departures as early as 1:30 a.m.

a visit to the recently inaugurated Grand Egyptian Museum. This world-class landmark showcases over 100,000 ancient artifacts, including the treasures discovered in 1922 in King Tutankhamun's sepulcher. Tonight,

toast to the memories made on this epic journey through Africa at a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 25: Cairo - Tour Ends Your adventure in Africa ends today. (B)

Namibia & South Africa: Epic Landscapes and Wildlife

18 DAYS • 34 MEALS • STARTING AT \$15,199

Sossusvlei Dunes

Small Group

Boulders Beach

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EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 11 • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$15,199 (DOUBLE) or \$17,199 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on August 8, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Sossusvlei Dunes, Swakopmund, Etosha National Park, Walvis Bay Dolphin and Seal Cruise, Mondesa Township Tour, 4 Wildlife Safaris, Cape Town, Table Mountain, Cape of Good Hope, Kruger National Park

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Experience a meaningful cultural exchange in Mondesa, where you'll meet locals, explore the open market, visit Herero and Oshiwambo families, and gain insight into Namibian history.
- Join a local Capetonian family at a home-hosted dinner and learn about their daily life.
- Explore three distinct natural parks and search for the Big 5.
- Visit a local non-profit in Windhoek dedicated to empowering women through traditional craftwork and skill sharing.
- Be whisked away to the top of Table Mountain on an aerial cable car.
- Witness the otherworldly landscape of Sossusvlei's dunes.
- Enjoy a tasting and lunch at a winery set against Namibia's Erongo Mountains.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to South Africa and Namibia, two nations with intertwined histories and some of the most incredible landscapes, wildlife, and cultural diversity in the world. Get ready for a truly unique experience, from the dunes of Sossusvlei to the coasts of Cape Town.

Day 2: Johannesburg, South Africa Arrive in Johannesburg after your overnight flight. Get settled at your airport hotel and rest before tomorrow's morning flight to Namibia. As arrival times will vary, there are no scheduled activities today. Settle in at your own pace, perhaps exploring the city independently.

Day 3: Johannesburg - Windhoek, Namibia This morning, fly to Windhoek, Namibia's capital city. One of Southern Africa's most fascinating destinations, Namibia is one of the youngest countries in Africa and one of the least populated in the world. With its recent independence from South Africa, this frontier nation is a surprise to most. Get to know your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner at one of the city's amazing restaurants. (B, D)

Day 4: Windhoek - Sossusvlei Enjoy a relaxed morning in Windhoek before continuing your adventure with a drive to Sossusvlei, one of Namibia's most

stunning landmarks. Settle in at your lodge after a day of travel and enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Sossusvlei Embark on the experience of a lifetime. Start the day early to ensure the best experience at one of Namibia's most dramatic landscapes – the red sand dunes of Deadvlei in the Namib desert. A landscape reminiscent of science fiction movies, the Sossusvlei region is home to some of the world's tallest dunes. Climb one of these epic dunes to access Deadvlei, a salt pan famous for its ancient petrified trees. A paradise for photographers and scenery enthusiasts alike, the Namib desert will leave lasting memories. See firsthand how animals survive in this harsh environment, and look for its most famous resident – the oryx! (B, L, D)

Day 6: Sossusvlei - Swakopmund Say farewell to the Namib desert and set out on another epic journey as you take a long, scenic drive to the coastal town of Swakopmund. With its German colonial architecture, marine wildlife, and striking coastal desert landscapes, Swakopmund is a unique desert oasis. This afternoon, enjoy free time to relax at your hotel or explore the seaside town. (B, D)

Day 7: Swakopmund This morning, explore Mondesa Township on a

private tour for an authentic glimpse into daily life in Swakopmund's vibrant community. Meet residents, learn about cultural traditions, and experience the warmth and resilience that define this unique neighbourhood. This afternoon, drive to Walvis Bay and join a marine cruise to search for seals, pelicans, and dolphins. Learn from your cruise guides what makes this area so unique for these marine animals. Continue your exploration to Pelican Point for a glimpse of some pink feathered friends. (B)

Day 8: Swakopmund - Etosha National Park Leave this coastal beauty behind as we head to your second Namibian national park – Etosha. During your longest land transfer on this adventure, stop for a tasting and lunch at a winery paving the way for Namibian wines and spirits. Later this afternoon, check in to your rustic lodge and settle in before dinner overlooking the African bush. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Etosha National Park Early this morning, depart for your first game drive. In open-sided safari vehicles, search for rhino, giraffe, lions, elephants, and several types of antelopes. Ostriches may welcome you at every corner and wildebeest may greet you at watering holes. End the day with memories of salt flats and wild animals thriving in a surreal landscape. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Etosha National Park Continue your Etosha adventure with another full day game drive in open-sided safari vehicles. Spend the day dedicated to wildlife viewing as you venture deeper into the park, searching for its remarkable animals and ever-changing landscapes. (B, D)

Day 11: Etosha National Park - Windhoek Travel your last Namibian leg of this journey and arrive back in its capital city, Windhoek. Despite it being the capital, enjoy its calm atmosphere during your free afternoon before you join your fellow travellers at dinner to reminisce about your adventure in Namibia. (B, D)

Day 12: Windhoek - Cape Town, South Africa End your time in Namibia with a meaningful visit to Penduka during an **IMPACT MOMENT**. With its mission to support gender equality and empower women, learn how Penduka supports the local community through traditional craftwork and skill sharing. Then, travel to the airport for your flight to Cape Town, South Africa, and end your day as a guest of honour in a

Capetonian family's home. Over dinner, exchange stories and get to know what everyday life is like here in Cape Town. (B, D)

Day 13: Cape Town Get to see the natural side of Cape Town today. Travel to Cape Point, the southwestern tip of Africa. Marvel at the vibrant green foliage blanketing the rocky outcrops, contrasting the bright blue waves below. Visit the Cape of Good Hope and stop at Boulders Beach for the rarest of black-tie events – a rendezvous with endangered African penguins! Return to the city via Table Bay. (B)

Day 14: Cape Town Today, explore South Africa's eclectic cultural mecca. Rise gently over the South African landscape in a cable car to Table Mountain, taking in views of Cape Town, Lions Head, and historic Robben Island. Then, view the city's heritage sites, historic landmarks, and bustling city centre during a city tour. Enjoy a free afternoon to relax at your hotel or to further explore this fascinating city as you wish. (B)

Day 15: Cape Town - Mpumalanga - Kruger National Park Say goodbye to city life and hello to South Africa's stunning natural beauty. Fly to Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport as you make your way to Kruger National Park, the largest game reserve in South Africa. Then, a two-hour drive will bring you to the unmatched beauty of the African savanna. Check in to your hotel, ideally located at the entrance of the park on the banks of the Sabie River. (B, D)

Day 16: Kruger National Park Pack your camera as you head off on a full day game drive! Search for the "Big 5" from your open-air vehicle and experience some iconic South African scenery. Relax with a picnic lunch within the park, before setting off again for your afternoon game drive. (B, L, D)

Day 17: Kruger National Park Head out again on another full-day game drive for your last opportunity to see all the majestic scenery and animals you have come this far to experience. Tonight, join your fellow explorers for dinner and toast farewell to all the extraordinary places you've encountered during this epic African adventure. (B, L, D)

Day 18: Kruger National Park - Johannesburg - Tour Ends Bid farewell to your fellow travellers when you leave Kruger for Johannesburg and head back home. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2	Radisson Hotel & Convention Centre, Johannesburg
Day 3	Weinberg Hotel, Windhoek
Days 4, 5	Desert Grace Lodge, Sossusvlei
Days 6, 7	Strand Hotel, Swakopmund
Days 8 – 10	Etosha Safari Lodge, Etosha
Day 11	Weinberg Hotel, Windhoek
Days 12 – 14	The Cape Milner Hotel, Cape Town
Days 15 – 17	Kruger Gate Hotel, Kruger National Park

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

16 Breakfasts (B) • 6 Lunches (L) • 12 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Johannesburg • Pre-Night Stay

Livingstone • Post-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$3,680[†] pp

Experience mighty Victoria Falls, take a sunset cruise on the Zambezi River, and visit Mukuni Village.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

RUGGED ROADS AND FULL TRAVEL DAYS

On this tour we visit some of the most dramatic landscapes on earth. To reach them we travel Namibia's extensive network of unpaved gravel roads. While these are long and bumpy travel days, they add to the allure of this off-the-beaten path destination and allow you to take in the country's epic landscapes.

NEW TOUR

Iconic South Africa

14 DAYS • 25 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,299

Small Group



Cape Town

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,299 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,999 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on June 18, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

June – November 2027; February – June 2028

(featured itinerary)

Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures.

HIGHLIGHTS

Soweto, Kruger National Park, 4 Game Drives, Cape Winelands Tasting, Table Mountain, Bo-Kaap Cooking Experience, Cape Peninsula

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Taste famous South African wines in the Stellenbosch Wine Region.
- Get to know a Capetonian family at a home-hosted dinner.
- Search for the Big Five on two full-day safari game drives in Kruger National Park.
- Tour the cultural hub of Soweto, including a visit to the Apartheid Museum.
- Be whisked away to the top of Table Mountain on an aerial cable car.
- Enjoy lunch with the locals at a *shabeen* (pub) in Soweto.
- Taste the flavours of Cape Malay cuisine with a cooking experience in Bo-Kaap.
- Savour a traditional South African *braai* (barbecue).

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to South Africa, where incredible landscapes lead the way to cultural diversity, abundant wildlife, and remarkable history. From dynamic urban centres to wildlife safaris, Africa has a way of taking you by surprise.

Day 2: Johannesburg, South Africa Your adventure begins in Johannesburg, a dynamic city shaped by its gold-rush origins and modern role as South Africa's economic heart. As travellers' arrival times will vary, there are no scheduled activities today. Settle into your hotel and relax before tomorrow's adventure begins. Dinner tonight is on your own.

Day 3: Johannesburg - Soweto Today, visit the Apartheid Museum to explore South Africa's journey from segregation to democracy. Continue to Soweto for a guided tour of one of the nation's most historic townships. Stop at a local market to experience daily life, noticing both the informal settlements and elegant homes that reflect the community's history and character. Drive past the former home of Nelson Mandela, an enduring symbol of the struggle for freedom. Then, join locals for lunch at a local *shabeen* (pub), a gathering place deeply rooted in township culture.

This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Johannesburg - Kruger National Park Leave the city behind and start your adventure with a flight into the wild as you head to Kruger National Park, South Africa's largest game reserve. See how the landscape shifts dramatically, giving you a glimpse of the expansive savannas and diverse ecosystems that make Kruger so unique. Your lodge, positioned at the park's entrance, sets the stage for your safari experience. Tonight, gather with fellow travellers for your first dinner in the national park. (B, D)

Day 5: Kruger National Park Get your camera ready — today is all about the wildlife! Set out on a full-day game drive in an open-air vehicle, searching for Africa's iconic Big Five. The safari bucket list of animals includes lions, leopards, rhinos, elephants, and Cape buffalo. Pause midday for a picnic lunch, then continue your safari adventure into the afternoon. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Kruger National Park Embrace the rare opportunity to head back into the wild on another full-day safari game drive in Kruger National Park. Enjoy this second attempt to see any elusive animals you may have missed



Kruger National Park



Stellenbosch

yesterday or get another look at your favourites. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Kruger National Park After two immersive full-day safaris, today offers a slightly different rhythm in the bush. Head out on an early-morning game drive, taking advantage of the softer light and quieter atmosphere to observe familiar wildlife behaviours from a new angle. Return to the lodge for a hearty brunch and some well-earned downtime before venturing out again in the afternoon. Return after the sun sets for your final dinner in Kruger National Park. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Kruger National Park - Stellenbosch Say goodbye to the wild and hello to the winelands of the Western Cape. See for yourself why this area boasts a reputation as one of the world's most beautiful wine countries. Take a flight to Cape Town, South Africa and then a short drive to the town of Stellenbosch, located in South Africa's most famous wine region. Settle in for a 2-night stay among rolling vineyards and historic Cape Dutch architecture. (B)

Day 9: Stellenbosch - Franschhoek Start your day with a walking tour of Stellenbosch, a university town known for its vineyards and mountainous nature reserves. Continue to nearby

Franschhoek to experience the town's renowned wine culture with a cellar tour, tasting, and lunch before returning to Stellenbosch. Visit a second winery before returning back to your hotel for a relaxed evening. (B, L)

Day 10: Stellenbosch - Cape Town Say hello to Cape Town, South Africa's electric cultural mecca that captivates you at every turn. Explore Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, a Cape Town hotspot. From heritage sites to historic landmarks, markets, shops, and restaurants, the waterfront is one of South Africa's most compelling destinations. On arrival, rise gently over the South African landscape in a cable car to Table Mountain, taking in views of Cape Town, Lions Head, and historic Robben Island. Tonight, experience an evening of exciting African entertainment, music, food, and culture at a celebrated restaurant in the heart of the city. (B, D)

Day 11: Cape Town - Cape Peninsula Tour Travel to Cape Point, the southwestern tip of Africa. Marvel at the vibrant green foliage blanketing the rocky outcrops, set as a contrast to the bright blue waves below. Set out on a laid-back hike down the mountain, wandering by patches of native flowers. Then, stop at Boulders Beach for the rarest of black-tie events —



Arrival: Johannesburg (JNB)

Departure: Cape Town (CPT)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Sandton Towers, Johannesburg
- Days 4 – 7** Elephant Walk Tented Camp, Kruger National Park
- Days 8, 9** The Devon Valley Hotel, Stellenbosch
- Days 10 – 13** Southern Sun Waterfront, Cape Town

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 6 Lunches (L) • 7 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Johannesburg • Pre-Night Stay

Cape Town • Post-Night Stay

Dubai • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,645[†] pp

Before the safaris, see Dubai's skyscrapers, souks, mosques, and museums, and ride in 4x4s in the desert.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

a rendezvous with endangered African penguins! (B)

Day 12: Cape Town Immerse yourself in Cape Town's Bo-Kaap neighbourhood, famous for its brightly painted houses and deep-rooted Cape Malay heritage. Meet your guide, who will take you to a local market where you'll pick up aromatic spices that set the stage for your Bo-Kaap cooking experience. Learn how to prepare Cape Malay staples, like delicate samosas and fragrant Cape Malay curry, before sitting to enjoy the delicious dishes

you've created together. The remainder of the day is free to relax or explore at your leisure. (B, L)

Day 13: Cape Town Enjoy your final day at leisure before gathering with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner to taste the country's beloved flavours, starring an array of South African specialties and delicacies. (B, D)

Day 14: Cape Town - Tour Ends Your tour ends today, leaving you with memories of South Africa's incredible people and landscapes. (B)

The Plains of Africa Kenya Wildlife Safari

14 DAYS • 33 MEALS • STARTING AT \$10,699

Small Group

Cheetahs in Kenya

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 13 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$10,699 (DOUBLE) or \$12,999 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on December 2, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Nairobi, Shaba National Reserve, Samburu National Reserve, Sundowner, Lake Nakuru, Masai Mara, Karen Blixen Home, Amboseli National Park, 13 Game Drives, Africa's Big 5

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Learn the traditions of the Samburu people during a visit with a tribe member.
- Immerse yourself in the culture during a visit to a Maasai village.
- Set out on 13 game drives in search of lions, elephants, buffalo, leopards, and rhinos.
- Explore the farmhouse of Karen Blixen, author of *Out of Africa*.
- Enjoy a leisurely breakfast in the bush, surrounded by nature at Lake Nakuru.
- Indulge in a traditional dinner in the bush with Maasai entertainment.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Prepare to see the Africa of your dreams and one that's so much more than you could imagine. Explore Kenya's wildlife, up close and personal, against stunning vistas across the plains of Africa.

Day 2: Nairobi, Kenya Adventure stirs the soul in Kenya. Arrive in the heart of safari country. As arrival times will vary, there are no scheduled activities today, allowing you to settle in at your own pace. Dinner this evening is at your leisure.

Day 3: Nairobi - Mount Kenya After breakfast, travel towards Mount Kenya, an extinct volcano where peaks reach as high as 5,199 metres. In the foothills, indigenous forests surround you on all sides, and red soil stirs under brilliant waterfalls. This afternoon, set out on your first game drive of the trip at Ol Pejeta Conservancy, home to an astounding variety of animals. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Mount Kenya - Buffalo Springs Reserve - Shaba Reserve Discover the magic of the Shaba, Samburu, and Buffalo Springs reserves — home to some of Africa's most exotic wildlife — particularly two species you can only find north of the equator: Grevy's zebra and the reticulated giraffe. Arrive at peaceful Shaba National Reserve, your home for the next two nights. This afternoon, head for Buffalo Springs —

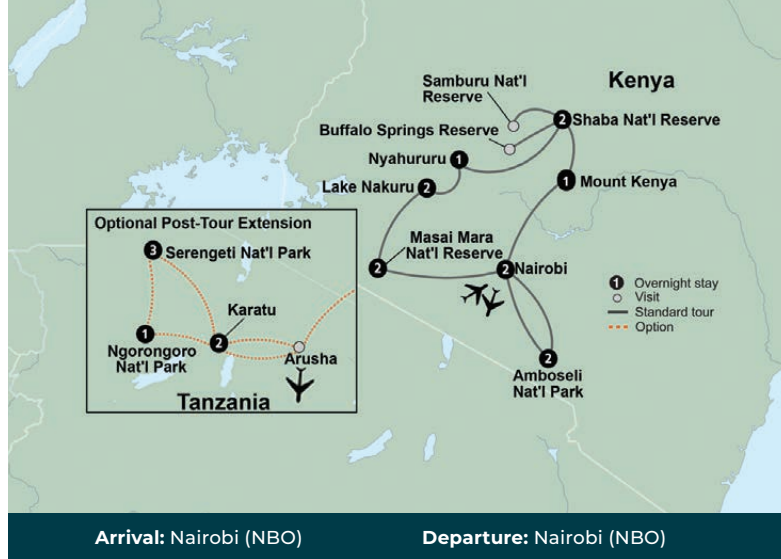
a starkly beautiful semi-desert that's a mecca for birds and wildlife. On your game drive in this remarkably serene landscape, see if you can spot the "Big 5" — lions, elephants, buffalo, leopards, and rhinos. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Shaba Reserve - Samburu National Reserve - Shaba Reserve Marvel at the striking contrast of sand, sky, and bush during a morning game drive inside Samburu National Reserve, a tiny gem of Kenya's North Country. Return to Shaba Reserve for lunch before heading out on an afternoon game drive. Bring your camera as you continue searching for the elusive "Big 5." Keep watch for some of the approximately 350 species of birds that inhabit the area. As the sun sets over the banks of the Ewaso Ng'iro River, enjoy a traditional Sundowner, and relish the chance to deepen your cultural experience. In the company of a Samburu tribe member, learn about the culture, traditions, and folklore of the Samburu region and its people. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Shaba Reserve - Nyahururu Journey to Nyahururu, its name derived from the Maasai word for waterfall, *e-naiwurrurur*. Enjoy a free afternoon to relax in your luxury hideaway, a resort situated in the heart of 20 acres of tranquil forest. (B, L, D)



Maasai Women



Arrival: Nairobi (NBO)

Departure: Nairobi (NBO)

Day 7: Nyahururu - Lake Nakuru Hit the road for a spectacular, mountain-kissed journey on the way from Nyahururu waterfalls to Lake Nakuru National Park. One of the Great Rift Valley's soda lakes, Lake Nakuru is a haven of ecological diversity surrounded by picturesque ridges and wooded, bushy grassland. Set out on a game drive this afternoon. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Lake Nakuru Wake up in the embrace of Nakuru's acacia forest. During this morning's game drive, make sure your binoculars are ready — this is rhino country. Find this park absolutely brimming with wildlife, on the ground and in the air. Regale in a true taste of Africa: a traditional breakfast prepared right in the bush. Unwind at your lodge before continuing your journey through the park on an afternoon game drive. Return just in time to witness one of Nakuru's unforgettable sunsets. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara National Reserve Welcome to the Masai Mara National Reserve, one of Kenya's best spots for game viewing. Your tented accommodations in the Mara provide you with all the deluxe amenities of a proper lodge, with the added adventure of being on level with the wild. Learn about Maasai culture during a visit to a local village (known as an *enkeng* in Maa, the Maasai language) before an afternoon game drive. Graced with an astounding collection of wildlife including lions, giraffes, zebras, and elephants, the Mara offers an unsurpassed safari experience. Tonight, indulge in a traditional bush dinner, complete with a Maasai dance performance. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Masai Mara National Reserve Ernest Hemingway said, "I never knew a morning in Africa when I woke up

and was not happy." During a full-day game drive, enjoy the grassy plains and rolling hills of the Masai Mara. This is truly nature's greatest theatre, where savanna, cloud shadows, and amazing wildlife spot the horizon. After a Mara sunset, head over to your tent and be lulled to sleep by the sounds of the animals in the distance. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Masai Mara National Reserve - Nairobi Return to Nairobi and visit the farmhouse of Karen Blixen for a true *Out of Africa* experience. Wander through the beautifully preserved rooms where the famed author once lived and explore the surrounding gardens that overlook the Ngong Hills — landscapes that inspired her celebrated memoir. Learn about Blixen's life, her time in Kenya, and her legacy in literature and local history as you tour the estate and its small museum. (B, L)

Day 12: Nairobi - Amboseli National Park This morning, experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** when you visit Ocean Sole, a social enterprise that turns ocean debris into colourful works of art. Learn about their mission to clean the waterways and grow the Kenyan economy. You'll also get a chance to peruse their collection of products before continuing on to Amboseli National Park. Take to the plains for an afternoon game drive accompanied by the breathtaking aura of snowcapped Mt. Kilimanjaro. Complement your journey with an opportunity to give back to nature with a seedball. The compact balls of seed limit the cost of planting indigenous trees around the world. A moment of impact can grow into a lifetime of change, so toss your seedball out the window anytime during your stay in Amboseli. (B, L, D)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2	Sarova Stanley Hotel, Nairobi
Day 3	Maisha Sweetwaters Camp, Nanyuki
Days 4, 5	Sarova Shaba Lodge, Shaba Reserve
Day 6	Panari Resort, Nyahururu
Days 7, 8	Sarova Lion Hill Lodge, Lake Nakuru
Days 9, 10	Sarova Mara Game Camp, Masai Mara
Day 11	Sarova Stanley Hotel, Nairobi
Days 12, 13	Oi Tukai Lodge, Amboseli

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 11 Lunches (L) • 10 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Nairobi • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Tanzania • Post-Tour Guided Extension
5 Nights, Starting at \$4,430 pp

Continue your adventure with game drives in Serengeti National Park, then explore the Ngorongoro Crater.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Day 13: Amboseli National Park Today will start with a sunrise game drive followed by breakfast back at the lodge. Then all of Amboseli is at your feet during a morning and afternoon game drive. Derived from the Maasai word meaning "salty dust," this unique corner of Kenya is one of the best places in Africa to see hundreds of elephants up close. Wildebeests and zebras are ever-present, plus there's a good chance you'll see a cheetah and a hyena or two. Today is your last full

day on the continent and your last chance to spot some more members of the elusive "Big 5." If you haven't tossed your "seedball" into the wilds yet, now's your chance to make an impact on the continent you've grown to love. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Amboseli National Park - Nairobi - Tour Ends Return to Nairobi for your departure home. You may choose to reserve a day room to freshen up prior to your flight. (B)

African Safari: Kenya and Tanzania

Small Group

15 DAYS • 38 MEALS • STARTING AT \$11,199



Ngorongoro Crater

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 14 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$11,199 (DOUBLE)** or **\$13,399 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on June 22, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Nairobi, David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, *Out of Africa* Farmhouse, Amboseli National Park, Shanga Workshop, Karatu, Ngorongoro Crater, Serengeti, Tarangire National Park, 7 Game Drives

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- See how a local workshop empowers citizens with disabilities through the Shanga Project.
- Visit Karen Blixen's *Out of Africa* farmhouse and feed the sanctuary's Rothschild giraffes.
- Enjoy five picnic lunches on your game drives, taking in the natural landscape around you.
- Get a peek into the daily lives of two local tribes at Lake Eyasi.
- Seek out the elusive "Big 5" on 7 different game drives.
- Spend three nights on the legendary Serengeti, home to seemingly infinite wildlife.
- Gaze out at the iconic Mt. Kilimanjaro.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Africa, where sprawling grasslands and cultural traditions intersect into a land like no other. In the shadow of Mt. Kilimanjaro, discover a natural wonderland of curious giraffes, playful elephants, and wandering lions. From the picturesque savanna in Kenya to the renowned Serengeti in Tanzania, this is the wild Africa of your dreams.

Day 2: Nairobi, Kenya Arrive in Nairobi, the capital of Kenya. Serving as the gateway to Africa's sought-after wildlife, Nairobi is the ideal place to get acclimated to the Kenyan lifestyle. As travellers' arrival times will vary greatly, we have no group activities planned during the day. Dinner tonight will be on your own.

Day 3: Nairobi Visit the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, which rehabilitates young or injured elephants. See the gentle giants up close as they are fed and bathed by their caretakers. Head to Karen Blixen's *Out of Africa* farmhouse for lunch before stepping outside to visit the sanctuary's inquisitive Rothschild giraffes. Visit the Kazuri Beads Factory, where mothers are employed and trained as jewelry artisans. In the evening, toast to the start of your African adventure at a savoury welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

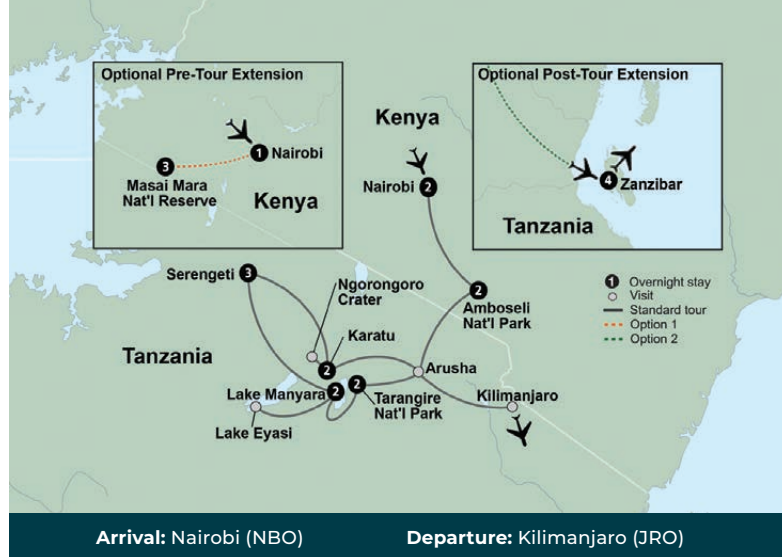
Day 4: Nairobi - Amboseli National Park Make your way to Amboseli National Park, nestled along the border of Tanzania and looking out on the great Mt. Kilimanjaro. After lunch, get a glimpse into Kenyan culture and interact with locals at a Maasai village. Settle into your accommodations for the next two nights — a tented camp with the comfortable amenities of a traditional lodge. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Amboseli National Park Embrace your wild side on a full-day game drive in Amboseli National Park. This is your first chance to seek out Africa's elusive "Big 5" — the safari "bucket list" of animals includes lions, leopards, rhinos, elephants, and water buffalo. Enjoy a picnic lunch on the open plains, watching for herds of wildebeest and grazing zebras. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Amboseli National Park - Arusha, Tanzania - Karatu Enter Tanzania, a country devoted to harmony among its people and animals. Today will be an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you visit Shanga, a local jewelry workshop that trains and employs citizens with disabilities. Your day ends in Karatu, a humble town located on the precipice of untamed nature. Overnight in a charming lodge where colourful gardens meet welcoming hospitality. (B, L, D)



Maasai Village



Arrival: Nairobi (NBO)

Departure: Kilimanjaro (JRO)

Day 7: Karatu - Ngorongoro Crater - Karatu Make the most of more opportunities to spot the local wildlife with a full-day game drive in Ngorongoro Crater, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Containing one of the densest mammal populations in the world, this "African Eden" is one of the best places to seek out the "Big 5." Allow the sheer magnitude of the area to wash over you as you enjoy a picnic lunch in the highlands, taking in the flourishing habitat around you. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Karatu - Serengeti Your path continues to the renowned Serengeti, a Maasai word meaning "endless plains." Enjoy lunch and venture out on your first Serengeti adventure on an afternoon game drive, returning to camp at dusk. Relax in your exclusive safari abode, your home for the next three nights. The camp includes all the amenities of a lodge but allows you to remain immersed in nature. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Serengeti Say good morning to the Serengeti! After breakfast, set out and enjoy a full day of animal-seeking safari adventures with a picturesque picnic lunch. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Serengeti Lions. Gazelles. Cheetahs. Hippos. There's no telling what you might spot on your full-day game drive. Under the careful guidance of an expert, discover the savanna's wild residents and get a glimpse into the untamed animal kingdom. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Serengeti - Lake Manyara You're on your way to Lake Manyara, a lesser-known corner of Tanzania nestled between the plains and escarpments. Pause for a picnic lunch along the way, providing more chances to view the local wildlife. Enjoy some

downtime at the lodge, perhaps enjoying the pool's sweeping views across the escarpment towards Lake Manyara. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Lake Manyara See how native communities live in harmony with the environment. Start your morning with the Hadzabe tribe, hunter-gatherers who strive to leave no lasting impact on their surroundings. After lunch back at your lodge, continue with a visit to the Datoga tribe — another community based at Lake Eyasi — and see how their vast farms contribute to day-to-day life. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Lake Manyara - Tarangire National Park Decide how you spend the morning because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Learn from a local fruit vendor in Mto Wa Mbu village about their trade **-OR-** spend time with a local craftsman who will show you current projects at African Galleria. Then, head to Tarangire, the forested national park known for its giant baobab trees and elephant migration. After lunch, embark on a thrilling game drive. Don't be surprised if you see a pride of lions lounging in the shade, a herd of buffalo wading into the water, or a parade of elephants passing by. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Tarangire National Park Enjoy a full-day game drive, venturing out in the morning on your quest for animal sightings with a break for a picnic lunch in between. Make sure you look to the skies because Tarangire is an aviary paradise, home to more than 500 bird species. Keep your eyes peeled for various starlings, weavers, and guinea fowl. Wish Africa goodbye at a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, L, D)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Ole Sereni Hotel, Nairobi
- Days 4, 5** Kilima Safari Camp, Amboseli
- Days 6, 7** Endoro Lodge, Karatu
- Days 8 – 10** Serengeti Heritage Camp, Serengeti
- Days 11, 12** Lake Manyara Serena Lodge, Lake Manyara
- Days 13, 14** Tarangire Nature Camp, Tarangire

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

13 Breakfasts (B) • 13 Lunches (L) • 12 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Nairobi • Pre-Night Stay

Arusha • Post-Night Stay

Kenya's Masai Mara National Reserve • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

4 Nights, Starting at \$2,055 pp

Kick off your journey with 5 game drives in Kenya's iconic Masai Mara, home to Africa's "Big Five."

Zanzibar • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

4 Nights, Starting at \$3,015[†] pp

Extend your adventure in Zanzibar with a spice tour, marine adventure, and beachside bliss after your Tanzania safari.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

RUSTIC ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations on this tour offer a more rustic and authentic experience. These properties are smaller and may be simpler in amenities but are carefully chosen for their unmatched locations in national parks and proximity to wildlife, allowing you to wake up to the sounds of nature and immerse yourself fully in the region.

Day 15: Tarangire National Park - Arusha - Tour Ends Return to Arusha on the final day of your African adventure. Settle into a dayroom

to relax before lunch. Depart with memories of the endless plains and unparalleled wildlife. (B, L)

Wilderness of Southern Africa: Safari by Land & Water

15 DAYS • 33 MEALS • STARTING AT \$12,449

Small Group



Chobe National Park

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 18 • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$12,449 (DOUBLE)** or **\$14,749 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on June 15, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Chobe National Park, Cruise on the Chobe River, Hwange National Park, Private Lake Kariba Safari Boat, Victoria Falls, 8 Game Drives, Walks & Cruises, Home-Hosted Meal

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Immerse yourself in nature and seek out the elusive Big 5 during land and water safari experiences.
- Enjoy a dinner cruise on the Chobe River.
- Walk amidst the exhilarating natural wonder of Victoria Falls.
- Visit a rural fishing village in Lake Kariba.
- Meet a local chief and his family and learn about their lives.
- Share a simple, traditional meal during a home-hosted lunch in Victoria Falls.
- Sail the calm waters of Lake Kariba, the largest man-made lake in the world, on a private safari boat.
- Try your hand at fishing and enjoy your catch for dinner on Lake Kariba.
- Cruise Chobe River for a unique way to search for game species in Chobe National Park.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to southern Africa, where your search for wildlife will take you from grasslands and dry woodlands to rivers and lakes.

Day 2: Johannesburg, South Africa

Welcome to Johannesburg, South Africa's largest city! This afternoon, transfer to your hotel for the evening and enjoy a relaxing evening before your adventure in search of the "Big 5" begins tomorrow. Dinner tonight is on your own.

Day 3: Johannesburg - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - Chobe National Park, Botswana

This morning, board a plane for a short flight to Victoria Falls, where you will meet your Tour Manager before continuing to your lodge for the next 3 nights in Botswana. Enjoy some time at leisure at the lodge before gathering with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Chobe National Park Rise early with the sounds of the local wildlife ahead of your first game drive in Chobe National Park, an excellent location to search for elephants and buffalo. You and your fellow travellers will ride in open-air vehicles with a local expert who will be able to tell you all about the creatures you'll see along the way. Later in the morning, enjoy some free time. After lunch at the lodge, board

your private boat and take to the waters of the Chobe River in search of hippos and aquatic birds while sipping on cool beverages. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Chobe National Park Start your day early with a private game cruise on the Chobe River and see the animals visiting the water first thing in the morning. After your search, return to the lodge for some free time, perhaps relaxing by the pool or stopping by the spa. After lunch this afternoon, enjoy a game drive in Chobe National Park, where you may spot giraffes, hyenas, or zebras. Later, enjoy a dinner cruise along the gentle waters of the Chobe River during an exclusive boat ride with your fellow travellers. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Chobe National Park - Victoria Falls - Hwange National Park Enjoy a leisurely final morning in Chobe National Park. After breakfast, take a 90-minute drive to Victoria Falls, where we will stop for lunch. Savour fresh, local ingredients while you look over the gorge to the Zambezi River below. Next, it's off to Hwange National Park, the largest national park in Zimbabwe, for a late afternoon game drive. This national park is home to over 100 types of mammals and 400 bird species, giving you the chance to look out for cheetahs, lions, giraffes, and so much more. (B, L, D)



Lake Kariba Safari Boat

Day 7: Hwange National Park Today is another day to rise early in search of the "Big 5". After breakfast, spend a full day on a game drive in Hwange National Park. By enjoying a picnic lunch break, you can venture deep into the bushland and maximize your chances of spotting buffalo, elephants, and other animals gathering in the park. Return to the lodge for dinner. You'll savour your meal and the memories of the day's extensive safari. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Hwange National Park This morning, search for the "Big 5" your way, because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Return to an open-air vehicle and enjoy a morning game drive -**OR**- join an expert national park guide on a game walk, giving you the rare opportunity to search for wildlife up close, including seeing some plants, insects, and reptiles you may not spot otherwise. After, return to the lodge and relax over lunch. This afternoon, you will be returning to the park for another glimpse into the animal kingdom. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Hwange National Park - Victoria Falls - Lake Kariba Enjoy a final morning in the park before driving to Lake Kariba, the world's largest artificial lake. Board your private safari boat which will be your home for the next 3 nights. With limited access to technology, revel in the experience of floating along the still waters, seeing breathtaking sunsets, and searching for local wildlife in the water. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Lake Kariba This morning, trade the water for land on a wilderness drive through the bush. Arrive at a local chief's village, where you meet his family and gain insight

into daily life and traditions in the community, before returning to the safari boat for lunch. Later, watch the red and orange tones of the setting sun spread across Lake Kariba during a sunset nature cruise. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Lake Kariba This morning, travel in a small tender boat and visit a remote fishing community. Return to the boat for lunch. After arriving at the Gwai River Mouth, disembark and take a nature walk through the bush. This evening, stargazing coupled with a delicious meal will be a dining experience you won't soon forget. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Lake Kariba - Victoria Falls Your safari boat experience will come to a close this morning as you drive back to Victoria Falls. Upon arriving at the Ilala Lodge, enjoy lunch. Then, grab your poncho because this afternoon you will visit the exhilarating natural wonder of Victoria Falls! At approximately 1,708 metres wide and 108 metres tall, this waterfall is one of the world's largest. (B, L)

Day 13: Victoria Falls This morning, start your day with a visit to Chinotimba township. Visit a local market, where you can barter for goods and experience daily life. After, you will visit the modest home of a local family for lunch. Your host will prepare an authentic, simple meal with you and share what life is like around Victoria Falls. Following your home visit, return to the hotel for an evening at leisure. Perhaps you will join an optional tour taking a relaxing cruise on the Zambezi River, a body of water that separates Zimbabwe and Zambia, whose banks are frequented by the local animals. (B, L)



Arrival: Johannesburg (JNB)

Departure: Johannesburg (JNB)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Day 2** Radisson Hotel & Convention Centre, O.R. Tambo, Johannesburg
- Days 3 – 5** Chobe Bush Lodge, Chobe National Park, Kasane
- Days 6 – 8** Iganyana Tented Camp, Hwange National Park
- Days 9 – 11** Lake Kariba Safari Boat
- Days 12 – 14** Ilala Lodge, Victoria Falls

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Johannesburg • Pre-Night Stay

Cape Town • Post-Tour Guided Extension

4 Nights, Starting at \$2,465† pp

Explore Cape Town, ascend Table Mountain, tour the Cape Peninsula to Boulders Beach, and more.

†Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Day 14: Victoria Falls Your last full day on tour will bring you to view elephants at a local sanctuary. Hear stories from these gentle giants' caretakers and learn about the efforts to understand, care for, and protect these intelligent and inspiring creatures. Continue learning about animal conservation and care with a visit to the Victoria Falls Wildlife Trust for an **IMPACT MOMENT**. The staff at the VFWT will review some of the incredible work they do, ranging from wildlife rehabilitation to community outreach

and disease research. You will have the afternoon free to do as you wish. This evening, you will join your fellow travellers for a 3-course farewell dinner under the stars on the bank of the Zambezi River. (B, D)

Day 15: Victoria Falls - Johannesburg - Tour Ends Say goodbye to your safari companions as you take a flight from Victoria Falls to Johannesburg, where you will board your return flight home. (B)

Exploring South Africa, Victoria Falls, & Botswana

15 DAYS • 29 MEALS • STARTING AT \$11,849

Small Group

Victoria Falls

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 16 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$11,849 (DOUBLE) or \$14,449 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on December 1, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Chobe National Park, Pilanesberg National Park, 8 Wildlife Safaris, Cape Winelands, Cape Town, Table Mountain, Elephant Encounter

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Immerse yourself in nature and seek out the Big 5 on 8 wildlife safaris.
- Learn about rescued African elephants during a sanctuary visit.
- Get to know a Capetonian family over a home-hosted dinner.
- Witness the incredible beauty and power of Victoria Falls.
- Sample South African wines in the Cape Winelands at a vineyard tasting.
- Head out for an African sundowner via 4x4 and enjoy the sunset.
- Be whisked away to the top of Table Mountain on an aerial cable car.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to southern Africa, where incredible landscapes lead the way to a blend of cultural diversity, an abundance of wildlife, and a remarkable history. From urban centres to wild safaris, Africa takes you by surprise, delighting you again and again until its unique spirit claims you, heart and soul.

Day 2: Johannesburg, South Africa Your adventure starts in Johannesburg, a vibrant city that revolves around modernity and a gold-mining history. As South Africa's largest city, Johannesburg is home to a wide collection of cultures, museums, and attractions. As travellers' arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Enjoy time to get settled on your own before tomorrow's exploration into the wild. Dinner tonight is on your own.

Day 3: Johannesburg - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe Fly to Victoria Falls today, an awe-inspiring Natural Wonder of the World. When you arrive, check in to your lodge, an authentic African tent camp with all the amenities of a luxury resort. This afternoon, when the chance to see rainbows is highest, witness the awesome power of Victoria Falls. (B, D)

Day 4: Victoria Falls Embark on an experience of a lifetime. Spend some quality time watching rescued African elephants in their own habitat and witness some of their unique behaviours. After you've worked up an appetite, travel to a township where you will join a local family for a simple home-hosted lunch. This evening, you might choose to enjoy a leisurely cruise on the Zambezi River, taking in the majestic African sunset. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Victoria Falls This morning, choose to take an optional scenic flight over the majestic Victoria Falls or enjoy a relaxed start at the lodge. Later, explore the town. Browse local curio shops or soak up a taste of local life. Then, take part in an **IMPACT MOMENT** with a visit to the Victoria Falls Wildlife Trust, where you'll learn how its conservation initiatives are making a difference for local communities and protecting wildlife. This evening, raise a glass to the endless falls during dinner at a restaurant that offers stunning views over the Zambezi River. (B, D)

Day 6: Victoria Falls - Chobe, Botswana Start your day with a visit to a traditional rural homestead, meet the village chief, and come to understand more about traditional ways of living in this part of the world. Cross the border into Botswana and



Botswana

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

Day 7: Chobe National Park On a game drive through Chobe National Park, take in diverse ecosystems and unparalleled biodiversity. After lunch, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Continue the wildlife search by land on an afternoon game drive **-OR-** venture down the river again for a different perspective on a safari cruise. Enjoy dinner upon return to the hotel, complete with some local favourites and delicacies, to discuss the sightings of the day. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Chobe - Victoria Falls - Johannesburg - Pilanesberg National Park This morning, transfer to Victoria Falls Airport, where you will fly to Johannesburg. On arrival at Johannesburg, transfer to Pilanesberg National Park, a game reserve set within an ancient crater, where the lions reign as kings. This is the wild Africa you've always dreamt of, now laid out before you, just waiting to be discovered. (B, D)

Day 9: Pilanesberg National Park Before sunrise, in the open expanse of Pilanesberg, drive out in search of the "Big 5" across vast marshlands and craggy landscapes. Later on, an afternoon game drive could take you past the big cats preparing for the hunt, and while you're out there, enjoy a traditional African sundowner with a drink and watch as the sun disappears behind the mountain. Back at the lodge tonight, indulge in a Boma dinner, an authentic, outdoor dining experience. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Pilanesberg National Park Discover the wildlife around you with

another full day in Pilanesberg. On morning and afternoon game drives, continue your search for the "Big 5" and other local animals, such as giraffes or cheetahs. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Pilanesberg - Cape Town, South Africa After one final morning game drive, depart the bush and say hello to Cape Town, South Africa's electric cultural mecca that captivates at every turn. (B)

Day 12: Cape Town This morning, rise gently over the South African landscape in a cable car to Table Mountain, taking in views of Cape Town, Lions Head, and historic Robben Island. Pass by historic Bo Kaap, a hillside town known for its narrow cobblestone streets lined with colourful houses. Explore the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, a Cape Town hotspot. From heritage sites and historic landmarks to markets, shops, and restaurants, the waterfront is one of South Africa's most compelling destinations. Tonight, you're an honoured guest in a Capetonian family's home. Over dinner, exchange stories and get to know what everyday life is like here in Cape Town. (B, D)

Day 13: Cape Town - Cape Winelands - Cape Town Sip South African specialties with a full day exploring the country's winelands. Start in the Stellenbosch Valley and enjoy a tasting at your first winery of the day. Perhaps you'll try the local favourite — a cross between a Pinot Noir and a Cinsaut, the Pinotage is a specialty of South Africa. Travel to the charming village of Franschhoek for lunch. Visit a second winery in the afternoon before returning to Cape Town for the evening. (B, L)

Day 14: Cape Town Travel to Cape Point, the southwestern tip of Africa.



Arrival: Johannesburg (JNB)

Departure: Cape Town (CPT)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Day 2** Radisson Hotel & Convention Centre, O.R. Tambo, Johannesburg
- Days 3 – 5** The Wallow, Victoria Falls
- Days 6, 7** Chobe Marina Lodge, Kasane
- Days 8 – 10** Ivory Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg National Park
- Days 11 – 14** Southern Sun the Cullinan Hotel, Cape Town

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Johannesburg • Pre-Night Stay

Cape Town • Post-Night Stay

Dubai • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,645[†] pp

Before the safaris, see Dubai's skyscrapers, souks, mosques, and museums, and ride in 4x4s in the desert.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

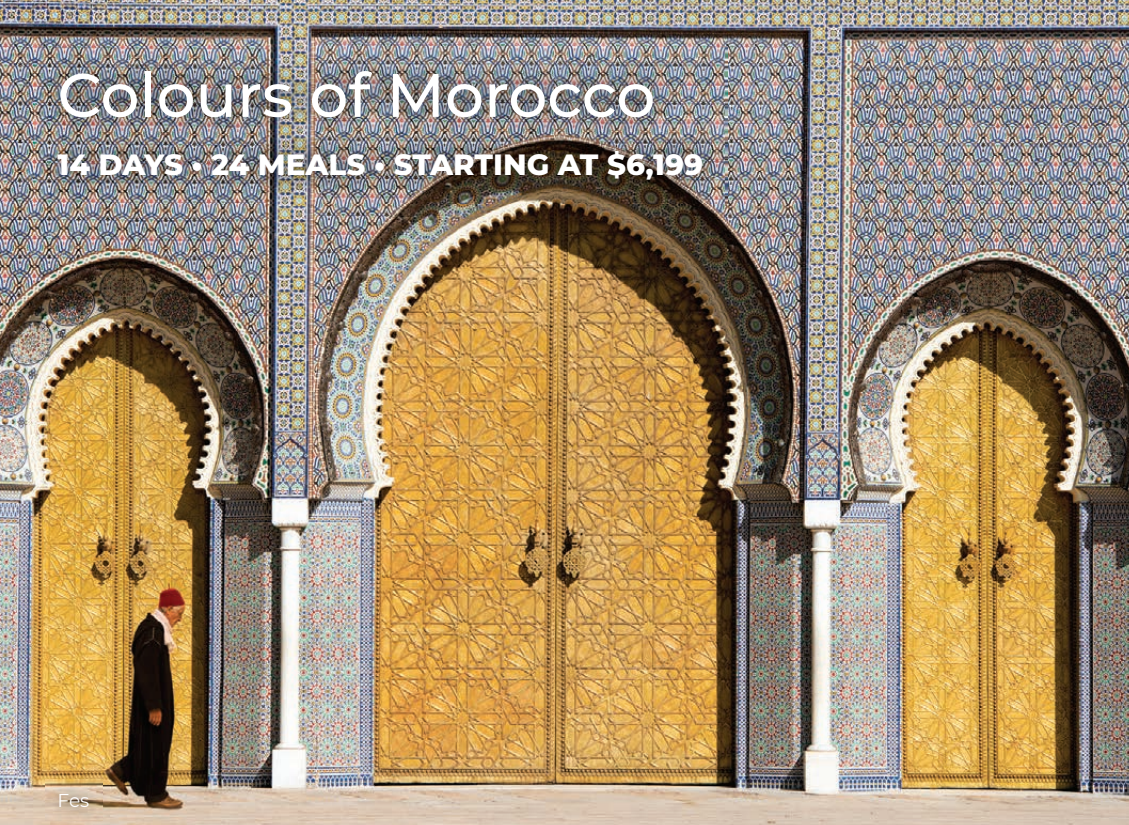
Marvel at the vibrant green foliage blanketing the rocky outcrops, set as a contrast to the bright blue waves below. Set out on an easy hike down the mountain, wandering by diverse patches of native flowers. Stop at Boulders Beach for the rarest of black-tie events — a rendezvous with endangered African penguins! Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner featuring South Africa's beloved flavours and local specialties. (B, D)

Day 15: Cape Town - Tour Ends

Today, you bid farewell to your fellow travellers when you leave beautiful Cape Town. You will have access to a day room until 4:00 p.m. (B)

Colours of Morocco

14 DAYS • 24 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,199



Fes

Small Group



Ait-Ben-Haddou



Gnawa Musicians

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$6,199 (DOUBLE) or \$7,849 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on January 20, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

*Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

HIGHLIGHTS

Casablanca, Hassan II Mosque, Rabat, Fes, Sahara Desert Camp, Camel Ride, Khamlia Music Village, Ksar of Ait-Ben-Haddou, High Atlas Mountains, Marrakech, Cooking Class

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Stroll through the cobblestone alleyways of ancient markets and *medinas*.
- Walk through an oasis date farm and discover the ancient irrigation systems that have sustained these fields for generations.
- Experience a dish prepared by the women of the *ksar* during a home-hosted meal.
- Select your own ingredients for a culinary workshop at a local women's cooperative.
- Experience the desert by 4x4 and during your 2-night camp stay.
- Explore Fes, one of the holiest Muslim cities in the world.
- Visit the Kasbah des Oudaias, with its narrow and colourful alleyways.

Day 1: Overnight Flight On a captivating adventure through a land of centuries-old culture and customs, discover the “Land of Sunset” and “Gateway to Africa” — the country called Morocco.

Day 2: Casablanca, Morocco Welcome to Morocco! Arrive in Casablanca, the economic hub of the country. With no scheduled sightseeing today, spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Depending on your arrival flights, you may join your local Tour Manager on a vicinity walk around your hotel to get acquainted with the area and share a first toast to the tour.

Day 3: Casablanca Discover Casablanca's many facets today. Begin at the Hassan II Mosque, Africa's largest functioning mosque, and enjoy a privately led tour to learn about its history and significance. Admire the intricate ceramic tilework and hand-carved stone of this architectural masterpiece. Immerse yourself in local life at a lively market where fresh produce arrives daily from nearby farms and take the opportunity to interact with vendors. Enjoy free time to explore the Art Deco neighbourhood, a reminder of Morocco's French colonial past. Later, step inside Rick's Café, the legendary setting inspired by the film *Casablanca*, and join your

fellow travellers for a memorable dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Casablanca - Rabat - Fes

Depart from Casablanca this morning for Fes. En route to Fes, stop in Rabat to visit the Mausoleum of Mohammed V, an exemplar of modern Moroccan design. On a privately led tour, you'll learn about the mausoleum's history and admire its intricate ceramic tilework, hand-carved wood, marble, and bronze ornamentation that make it fit for a king. See the Kasbah des Oudaias with its whitewashed houses and winding lanes. Enjoy free time for lunch on your own, then continue to Fes, where you'll spend the next 3 nights in a traditional *riad*. (B, D)

Day 5: Fes Get ready to discover Fes, one of the holiest cities in the world. Learn about its history as a centre of government, philosophy, medicine, and religion. Visit the Al-Qarawiyyin University (UNESCO), the oldest continuously operating university in the world, admiring its high arches and Andalusian influences. Take a deep breath before getting a closer look into an ancient tannery. Some Fes tanneries date back to the 11th century and continue to operate using traditional methods, offering a unique glimpse into the ancient craft of leather-making. On a walking tour of the 9th-century *medina*,

explore the alleyways and stalls of this ancient market. Enjoy a free afternoon beginning at 3:00 p.m. (B)

Day 6: Fes Enjoy your day at leisure in Fes. Explore the city further, strolling through marketplaces or maybe visiting a museum, like the Nejjarine Museum of Wooden Arts & Crafts, where you can admire displays of fine woodworking and artifacts inside a restored *caravanserai*. Perhaps you'll join an optional tour to the archaeological site of Volubilis, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, followed by lunch at a local winery that offers insight into Morocco's wine-making traditions and the country's cultural relationship with wine. (B)

Day 7: Fes - Erfoud Cross some of Morocco's most breathtaking desert landscapes on the way to the Sahara. En route, pause to bask in majestic views of the Middle Atlas Mountains. Arrive in Erfoud, called the "Door to the Desert," where many famous movies were filmed, including *The Prince of Persia* and *The Mummy*. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Erfoud - Sahara Desert Today, enjoy some free time in Erfoud, a fascinating oasis town known as the "Gateway to the Sahara." You may want to relax at your hotel, explore Erfoud, or enjoy the hotel grounds. In the afternoon, make your way into the Sahara in a 4x4 for a 2-night stay under the stars in a luxury tented camp in the desert. On the way, stop at a fossil factory where you'll discover Morocco's fascinating paleontological heritage. This region is renowned for its rich deposits of ancient marine fossils, dating back hundreds of millions of years to when the Sahara was covered by ocean. Continue your journey into the desert for the real adventure: crossing the golden dunes to reach your camp. (B, D)

Day 9: Sahara Desert Rise early to watch the sun illuminate the Sahara in stunning hues of orange, yellow, and red. This morning, you'll have the opportunity to ride through the dunes on the back of a camel. Continue your day with a visit to a date farm to learn about the vital role oases play in local life. You'll learn traditional field-irrigation methods passed down through generations and see how these ancestral techniques have sustained agriculture in arid regions for centuries. Then, visit the village of Khamlia to experience local village life. Meet with locals for an eye-opening

and meaningful discussion before experiencing traditional sub-Saharan *Gnawa* music. Return to your camp as the sun sets over the desert. This evening, sit with your Tour Manager and learn more about the importance of Islam in Morocco through the centuries and its impact on modern day-to-day life in sub-Saharan Africa. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Sahara Desert - El Khorbat - Boumalne du Dades Return to the edge of the desert this morning and marvel as the sun illuminates the sweeping sands. Visit the fortified village of El Khorbat. Dating back to the 17th century, this village showcases Jewish and Muslim architecture and artifacts. Learn more about Berber culture while visiting the museum within the village. Enjoy a simple lunch at a local restaurant. This **IMPACT MOMENT** supports a business whose profits are used to conserve the cultural heritage and improve the living conditions of this small community. Later, arrive in Boumalne du Dades, where a golden sun lights up the gorge's river valleys, *palmeraies*, and burnished mud-brick homes. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Boumalne du Dades - Ksar Ait-Ben-Haddou - Marrakech Follow the rugged "Road of a Thousand Kasbahs," where turreted fortresses rise up like sandcastles along this ancient trading route. Arrive at the UNESCO site of the *ksar* of Ait-Ben-Haddou and discover the earthen buildings, defensive walls, and corner towers that make the *ksar* a striking feat of Moroccan architecture. Before you reach the city of Marrakech, learn about a women-run tapestry cooperative and enjoy a homemade meal in their home, offering an authentic glimpse into local life and traditions. Continue along the Tizi n'Tichka Pass in the High Atlas Mountains, a scenic route through lush oasis valleys, imposing mountains, and Berber villages. (B, L)

Day 12: Marrakech This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Explore the Bahia Palace with its stunning architecture and gardens on a locally guided tour **-OR-** visit the Moroccan Culinary Arts Museum to discover the fusion of Arab, Amazigh, Mediterranean, and French influences in Moroccan cuisine, an ideal opportunity to shop and savour local fare at your own pace. Visit Jardin Majorelle, an iconic garden that beautifully showcases Morocco's



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Barcelo Anfa, Casablanca
Days 4 – 6	Safae Riad, Fes
Day 7	Kasbah Hotel Xaluca, Erfoud
Days 8, 9	Sahara Desert Camp, Merzouga
Day 10	Hotel Xaluca Dades, Boumalne du Dades
Days 11 – 13	2Ciel Boutique Hotel & Spa, Marrakech

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Lunches (L) • 7 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Casablanca • Pre-Night Stay

Marrakech • Post-Night Stay

Northern Morocco: Chefchaouen & Tangier
Pre-Tour Guided Extension

4 Nights, Starting at \$2,399 pp

Start your trip in northern Morocco — from Casablanca to the "Blue City" of Chefchaouen to Tangier.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

rich cultural heritage. In the afternoon, consider joining an optional bike tour through Marrakech and pedal along colourful streets and hidden alleys, passing historic landmarks, bustling souks, and lively squares. (B)

Day 13: Marrakech Visit a women's training centre during today's **IMPACT MOMENT**. With your visit, support a program that empowers women seeking social and financial stability through culinary training. Enjoy an interactive cooking class, gathering

fresh herbs and vegetables from the garden and learning the secrets of making *tagine*, while also getting to know the stories of the chef trainees and the stigmas they face around women's roles in society and the workplace. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers during a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Marrakech - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close this morning. (B)

Journey Through Egypt & Jordan

15 DAYS • 30 MEALS • STARTING AT \$9,249

Small Group



Great Sphinx of Giza



Petra



Sonesta Nile Goddess

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$9,249 (DOUBLE) or \$11,549 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on December 12, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Amman, Petra, Impact Moment, Home-Hosted Lunch, Mount Nebo, Dead Sea, Giza Pyramids, Great Sphinx, 4-Night Nile River Cruise, Valley of the Kings, Kom Ombo, Aswan, Philae Temple, Grand Egyptian Museum

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Dress up and join the fun at a traditional *galabeya* party.
- Connect with locals during a home-hosted lunch in Madaba.
- Discover the secrets of the Nile, the world's longest river, on a 4-night cruise.
- Stand before the Pyramids of Giza, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.
- Meander through historic Petra, the "Rose Red City."
- View the tombs of King Tut and Ramses VI during a tour of the Valley of the Kings.
- Prepare your meal and eat family-style at an Arabic cooking class in Petra.
- Immerse yourself in Middle Eastern flavours during a small plates *meze* lunch in the Jordanian capital.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Feel as if you've stepped into another time as you enter a world of legends, relics, and indescribable beauty. Eons of history and iconic wonders, mouthwatering bites of savoury cuisine, and stretching sunsets fading against the desert horizon – discover the essence of Jordan and Egypt.

Day 2: Amman, Jordan Your adventure starts in Amman, the capital of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. Meet your Jordanian Tour Manager who will accompany you throughout your time in this Middle Eastern country. As arrival times will vary, there are no scheduled activities today, allowing you to settle in at your own pace and take time to adjust to the new time zone.

Day 3: Amman - Petra This morning, tour Amman, a city built on seven hills, with a rich history spanning nearly 10,000 years. Pause for lunch at a local restaurant, indulging in *meze* - a large variety of small sharing plates showcasing the exotic flavours of the Levant. This afternoon, take in Jordan's rocky landscape during your four-hour journey to Petra, the fabled "Rose Red City." At your hotel, connect with your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Petra At daybreak, weave along sandstone carvings as you tour the

vast archeological site of Petra. Serving as a crossroads between the Red Sea and the Dead Sea, Petra contains ages of hidden wonders just waiting to be explored. Take advantage of an afternoon at leisure to adventure further on your own. Perhaps you'll trek up the 850 steps to the "Monastery," one of Petra's legendary monuments. In the evening, roll up your sleeves and join an authentic Arabic cooking class in a local home. During this **IMPACT MOMENT**, learn about the evolving role of women in Jordanian society as you chat about Bedouin traditions, ingredients, and recipes from your host. Dig into dinner family-style before returning to your hotel for the night. (B, D)

Day 5: Petra - Dead Sea A full-morning transfer takes you to the once-fertile basin of the Jordan Valley. In Madaba, view its famous 6th-century mosaic map of the Holy Land and engage with the local community during a home-hosted lunch. Experience proverbial Jordanian hospitality and authentic home cooking as you share stories and connect with your hosts over a traditional meal. This afternoon, like Moses long before you, gaze upon the Promised Land at Mount Nebo. Then, descend to the lowest point on earth, the Dead Sea, for a two-night stay at a hotel featuring direct access to the legendary sea. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Dead Sea This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Travel the short distance between your hotel and the Jordan River to Bethany Beyond the Jordan, the UNESCO-recognized site believed to be where St. John the Baptist baptized Jesus Christ **-OR-** take advantage of your hotel's private access to the beach and enjoy a morning at leisure to experience the Dead Sea's natural buoyancy. Wrap up your afternoon at leisure with a scenic sunset overlooking the Dead Sea, before gathering for dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

Day 7: Dead Sea - Fly to Cairo, Egypt Pre-dawn this morning, say goodbye to your Jordanian Tour Manager before boarding a 90-minute flight to Cairo, the capital of Egypt. Arrive in the land of the Pharaohs and meet your Egyptian Tour Manager, who will accompany you for the rest of the trip. Feel Cairo's constant thrum of energy wrap around you as you transfer to the hotel for a two-night stay. (B, D)

Day 8: Cairo - Pyramids of Giza This morning, be prepared for a dose of Cairo's legendary traffic as you head to Giza. Embrace the Egypt you always imagined as you stand in awe before the iconic Pyramids of Giza, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Marvel at the stoicism of the Great Sphinx, a colossal structure jutting out of the desert sand, full of mystery and intrigue. Return to your hotel in the late afternoon. (B, L)

Day 9: Cairo - Fly to Luxor - Board Ship Pre-dawn this morning, transfer to the Cairo Airport for your 75-minute flight to Luxor. Upon arrival, visit the expansive ruins of Karnak Temple. Wander through this 4,000-year-old complex of pylons and obelisks, often of near-mythic proportions. Then, board your cruise ship and settle in for the next four nights. After lunch on board, enjoy an afternoon at leisure. This evening, take in the views from the sundeck, before joining your fellow travellers for your first dinner aboard. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Luxor - Valley of the Kings - Afternoon Sailing As dawn breaks, venture to Luxor's West Bank, trekking along the elaborate tombs of the Valley of the Kings. Delve even further into Egyptian legends with an included viewing of the tombs of King Tutankhamun and Ramses VI. Visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, as well as the Colossi of Memnon, before

returning to the ship for a late lunch. In the early afternoon, set sail to Edfu, where you'll arrive early tomorrow morning. As you sail upstream, glimpse the small farms scattered along the Nile's banks, and appreciate the simple, modest lives of local farmers. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Edfu - Kom Ombo In Edfu, pick between an early or a late start to your day, because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Head out at daybreak for a guided visit of the mesmerizing Temple of Horus, returning for a late breakfast aboard **-OR-** rise at your leisure and linger over a relaxed breakfast, as you take in views of a place where daily life has changed little over the centuries. This afternoon, sail on to Kom Ombo and visit a rare double temple. Then, watch the Egyptian landscape slowly drift by as you sail on to Aswan. This evening, don a traditional Egyptian gown and join a festive *galabeya* party for a fun evening on board. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Aswan Your morning opens in Aswan, the Nubian city. Discover the mysteries of Philae Temple. Located on a small island, this complex can only be reached by motorboat. Philae is among the architectural wonders rescued from the rising waters of the Nile during the construction of the High Dam. The afternoon is yours to explore more of Aswan. Perhaps you'll visit the fascinating artifacts at the Nubian Archeological Museum. This evening, aboard a *felucca* (wooden sailboat), take in views of the tall sand dunes on the western shore of the Nile before relaxing over dinner aboard. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Aswan - Disembark Ship - Fly to Cairo Early this morning, return to Cairo. Gain insight into the city's layered architectural and cultural heritage during a guided tour of Islamic Cairo. Stroll along El Moez Street and pause to visit one of the area's historic mosques, where ornate facades and intricate decorative motifs reveal layers of the city's artistic tradition. Check into your hotel in the late afternoon. (B)

Day 14: Cairo This morning, get a glimpse into ancient Egypt's pharaohs, power struggles, and dynasties during a visit to the Grand Egyptian Museum. This world-class landmark showcases over 100,000 ancient artifacts, including the colossal statue of Ramses II, which welcomes guests in the soaring Grand Hall. Browsing the Museum's awe-inspiring collection provides a captivating introduction to Egypt's rich heritage in a truly



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2	Amman Marriott Hotel, Amman
Days 3, 4	Petra Marriott Hotel, Petra
Days 5, 6	Dead Sea Marriott Resort & Spa, Dead Sea
Days 7, 8	Marriott Cairo Hotel & Casino, Cairo ▲
Days 9 – 12	M/S <i>Sonesta Nile Goddess</i>
Days 13, 14	Marriott Cairo Hotel & Casino, Cairo ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

13 Breakfasts (B) • 7 Lunches (L) • 10 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Amman • Pre-Night Stay

Cairo • Post-Night Stay

Cairo & Alexandria • Post-Tour Guided Extension
3 Nights, Starting at \$1,645 pp

Uncover Alexandria's coastal charm, ancient monasteries, and Greco-Roman history on this guided extension.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

A FASTER PACE

This tour moves at a brisker pace to make the most of your time in these iconic destinations. Expect several early-morning departures — typically between 5:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. — to enjoy cooler temperatures and arrive ahead of the crowds at sites like Petra, Giza, the Valley of the Kings, and Edfu. Due to flight schedules, some travel days may begin even earlier, with departures as early as 1:30 a.m.

spectacular setting. Return to the hotel mid-afternoon. This evening, celebrate the end of your Middle Eastern journey during a farewell dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

Day 15: Cairo - Tour Ends Your epic adventure comes to a close today. Return home with a new understanding of these mystical lands. (B)

Treasures of Egypt

13 DAYS • 28 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,999



Pyramids of Giza

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,199 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on September 28, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Grand Egyptian Museum, Pyramids of Giza, Great Sphinx, 7-Night Nile River Cruise, Luxor, Temple of Karnak, Valley of the Kings, Queen Hatshepsut Temple, Kom Ombo, Aswan, Philae Temple, Edfu Temple, Khan el-Khalili Bazaar

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Dress up and join the fun at a traditional *galabeya* party.
- Journey by motorboat to Philae Temple, rescued stone by stone during the construction of the High Dam.
- Embark on a 7-night cruise and discover the secrets of the Nile, the world's longest river.
- Visit the Pyramids of Giza, the last of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.
- Discover the Valley of the Kings, including a viewing of the tombs of Kings Tutankhamun and Ramses VI.
- Explore the 4,000-year-old religious complex of the Karnak Temple.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Step back in time and explore thousands of years of history, legend, and lore as you walk among Egypt's timeless wonders.

Day 2: Cairo, Egypt Today, arrive in Cairo, a modern megalopolis with an intriguing past. As arrival times will vary, there are no scheduled activities today, allowing you to settle in at your own pace, taking time to adjust to the new time zone.

Day 3: Cairo - Grand Egyptian Museum This morning, step into the world of ancient pharaohs, powerful dynasties, and timeless treasures with a visit to the Grand Egyptian Museum, Egypt's newest and most ambitious cultural landmark. The museum is home to over 100,000 ancient artifacts, including the colossal statue of Ramses II, which welcomes travellers in the soaring Grand Hall. Browsing the museum's awe-inspiring collection provides a captivating introduction to Egypt's rich heritage in a truly spectacular setting. Return to your hotel in the late afternoon and gather for a welcome dinner this evening. (B, D)

Day 4: Cairo - Pyramids of Giza Be prepared for a dose of Cairo's legendary traffic as you head to Giza this morning. Fulfill a lifelong dream as you encounter the Pyramids of

Giza, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, and marvel at the enigmatic Great Sphinx. Pause for lunch at a local restaurant before returning to your hotel for an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 5: Cairo - Fly to Luxor - Board Cruise Ship Depart your hotel before dawn for your flight to Luxor. Pause for a visit to the expansive Karnak Temple. Wander through this 4,000-year-old complex of pylons and obelisks, often of near-mythic proportions. Then, board your cruise ship for your 7-night voyage on the Nile River. After lunch on board, enjoy an afternoon at leisure to get familiarized with the ship. This evening, take in the views from the sundeck before joining your fellow travellers for your first dinner aboard. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Luxor - Valley of the Kings - Afternoon Sailing Venture thousands of years into the past. As the sun rises, cross the Nile for a day in ancient Thebes. Explore the Valley of the Kings, including the world-renowned tombs of Tutankhamun and Ramses VI. Visit the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut as well as the Colossi of Memnon. Return to the ship for a late lunch and settle in for views of the fertile banks of the Nile as you sail upstream towards Kom Ombo, where you'll arrive tomorrow afternoon. (B, L, D)



Felucca



Karnak Temple

Day 7: Morning Sailing - Kom Ombo

- Afternoon Sailing Linger over a relaxed breakfast and a lazy morning on board. Take in glimpses of the small farms that dot the Nile's banks, appreciating the simple, modest lives of local farmers. Later this morning, engage in an informative talk covering Egypt from past to present. After lunch, dock in Kom Ombo and explore its unique double temple. Return to the ship bound for Aswan, the Nubian City. Relax over dinner on board, then dress up and join the fun during a traditional *galabeya* party. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Aswan Consider a full-day optional tour to Abu Simbel to visit the extraordinary temples of Ramses II, saved from the rising waters of Lake Nasser during the construction of the High Dam. If you decide to sleep in, enjoy a day at leisure to explore Aswan. Perhaps you'll visit the fascinating artifacts at the Nubian Archaeological Museum or stroll along the Corniche, Aswan's waterfront promenade. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Aswan This morning, hop on a motorboat for a ride to the sanctuary island dedicated to the goddess Isis. Philae Temple is among the architectural wonders rescued from the rising waters of the Nile during the building of the High Dam. Then, gain a different perspective on the epic construction of the dam during an up-close visit of the

area, before returning to your ship for lunch. The afternoon is yours to explore more of Aswan. Perhaps you'll wander the stores or search for spices in the local market before regrouping for dinner aboard. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Aswan - Afternoon Sailing

This morning, board a *felucca* (wooden sailboat) for a scenic sailing. As your time in Aswan draws to a close, take in the views of the tall sand dunes on the western shore of the Nile. Your ship sets sail once again after lunch for a relaxing afternoon heading downstream towards Edfu. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Edfu - Luxor Beat the heat with an early morning visit to the well-preserved Temple of Horus at Edfu. Peruse the endless carvings of scenes depicting the power and grandeur of the pharaohs. Return to the ship for your last stretch of sailing, docking in Luxor mid-afternoon. Upon arrival, visit the city's homonymous temple and walk among the mysterious human-headed sphinxes lining the ancient processional road to Karnak. After dinner on board, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Linger aboard the ship **-OR-** join your guide for some time at the local *souk* (market), ending at a traditional café for a taste of mint tea. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Luxor - Fly to Cairo Early this morning, return to Cairo. Head towards



Arrival: Cairo (CAI)

Departure: Cairo (CAI)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4 Cairo Marriott Hotel & Casino, Cairo ▲
Days 5 – 11 M/S *Sonesta Moon Goddess*, Nile River
Day 12 InterContinental Citystars Hotel, Cairo
On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

11 Breakfasts (B) • 8 Lunches (L) • 9 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Cairo • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Cairo & Alexandria • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,645 pp

Explore Alexandria's Greco-Roman charm and ancient monasteries before your main tour begins.

Jordan: Petra & the Dead Sea • Post-Tour Guided Extension

4 Nights, Starting at \$2,190[†] pp

Discover Petra, float in the Dead Sea, and explore Jordan's ancient sites on this unforgettable extension in Jordan.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

A FASTER PACE

This tour moves at a lively pace to make the most of Egypt's iconic sites. Expect early-morning departures — typically 5:30 – 7:30 a.m. — to enjoy cooler temperatures and beat the crowds at places like the Giza Pyramids, Valley of the Kings, and Edfu. Limited flight times may require even earlier starts, with some departures from your hotel or ship as early as 3:00 – 4:00 a.m.

the old town to enjoy some free time to shop in the world-famous bazaar of Khan el-Khalili. Peruse colourful trinkets, hand-painted crafts, polished pendants, and more. Check into your hotel in the late afternoon, where

this evening, you'll join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 13: Cairo - Tour Ends Your adventure in Egypt ends today. (B)

| ASIA



📍 Angkor Wat, Cambodia



When the Quietest Moments Say the Most

It's one thing to see the temples of Cambodia. It's another to step inside them, feel the sense of peace that settles over these sacred spaces, and understand that faith and tradition remain part of everyday life. In the village of Angkor Ban, you'll

receive a blessing from a monk inside a Khmer-style pagoda, experiencing a place that's as meaningful to the people who gather there today as it has been for generations. It's one of our favourite moments on **Treasures of the Mekong**.

Turn to page 46 to read more.



Morning in the Pink City

Jaipur is a city that rarely stands still. But before streets fill, another side of the Pink City emerges. On an early morning tour on **Mysteries of India**, you'll climb aboard a bright pink rickshaw driven by one of the women of the Pink City Rickshaw Company, an initiative that creates meaningful

employment opportunities for local women. As she guides you through the city before the crowds arrive, you'll discover an unforgettable view of Jaipur and a fresh perspective on the city itself.

Turn to page 60 for details or scan the QR code to see more of the story.

NEW TOUR

Treasures of the Mekong

13 DAYS • 29 MEALS • STARTING AT \$10,599

Small Group



Floating Market

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$10,599 (DOUBLE)** or **\$15,649 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on September 27, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

September – December 2027; March 2028

HIGHLIGHTS

Cu Chi Tunnels, Ho Chi Minh City, Reunification Palace, 7-Night Cruise on Mekong River, Mekong Delta, Cai Rang Floating Market, Cyclo Tour of Phnom Penh, Choeung Ek (Killing Fields) & Tuol Sleng, Angkor Ban - Siem Reap, Angkor Wat at Sunrise

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Meet Khmer scarf weavers and learn more about Vietnamese-Cambodian culture in Hong Ngu village.
- Visit Choeung Ek, the Killing Fields, and Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum to learn about the Khmer Rouge regime.
- See the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground passageways used by the Viet Cong.
- Explore incredible Angkor Wat, the world's largest religious structure.
- Experience Cai Rang Floating Market by *sampan* at dawn, part of UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage.
- See Cambodia's Emerald Buddha and diamond-encrusted Maitreya Buddha at Phnom Penh's Silver Pagoda.
- Taste coconut candy in the Mekong Delta.
- Enjoy tropical fruits and fresh coconut water aboard a *sampan* while cruising through a floating market.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Set sail on a journey that uncovers the heart and soul of Southeast Asia. Cruise the legendary Mekong River from vibrant Ho Chi Minh City to the ancient wonders of Siem Reap, drifting past riverside villages, floating markets, and timeless traditions. Along the way, connect with warm-hearted locals, witness artisans at work, and explore gilded temples rising from the jungle.

Day 2: Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Arrive in Ho Chi Minh City today. Once known as Saigon, this dynamic metropolis blends echoes of its storied past with the vibrant pulse of modern Vietnam. Discover grand colonial landmarks, energetic boulevards, and a celebrated food scene that spills from bustling markets onto every street corner. As travellers' arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently.

Day 3: Ho Chi Minh City Begin your journey into Vietnam's layered history with a visit to the Cu Chi Tunnels, a labyrinth of underground passageways that echo the resilience and ingenuity of the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. As you descend into these narrow tunnels, imagine the lives of those who once sought

refuge here, crafting strategies in the shadows. Later, back in the vibrant pulse of Ho Chi Minh City, taste Vietnamese coffee — its strong and bold style is balanced with sweet, condensed milk. After lunch, take the afternoon for some independent exploration. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a warm welcome dinner at a local restaurant, where the flavours of Vietnam set the tone for the journey ahead. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Ho Chi Minh City - Board Cruise Ship - Ben Tre The morning begins with a transition from the bustling streets of Ho Chi Minh City to the tranquil waters of the Mekong River. As your ship departs Saigon Port, watch the city's skyline dissolve into a tapestry of emerald-green rice paddies and winding waterways. The Mekong Delta, often called the "Rice Bowl of Vietnam," unfolds before you — a maze of life-giving rivers that sustain the communities along its banks. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Ben Tre - Can Tho Today, step into the rhythm of life along the Mekong. Glide through narrow waterways on a *sampan*, a traditional wooden boat, and feel the gentle sway of the river as you pass stilted homes and lush vegetation. In Ben Tre, the sweet aroma of coconut candy



Arrival: Ho Chi Minh City (SGN)

Departure: Ho Chi Minh City (SGN)

fills the air as you visit a family-run workshop, where generations have perfected this craft. Later, ride a vintage *xe lam* through the streets of Can Tho, a city that has long been the cultural heart of the Mekong Delta. At the Zihuang Pagoda, the vibrant colours and intricate carvings come alive with the energy of a traditional unicorn dance — a joyful celebration of local heritage. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Can Tho - Hòa An - Giêng Island Before breakfast, experience the bustling energy of Cai Rang's Floating Market, where boats laden with fresh produce create a kaleidoscope of colours on the water. Sip on fresh coconut water as you weave through this lively marketplace, a cornerstone of Mekong Delta life. Later, in Hòa An village, connect with the land and its people. Learn how rice, the staple of Vietnamese cuisine, is cultivated and processed, and meet a family who crafts the iconic conical hats. As you try your hand at making one, you'll gain a deeper appreciation for the artistry and tradition woven into everyday life here. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Giêng Island - Hong Ngu On Giêng Island, the gentle hum of craftsmanship fills the air as you visit a village where *sampans* are meticulously built by hand. Travel further into the island on a *xe loi*, a motorized rickshaw, to the serene Phanxico Monastery, a place of quiet reflection. In the afternoon, Hong Ngu welcomes you with open arms. Here, the rhythmic weaving of Khmer scarves tells stories of heritage and resilience, while the intricate embroidery adorning the village speaks to the artistry passed down through generations. At a nearby temple dedicated to Hoa Hao, feel the

spiritual heartbeat of the community — a moment of connection to the soul of this land. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Hong Ngu - Phnom Penh, Cambodia As the Mekong carries you across the border into Cambodia, the vibrant energy of Phnom Penh awaits. Explore the city on a cyclo, a traditional three-wheeled bicycle taxi, and feel the lively rhythm of the riverfront as you approach the Royal Palace. Within its golden gates, wander through manicured gardens and marvel at the Silver Pagoda, where treasures like the Emerald Buddha and a dazzling Maitreya Buddha reflect Cambodia's rich spiritual heritage. At the National Museum, the echoes of ancient civilizations come alive through pre-Angkorian and Angkorian artifacts, offering a glimpse of Cambodia's grandeur. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Phnom Penh This morning, travel by coach to Choeung Ek, one of Cambodia's most somber and historically significant sites. Walk the grounds of the Killing Fields, visit the small museum, and pause at the Memorial Stupa as you learn about the tragic events of the Khmer Rouge era. Continue to Tuol Sleng, a school transformed into the notorious S-21 prison, for deeper insight into this painful chapter of Cambodian history. Return to Phnom Penh for an afternoon at leisure to explore the city's inviting cafés, riverfront promenades, and vibrant markets at your own pace. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Phnom Penh - Angkor Ban - Kampong Cham Spend the morning relaxing and watching the small villages pass by as we sail farther up the Mekong to Angkor Ban. Tour the town in the afternoon, one of the

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Caravelle Hotel Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City
Days 4 – 10	<i>Mekong Princess</i>
Days 11, 12	Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Resort, Siem Reap
Day 13	Caravelle Hotel Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

11 Breakfasts (B) • 9 Lunches (L) • 9 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Ho Chi Minh City • Pre-Night Stay

few that survived the Khmer Rouge's destruction. Many of the original homes, some of which are several hundred years old, remain standing. Visit the village temple, where saffron-robed monks chant soft blessings. Meet a local family and learn about their lives and the challenges they face. Sail farther up the Mekong this evening to dock at Kampong Cham. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Kampong Cham - Siem Reap Your journey shifts from river to road as you travel to Siem Reap, the gateway to the ancient wonders of Angkor. Here, colonial charm meets a vibrant urban scene, where bustling markets and innovative cuisine reflect the city's dynamic spirit. This evening, consider attending Phare, the Cambodian Circus, where acrobatics and storytelling intertwine to celebrate the resilience and creativity of Cambodia's youth. (B, L)

Day 12: Siem Reap Depart for a sunrise at Angkor Wat, a perfect

example of classic Khmer architecture. Enter through its quieter eastern gate, a less-travelled path that offers a sense of exclusivity, and exit to the west, watching the sunlight dance along the ancient stones. Then, experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** at the Visitor Center of APOPO, where "hero rats" are trained to navigate minefields and save lives. Learn about the country's history with war and meet the professional rats at a demonstration. Later, visit Ta Prohm, a sprawling monastic complex that is overgrown with jungle. At Angkor Thom, the last capital of the Khmers, visit the Terrace of the Leper King and the temples of Baphuon and Bayon, 11th- and 12th-century masterpieces at the centre of the city. Tonight, join your fellow travellers and toast to the end of your adventure. (B, D)

Day 13: Siem Reap - Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam Board your flight to bustling Ho Chi Minh City, where you'll spend one last night before your flight back home. (B)

NEW TOUR

The Soul of Southeast Asia Singapore, Malaysia, and Thailand

17 DAYS • 28 MEALS • STARTING AT \$11,649

Small Group

Krabi

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 17 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$11,649 (DOUBLE) or \$14,399 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on October 10, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

September 2027 – April 2028

HIGHLIGHTS

Joo Chiat Walking Tour, Peranakan Dinner in Singapore, Historic Jonker Street & Heeren Road, Kuala Lumpur Countryside by Vespa, Batu Caves, Trishaw Ride Through George Town, Bangkok at Night by Tuk-Tuk, Grand Palace, Ao Nang Beach, Elephant Sanctuary, Wellness Experience in Krabi

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Get a taste for Peranakan life during a dinner in a traditional house in Singapore.
- Walk alongside rescued elephants at Following Giants Elephant Sanctuary.
- Visit a *kelulut* (stingless bee) farm before savouring a *kampung*-style homemade lunch in a local's home.
- Explore Bangkok's street food scene via tuk-tuk on a food tour.
- In Malaysia, climb the 272 colourful steps to Batu Caves.
- Ride a trishaw through the historic streets of George Town.
- See the Grand Palace and Emerald Buddha during a city tour of Bangkok.
- Roll up your sleeves to make *popiahs*, a local spring roll.
- Dine in the dark as you are served by visually impaired hosts in Kuala Lumpur.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Your journey begins as Southeast Asia comes into focus. Move between cultures, flavours, and daily life across Singapore, Malaysia, and Thailand. From city streets to coastal landscapes, each stop opens a new perspective — and this first step sets the tone for everything ahead.

Day 2: Singapore Arrive in Singapore, where cultures, flavours, and traditions meet at every turn. As arrival times vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing this afternoon. Settle in and head out when ready — whether that means tracking down a hawker stall or getting your first look at the city on your own.

Day 3: Singapore This morning, get your bearings on a city tour as you see icons like Raffles Hotel, Marina Bay, and Tiong Bahru's art deco blocks. Pause at a neighbourhood coffee shop for *kopi* or *teh* and watch the morning unfold. In Chinatown, taste local favourites before dinner in a traditional Peranakan house, where your host shares personal stories of local life and the fading Baba Malay language. (B, D)

Day 4: Singapore Head into Joo Chiat, where stories live in rows of colourful shophouses. Step into a hands-on cooking experience and make *popiah* — a fresh spring roll filled with turnip, egg, and sweet sauce. Sit down for an

IMPACT MOMENT at Dignity Kitchen, where meaningful employment creates opportunity and connection. Learn simple sign language to order your meal. This evening, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Sip a Singapore Sling at the iconic Raffles Hotel Long Bar **-OR-** explore the illuminated conservatories of Gardens by the Bay as they come to life after dark. (B, L)

Day 5: Singapore - Malacca, Malaysia Say goodbye to Singapore and head into Malaysia, travelling overland to Malacca — a UNESCO World Heritage Site shaped by centuries of cultural exchange. After settling into your hotel, experience the Encore Malacca show, where music, movement, and storytelling bring the untold stories of local life into focus. (B, L)

Day 6: Malacca This morning, get to know Malacca on a walking tour past its historic landmarks. See St. Francis Xavier Church, Stadthuys (Red Square), St. Paul's Hill, and A Famosa. Visit the Malacca Sultanate Palace Museum and the Independence Memorial Museum. Pause for local snacks at a traditional coffee shop before a free afternoon to explore Malacca in your own way. As evening falls, return to the streets along Heeren Road, and Harmony and Jonker Streets, ending at a local restaurant for dinner. (B, D)



Malacca



Arrival: Singapore (SIN)

Departure: Bangkok (BKK)

Day 7: Malacca - Kuala Lumpur

Depart Malacca and make your way to Kuala Lumpur, stopping en route at the Royal Selangor Visitor Centre, home to the world's largest pewter factory. Learn about the history and cultural significance of pewter craftsmanship as you watch artisans cast, polish, and engrave pieces by hand — then try crafting your own. After arriving in Kuala Lumpur, step outside your comfort zone during a dining-in-the-dark experience, where your senses sharpen and visually impaired hosts guide your evening. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Kuala Lumpur Today, explore Kuala Lumpur by Vespa, cruising into the countryside. Stop at a family-run *kelulut* (stingless bee) farm to learn from a beekeeper about caring for these pollinators. Continue into a nearby village and step into a local home for a lunch prepared from family recipes passed through generations. Return to the city by 4:00 p.m. and enjoy a free evening. (B, L)

Day 9: Kuala Lumpur - Penang This morning, travel to Penang, stopping en route at Batu Caves, one of Malaysia's most iconic cultural and religious landmarks. Explore the limestone caves and take in the towering golden statue. By afternoon, discover George Town, known for its colonial architecture and Peranakan culture. Experience the streets by trishaw and take in historic sites like the Clock Tower and Fort Cornwallis. End at the Clan Jetties, a UNESCO-listed settlement built by early Chinese immigrants on wooden stilts over the sea. Wander through this waterfront community before finding dinner on your own. (B, L)

Day 10: Penang Head to Moh Teng Pheow and learn about *nyonya kueh*,

bite-sized traditional snacks. Watch artisans handcraft these delicacies using techniques passed through generations, then taste the results. Visit the Peranakan Mansion, where architecture and collections tell a story of culture and daily life of the Peranakan community. After lunch concludes at 1:30 p.m., enjoy an afternoon and evening at leisure to explore more of Penang at your own pace. (B, L)

Day 11: Penang, Malaysia - Bangkok, Thailand

Board your flight from Penang and arrive in Bangkok, where the pace and energy shift right away. As evening falls, explore Bangkok by night aboard a tuk-tuk on a local food tour, tasting favourites like mango sticky rice and pad thai while seeing the city from a street-level perspective. (B, D)

Day 12: Bangkok Today, go deeper into Bangkok with a visit to Wat Phra Keo (Emerald Buddha) and the Grand Palace. Cross the river by long-tail boat to see Wat Arun rising along the water. Our scheduled touring will conclude at 1:30 p.m., and the remainder of the day is yours to explore at your own pace. (B)

Day 13: Bangkok - Krabi Head to the airport for your transfer to the coastal town of Krabi, known for its craggy, sheer limestone cliffs. Settle into your seaside hotel before heading to Ao Nang Beach, a lively hub filled with shops and restaurants. Visit the weekend night market, where you can browse for souvenirs or find something local for dinner. (B, L)

Day 14: Krabi Today, come face to face with Asian elephants during an **IMPACT MOMENT** at Following Giants Elephant Sanctuary. Learn about their

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Pullman Singapore Hill Street, Singapore
Days 5, 6	Casa del Rio, Melaka
Days 7, 8	InterContinental Kuala Lumpur, Kuala Lumpur
Days 9, 10	The George Penang by The Crest Collection, Penang
Days 11, 12	The Salil Hotel Riverside, Bangkok
Days 13 – 15	Amari Vogue Krabi, Krabi
Day 16	Hyatt Regency Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport, Bangkok

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

15 Breakfasts (B) • 8 Lunches (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Singapore • Pre-Night Stay

Bangkok • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

past lives and walk alongside them through the jungle. Take part in habitat restoration by creating a seed ball to support the growth of the trees they rely on. After lunch at the sanctuary, continue to a local hot spring and wellness facility for treatments including organic scrubs, a neck massage, and Aqua Thai yoga before returning for a relaxed evening. (B, L)

Day 15: Krabi Today is yours to explore more of Krabi or relax at the resort. You may choose an optional experience that takes you to the Hong Island Archipelago by private long-tail boat,

with time to snorkel and enjoy a picnic lunch on the beach. As evening falls, gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner, raising a glass to the experiences, flavours, and connections shared along the way. (B, D)

Day 16: Krabi - Bangkok Fly back to Bangkok this afternoon and transfer to an airport hotel, preparing to return home with a lifetime of memories — the best kind of souvenir. (B)

Day 17: Bangkok - Tour Ends Begin your onward journey home. (B)

NEW TOUR

Small Group

Journey through Northern Vietnam A Cultural Exploration from Hanoi to Ha Long Bay

12 DAYS • 23 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,549



Ha Long Bay

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 17 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,549 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,799 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 16, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Water Puppetry Artist Demonstration, Vespa-led Hanoi Food Tour, Meet a Vietnam War Veteran, Lac Village Home-Hosted Dinner, Market Visit & Hands-On Cooking Experience, Hoa Lu Ancient Capital, Trang An Grottoes, Ha Long Bay, Cua Van Floating Village

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Meet with a Vietnam War veteran and their family in Mai Chau, connecting with the region's history.
- Sip egg coffee and sample pho on a Vespa-led food tour through Hanoi's buzzing night markets.
- Cruise Ha Long Bay, spending 2 nights aboard a traditional junk boat.
- Glide through Trang An Grottoes by rowboat, drifting by caves and temples.
- Step into the home of a master artist to learn about Vietnam's centuries-old water puppetry tradition.
- Enjoy a traditional dinner while learning about customs of the White Thai ethnic group.
- Discover the secrets of making sticky rice during a private cooking experience and home-hosted meal.
- Explore the ancient Hoa Lu, with its 10th-century ruins.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Your journey begins with an overnight flight to Northern Vietnam. From the peaceful rice paddies of Mai Chau to the towering limestone peaks rising from the waters of Ha Long Bay, and from the warm-hearted locals of Ninh Binh to the vibrant pulse of Hanoi, prepare for a cultural adventure.

Day 2: Hanoi, Vietnam Arrive in Hanoi, Vietnam's capital. With its tree-lined boulevards, French colonial facades, and a street food culture that hums with energy, Hanoi offers a rich and layered introduction to the country. Since arrival times vary, today is yours to explore at your leisure. You might stroll through a local market, unwind at a lakeside café, or simply take in the rhythm of the city. Tonight, dinner is on your own — perhaps sample a steaming bowl of pho or crispy bánh xèo from a nearby eatery.

Day 3: Hanoi Step into the heart of Vietnamese tradition with a visit to the home of a master water puppet artist, where you'll experience this centuries-old art form. Then, hop aboard a cyclo — a three-wheeled bicycle taxi — for a guided ride through the streets of Hanoi's Old Quarter. Our tour of Hanoi will conclude around 1pm. You are free

to explore the city for the remainder of the afternoon. This evening, stroll down lively Beer Street to sample local brews, and cap off the day with a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Hanoi This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Head into Hanoi's narrow backstreets to visit the famed Train Street, where homes and cafés sit inches from the railway line **-OR-** sit down to a bowl of bún chả at Huong Lien Restaurant, the very spot where President Obama and Anthony Bourdain once shared this staple dish. After, visit the Ho Chi Minh Complex and Vietnam's first university, the Temple of Literature. Enjoy lunch at a social enterprise restaurant that empowers disadvantaged youth through culinary training. This evening, hop on the back of a Vespa for a guided food tour through the Old Quarter, sampling local favourites like pho and egg coffee while weaving through the city's lively night scene. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Hanoi - Mai Chau Leave the buzz of Hanoi behind as you make your way into the lush hills of Mai Chau, a peaceful valley framed by misty mountains and dotted with stilt houses. Upon arrival, take a walk through the surrounding rice paddies, catching glimpses of daily life in the



Hanoi Market



Water Puppetry

local villages. Tonight, unwind at your eco-lodge, surrounded by soaring mountains and unbridled forests. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Mai Chau: Hich Village & Lac Village This morning, connect with the living history of Mai Chau during a visit to Hich Village. Meet a Vietnam War veteran and their family, hearing firsthand stories that offer a personal lens into the region's past. Experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** in Lac Village with a visit to Hoa Ban, a social enterprise that uplifts women from the White Thai minority through vocational training. Later, be welcomed into a local home for a traditional dinner. Share a meal of regional dishes and enjoy warm hospitality as you learn more about the customs of the White Thai ethnic group. (B, D)

Day 7: Mai Chau - Ninh Binh Leave the hills on Mai Chau for the dramatic landscapes of Ninh Binh, often called "Ha Long Bay on land" for its towering limestone formations and winding rivers. Your first stop is Hoa Lu (UNESCO), Vietnam's ancient capital dating back to the 10th century. Marvel at the temple and fortress ruins as you explore this historical site. This afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Hike to Hang Mua viewpoint, climbing

over 500 steps to be rewarded with spectacular views **-OR-** indulge in a relaxing massage back at the hotel spa. (B, L)

Day 8: Ninh Binh: Trang An Grottoes This morning, step into a rowboat and glide through the serene waterways of Trang An, a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its labyrinth of limestone caves and jungle-covered peaks. As you paddle through Bright Cave, Dark Cave, Ba Giot, and Nau Ruou, the quiet beauty of this hidden world unfolds around you. This evening, connect with locals over a home-hosted dinner. Take part in a hands-on cooking class before sharing the meal together. (B, D)

Day 9: Ninh Binh - Ha Long Bay Travel to Ha Long Bay and board a cruise boat for two spectacular nights. Pass through Trong Mai Islet, Ngoc Tay Islet, and Con Coc Islet before arriving at a coastal village. Choose to explore by bicycle or electric cart, winding through the village and learning about daily life in this peaceful corner of Northern Vietnam. Later, take part in an **IMPACT MOMENT** at the Bhaya Community Farm, where you'll learn about sustainable farming as well as the Save the Langurs conservation project. From Bhaya's café, enjoy



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Hotel du Parc, Hanoi
Days 5, 6	Mai Chau Ecolodge, Mai Chau
Days 7, 8	Emeralda Ninh Binh Resort and Spa, Ninh Binh
Days 9, 10	The 'Au Co' Ship
Day 11	Hotel du Parc, Hanoi

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

10 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Lunches (L) • 8 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Hanoi • Pre-Night Stay

Southern Vietnam • Post-Tour Guided Extension
5 Nights, Starting at \$2,055[†] pp

Tour Ho Chi Minh City, cruise the Mekong River, explore the Cu Chi Tunnels, and visit the Mui Ne Fishing Village.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

views of verdant fields dotted with wandering buffalo, and try your hand at crafting some local delicacies. Back aboard the ship, unwind as the sun sets over the bay. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Ha Long Bay Greet the day with a Tai Chi session on the deck as the sun rises over Ha Long Bay. Then, take the chance to further explore the Trinh Nu area by kayak, paddling through quiet coves and beneath towering limestone cliffs. After lunch onboard, visit Cua Van Floating Village, considered one of the most beautiful destinations in the world, drifting past colourful homes and fishing boats by kayak or traditional rowing boat. Finish the day with another spectacular sunset over the bay. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Ha Long Bay - Hanoi This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Explore Sung Sot Cave, the largest in Ha Long Bay, following the 500-meter paved passageway that threads through it **-OR-** visit Titov Island for a swim in the calm waters, sunbathing on the pristine beach and – if you're up for it – a hike up the mountain for a panoramic view of Ha Long Bay. Then, bid the bay farewell as you travel back to Hanoi. Enjoy one last free afternoon to revisit your favourite spots or simply relax before gathering with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 12: Hanoi - Tour Ends Your adventure through Northern Vietnam comes to a close today. (B)

NEW TOUR

Small Group

Journey Through the Heart of Japan Tokyo to Osaka

12 DAYS • 15 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,949

Nara Park

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,949 (DOUBLE)** or **\$11,249 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on July 9, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

March – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Private Sumo Experience, Mt. Fuji 5th Station, Overnight in Traditional *Ryokan* (Japanese Inn), Old Tokaido Highway, *Shabu-Shabu* & Geisha Experience, *Shinkansen* Bullet Train, Sushi-Making Class, Nara Park, Fushimi Inari Shrine, Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, Taiko Drum Lesson

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Ride the *Shinkansen* bullet train and experience Japan's rail culture firsthand.
- Sleep like a local during a 2-night stay at a *ryokan* inn.
- Witness a *Goma* fire ritual at Fukagawa Fudo-do Temple.
- Walk among the bamboo stalks of Arashiyama's grove.
- Meet the free-roaming deer of Nara Park.
- Stroll beneath a tunnel of *torii* gates at Fushimi Inari Taisha.
- Roll your own sushi in a hands-on class and dine on your creations.
- Savour *shabu-shabu* hot pot and meet a geisha in Hakone.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're bound for Japan! Soon you'll wander Tokyo's museums, witness sumo, ascend to Mt. Fuji's 5th Station, stroll through a bamboo grove, and roll sushi. Tonight is your first step on this journey.

Day 2: Tokyo, Japan Today, you arrive in Tokyo, a city where neon towers and tranquil shrines stand side by side. With no scheduled activities, tailor your first impressions of the "Land of the Rising Sun" at your own pace. Navigate Shibuya's Scramble Crossing, pause at a neighbourhood shrine, savour sushi at a tiny eatery, or wander into an anime shop. From gardens to crowded alleyways, Tokyo's mix of ancient ritual and modern energy is yours to discover before you meet your travel companions tomorrow.

Day 3: Tokyo Your day begins with an exploration of Tokyo, a city steeped in art and history. Visit the Tokyo National Museum, where Buddhist statues, samurai armour, and *ukiyo-e* prints tell centuries of stories. At the Imperial Palace, see the moats and walls that encircle its serene East Gardens. In the evening, stroll through Ginza's polished streets, where history meets modern commerce. End the day at a local restaurant where you'll sample regional dishes. (B, D)

Day 4: Tokyo Begin your day by stepping inside a sumo stable for

a private demonstration and learn about the discipline, diet, and rituals of Japan's wrestlers. Witness the flickering flames and rhythmic chants of a *Goma* fire ritual at Fukagawa Fudo-do Temple. Tokyo's treasures are yours to explore at leisure this afternoon. Venture out into the city's neighbourhoods, shop for crafts, sip matcha in a teahouse, or seek out a hidden shrine. (B)

Day 5: Tokyo - Mt. Fuji 5th Station - Hakone Depart Tokyo this morning and travel through a haven of natural beauty toward Mount Fuji. Stop at the 5th Station on the volcano's slopes to gaze up at its snow-capped cone and take in the splendour of the iconic peak. Your journey continues in Hakone, a hot-spring resort town, where tonight you'll stay in a *ryokan* (a traditional Japanese inn) with *tatami* floors and sliding paper doors. After settling into your room, sit down to a multi-course *kaiseki* feast and a display of culinary artistry featuring seasonal ingredients. (B, D)

Day 6: Hakone Up, up, and away! Today's adventures begin with a ride up the Komagatake Ropeway and a short walk to the summit for panoramic views over Hakone. Descend and cruise across Lake Ashi to the historic Sekisho-ato Pier, a historic checkpoint from the Edo period. Back on land,



Mt Fuji



Sumo Show

follow the Old Tokaido Highway and stroll beneath towering cedar trees on Ancient Cedar Avenue, a route once travelled by samurai. Wander among sculptures at the Hakone Open-Air Museum before concluding your day with a traditional *shabu-shabu* hot pot and meeting a geisha. (B, D)

Day 7: Hakone - Kyoto This morning, the *Shinkansen* bullet train glides you along in your journey toward Kyoto. After settling into your hotel, it's time to stroll along Pontocho, a notable alley of dining experiences that runs beside the Kamo River. Here, lantern-lit wooden houses hide long-standing eateries and modern bars serving *yakitori*, *tempura*, and *sake*. Feel Kyoto's timeless atmosphere as you wander through alleys under glowing paper lanterns. (B)

Day 8: Kyoto Rise early to greet the day and beat the crowds with a visit to the peaceful Fushimi Inari Shrine. Walk beneath thousands of vermillion torii gates climbing the forested hillside and pause at shrines along the way. This afternoon, head to Kyoto's historic Gion district, where geisha still glide along flagstone lanes lined with teahouses and *machiya* townhouses. Sample *wagashi* sweets or matcha cakes as you explore the surrounding neighbourhood. (B)

Day 9: Kyoto The morning is yours to uncover more of Kyoto. Perhaps visit a quiet temple, shop for crafts, or relax in a teahouse. At midday, walk through the Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, where swaying stalks create a green tunnel. Tour Nijo Castle (UNESCO). Roll up your sleeves for tonight's dinner. You'll be learning the art of making sushi as you join a local chef to prepare your meal before dining on your creations. (B, D)

Day 10: Kyoto - Osaka Leave Kyoto for Nara this morning. In Nara Park, stroll among bowing deer and visit Todaiji Temple to see its giant bronze Buddha. In Osaka, join a guided walk along the neon-bright streets of Dotonbori and Shinsaibashi, lined with street food stalls and boutiques. The evening is yours to sample *takoyaki*, *okonomiyaki*, and other specialties in Japan's culinary capital at your leisure. (B)

Day 11: Osaka Today, you'll get insight into a traditional form of Japanese culture with a private *taiko* drumming lesson before heading to Osaka Castle Park to learn about the city's samurai heritage. The rest of the afternoon is yours to get acquainted with Osaka. You might visit a museum, cruise the canal, shop in Umeda, or snack on street food. As evening approaches, gather with your fellow travellers for



Arrival: Tokyo (HND)

Departure: Osaka (KIX)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 - 4** Hilton Odaiba, Tokyo
- Days 5, 6** Hakone Yunohana Prince Hotel, Hakone
- Days 7 - 9** Hotel Okura, Kyoto
- Days 10, 11** Centara Grand Hotel, Osaka

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

10 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Tokyo • Pre-Night Stay

Osaka • Post-Night Stay

Hiroshima • Post-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,740 pp

Travel by *Shinkansen* bullet train to Hiroshima where you'll visit Miyajima Island, Peace Memorial Park and Museum, and more.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Tokyo

a farewell dinner celebrating your journey through Japan. (B, D)

Day 12: Osaka - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Japan & South Korea: From Tokyo to Seoul

16 DAYS • 23 MEALS • STARTING AT \$12,349

Small Group

Kyoto

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$12,349 (DOUBLE) or \$15,249 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on November 6, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – May 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

June – December 2027; March – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Bullet Train, Ama Pearl Divers Dinner, *Okonomiyaki* Cooking Class & Dinner, Discussion with an A-Bomb Survivor in Hiroshima, Arashiyama Bamboo Forest, Korean Demilitarized Zone, North Korean Defector Talk, Gyeongbok Palace

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Join a North Korean defector for a private discussion about their escape and new life.
- Meet Japan's *ama* pearl divers and learn more about their elite profession.
- Visit Hiroshima's Peace Park and Memorial Museum and hear accounts of the atomic bomb's devastation.
- Wander among the swaying trees of the Arashiyama bamboo forest.
- Tour Korea's infamous Demilitarized Zone, better known as the DMZ.
- See the gleaming beauty of the Golden Pavilion.
- Dine with a Korean family during a home-hosted traditional lunch.
- Try your hand at sushi making in Kyoto.
- Make delicious *okonomiyaki* — savoury pancakes that are a Hiroshima favourite.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're headed on a journey shaped by everyday life, long-held traditions, and modern momentum. It moves through the "Land of the Rising Sun" and continues on to Seoul, South Korea, offering space for real cultural exchange and meaningful human connection along the way.

Day 2: Tokyo, Japan *Konnichiwa!* Touch down in Tokyo and begin getting your bearings in a city shaped by deep tradition and constant reinvention. Everyday life here moves between quiet ritual and bold expression, often within the same block. As arrival times vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing throughout the day. Use the time to explore independently. Walk your neighbourhood, follow your appetite, and start reading the rhythms of the city for yourself.

Day 3: Tokyo This morning, ride the subway and slip into daily Tokyo life, moving through the city with the same rhythm locals rely on. Clean, efficient, fast, and easy to use, the Tokyo subway system is one of the best in the world. In Shibuya, watch the famous crossing fill and clear in carefully timed waves, then enjoy free time to wander, people watch, and find lunch nearby. By afternoon, see the Imperial Palace and Nijū Bridge,

followed by time in Ginza. This evening, gather for a welcome dinner and begin getting to know your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 4: Tokyo This morning, head to Asakusa to visit Sensoji Temple, where incense drifts through the air and daily worship unfolds in real time. With free time, stroll Nakamise Street, moving between long-standing stalls, sampling local sweets, and picking up souvenirs. By around 2:00 p.m., return to your hotel. The rest of the day is yours. Explore Tokyo independently, perhaps visiting the Tokyo National Museum or settling into a neighbourhood *izakaya* for a bowl of ramen. (B)

Day 5: Tokyo - Ise-Shima This morning, speed becomes part of the experience as you climb aboard the *shinkansen* bullet train, cutting across Japan in near silence. Fields, towns, and distant mountains unfold along the way — keep an eye out for Mt. Fuji. After changing from train to coach in Nagoya, arrive in Ise-Shima, a coastal region shaped by sacred forests, a rugged shoreline, and centuries-old pearl diving traditions. (B, D)

Day 6: Ise-Shima This morning, go to the Mikimoto Pearl Museum. Explore the legacy of the *ama* pearl divers — women who defied conventional gender roles to dive in the sea. Watch



Gyeongbok Palace



Arrival: Tokyo (TYO)

Departure: Seoul (ICN)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Hilton, Tokyo
Days 5, 6	Shima Kanko Hotel, Ise-Shima
Days 7, 8	ANA Crowne Plaza, Hiroshima
Days 9 – 11	Hotel Okura, Kyoto
Days 12 – 15	Courtyard Marriott Namdaemun, Seoul

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

14 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 7 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Tokyo • Pre-Night Stay

Seoul • Post-Night Stay

them plunge into the sea and see firsthand how skill, breath control, and deep knowledge of the water have shaped these traditions. As evening approaches, cross by ferry to Azurihama Beach for an **IMPACT MOMENT**, walking alongside *ama* divers as you help clean the shoreline that sustains their community. From the sand, head to an *ama* hut where seafood grills over open charcoal, smoke fills the air, and the divers share stories of their lives and the traditions they continue to protect. (B, D)

Day 7: Ise-Shima - Hiroshima Travel by *shinkansen* to Hiroshima. Visit a local cooking studio this evening to learn how residents prepare one of Hiroshima's favourite dishes, *okonomiyaki*. Roll up your sleeves to cook with locals and share the private experience of making this savoury pancake before sitting down to enjoy this local dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Hiroshima Walk a short distance from your hotel to the Peace Memorial Park. Pause to see the Atomic Dome (UNESCO), preserved as a sombre reminder of the destruction Hiroshima faced in World War II. Time at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum provides deeper context before an **IMPACT MOMENT** connects you with someone who experienced the devastating effects of the atomic bomb firsthand, sharing what daily life was like then and how memories are carried forward. Later, board a ferry to Miyajima Island, also known as Shrine Island (UNESCO), home to the Itsukushima Shrine and its iconic O-torii Gate rising from the water. (B)

Day 9: Hiroshima - Kyoto Kyoto awaits! Ride the *shinkansen* to Kyoto, long regarded as Japan's cultural heart. Walk through Gion and Higashiyama, where traditional

architecture frames everyday life. You may glimpse a woman in full geisha regalia headed to one of the hidden, exclusive tea houses. With an evening at leisure, Kyoto is yours to explore at your own pace. (B)

Day 10: Kyoto The day is yours to explore Kyoto at your leisure or join an optional tour and see how circular agriculture supports year-round growing, with time to pick and taste fresh produce. Or remain in the city — return to Gion, exploring temples, shrines, traditional shops, and charming cafés, or spend time in the park and grounds of the Kyoto Imperial Palace. (B)

Day 11: Kyoto A relaxed start to your day in Kyoto invites a reflective mood before diving into culture. Head to the Arashiyama bamboo forest to meander beneath towering stalks swaying gently above the shady paths. Visit Kinkaku-ji Temple (UNESCO) — the Golden Pavilion — its upper floors fully covered in gold leaf and reflecting centuries of power, change, and belief. Once a shogun's retirement home, it later became a Zen temple, enduring war and fire alike. This evening, learn the delicate art of sushi making during a private, interactive class before sitting down to dinner. (B, D)

Day 12: Kyoto - Seoul, South Korea Today, say *annyeong haseyo* as you fly to South Korea. Seoul, its capital city, is a place where history sits alongside constant reinvention. This modern metropolis moves fast but remains deeply rooted in tradition. Arrive later this afternoon and settle in before enjoying dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 13: Seoul This morning, go to the Korean Demilitarized Zone, or DMZ. This heavily fortified land, stretching over 150 miles, has divided North and

South Korea for the last 68 years. During your visit, see Imjingak Park, the Bridge of Freedom, the DMZ Theater and Exhibition Hall, the Dora Observatory, and the 3rd Infiltration Tunnel, gaining deeper insight into the unresolved legacy of the Korean War. It's a rare chance to stand at one of the world's most closely guarded borders. Tonight, your evening is at leisure back in Tokyo to uncover it as you wish. (B, L)

Day 14: Seoul Your morning begins with an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you gather for a private talk with a North Korean defector, hearing firsthand about life in the North, their escape to the South, and the challenges of rebuilding a new life. This is the kind of conversation that stays with you long after your journey ends. Later, leave the city and stop at a local market to grab local ingredients that will set the tone for more cultural conversations. A home-hosted

traditional Korean lunch connects you with a local family, offering insight into everyday life in South Korea. (B, L)

Day 15: Seoul Begin the day by riding the subway to Gyeongbok Palace. Tour the expansive grounds and watch the ceremonial changing of the guard. Continue on, visiting Insadong Street, a lively area known for its narrow alleys filled with tea shops, galleries, boutiques, and cafés. The afternoon is at leisure to explore further, perhaps visiting the Museum of Contemporary History or the National Museum of Korea. This evening, gather for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 16: Seoul - Tour Ends Today, depart Seoul for home, bringing with you lasting memories from your journey through Japan and the many moments of connection and discovery experienced in South Korea's capital. (B)

Kingdoms of Southeast Asia Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos and Thailand

19 DAYS • 32 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,699



Angkor Wat



Ha Long Bay



Co Co River

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$7,699 (DOUBLE) or \$9,499 (SOLO)

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TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

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HIGHLIGHTS

Hanoi, Walking Food Tour, Discussion with Vietnam War Veteran, Ha Long Bay, Hoi An, Ho Chi Minh City, Reunification Palace, Mekong Delta, Siem Reap, Angkor Wat, Luang Prabang, Wat Xieng Thong, Pak Ou Buddha Cave, Monk Alms Offering, Bangkok

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Visit with a Vietnam War veteran and learn about the war from his perspective.
- Explore Hanoi's historic Old Quarter on an exciting walking tour.
- See the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground passageways used by the Viet Cong.
- Cruise along the famous Mekong Delta, rich with natural wonders.
- Overnight on a junk boat and cruise the waters of Ha Long Bay.
- Explore incredible Angkor Wat, the world's largest religious structure.
- Learn the secrets of Vietnamese cooking during a private interactive class.
- A local Laotian family welcomes you into their home for dinner.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Set out on a journey that reveals the best of Southeast Asia. From the villages of Vietnam and the temples of Cambodia to the friendly locals of Laos and the lively energy of Thailand, embark on an unforgettable cultural adventure.

Day 2: Hanoi, Vietnam Arrive today in Hanoi. Known for its French colonial architecture, tree-lined streets, and vibrant street food scene, Hanoi is Vietnam's dynamic capital and second most populous city. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently.

Day 3: Hanoi Start your morning with a city tour of Hanoi and the Old Quarter. Visit Ba Dinh Square and the Temple of Literature. Follow the meandering streets, decorated with temples and pagodas, and feast on the history before you. After working up an appetite, enjoy a walking food tour featuring some of Vietnam's most famous dishes such as *banh mi* and *pho*. Later this evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Hanoi Today, you may choose to start your day early by joining your Tour Manager and locals as they practice tai chi at a local park. After, visit the infamous Hoa Lo Prison. This historic

site, dubbed the "Hanoi Hilton" by American POWs, is now a museum that tells the story of colonial history from the Vietnamese perspective. Following your visit, sit down with a local veteran from the Vietnam War to chat and connect with him as he recounts his history. The rest of the day is yours to explore. You may choose to join an optional tour to see the famous water puppets of Hanoi followed by dinner. (B)

Day 5: Hanoi - Ha Long Bay Journey to Ha Long Bay and board a charming junk boat for an overnight cruise, the perfect vantage point for soaking up the landscape. Once on board, enjoy fresh seafood as you sail past vistas of low green mountains, small villages, hundreds of islands, and limestone peaks jutting out from the sea. Disembark to discover the wonders of nature, history, and archaeology. Back on board, sit back and relax as the sounds and peaceful sway of the boat lull you to sleep. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Ha Long Bay - Hanoi - Da Nang - Hoi An Your day begins with a tai chi lesson on the sundeck at sunrise. After a light breakfast, we head off to visit Sung Sot cave, one of the many limestone grottoes accessible by boat in the UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site that is Ha Long Bay. It is time to say farewell to this stunning natural wonder and cruise back to the mainland. Fly to

Da Nang and travel to Hoi An (UNESCO), an ancient trading port. (B)

Day 7: Hoi An Start your day with a walking tour of Old Town. Stroll by the ornate Phuc Kien Assembly Hall, the famous 400-year-old Japanese covered bridge, and the vibrant market. Finish with an introduction to the local tailoring culture in Hoi An, a tradition dating back to the days of the silk route. See the process of making cotton and silk cloth, and you may even choose to have some tailor-made clothes made. Enjoy a free afternoon to walk along the canals that cut through Ancient Town on your own. Perhaps you'll visit an art gallery, museum, or go shopping before joining the group for a local dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Hoi An Today, board a basket boat and journey along the Co Co River for an immersive private cooking class. Learn how to catch seafood in the river and grind rice into flour. Use your ingredients to cook four classic local dishes that you'll enjoy for lunch. Try your hand at crafting a traditional Vietnamese lantern at a local workshop, a beautiful symbol of Hoi An's heritage. Then, enjoy a free afternoon and evening. (B, L)

Day 9: Hoi An - Ho Chi Minh City Leave Hoi An and fly to Ho Chi Minh City. On an eye-opening city tour, you'll see the Post Office, Notre Dame Cathedral, and the Reunification Palace. Head over to explore treasures from local vendors at the Old Market in District 1. (B)

Day 10: Ho Chi Minh City - Mekong Delta - Ho Chi Minh City Take to the waters of the famous Mekong Delta. As you sail along, your guide will delve into the history and culture of the region. Discover the region's cottage industry with a visit to a coconut candy factory and learn how this confection is made. Enjoy lunch featuring southern Vietnamese cuisine before travelling back to Ho Chi Minh City. This evening, you might choose to go on an optional Saigon after-dark tour by Vespa, where you'll experience the city's vibrant nightlife, street food, and hidden gems from the back of a vintage scooter. (B, L)

Day 11: Ho Chi Minh City Spend your morning at the Cu Chi Tunnels, a maze of underground passageways used as hideouts by the Viet Cong during the Vietnam War. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure before your dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 12: Ho Chi Minh City - Siem Reap, Cambodia This afternoon, board your flight to Siem Reap, Cambodia's gateway to the wonders of Angkor. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant accompanied by a traditional Khmer dance performance. (B, D)

Day 13: Siem Reap - Angkor Wat - Siem Reap Depart for a sunrise at Angkor Wat, a perfect example of classic Khmer architecture. Enter its eastern gate and exit to the west, watching the sunlight dance along stones. Later, visit Ta Prohm, a sprawling monastic complex that is overgrown with jungle. At Angkor Thom, visit the Terrace of the Leper King and the temples of Baphuon and Bayon, 11th- and 12th-century masterpieces. (B)

Day 14: Siem Reap - Preah Dak - Siem Reap Start your day with an **IMPACT MOMENT** at the Visitor Centre of APOPO, where "hero rats" are trained to navigate minefields and save lives. Learn about the country's history with war and meet the professional rats at a demonstration. Then, travel to the village of Preah Dak to learn about daily life and see how *Nom Banh Jok* (rice noodles) are created. Get a peek into the local culture at the palm sugar market, where tree sap is gathered and cooked for sugar. Make your way to Les Chantiers Ecoles, where local apprentices are trained in fine arts, and peruse the different workshops of sculpture, carving, and more. You may choose to end your day with a visit to Phare, the Cambodian Circus. (B, L)

Day 15: Siem Reap - Luang Prabang, Laos This morning, visit the Kompong Khleang floating village and see the stilt houses and floating homes. Board a flight to Luang Prabang, the spiritual capital of Laos. Get acquainted with the city with your guide. Then, venture into a lively outdoor market at night and see a bustling cluster of vendors selling local street foods, baked goods, paper lamps, and textiles. (B, L)

Day 16: Luang Prabang Hop into a tuk-tuk with a guide and tour the city centre, including a visit to the National Museum — the former Royal Palace. Continue to Wat Xieng Thong monastery, decorated in eye-catching gold. Meander along the Nam Khan River to Wat Khili, highlighting the local culture and history. After lunch, cruise to the Pak Ou Caves, shrouded in mystery and home to thousands of Buddha statues. End your day with a



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Silk Path Hotel, Hanoi
Day 5	<i>The Au Co Ship</i> , Bhaya Cruises
Days 6 – 8	Little Oasis Hotel & Spa, Hoi An
Days 9 – 11	Novotel Saigon Centre, Ho Chi Minh City
Days 12 – 14	Borei Angkor Resort & Spa, Siem Reap
Days 15 – 17	Victoria Xienghthong Palace, Luang Prabang
Day 18	Cape House, Bangkok

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

17 Breakfasts (B) • 8 Lunches (L) • 7 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Hanoi • Pre-Night Stay

Bangkok • Post-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,370 pp

Continue to Bangkok — explore its canals by boat, visit famed landmarks like the Grand Palace, and more.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

home-hosted dinner and traditional *Baci* ceremony, celebrating a significant event in someone's life. (B, L, D)

Day 17: Luang Prabang - Ban Long Lao - Luang Prabang Journey to a traditional Hmong hill tribe village in Ban Long Lao and learn about this ethnic group and their way of life. Hike through lush jungle and mountain scenery to the incredible Kuang Si Waterfall. Return to Luang Prabang for lunch. (B, L)

Day 18: Luang Prabang - Bangkok, Thailand You may choose to rise early

and begin your day with a traditional alms offering to local monks. After breakfast back at the hotel, continue to the airport. Board your flight to Bangkok, the capital of Thailand. A feast for the senses, this bustling city on the banks of the Chao Phraya River blends cosmopolitan sophistication with a strong sense of history and tradition. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers and toast to the end of your adventure at dinner. (B, D)

Day 19: Bangkok - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)

Wonders of Thailand

Small Group

Discovering Ancient Wonders & Natural Beauty from Bangkok to Phuket

16 DAYS • 24 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,299

Sukhothai

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 18 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$6,299 (DOUBLE) or \$7,649 (SOLO)

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TOUR DATES

October 2026 – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

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HIGHLIGHTS

Reclining Buddha, Emerald Buddha, Bangkok Street Food, Sukhothai, Chiang Rai, The Golden Triangle, Chiang Mai, Elephant Experience in Chiang Mai, Lanna Home Visit, Home-Hosted Meal, Old Town Phuket, Tuk-Tuk Rides

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Float along the waters of the Mekong River and see the Golden Triangle where Laos, Burma, and Thailand meet.
- Join a Lanna family, thought to be the first people of Thailand, for a home-hosted meal.
- Trek by 4x4 vehicle to an elephant sanctuary where you will prepare tasty treats for the endangered residents.
- Zip around the buzzing city streets of Bangkok on a tuk-tuk followed by tastings of the city's famous street food.
- See the gilded Reclining Buddha, the sacred jade Emerald Buddha, and the dazzling Grand Palace in Bangkok.
- Explore the canals of Bangkok's Old Town on a boat trip.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Embrace the diversity of Southeast Asia as you explore Thailand on this classic journey featuring lavish temples, cultural discoveries, and its stunning natural beauty. From tropical vistas to gilded palaces and ancient ruins, Thailand offers up a piece of its soul to travellers – and your story starts here.

Day 2: Bangkok, Thailand Begin your discovery of Thailand in Bangkok, its capital city. Here, vibrant street life is contrasted by a backdrop of ornate shrines and rich history. As arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Dinner tonight is on your own.

Day 3: Bangkok Begin your journey exploring the winding canals in Bangkok's Old Town on a private boat trip. On Rattanakosin Island, visit Wat Po, the famous Buddhist temple complex in the Phra Nakhon District and see the world-renowned Reclining Buddha. Enjoy some free time from 2:00 p.m. before sitting down with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at the hotel at 6:00 p.m. (B, D)

Day 4: Bangkok Today, experience more of Bangkok's highlights, including a visit to the Wat Phra Kaew; the Emerald Buddha is regarded as the

most sacred Buddhist temple in Thailand. Visit the ornately decorated Grand Palace – the official residence of the Kings of Siam since 1782. Enjoy some free time or choose to join an optional tour to the Jim Thompson House and Museum, featuring lunch. This evening, a night tour of Bangkok will create memories for a lifetime as you experience the city from a completely fresh perspective. Climb aboard your tuk-tuk – a motorized rickshaw – for a front row seat to the bustling Bangkok city streets lit up at night. The streets are alive with excitement and energy as your tuk-tuk brings you for food tastings that capture the local flavour. End with a visit to the flower market – this normally busy, bustling landmark feels solitary and peaceful in the quiet of night. Enjoy more food tastings in a private setting before returning to the hotel. (B, D)

Day 5: Bangkok - Sukhothai Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Choose between a walk from the hotel to visit the Suan Pakkad Palace Museum, known for its Thai antiques **-OR-** take the coach to visit the Marble Temple where you will join Buddhist monks in their daily chanting. After, head to the airport for a short flight to Sukhothai. This evening, enjoy dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

Day 6: Sukhothai Dive into history today as you discover the



Phuket

archaeological sites in Sukhothai. Visit its Historical Park, spanning the ruins of Sukhothai — which means “dawn of happiness” — as well as the famous site of Wat Si Chum, a landmark temple boasting a 49-foot Buddha and an open ceiling. (B, L)

Day 7: Sukhothai - Chiang Rai Set off today for Chiang Rai. During this longer ride, stop for lunch at a local restaurant and visit the White Temple, called Wat Rong Khun — an intricately designed Buddhist-styled temple. Arrive in Chiang Rai, once the capital of the Mengrai Dynasty. (B, L)

Day 8: Chiang Rai Explore the beauty of Chiang Rai today. This laid-back town offers up a cultural experience as an ethnic melting pot in Thailand. Enjoy a tour of the Golden Triangle, where Burma, Laos, and Thailand meet, separated by the Mekong River. Visit the Opium Museum today. As you explore this museum, learn all about the opium trade and the impact to local communities. Then, it's all aboard for a short boat ride along the Mekong River, to float at the confluence of Burma, Laos, and Thailand. Back on land, walk to a restaurant for lunch before enjoying a free afternoon starting around 2:00 p.m. This evening, enjoy a walk in a night bazaar, experiencing the culture of this region in a whole new way. (B, L)

Day 9: Chiang Rai - Chiang Mai Today, it's off to Chiang Mai — once a religious centre, where elaborate Buddhist temples create a beautiful backdrop reflecting its rich, cultural history. En route, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before visiting Doi Suthep — one of the twin peaks of a beautiful granite mountain to the west of Chiang Mai. A cable car whisks you to its peak to visit Wat Phra That Doi Suthep, one of the most important Buddhist temples in Thailand. Marvel at the stunning views before taking the ornate steps back down. Flanked by jeweled *naga* — lavish serpents — these steps are the perfect spot for a photo! Enjoy dinner on your own this evening. (B, L)

Day 10: Chiang Mai See elephants in their natural setting today for a

powerful **IMPACT MOMENT** during a visit to ChangChill, which literally means “relaxed elephants.” This sanctuary prides itself on its ethical treatment of these endangered species. Climb aboard your 4x4 vehicles and meander through country roads to reach the camp. Then, walk through rice paddy fields and meet the resident elephants. From a distance, watch them graze, bathe in the river, roam the lush forest, socialize with one another, and embrace their freedom. Make herb balls and fruit snacks to place in feeding stations. Enjoy a simple vegetarian lunch served by the camp staff as the elephants arrive for their snacks. Participate in a discussion with a *mahout* on changes to the elephant trade practices and the impact to the *mahout* community. Travellers who wish to observe the elephants grazing can set off for a 20-minute hike to do so. (B, L)

Day 11: Chiang Mai Enjoy a warm welcome today from an extended family belonging to the Lanna ethnic group. Visit their home where you can learn from one of the family members about their customs and religion, see their garden, and hear all about the herbs grown here. Together with hosts, you will learn how to prepare local dishes and then join them as you enjoy the fruits of your labour with a simple lunch. Tonight, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Choose between a relaxing one-hour Thai massage **-OR-** get a taste of the local flavour during dinner at a local restaurant. (B, L)

Day 12: Chiang Mai - Phuket Fly to Phuket this morning and head to your resort, set on a private tropical beach. Relax for the rest of the day as the salty sea breeze rolls in, rustling the palms and soothing the soul. Perhaps hit the waves or unwind with a good book, reflecting on your cultural journey thus far. Stay as long as you'd like. (B)

Day 13: Phuket Travel to Phuket's Old Town, adorned with brightly painted, historic Sino-Portuguese townhouses, stores, cafés, and ice cream shops. Explore this charming Old Town all



Arrival: Bangkok (BKK)

Departure: Bangkok (BKK)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Amari Bangkok, Bangkok
Days 5, 6	Sriwilai Sukhothai Resort & Spa, Sukhothai
Days 7, 8	The Legend Chiang Rai Boutique River Resort & Spa, Chiang Rai
Days 9 – 11	Kantary Hills Hotel, Chiang Mai
Days 12 – 14	Cape Panwa Hotel, Phuket
Day 15	Hyatt Regency Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport, Bangkok

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

14 Breakfasts (B) • 6 Lunches (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Bangkok • Pre-Night Stay

Singapore • Pre-Tour Guided Extension
4 Nights, Starting at \$2,605[†] pp

Before Bangkok, explore Singapore's vibrant neighbourhoods, local flavours, and the Gardens by the Bay.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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morning and enjoy free time for lunch on your own. After lunch, return to your beach-front resort to soak up those saltwater vibes and laid-back tropical lifestyle for the day. (B)

Day 14: Phuket It's a completely free day today, so take advantage of your idyllic tropical resort or perhaps head back to the Old Town and dive into some of Phuket's most popular haunts. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner, toasting

an experience full of history, beauty, culture, and incredible discoveries in Thailand. (B, D)

Day 15: Phuket - Bangkok Fly to Bangkok this afternoon and head to an airport hotel, preparing to return home with a lifetime of memories — the best kind of souvenir. (B)

Day 16: Bangkok - Tour Ends Say farewell to Thailand and return home today. (B)

Mysteries of India

15 DAYS • 26 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,349

Small Group

Jaipur

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 17 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

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HIGHLIGHTS

Old Delhi, Jaipur, Hawa Mahal, Amber Fort, Home-Hosted Dinner, Ranthambore National Park, Abhaneri Stepwell, Taj Mahal, Chandela Temple Complex, Varanasi, Ganga Aarti Ceremony

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Venture through the main streets and back roads of Old Delhi via rickshaw.
- Learn the secrets to preparing incredible Indian food at a home-hosted dinner.
- Behold the Taj Mahal at sunrise.
- Marvel at the illuminated Ganga Aarti ceremony.
- Watch for tigers in the wild during game drives in Ranthambore National Park.
- Cruise the waters of the famous Ganges River.
- Travel to Khajuraho on an exciting train journey.
- Savour the flavours of authentically brewed chai tea at a bustling street-side stall in Jaipur.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Discover India's perfect synthesis of nature, spirituality, and regal legacy. From the fabled Taj Mahal to the iconic tigers of Ranthambore, step into a world of captivating mysteries and vibrant colour.

Day 2: Delhi, India A paradise of contradiction, Delhi features a bustling energy, age-old monuments, and an all-encompassing vitality that courses its way through the busy streets. Experience everything this dynamic metropolis has to offer, from modern New Delhi to historic Old Delhi. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Dinner tonight is on your own.

Day 3: Delhi Start your morning at the expansive Humayun's Tomb, one of the best-preserved Mughal monuments dating back to the 1500s. This sprawling complex inspired countless mausoleums, including the legendary Taj Mahal. Enjoy some free time in the afternoon to explore on your own. Gather with your group in the evening for a welcome dinner featuring Indian specialties. (B, D)

Day 4: Delhi Cut through Old Delhi's buzzing streets on a rickshaw — your mode of transportation for an exhilarating tour of Old Delhi. See

the city's friendly vendors as you travel down narrow streets and busy corridors. Visit Jama Masjid, one of the largest mosques in India, and stand in awe before its iconic red sandstone towers. Your exploration of New Delhi continues on a journey by the city's famous monuments, including the India Gate and Parliament building. (B, L)

Day 5: Delhi - Jaipur Wish the city goodbye and embark on a scenic drive through the countryside. Stop for lunch in a local restaurant before arriving in Jaipur, the "Pink City." See Hawa Mahal, the former home of a *maharaja* (Indian prince). Marvel at the city's architectural brilliance as you stroll through the heart of the old city during your free time. (B, L)

Day 6: Jaipur Take in the extensive palace complex of Amber Fort, India's former seat of power. Head to the palace by means of a vintage jeep, scaling the hills overlooking Jaipur. In the evening, get to know a local family as you join them for a hosted dinner in their home. (B, D)

Day 7: Jaipur Experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you explore the secrets hidden in the walled city of Jaipur on an eco-friendly e-rickshaw. With Pink City Rickshaw Company, which employs women from low-income



Taj Mahal

households, you'll get a peek into the soul of the old city as your driver steers the way. Continue your exploration of the beautiful city, starting with the City Palace. Nearby, take in the impeccable masonry of the Jantar Mantar — the world's oldest stone sundial. The afternoon is yours to discover Jaipur however you please. (B)

Day 8: Jaipur - Ranthambore National Park Travel to Ranthambore National Park where we will seek out tigers in their natural habitat. Learn about Project Tiger's conservation efforts and the impact the organization has had on the Ranthambore sanctuary. Connect with a naturalist, introducing you to India's extensive wildlife. This afternoon, you may also choose to join an optional hike up to the historic Ranthambore Fort for sweeping views of the park. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Ranthambore Begin your day early and board a canter (open-air truck) to embark on your initial game drive. Seek out barking deer, Indian gazelles, and exotic birdlife. Follow the tigers' paths in search of the sanctuary's renowned wildlife. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Enjoy some leisure time to relax at the hotel and explore your surroundings at your own pace **-OR-** take a short trip for an **IMPACT MOMENT** at Dastkar Ranthambore, a social enterprise renowned for empowering local women artisans. No matter what you choose, return to the wild for another chance to seek out marsh crocodiles, sloth bears, and the park's famous Bengal tigers. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Ranthambore - Agra Today, we set out at the break of day as we make our way to Agra, a city rich with the splendours of the past. Along the way, visit the impressive Abhaneri Stepwell. Built over 1,000 years ago, it is an architectural marvel hidden from visitors until recently. Then, stop for lunch and get another taste of

local flavours. Home to stone forts and marble mausoleums, Agra features a lively culture and picture-perfect architecture. This evening, you may choose to join an optional excursion by tuk-tuk to explore Itmad ud Daula and Mahtab Bagh, where you'll get your first glimpse of the Taj Mahal. (B, L)

Day 11: Agra The Taj Mahal, a stunning vision in white marble and sandstone, was built as an expression of love by Emperor Shah Jahan. Experience the romantic spirit of the Taj Mahal in the early morning, when the colours of the sky dance on the bright façade and shimmer in its reflective pool. Visit Agra Fort, the seat of the Mughal Empire. During an **IMPACT MOMENT**, enjoy lunch at Sheroes' Hangout — a café that empowers female survivors of violence, allowing them to reclaim their lives through employment and sisterhood. (B, L)

Day 12: Agra - Khajuraho Another adventure awaits! Start your morning with a train ride on the Vande Bharat Express from Agra to Khajuraho. In the shadow of the Vindhya mountain range, find a city of stone temples and mystifying sculptures. Make the most of time at leisure this afternoon to explore the area on your own. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Khajuraho - Varanasi Take in the Chandela Temple complex, home to unparalleled temple architecture and intricate stone carvings. Fly to Varanasi — India's holiest city — where spiritual energy radiates from the ground up. Sail along the Ganges River and pass by the *ghats* (banks) where locals wade into the river. From the Dasaswamedh Ghat, enjoy a reserved seat to experience the Ganga Aarti ceremony as it illuminates the night sky. (B)

Day 14: Varanasi Take advantage of a morning boat ride for an opportunity to see the sunrise on the Ganges River.



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Jaypee Vasant Continental, Delhi
Days 5 – 7	Radisson Jaipur City Center, Jaipur
Days 8, 9	AamaGhati Wildlife Resort, Ranthambore
Days 10, 11	Jaypee Palace Hotel, Agra
Day 12	Radisson Jass Hotel, Khajuraho
Days 13, 14	Radisson Hotel, Varanasi
Day 15	Lemon Tree Premier, Delhi

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

13 Breakfasts (B) • 7 Lunches (L) • 6 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

New Delhi • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Dubai • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension
3 Nights, Starting at \$1,645[†] pp

Set out sooner to discover Dubai's skyscrapers, souks, mosques, and museums, and ride in 4x4s in the desert.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

Nepal • Post-Tour Guided Extension
5 Nights, Starting at \$2,330[†] pp

From Kathmandu to Pokhara, Nepal's serene lakes, energetic cities, and iconic mountains await.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Travel to Sarnath, where Siddhartha Gautama — later known as Buddha — gave his first sermon in the 6th century B.C. Discover this holy site and gain insight into the country's divine past. Celebrate your adventure through India alongside new friends at a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 15: Varanasi - Delhi - Tour Ends

Enjoy a morning at leisure before flying back to Delhi, where a room has been reserved for you to freshen up before your return flight home. (B)

Cultural Treasures of Japan

14 DAYS • 18 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,649

Fushimi Inari Shrine

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **31** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,649 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,999 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on December 5, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Tokyo, Ginza, Chanting, Meditation & Private Tea Ceremony with a Monk, Hakone, Lake Ashi Cruise, Matsumoto Castle, Takayama, Shirakawa-go, Kanazawa, Kyoto, Sushi Making, Bullet Train, Hiroshima, Private Maiko Show

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Visit Fushimi Inari Taisha, made famous by the movie *Memoirs of a Geisha*.
- Travel on the famous *shinkansen* bullet train.
- Explore Takayama's beautiful old town, nestled in the Japanese Alps.
- Visit multiple UNESCO sites including Shirakawa-go and Hiroshima Peace Memorial.
- Enjoy a Hida beef dinner with *sake* in Takayama.
- Participate in a sushi-making class.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Women's Association of Kyoto at Koshoji Temple — engaging travellers in chanting, meditation, and a traditional tea ceremony. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Explore ancient and modern Japanese culture firsthand. Discover peaceful temples and technological marvels set against unimaginable natural beauty.

Day 2: Tokyo, Japan Welcome to Japan, the "Land of the Rising Sun." Arrive in the electrifying city of Tokyo, where pop culture is turned all the way up and traditions are rich and long-kept. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently.

Day 3: Tokyo Explore the outer grounds of the Imperial Palace, where you'll see the famed Niju Bridge, the well-known symbol of the Imperial Palace and one of Tokyo's most recognizable landmarks. Amid a lush forest outside of the city, visit the Meiji Shrine, dedicated to Emperor Meiji and his wife, Empress Shoken. Later, walk through Ginza, one of the most elegant and luxurious streets in the world, where modern landscape meets rich history. Enjoy shopping at some of the most renowned "department stores" in Japan. Tonight, join your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Tokyo Begin the day with a visit to the Avatar Robot Café, an innovative café where people who have difficulty leaving their homes or hospital rooms

are able to work by remotely operating service robots. Order a drink and take a moment to converse with the robot operators, gaining insight into their daily lives and the technology that helps connect them with the world. Then, head to Tokyo National Museum to learn about the fascinating history and culture of Tokyo. The museum displays artwork and antiques from Japan and the surrounding area. Enjoy free time beginning around 3:30 p.m. (B)

Day 5: Tokyo - Hakone Journey to the lakeside resort of Hakone, renowned for its hot springs. In the shadow of Mt. Fuji (UNESCO), this scenic town hugs the shorelines of Lake Ashi. Make a stop at Owakudani, located in an active volcanic zone. The Owakudani crater was created some 3,000 years ago, when Mt. Hakone erupted. Climb aboard the Hakone Ropeway, an aerial cable car descending from Owakudani for a breathtaking view of Mt. Fuji. Next, take to the deep-blue waters of Lake Ashi on a cruise where you'll see epic views of the local mountains before stopping in the charming town of Moto-Hakone. (B, D)

Day 6: Hakone - Matsumoto - Takayama This breathtaking day begins in Matsumoto at Matsumoto Castle, known as the "Crow Castle"



Kyoto

because of its striking black exterior. Later, you'll step back in time in the rural Edo-period town of Takayama, nestled in the Japanese Alps and well known to the locals for its connection to *sake*. Tonight, experience a true Japanese epicurean treat — traditional rice wine paired with a special Hida beef dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Takayama The ancient cultures of Takayama come alive during a guided walk in the town's historic district. Stroll through the morning market, a 600-year-old open-air market with locally grown and produced products, located along the Miyagawa River. Circuit the winding streets, where the town's traditional charms are preserved in the inns and houses. Here, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Choose to glimpse into the past at the 19th-century Takayama Jinya, a former government building -OR- visit the Matsuri Yatai Kaikan and view intricate, traditional, hand-carved floats used in festivals. This afternoon, relish some free time to continue your exploration of Takayama on your own. (B)

Day 8: Takayama - Shirakawa-go - Kanazawa Today, embrace the unique charms of Shirakawa-go (UNESCO). Hidden away in the mountain, this harmonious village is famous for its *gassho-zukuri*-style houses — thatched-rooftops designed to resemble two hands joined in prayer. Journey to Kanazawa, the origin of gold-leaf making since the 16th century. Visit the Omicho fish market, and then onto the beauty of Japan's most stunning gardens, where more than 25 acres of absolute beauty

awaits you at Kenroku-En — Garden of Six Qualities. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant serving regional specialties. (B, D)

Day 9: Kanazawa Today, dive into the ancient craft of gold leaf making during a private, hands-on lesson in decorating your own lacquer box! Visit the Geisha quarters of Kanazawa, the Higashi Tea district, before venturing out on your own to really immerse yourself in Kanazawa's dynamic culture. (B)

Day 10: Kanazawa - Kyoto Today, Kyoto awaits! The former Imperial capital of Japan is now one of the nation's top cosmopolitan cities. At the same time, Kyoto's connection with its past is strong; you won't need to look far to see one of its 2,000 temples and shrines. After settling into your hotel this afternoon, enjoy a private visit to the Women's Association of Kyoto in a traditional Kyoto town house. Here, delve into a wide array of enlightening Japanese activities, guided by your knowledgeable hostess. Try your hand at making sushi and learn to fold intricate origami shapes. (B, D)

Day 11: Kyoto This morning, visit Fushimi Inari Taisha, one of Japan's most iconic and spiritually significant Shinto shrines (and made famous by the movie *Memoirs of a Geisha*). Step beneath the first brilliant orange torii gate and follow the winding path as it climbs into the forested hillside. Thousands of torii gates stretch ahead in seemingly endless rows, creating shifting patterns of light and shadow as you walk towards the inner shrine.



Arrival: Tokyo (HND)

Departure: Osaka (ITM)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 4** Grand Nikko Tokyo Daiba, Tokyo
- Day 5** The Prince Hakone Lake Ashinoko, Hakone
- Days 6, 7** Mercure Hida-Takayama, Takayama
- Days 8, 9** Hotel Nikko Kanazawa, Kanazawa
- Days 10 – 13** Hotel Nikko Princess Kyoto, Kyoto

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 6 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Tokyo • Pre-Night Stay

Kyoto • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Along the way, you'll see worshippers stopping at small altars, offering prayers, waving their personal flags, and leaving tokens of devotion. Enjoy free time beginning around 2:00 p.m. to explore more of Kyoto at leisure. (B)

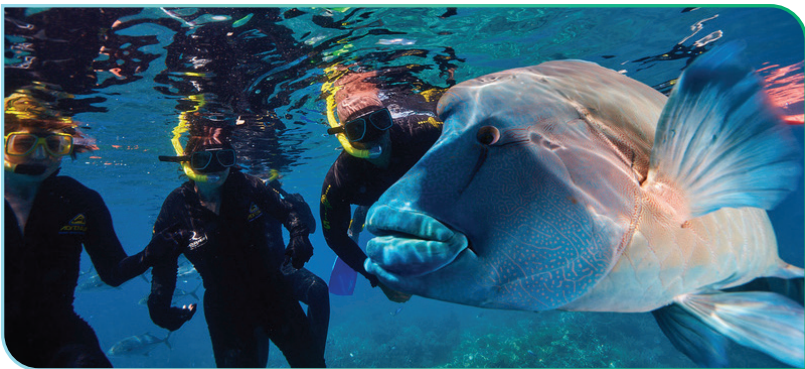
Day 12: Kyoto - Bullet Train - Hiroshima - Kyoto All aboard the *shinkansen* bullet train to Hiroshima. Upon arrival, board a ferry for the short trip to Miyajima Island, or "Shrine Island" (UNESCO). Afterwards, head into Hiroshima city to visit the Peace Memorial Park, and pause to see the ruined Atomic Dome (UNESCO). Reflect at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum. As this long and moving day comes to a close, return to Kyoto by the *shinkansen* bullet train. (B)

Day 13: Kyoto This morning, spend time with a monk at Koshoji Temple, where you'll have the opportunity to chant and meditate with them. Afterwards, take part in the ancient art of the tea ceremony and learn about its importance in Japanese culture. Take this rare opportunity to learn from and speak to the monk about their daily life. This afternoon, spend some time relaxing or set out to explore Kyoto on your own. Fully immerse yourself in Japanese culture tonight during a special farewell dinner and private maiko 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)

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

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Australia and New Zealand Uncovered

23 DAYS • 33 MEALS • STARTING AT \$14,399



Māori Culture



Koala



Punakaiki

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$14,399 (DOUBLE) or \$17,849 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on April 21, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Sydney Opera House, Cleland Wildlife Sanctuary, Barossa Valley Food & Wine, Uluru Sunset, Great Barrier Reef, Indigenous Welcome Ceremony in Cairns, Māori Culture in Wellington, Marlborough Wine Region, Punakaiki's Pancake Rocks, New Zealand's Wild West Coast, Queenstown, Milford Sound

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Connect with New Zealand's landscape as you explore pristine wilderness and coastlines on several easy walks.
- Witness the colours of Uluru (Ayers Rock) at sunset while enjoying drinks and canapés.
- Taste flavours of the Māori culture during a *hangi* lunch.
- Spend a day amid the natural wonder of the Great Barrier Reef, with included options to snorkel or take a glass-bottom submersible.
- Enjoy a behind-the-scenes tour of the Sydney Opera House.
- Cruise through the dramatic Milford Sound.
- Sample wines in the world-famous Marlborough Wine Region.

Day 1 – Day 2: Overnight Flight Your journey begins with an overnight flight.

Day 3: Adelaide, Australia Arrive in Adelaide. With arrivals scheduled throughout the day, enjoy time at leisure to settle in. This afternoon, meet your Tour Manager for a briefing on the journey ahead. In the evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 4: Adelaide - Barossa Valley - Adelaide This morning, visit a wildlife sanctuary and come face-to-face with some of Australia's most iconic animals, including koalas and kangaroos. Later, journey to the renowned Barossa Valley, where rolling vineyards await. Enjoy a private guided tour and wine tasting at Seppeltsfield Wines, then savour a leisurely lunch at this historic winery. (B, L)

Day 5: Adelaide - Uluru (Ayers Rock) Fly from Adelaide to Uluru, the spiritual heart of the Outback. Upon arrival, travel into Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, where the iconic red monolith rises dramatically from the flat desert landscape. On a guided tour of Uluru's base, uncover the stories, traditions, and deep cultural significance of this site through the lens of Australia's Aboriginal people. As the sun begins to set, sip drinks and savour canapés while the colours of Uluru change before your eyes. (B)

Day 6: Uluru (Ayers Rock) This morning, set out to explore Kata Tjuta, Uluru's awe-inspiring neighbour. These towering, domed rock formations stretch across the desert for miles, offering a dramatic contrast to the surrounding landscape. Return to your resort, where the rest of the day is yours to unwind or take advantage of the resort's activities. (B, D)

Day 7: Uluru (Ayers Rock) - Cairns Say goodbye to the Outback and hello to the tropics as you fly to Cairns, your gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. Enjoy a relaxed evening at leisure. (B)

Day 8: Cairns - Great Barrier Reef - Cairns Set sail aboard a high-speed catamaran bound for the Great Barrier Reef. Spend the day exploring this underwater paradise from a spacious reef pontoon. You might soak up the sun on deck, take in the vibrant marine life from a glass-bottom submersible or underwater viewing platform, or swim or snorkel among the reefs. (B, L)

Day 9: Cairns This morning, set out on a short cruise to a stunning wetland within an Indigenous Protected Reserve. Upon arrival, be welcomed by the Mandingalbay clan, the Traditional Owners of this land, with a traditional smoking ceremony. Gain insight into their rich cultural heritage as you are introduced to native foods and bush

medicines, and hear stories that bring ancient traditions, customs, and artifacts to life. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure, before joining your fellow travellers for an included dinner. (B, D)

Day 10: Cairns - Sydney Wish the tropics goodbye and touch down in Sydney, Australia, your home for the next three nights. (B)

Day 11: Sydney Get to know the spirit of Sydney on a panoramic city tour, taking in its most iconic sights and vibrant neighbourhoods. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Uncover the untold stories of the women who helped shape the city on a guided walk along one of Sydney's most historic streets **-OR-** wander the winding paths of the Royal Botanic Gardens as you learn about the Indigenous peoples who have called this land home for thousands of years. After lunch, step behind the scenes of the Sydney Opera House on an expert-led tour. Tonight, embark on a memorable dinner cruise in Sydney Harbour, gliding past the illuminated Opera House and beneath the Harbour Bridge. (B, D)

Day 12: Sydney Make the most of your final day in Sydney with a full day at leisure. Your included hop-on, hop-off bus pass makes it easy to explore at your own pace! (B)

Day 13: Sydney - Wellington, New Zealand Arrive in New Zealand. Feel the ever-present heartbeat of Māori culture on this set of islands. Say hello to Wellington, the colourful capital city of New Zealand. Savour the city's gourmet eats and seaside charm as the warm ocean breeze welcomes you to the "Windy City." (B, D)

Day 14: Wellington Begin the day with a private **IMPACT MOMENT** — experience a traditional *powhiri*, a powerful Māori welcome ceremony. At a cultural centre, admire the carved *waka* (canoes), and see an archaeological site of a waterfront *pa* (village). Taste Māori heritage with a *hangi* lunch and discover the roots of the culture at the Te Papa Museum. Explore the city of Wellington during your free afternoon and evening. (B, L)

Day 15: Wellington - Picton - Blenheim Cruise across the Cook Strait to New Zealand's South Island. Arrive in Blenheim, the heart of the Marlborough Wine Region. Enjoy an evening at leisure. Perhaps you'll explore local art galleries or indulge in the bustling food scene. (B)

Day 16: Blenheim (Marlborough Wine Region) Today, begin your exploration of the Marlborough region at the Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre, where fascinating exhibits and meticulously restored aircraft retell local wartime history. Then, head to Havelock to sample its famous, green-lipped mussels. Cap off the day with a visit to one of Marlborough's celebrated wineries, indulging in a wine-tasting session complemented by a vineyard-side lunch showcasing fresh local ingredients. (B, L)

Day 17: Blenheim - Punakaiki Today, journey to New Zealand's wild West Coast. At Punakaiki's Pancake Rocks, feel the ocean spray as waves crash against these unique limestone formations known for their flapjack-like facade. Tonight, dine at your beachfront hotel, nestled between the ocean and rainforest. (B, D)

Day 18: Punakaiki - Franz Josef Wake up in Punakaiki, and make your way to Franz Josef, New Zealand's glacier country. Discover the area's rugged allure, perhaps combing the creek bed in search of New Zealand jade, exploring one of the many walking trails, or trying the eateries in town. (B)

Day 19: Franz Josef This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** View the Franz Josef Glacier with a local guide, traversing an exclusive trail not open to the public **-OR-** get a glimpse of the elusive kiwi at the West Coast Wildlife Centre, where you'll learn more about conservation and rehabilitation of this national icon. Enjoy free time this afternoon and finish your day with dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

Day 20: Franz Josef - Wanaka - Queenstown Journey through the thick rainforest and emerge on the untamed West Coast, where the cliffs and beaches and the southern snowcapped Alps offer a feast for the eyes. Pause in Wanaka, a slice of tranquility nestled along a mountain-lined lake. Continue to Queenstown, the adventure capital of the world, and settle into your home for the next three nights. (B)

Day 21: Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown Enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley and cross through an ancient red beech forest. Cruise along the waters of the dramatic Milford Sound, taking in the natural splendour around you. With cliffs rising up to nearly 1,219 metres, you'll see why this is one of the most



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3, 4	Peppers Waymouth, Adelaide
Days 5, 6	Desert Gardens, Uluru
Days 7 – 9	Flynn Crystalbrook Collection Hotel, Cairns
Days 10 – 12	PARKROYAL Darling Harbour, Sydney
Days 13, 14	Naumi Hotel, Wellington
Days 15, 16	Scenic Hotel Marlborough, Blenheim
Day 17	Scenic Hotel, Punakaiki
Days 18, 19	Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier, Franz Josef
Days 20 – 22	Rendezvous Heritage Hotel, Queenstown

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

20 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Lunches (L) • 8 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Adelaide • Pre-Night Stay

Queenstown • Post-Night Stay

Fiji • Post-Tour Independent Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,370* pp

Escape to the tropical paradise of Fiji — relax and recharge after your South Pacific journey

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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visited sights on the South Island. Following your cruise, you may choose to return to Queenstown via a short optional flight (weather permitting) for spectacular views of New Zealand's Southern Alps. (B, L)

Day 22: Queenstown Today is yours to explore Queenstown however you choose. Perhaps you'll opt for a cruise

of Lake Wakatipu aboard a historic coal-fired steamship. Once ashore, enjoy a barbecue lunch and a sheepdog demonstration. Tonight, gather once more to toast to the unforgettable journey you've shared. (B, D)

Day 23: Queenstown - Tour Ends Your tour of Australia and New Zealand comes to a close today. (B)

Exploring New Zealand's Wonders featuring the North & South Islands

19 DAYS • 26 MEALS • STARTING AT \$10,299

Small Group

Aoraki / Mt. Cook

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 2 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$10,299 (DOUBLE) or \$12,749 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on September 16, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Auckland, Rotorua, Māori Cultural Experience, Wellington, Christchurch, Aoraki / Mount Cook Region, Milford Sound, Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu Cruise & Sheepdog Demonstration, Wellington Walking Food Tour

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore Whakarewarewa — a Māori cultural and geothermal experience.
- Experience an authentic *hangi* dinner and learn about Māori culture.
- Relish a breathtaking cruise through Milford Sound fjord.
- Overnight in the Aoraki / Mount Cook region where extensive glaciers blanket rugged peaks.
- Visit Walter Peak High Country farm for a sheepdog demonstration.
- Take a traditional Māori canoe down the Otakaro Avon River in Christchurch.
- Walk through Whakarewarewa Forest and see Redwoods over 100 years old.
- Enjoy a barbecue on the western shore of Lake Wakatipu.

Day 1 – Day 2: Overnight Flight Cross the International Dateline and begin the adventure of a lifetime by skipping a day ahead.

Day 3: Auckland, New Zealand Your tour opens in Auckland, the “City of Sails,” consistently rated one of the world’s best places to live. Auckland’s Polynesian population instills into its chic atmosphere the vibrant feel of the Pacific Islands. As arrival times will vary greatly, there are no scheduled activities through the afternoon. This evening, meet your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 4: Auckland Come to know the best of Auckland during a panoramic city tour featuring the America’s Cup Village, the War Memorial, bustling Queen Street, and the Auckland Harbour Bridge. The remainder of the day is yours to explore New Zealand’s largest city on your own. (B)

Day 5: Auckland - Rotorua Depart Auckland and travel south to the town of Rotorua, known for geothermal activity and Māori culture. On the way, stop at The Red Barn for a private guided tour of a local farm and morning tea. Upon reaching Rotorua, marvel at the height and age of the redwoods in the Whakarewarewa Forest. Some of these trees are over 120 years old and nearly 76 metres tall. (B, D)

Day 6: Rotorua Find yourself amid the dramatic geothermal landscape of Rotorua, known as the Māori capital of New Zealand. Visit Whakarewarewa, a Māori cultural and geothermal experience. Explore an authentic Māori village where people live using natural geothermal resources to cook, bathe, and heat their homes as they have done for centuries. In the evening, experience ceremonial Māori rituals at an authentic *hangi* dinner and performance. (B, D)

Day 7: Rotorua - Wellington Today, travel to Wellington — New Zealand’s capital, known as the “Windy City,” a coastal city nestled against the mountains. (B, D)

Day 8: Wellington Embark on a city tour of Wellington. See the Beehive, New Zealand’s Parliament, and the Old Government Building, the largest wooden building in the Southern Hemisphere. Then, get to know Wellington for its reputation as a foodie destination and explore the culinary scene on a private walking food tour. Visit some Wellington institutions and try some Kiwi favourites before enjoying a leisurely afternoon and evening, starting at 3:00 p.m. With your free time, perhaps you’ll explore the vibrant waterfront, where you can stroll along Queen’s Wharf, visit Te Papa Museum, or relax at a harbourside café



Te Papa Museum

while soaking in views of Wellington's picturesque harbour. (B, L)

Day 9: Wellington Continue your exploration of New Zealand's capital city with a full free day at leisure. Perhaps you'd like to see the rugged coast of New Zealand on a half-day tour to Seal Coast or take a half-day *Lord of the Rings* tour to get closer to the filming locations and learn about its legacy in Wellington. (B)

Day 10: Wellington - Picton - Christchurch Board a ferry and sail across Cook Strait. Experience what is considered to be one of the most beautiful ferry rides in the world. Arrive in Picton on the South Island, then continue along the breathtaking east coast to the largest city on the South Island, Christchurch. (B, D)

Day 11: Christchurch Christchurch, the "Garden City," is still rebuilding and recreating itself after a devastating earthquake in 2011. See firsthand how this city is evolving on a sightseeing tour that highlights the city's magnificent gardens and elegant park district. Pay a visit to Willowbank Wildlife Reserve, a leader in the conservation of New Zealand species. Here, you'll have the chance to view New Zealand's "Big 5" — kiwi, kaka, tuatara, kea, and takahe. Learn about the local Indigenous culture of the Māori with a paddle on the Avon River in a traditional canoe or *waka*. (B)

Day 12: Christchurch This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit Quake City, a museum dedicated to remembering the Canterbury earthquakes and how the city has rebuilt **-OR-** get to know Christchurch's long history of exploration in Antarctica during a visit to the International Antarctic Centre. Continue to explore Christchurch your way with free time for the rest of the day starting at 1:00 p.m. (B)

Day 13: Christchurch - Aoraki / Mount Cook Region Journey through New Zealand's unspoiled wilderness and

arrive in the Aoraki / Mount Cook region, where extensive glaciers blanket the rugged peaks. The Māori word Aoraki means "cloud piercer." This is where famed New Zealand mountaineer Sir Edmund Hillary honed his skills before conquering Everest. You can take a nature walk, enjoy an optional glacier flightseeing tour (weather permitting), or simply meditate in the quiet of the Southern Alps. (B, D)

Day 14: Aoraki / Mount Cook Region - Dunedin Travel to Dunedin, situated on the southeast coast of New Zealand. One of the earliest European settlements on the islands, Dunedin holds proudly to its Scottish heritage and traditions. Visit Baldwin Street, the world's steepest public road, as awarded by the Guinness Book of Records. Enjoy a free afternoon before dinner at a local ale house. (B, D)

Day 15: Dunedin Start your morning with a panoramic tour of Dunedin before stepping back in time with a visit to Larnach Castle. Built in 1871, this gothic castle offers insight into Victorian culture during a pivotal time in Dunedin history. Afterward, pay a visit to the Royal Albatross Centre, the only mainland breeding location in the world for these otherworldly birds. Albatrosses are the focus in many seafaring myths, and their epic wingspan can reach nearly 3 metres. (B)

Day 16: Dunedin - Queenstown Drive past vineyards, amazing landscapes, and the charming towns of Central Otago as you head to Queenstown. Dubbed the "adventure capital of the world," it's a mountainside town set against the shores of Lake Wakatipu. Arrive in the afternoon and take a gondola to Bob's Peak for stunning views of the area. (B)

Day 17: Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown During a cruise of the beautiful Milford Sound, you will see why this fjord is one of the most visited sites on the South Island. With rock faces that rise nearly 1,219 metres



Arrival: Auckland (AKL)

Departure: Queenstown (ZQN)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3, 4	Hotel Indigo, Auckland
Days 5, 6	Sudima Lake Rotorua Hotel, Rotorua
Days 7 – 9	Naumi Hotel, Wellington
Days 10 – 12	Distinction, Christchurch
Day 13	The Hermitage Hotel, Mount Cook
Days 14, 15	Scenic Hotel Southern Cross, Dunedin
Days 16 – 18	Novotel Queenstown Lakeside, Queenstown

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Auckland • Pre-Night Stay

Queenstown • Post-Night Stay

Fiji • Post-Tour Independent Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,370[†] pp

Escape to the tropical paradise of Fiji — relax and recharge after your South Pacific journey.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

on either side, the scenery will take your breath away. On your return to Queenstown, perhaps you will consider an optional scenic flight, allowing you to see the landscape from an entirely new perspective. (B, L)

Day 18: Queenstown Enjoy a relaxed start to your day or head out to explore. Consider an optional tour through the stunning Queenstown countryside, showcasing many of the locations where blockbuster movies

have been filmed and learn about the gold rush that first brought travellers to the region. Leaving at 5:00 p.m. this evening, cruise Lake Wakatipu, surrounded by Queenstown's stunning landscape aboard an iconic coal-fired steamship. Then, enjoy a lakeside barbecue dinner, followed by a sheepdog demonstration, before cruising back. (B, D)

Day 19: Queenstown - Tour Ends Your adventure comes to a close today. (B)

Australia's Outback to New Zealand's South Island

20 DAYS • 29 MEALS • STARTING AT \$12,749

Ayers Rock (Uluru)

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$12,749 (DOUBLE)** or **\$15,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on September 15, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Sydney, Sydney Opera House, Cairns, Great Barrier Reef, Daintree Rainforest, Uluru, Kata Tjuta, Melbourne, Queenstown, Milford Sound, Mt. Cook National Park, Christchurch

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Take a guided tour of the Sydney Opera House — an architectural wonder.
- Discover the bushcraft of the Kuku Yalanji Indigenous people at Mossman Gorge.
- Cruise Milford Sound, taking in the natural beauty that surrounds you.
- Overnight in the majestic Mt. Cook National Park.
- Witness Uluru (Ayers Rock) at sunset while you sip champagne.
- Explore the Great Barrier Reef.
- Dine with locals in their home in Christchurch.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Willowbank Wildlife Reserve and Uluru — promoting and preserving heritage and culture of Indigenous people. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1 – Day 2: Overnight Flight Cross the International Dateline (skipping a day ahead) for an adventure discovering the treasures of Australia and New Zealand, including their unparalleled beauty and captivating culture.

Day 3: Sydney, Australia Arrive today in Sydney, perhaps one of the friendliest metropolises in the world. Tonight, join your fellow travellers and toast to the start of your adventure down under during dinner in lively Darling Harbour. (D)

Day 4: Sydney See where English colonists first settled during a city tour of Sydney, starting with a guided walking tour of The Rocks district. Then, head to Circular Quay, famed for two of Sydney's most recognizable landmarks — the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Sydney Opera House. Take an expert-led tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour, to discover its remarkable architecture and history. Continue your discovery of the city with a visit to the Botanic Gardens and its historic surroundings. Then, have the chance to join a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. Our city tour of Sydney will conclude around 3:00 p.m. You are free to explore the city for the remainder of the day, perhaps booking a show at the Opera House. (B)

Day 5: Sydney Deepen your exploration of Sydney's many wonders with a full day at leisure. Tonight, enjoy scenic vistas of Sydney during a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour departing from the hotel at 4:30 p.m. Marvel at the magnificent skyline and iconic attractions: the Sydney Opera House and the Harbour Bridge. (B, D)

Day 6: Sydney - Cairns Fly to Cairns, the tropical gateway to one of the world's most spectacular natural attractions — the Great Barrier Reef (UNESCO). Established as a marine park in 1975, the reef is a haven for thousands of species of sea life, as well as turtles and birds. (B)

Day 7: Cairns Board a high-speed catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great Barrier Reef. Explore the reef from your base on Green Island. Enjoy a glass-bottom boat ride, stroll the island's walking trails, relax on the beach, snorkel, or just watch the fish and sea turtles swim past from the pier. For a more adventurous encounter with the reef, an optional outer reef tour is also available. (B, L)

Day 8: Cairns Soak up the tropical atmosphere — the day is yours. Perhaps you'll take an optional tour on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, taking you above the rainforest canopy for a

bird's-eye view of unspoiled nature. Or, you might spend your time at Rusty's market shopping for local produce and handicrafts. Maybe you'll head to the Cairns Aquarium to get another look at those magnificent sea creatures. (B, D)

Day 9: Cairns Gain insight into Aboriginal culture with a trip to Mossman Gorge, located on the edge of the Daintree Rainforest, the oldest tropical rainforest in the world. Experience a private smoking ceremony, which welcomes you to the rainforest. Learn about how the Indigenous people found bushfoods and made soap and ochre paint. This afternoon, visit Hartley's Crocodile Adventures to see crocodiles on a nature cruise. Head through rainforests on boardwalks to spot wildlife like birds, reptiles, and wallabies. (B, L)

Day 10: Cairns - Uluru Say goodbye to the Tropics and hello to Uluru (the Aboriginal name for Ayers Rock) nestled in the heart of Australia's Outback. This awe-inspiring monolith, along with the striking sandstone domes of Kata Tjuta, stands as a testament to millennia of natural upheaval and erosion. Explore the base of Uluru, uncovering its fascinating geology and deep cultural significance to the Aboriginal people. As the day draws to a close, marvel at the shifting hues of Uluru at sunset, perfectly paired with a celebratory champagne toast. (B)

Day 11: Uluru This morning, set out to explore Kata Tjuta — Uluru's awe-inspiring neighbour. These towering, domed rock formations stretch for miles across the desert, offering a dramatic contrast to the surrounding landscape. Wander through the soaring red peaks and be rewarded with sweeping views that capture the raw beauty of the Outback. Return to your resort, where the rest of the day is yours — unwind, recharge, or take advantage of the resort's activities. (B, D)

Day 12: Uluru - Melbourne Fly to the beautiful Victorian city of Melbourne. Set upon the shores of Port Phillip Bay and the Yarra River, the city exudes a lively and cosmopolitan atmosphere. (B, D)

Day 13: Melbourne Set out on a city tour and see Fitzroy Gardens and Melbourne's bustling "laneways." Visit the Melbourne Botanical Gardens and Shrine of Remembrance. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Enjoy panoramic views from above at Melbourne Skydeck, the Southern Hemisphere's highest public

vantage point **-OR-** unwind on a scenic cruise along the Yarra River, taking in Melbourne's sights from the water. With an afternoon to yourself, perhaps you will ride a free city tram, try the amazing array of cuisines on offer in this multicultural city, or enjoy the Victorian-era architecture. (B)

Day 14: Melbourne - Queenstown, New Zealand Fly to Queenstown, New Zealand. One of New Zealand's most popular towns, Queenstown is nestled against a picturesque bay and snowcapped mountains. Home to ski resorts, hiking trails, and an abundance of natural beauty, the city is known as the "Adventure Capital of the World." Settle into your new home for the next three nights. (B, D)

Day 15: Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown Soak in the rugged grandeur of Hollyford Valley as you travel through an ancient beech forest via the Homer Tunnel. Cruise the Milford Sound and see why this fjord is one of the most visited sights on South Island. Following the cruise, consider returning to Queenstown via a short optional flight (weather permitting) for spectacular views of New Zealand's Southern Alps. (B, L)

Day 16: Queenstown Your day is free to experience Queenstown your way. Shop or people-watch in the village, find a unique eatery for lunch, sample some New Zealand wine — the day is yours to enjoy this stunning city. This evening, you might choose to cruise Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak High Country Farm where you will enjoy a lakeside barbecue lunch followed by a sheepdog demonstration before sailing back. (B)

Day 17: Queenstown - Mt. Cook National Park Set off for the 19th-century settlement of Arrowtown, founded during the gold fever. Follow the Kawarau River and cross Lindis Pass before arriving in New Zealand's most famous national park — Mt. Cook. Savour some free time in this Alpine paradise. You may choose to take a nature walk or simply meditate on the quiet of the Southern Alps. (B, D)

Day 18: Mt. Cook National Park - Christchurch Depart for Christchurch this morning and pay a visit to Willowbank Wildlife Reserve. A leader in the conservation of New Zealand species, Willowbank offers the chance to view New Zealand's "Big 5" up close and personal. Learn about the local Indigenous culture of the Māori, with a paddle on the Avon River in a traditional



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3 – 5	Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, Sydney
Days 6 – 9	Bailey Crystalbrook Collection Hotel, Cairns
Days 10, 11	Desert Gardens, Uluru
Days 12, 13	Crown Promenade Melbourne, Melbourne
Days 14 – 16	Novotel Queenstown Lakeside, Queenstown
Day 17	The Hermitage, Mount Cook
Days 18, 19	Distinction Christchurch, Christchurch

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

17 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 9 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Sydney • Pre-Night Stay

Christchurch • Post-Night Stay

Tasmania • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

5 Nights, Starting at \$4,245[†] pp

Kickstart your adventure in Tasmania, exploring Launceston, Cradle Mountain, and Hobart.

Fiji • Post-Tour Independent Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,370[†] pp

Escape to the tropical paradise of Fiji — relax and recharge after your South Pacific journey.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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canoe or *waka*. Later, join some locals for a home-hosted dinner. (B, D)

Day 19: Christchurch Devastated by an earthquake in early 2011, see firsthand how the "Garden City" is recreating itself during a sightseeing tour that highlights the city's magnificent gardens and elegant park

district. As the day draws to a close, toast to your adventure down under at a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 20: Christchurch - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close, leaving you with unforgettable memories of the South Pacific. (B)

The Complete South Pacific

27 DAYS • 39 MEALS • STARTING AT \$16,449



Milford Sound

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$16,449 (DOUBLE)** or **\$20,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on November 6, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

January – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Melbourne, Tasmanian Devils, Barossa Valley Wine Tasting, Uluru, Indigenous Pamagirri Experience, Great Barrier Reef, Sydney Opera House, Whakarewarewa Thermal Village, Kiwi Birds at Willowbank, Historic Port Arthur, Queenstown, Milford Sound

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Take a *waka*, a traditional Māori canoe ride on the Otakaro Avon River.
- Taste world-class wines during a private tour of Seppeltsfield in the Barossa Valley.
- At sunset, enjoy a champagne toast while gazing at Uluru.
- See Australian wildlife and learn about indigenous culture at Rainforestation Nature Park.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Tasmanian Devil Unzoo, Te Papa Museum, and Whakarewarewa Thermal Village — engaging with Māori culture through community-led experiences. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

and learn about this unique marsupial and the plan to save it from extinction. Tour the Port Arthur Historic Site, the best-preserved example of Australia's original penal colonies. En route, witness the coastal rock formations of Tasman Arch, Devil's Kitchen, and the Blow Hole. (B)

Day 7: Hobart Enjoy a free day to explore Hobart. Food lovers may opt to join an optional Bruny Island Food Tour, a full-day experience showcasing Tasmania's celebrated local flavours. (B)

Day 8: Hobart - Adelaide Fly to Adelaide, South Australia's bustling capital known for food and wine. (B, D)

Day 9: Adelaide - Barossa Valley - Adelaide Treat your taste buds to a full-day exploration of the Barossa Valley's fine food and wine. Starting at Seppeltsfield winery where a wine educator will take you on a behind-the-scenes look through the estate's historical buildings and spectacular surroundings. Learn of the Seppelt family history and their profound influence on the Australian wine industry. Following the tour, enjoy a delicious Barossa-style lunch. Afterwards, continue to Chateau Tanunda for a private tour and tasting of their world-class wines. (B, L)

Day 10: Adelaide - Uluru (Ayers Rock) This morning, make your way to Uluru (the Aboriginal name for Ayers Rock) in the heart of the Australian Outback. Tour the area surrounding the base of "The Rock" and learn about its significance to the indigenous population. As the day draws to a close, sip a glass of champagne as Uluru's hues change dramatically with the setting sun. (B)

Day 11: Uluru - Cairns Fly to Cairns, the tropical gateway to the Great Barrier Reef (UNESCO). This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant featuring native ingredients. (B, D)

Day 12: Cairns Rise high on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway for an unforgettable ride over the rainforest canopy. Then, explore the forest floor up close with access to specially designed boardwalks. Afterward, visit Rainforestation Nature Park for lunch and unique encounters with Australian wildlife and indigenous culture. Experience a performance of indigenous dancing, and join a guided walk to explore Aboriginal traditions, seeing how spears were used for hunting and trying your hand at throwing a boomerang. In the Koala and Wildlife

Day 1 - Day 2: Overnight Flight Cross the International Dateline as you begin your adventure through Australia and New Zealand. Be prepared for some extensive travel days between the destinations on your tour.

Day 3: Melbourne, Australia Arrive in lively and cosmopolitan Melbourne. As travellers' arrival times will vary, we have no group activities planned during the day. Late this afternoon, we meet for a briefing about the journey ahead; tonight, we gather for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 4: Melbourne Set out on a panoramic city tour, including a guided walk of the famed Royal Botanic Gardens. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Enjoy panoramic views from above at Melbourne Skydeck, the Southern Hemisphere's highest public vantage point **-OR-** unwind on a scenic cruise along the Yarra River, taking in Melbourne's sights from the water. Afterward, the rest of the day is yours to explore Melbourne as you please. (B)

Day 5: Melbourne - Hobart Fly to Hobart, Tasmania. Its rugged and pristine beauty provides the backdrop for your three-night stay. Enjoy a guided walk to get to know Hobart before dinner this evening. (B, D)

Day 6: Hobart Today, visit the Tasmanian Devil Conservation Center

Park, wander the boardwalks seeing kangaroos, wallabies, reptiles, and cassowaries. (B, L)

Day 13: Cairns Board a high-speed catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great Barrier Reef. Explore the reef from your base on Green Island. Enjoy a glass-bottom boat ride, stroll the island's walking trails, relax on the beach, or snorkel. For a more adventurous encounter with the reef, an optional under reef tour is also available. (B, L)

Day 14: Cairns - Sydney Fly to Sydney. This evening, personalize your culinary experience with Diner's Choice — choosing from a variety of local restaurants for an included dinner along bustling Darling Harbour. (B, D)

Day 15: Sydney Enjoy a city tour of Sydney, featuring the Harbour Bridge, the Rocks, Circular Quay, and the Royal Botanic Gardens. Take an expert-led tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. Next, join a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. Our city tour of Sydney will conclude around 3:00 p.m. You are free to explore the city for the remainder of the day. (B)

Day 16: Sydney Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore on your own. (B)

Day 17: Sydney - Auckland, New Zealand Fly to New Zealand and arrive in Auckland, the "City of Sails." Auckland has the highest Polynesian population in the world, imbuing its chic atmosphere with the vibrant feel of the Pacific Islands. (B, D)

Day 18: Auckland - Rotorua Get to know the best of Auckland during a panoramic city tour, passing by the America's Cup Village, the War Memorial, vibrant Queen Street, and the Auckland Harbour Bridge. Next, travel to the dramatic geothermal landscape of Rotorua. Over one-third of Rotorua's population boasts Māori roots, making it known as the Māori capital of New Zealand. (B, D)

Day 19: Rotorua Discover Whakarewarewa — a Māori cultural and geothermal experience. Explore an authentic Māori village where people live using natural geothermal resources to cook, bathe, and heat their homes as they have done for centuries. At the Agrodome, see a sheep-shearing demonstration and learn about the importance of agriculture to the nation. Enjoy free time starting from 1:00 p.m. to explore

Rotorua independently. Tonight, you may wish to deepen your understanding of Māori culture with the optional Te Pō at Te Puia experience, an atmospheric evening featuring cultural performances, storytelling, and a hāngi feast. (B)

Day 20: Rotorua - Wellington Make your way to Wellington, New Zealand's capital city. (B, D)

Day 21: Wellington Come to know Wellington on a tour including the Beehive, New Zealand's Parliament, Lampton Quay, and the Old Government Building. Explore the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongawera, dedicated to art, history, and the Māori culture. Afterward, enjoy the rest of the day to explore Wellington on your own. (B)

Day 22: Wellington - Picton - Christchurch Today, experience what has been called "the most beautiful ferry ride in the world" as you sail across the Cook Strait on your way to the historic city of Christchurch. Dinner tonight will be at the hotel. (B, D)

Day 23: Christchurch This morning, enjoy a tour at Willowbank Wildlife Reserve. A leader in the conservation of New Zealand species, Willowbank offers the chance to view New Zealand's "Big 5" up close. Learn about the local indigenous culture of the Māori, with a paddle on the Avon River in a traditional canoe or *waka*. Spend the afternoon exploring independently and see how far the city has come since the earthquakes of 2011. Our scheduled activities will conclude at 1:30 p.m. The rest of the day, you're free to explore. (B)

Day 24: Christchurch - Queenstown Make your way to Queenstown, nicknamed the "Adventure Capital of the World." (B, D)

Day 25: Queenstown Enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley as you travel through a beech forest via the Homer Tunnel. Cruise the breathtaking Milford Sound and see why this fjord is one of the most visited sights on the South Island. Following your cruise, consider returning to Queenstown via a short optional flight (weather permitting) for spectacular views of New Zealand's Southern Alps. (B, L)

Day 26: Queenstown A free day in Queenstown offers limitless activities. Today, you have the opportunity to partake in an off-road tour through the rugged Queenstown countryside, showcasing the filming locations of many blockbuster movies and learning



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3, 4	Crown Metropol, Melbourne
Days 5 – 7	Hadley's Orient Hotel, Hobart
Days 8, 9	Pullman Adelaide, Adelaide
Day 10	Desert Gardens Hotel, Ayers Rock
Days 11 – 13	Flynn Crystalbrook Collection Hotel, Cairns
Days 14 – 16	Sofitel Sydney Wentworth, Sydney
Day 17	Hotel Indigo, Auckland
Days 18, 19	Sudima Lake Rotorua, Rotorua
Days 20, 21	James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor, Wellington
Days 22, 23	Distinction Christchurch, Christchurch
Days 24 – 26	Rendezvous Heritage, Queenstown

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Melbourne • Pre-Night Stay

Queenstown • Post-Night Stay

Fiji • Post-Tour Independent Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,370* pp

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OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Starting in January 2028, this tour will follow a different routing pattern and be an additional day in length. Please see our website for details.

about the region's gold rush. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner and toast to a fabulous trip. (B, D)

Day 27: Queenstown - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close in Queenstown. (B)

South Pacific Wonders

15 DAYS • 22 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,999



Sydney

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,999 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on September 28, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Christchurch, Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu Cruise & Sheepdog Demonstration, Milford Sound, Cairns, Great Barrier Reef, Sydney Opera House

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Come to know Australia's ancient traditions at the Rainforestation Nature Park.
- Board a catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great Barrier Reef.
- Paddle the Avon River in a traditional Māori *waka* (canoe).
- Enjoy a "Kiwi" barbecue on the western shore of Lake Wakatipu.
- Take a guided tour of the fascinating Sydney Opera House.
- Take in the sights during a dinner cruise on Sydney Harbour.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Willowbank Wildlife Reserve — conserving biodiversity through species breeding and release, wildlife rehab, and habitat restoration. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1 – Day 2: Overnight Flight Cross the International Dateline, skipping a day ahead, and begin your adventure of a lifetime.

Day 3: Cairns, Australia Welcome to Cairns, the tropical gateway to one of the world's most spectacular natural attractions and a World Heritage site, the Great Barrier Reef. Established as a marine park in 1975, the reef is a haven for thousands of species of sea life, as well as turtles and birds. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. (D)

Day 4: Cairns Come to know the history of Australia's original inhabitants at the Rainforestation Nature Park, where an Indigenous Pamagirri guide will show you some of their oldest customs and traditions. Enjoy an "Aussie" barbecue lunch before visiting Hartley's Crocodile Adventures to see crocodiles on a nature cruise. Head through rainforests on boardwalks to see animals such as birds, reptiles, and wallabies. Visit with a koala and chat with a wildlife naturalist to learn more about these marsupials. (B, L)

Day 5: Cairns - Great Barrier Reef - Cairns Board a high-speed catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great

Barrier Reef. Explore the reef from your base on Green Island. Enjoy a glass-bottom boat ride, stroll the island's walking trails, relax on the beach, snorkel, or just watch the fish and sea turtles swim past from the pier. For a more adventurous encounter with the reef, an optional outer reef tour is also available. (B, L)

Day 6: Cairns - Sydney The morning is yours. Enjoy your last few hours in Cairns by relaxing and taking in the tropical atmosphere and surrounding neighbourhood. Then, fly to the bustling city of Sydney. (B, D)

Day 7: Sydney See where English colonists first settled during a city tour of Sydney, the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks, Circular Quay, and the Botanic Gardens. Take an expert-led tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. Then, have the chance to join a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. Our city tour of Sydney will conclude around 3:00 p.m. You are free to explore the city for the remainder of the day, perhaps booking a show at the Opera House. (B)

Day 8: Sydney Embrace the exciting city of Sydney during a day of independent exploration. Tonight, say farewell to Australia while on a dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour, departing



Milford Sound



Great Barrier Reef

from the hotel at 4:30 p.m. Marvel at the scenic vistas of the harbour, showcasing Sydney's magnificent skyline, the iconic Sydney Opera House, and the Harbour Bridge. Tomorrow, the journey to New Zealand begins. (B, D)

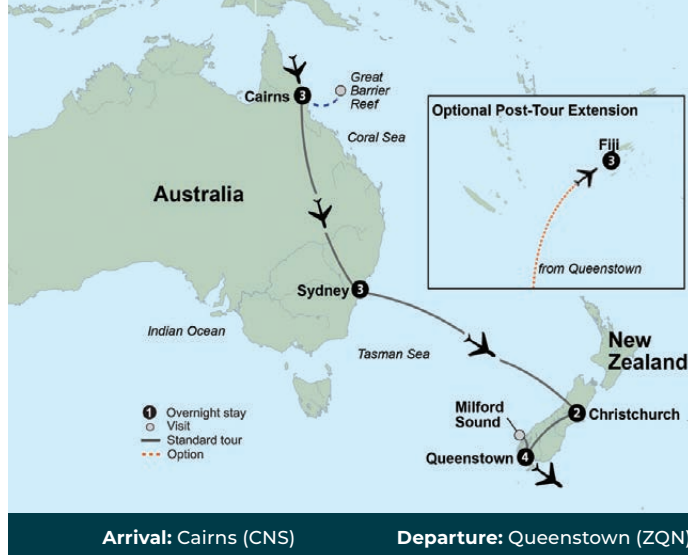
Day 9: Sydney - Christchurch, New Zealand This morning, catch a flight to Christchurch. Devastated by an earthquake in early 2011, you'll see firsthand how the city known as the "Garden City" is recreating itself. (B, D)

Day 10: Christchurch Start your morning with a city tour of Christchurch. Then, pay a visit to Willowbank Wildlife Reserve. A leader in the conservation of New Zealand species, Willowbank offers the chance to view New Zealand's "Big 5" — the Kiwi, the Kea, the Tuatara, the Kaka, and the Takahe — up close and personal. Then, learn about the local Indigenous culture of the Māori with a paddle on

the Avon River in a traditional *waka* (canoe). Our scheduled activities will conclude at 1:30 p.m. Continue your exploration of Christchurch with the rest of the day free. (B)

Day 11: Christchurch - Queenstown Depart Christchurch and trek south to Queenstown during a full day of travel. Known as the "Adventure Capital of the World," Queenstown is nestled against a picturesque bay and snowcapped mountains. Arrive in Queenstown in the evening in time for dinner. (B, D)

Day 12: Queenstown Cruise Lake Wakatipu surrounded by Queenstown's stunning landscape aboard an iconic coal-fired steamship. Then, enjoy a lakeside "Kiwi" barbecue lunch, followed by a sheepdog demonstration, before sailing back. Later, take a gondola to the top of Bob's Peak for stunning



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** Overnight Flight
- Days 3 – 5** Bailey Crystalbrook Collection Hotel, Cairns
- Days 6 – 8** Novotel Sydney Darling Square, Sydney
- Days 9, 10** Distinction Christchurch Hotel, Christchurch
- Days 11 – 14** Millennium Hotel, Queenstown

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Lunches (L) • 6 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Cairns • Pre-Night Stay

Queenstown • Post-Night Stay

Fiji • Post-Tour Independent Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,370[†] pp

Escape to the tropical paradise of Fiji — relax and recharge after your South Pacific journey.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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panoramic views of the area. This evening is yours to enjoy charming Queenstown. Get some good rest ahead of a long day of travel tomorrow. (B, L)

Day 13: Queenstown - Milford Sound - Queenstown Enjoy the rugged grandeur of the Hollyford Valley as you travel through an ancient beech forest via the Homer Tunnel. Cruise Milford Sound and see why this fjord is one of the most visited sights on South Island. Following your cruise, you may choose to return to Queenstown via a short optional flight (weather permitting) for

spectacular views of New Zealand's Southern Alps. (B, L)

Day 14: Queenstown A free day offers an optional tour taking you through the majestic Queenstown countryside, showcasing the region's gold mining history and many locations where blockbuster movies have been filmed, or perhaps you'll want to shop and people-watch in the village. At 6:00 p.m., we will depart from the hotel for our farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 15: Queenstown - Tour Ends Your tour ends today in Queenstown. (B)

South Pacific Wonders including New Zealand's North Island

18 DAYS • 28 MEALS • STARTING AT \$10,999



CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$10,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$13,449 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on March 21, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

October 2027 – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for October 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Rotorua, Christchurch, Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu Cruise & Sheepdog Demonstration, Milford Sound, Cairns, Great Barrier Reef, Sydney Opera House

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Come to know Australia's ancient traditions at the Rainforestation Nature Park.
- Board a catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great Barrier Reef.
- Paddle the Avon River in a traditional Māori *waka* (canoe).
- Take in the sights during a dinner cruise on Sydney Harbour.
- Take a guided tour of the fascinating Sydney Opera House.
- Enjoy a “Kiwi” barbecue on the western shore of Lake Wakatipu.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Willowbank Wildlife Reserve — conserving biodiversity through species breeding and release, wildlife rehab, and habitat restoration. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1 – Day 2: Overnight Flight Cross the International Dateline, skipping a day ahead, and begin your adventure of a lifetime.

Day 3: Cairns, Australia Welcome to Cairns, the tropical gateway to one of the world's most spectacular natural attractions and a World Heritage site, the Great Barrier Reef. Established as a marine park in 1975, the reef is a haven for thousands of species of sea life, as well as turtles and birds. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, we gather for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 4: Cairns Come to know the history of Australia's original inhabitants at the Rainforestation Nature Park, where an Indigenous Pamagirri guide will show you some of their oldest customs and traditions. Enjoy an “Aussie” barbecue lunch before visiting Hartley's Crocodile Adventures to see crocodiles on a nature cruise. Head through rainforests on boardwalks to see animals such as birds, reptiles, and wallabies. Visit with a koala and chat with a wildlife naturalist to learn more about these marsupials. (B, L)

Day 5: Cairns - Great Barrier Reef - Cairns Board a high-speed catamaran for an exciting excursion to the Great

Barrier Reef. Explore the reef from your base on Green Island. Enjoy a glass-bottom boat ride, stroll the island's walking trails, relax on the beach, snorkel, or just watch the fish and sea turtles swim past from the pier. For a more adventurous encounter with the reef, an optional outer reef tour is also available. (B, L)

Day 6: Cairns - Sydney The morning is yours. Enjoy your last few hours in Cairns by relaxing and taking in the tropical atmosphere and surrounding neighbourhood. Then, fly to the bustling city of Sydney. (B, D)

Day 7: Sydney See where English colonists first settled during a city tour of Sydney, featuring the Harbour Bridge, Chinatown, the Rocks, Circular Quay, and the Botanic Gardens. Take an expert-led tour of the Sydney Opera House, poised majestically on Sydney Harbour. Then, have the chance to join a special presentation at the National Opal Collection. Our city tour of Sydney will conclude around 3:00 p.m. You are free to explore the city for the remainder of the day, perhaps booking a show at the Opera House. (B)

Day 8: Sydney Embrace the exciting city of Sydney during a full day of independent exploration. Tonight, say farewell to Australia while on a dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour departing



Sydney

from the hotel at 4:30 p.m. Marvel at the scenic vistas of the harbour, showcasing Sydney's magnificent skyline, the iconic Sydney Opera House, and the Harbour Bridge. (B, D)

Day 9: Sydney - Auckland, New Zealand Say goodbye to Australia and hello to New Zealand as you arrive in one of the world's most inspiring and sought-after destinations due to its clean air, stunning scenery, and friendly culture. Arrive in Auckland, the "City of Sails." Auckland has the highest Polynesian population in the world, imbuing its chic atmosphere with the vibrant feel of the Pacific Islands. (B, D)

Day 10: Auckland - Rotorua Get to know the best of Auckland during a panoramic city tour, passing by the America's Cup Village, the War Memorial, vibrant Queen Street, and the Auckland Harbour Bridge. Next, travel to the dramatic geothermal landscape of Rotorua. Known as the Māori capital of New Zealand, over one-third of Rotorua's population has Māori roots dating back over 1,000 years. Tonight, experience an authentic hangi dinner celebration and learn about the warm-hearted Māoris as well as their lives before European colonists arrived in Aotearoa (New Zealand) and since. (B, D)

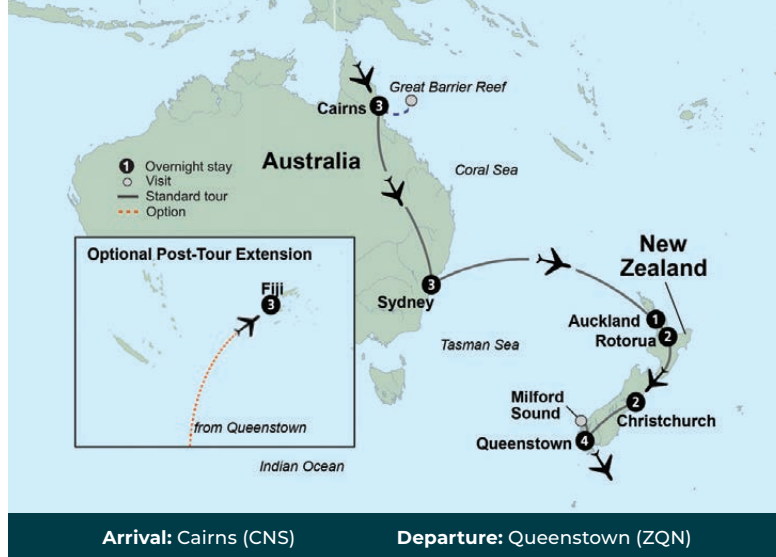
Day 11: Rotorua This morning, visit Whakarewarewa Thermal Village, New Zealand's premier Māori cultural and geothermal experience. Witness a landscape of erupting geysers, bubbling mud pools, and other geothermal wonders. Take part in an interactive demonstration on the art of weaving. You will also view the Kiwi bird and learn what is being done in an effort to remove the Kiwi from the endangered species list. Then, visit the Agrodome for a fun sheep-shearing demonstration and learn about the importance of agriculture to the nation. Take time to relax or explore this lovely city on your own with free time starting at 1:00 p.m., before joining the group again this evening for dinner at 6:00 p.m. (B, D)

Day 12: Rotorua - Christchurch A short flight brings you to the historic city of Christchurch. Devastated by an earthquake in early 2011, see firsthand how the city known as the "Garden City" is recreating itself. This afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Experience the fascinating science behind earthquakes at Quake City, with engaging exhibits and stories that shake up your understanding **-OR-** embark on an icy adventure at the Antarctic Centre, where you can meet penguins and immerse yourself in the chill of Antarctica. (B, D)

Day 13: Christchurch Start your morning with a visit to Willowbank Wildlife Reserve. A leader in the conservation of New Zealand species, Willowbank offers the chance to view New Zealand's "Big 5" — the Kiwi, the Kea, the Tuatara, the Kaka, and the Takahe — up close and personal. Then, learn about the local Indigenous culture of the Māori with a paddle on the Avon River in a traditional *waka* (canoe). Our scheduled activities will conclude at 1:30 p.m. Continue your exploration of Christchurch with the rest of the day free. (B)

Day 14: Christchurch - Queenstown Depart Christchurch and trek south to Queenstown during a full day of travel. Known as the "Adventure Capital of the World," Queenstown is nestled against a picturesque bay and snowcapped mountains. Arrive in Queenstown in the evening, just in time for dinner. (B, D)

Day 15: Queenstown Cruise Lake Wakatipu surrounded by Queenstown's stunning landscape aboard an iconic coal-fired steamship. Then, enjoy a lakeside "Kiwi" barbecue lunch, followed by a sheepdog demonstration, before sailing back. Later, take a gondola to the top of Bob's Peak for stunning panoramic views of the area. This evening is yours to enjoy charming Queenstown. Get some good rest ahead of a long day of travel tomorrow. (B, L)



Arrival: Cairns (CNS)

Departure: Queenstown (ZQN)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2	Overnight Flight
Days 3 – 5	Bailey Crystalbrook Collection Hotel, Cairns
Days 6 – 8	Novotel Sydney Darling Square, Sydney
Day 9	Hotel Indigo, Auckland
Days 10, 11	Sudima Lake Hotel, Rotorua
Days 12, 13	Distinction Christchurch Hotel, Christchurch
Days 14 – 17	Millennium Hotel, Queenstown

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

15 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Lunches (L) • 9 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

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Queenstown • Post-Night Stay

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Day 17: Queenstown A free day offers

an optional tour taking you through the majestic Queenstown countryside showcasing the region's gold mining history and many locations where blockbuster movies have been filmed, or perhaps you'll want to shop and people watch in the village. At 6:00 p.m., we will depart from the hotel for our farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 18: Queenstown - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories of a wonderful adventure. (B)

CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA



📍 Tortuguero National Park, Costa Rica





The Power of Remembering

History is often told by the people who lived it. But sometimes, it's pieced together from the lives that were interrupted. For decades, the human rights organization Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo has worked to restore the identities of children taken during Argentina's military dictatorship, helping families recover chapters of their own history once thought lost. On **Flavours of Chile & Argentina**, you'll meet with

one of those families and hear firsthand how the search for truth has transformed not only their lives but a nation still coming to terms with its past.

See page 80 to find out more.

Flavours of Chile & Argentina featuring the Mendoza Wine Region

10 DAYS • 13 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,499

Small Group



Mendoza

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$8,949 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on June 8, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027; September 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Central Market & Cooking Demonstration, Mendoza, Vineyard Tour & Tasting, Cooking Class, Wine-Paired Lunch, Tango Lesson, Draghi Silversmith Museum, *Estancia* Visit with Traditional *Asado* Lunch

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Stroll through Buenos Aires with a local and get to know the city's diverse flavours and flair.
- Learn about families tragically separated during Argentina's military dictatorship and an organization that works to reunite them.
- In Buenos Aires, learn to tango with a professional dancer at a local social club.
- Mingle with the *gauchos* (South American cowboys) at an *estancia* and enjoy an *asado* barbeque lunch.
- Enjoy wine tastings at two of Mendoza's breathtaking vineyards.
- Experience Santiago's Central Market with a local chef before enjoying a seafood lunch with your finds.
- Discover Argentina's yerba mate tea, a drink steeped in tradition.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Set out to experience the sights, flavours, and rhythms of Chile and Argentina as you explore two countries, from bustling cities to sprawling ranches, vineyards, and natural landscapes. It all begins in Chile's cultural hub, Santiago.

Day 2: Santiago, Chile Arrive early this morning in Santiago, the vibrant capital city of Chile nestled in a valley of the Andes Mountains. Settle in at your hotel where you'll enjoy early access to your room to recoup after your flight. This afternoon, meet your fellow travellers and head out on a panoramic tour of Santiago, getting a look at the city's blend of modern and colonial architecture and learning about its diverse history. Tonight, toast to the beginning of your South American adventure at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Santiago Follow your curiosity about Chilean history and culture to a museum because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Choose between the Chilean Museum of Pre-Columbian Art, dedicated to the study and display of pre-Columbian artworks and artifacts from Central and South America **-OR-** the Memory and Human Rights Museum, which commemorates the victims of human rights violations during the last Chilean military dictatorship. After, set out to discover market-fresh Chilean food with a visit to the *Mercado Central* de

Santiago. Joined by an enthusiastic local, walk through the fish market, stopping along the way to learn about the local seafood and pick up a fresh catch. Then make your way to a local restaurant and watch as a chef turns your find into a delicious ceviche before sitting down for lunch. Take the rest of the day to enjoy Santiago as you please. (B, L)

Day 4: Santiago - Mendoza, Argentina An early morning flight brings you to the desert region of Mendoza, known for its vineyards and Malbec wine, and the stunning views of the Andes Mountains. Upon arriving, enjoy a brief orientation tour of downtown Mendoza and free time to have lunch on your own. This afternoon, travel outside the city to visit a boutique, family winery. Sample wines selected to show the richness of the *terroirs* and come to appreciate the unique qualities of the Luján de Cuyo wine-producing sub-region with its dry, almost desert-like climate and irrigation from the Mendoza River's pure Andean meltwater. Later, settle into your hotel in the city of Mendoza for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Mendoza Enjoy a leisurely morning before continuing your taste of the region's renowned wines with a visit to another vineyard. Upon arrival, a pick-me-up comes with a taste of yerba mate tea, a traditional South American



Estancia



Colonia del Sacramento

caffeinated drink. As your guide demonstrates how to make a cup, learn about the cultural significance of this beverage that brings many Argentinean families together for daily "mate breaks." Enjoy a tour of the vineyard followed by a hands-on cooking class with the winery chef. Finish off your visit with a gourmet, wine-paired lunch. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy the laid-back city of Mendoza with its inviting restaurants and atmospheric plazas. (B, L)

Day 6: Mendoza - Buenos Aires Say so long to Mendoza as you fly to Buenos Aires, a city that radiates Latin-infused rhythm mixed with European heritage. Set out on a guided tour of Buenos Aires, sampling some local eats along the way and exploring the fusion of flavours that comes with the city's Spanish, Italian, and Jewish influences. Then, settle in at your hotel in the elegant Recoleta neighbourhood, full of historical and architectural charm. This evening, it's time to live like the locals! Take a lesson from a professional tango dancer, then take your moves to the dance floor at a local *milongas* social club. (B)

Day 7: Buenos Aires Set out into the countryside to explore Argentina's Pampas region. In San Antonio de Areco, discover the small town's strong connection with silversmithing and gaucho culture. A visit to *Museo Draghi* offers the chance to see silversmiths at work and admire a private collection of

silverware. Then, it's on to experience a true taste of gaucho life by spending the rest of the day on a traditional *estancia*, following a bumpy, unpaved road to the gates of the ranch's sprawling land and inviting, rustic house. You may decide to explore the property by horseback or horse-drawn carriage or perhaps head inside the main house to relax and take in views from the porch. Gather for a traditional *asado* lunch, with flame-cooked meats served at the table along with sides and wine. Later, sit back and enjoy a folk performance of gaucho traditions with singing, dancing, and displays of horsemanship — topping off an unforgettable encounter with this South American way of life. This evening back in Buenos Aires, perhaps you'll decide to join an optional tango show and dinner at a popular tango house. (B, L)

Day 8: Buenos Aires Today is yours to explore Buenos Aires as you wish, taking your time to wander through neighbourhoods, savour Argentine cuisine, or maybe visit the city's fantastic opera house. Add another stamp to your passport during a full-day optional excursion to one of Uruguay's oldest towns. Take an early morning ferry across the Rio de Plata to Colonia del Sacramento with its picturesque cobblestone streets and charming cafes. Travel into the Uruguayan countryside for an included lunch, followed by some free time to explore the city's Historic Quarter before returning to Buenos Aires by ferry. (B)



Arrival: Santiago (SCL)

Departure: Buenos Aires (EZE)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Renaissance Santiago Hotel, Santiago
Days 4, 5	Diplomatic Hotel, Mendoza
Days 6 – 9	Palladio Hotel Buenos Aires MGallery, Buenos Aires

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Buenos Aires • Post-Night Stay

Iguazu Falls • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,780[†] pp

Extend your South American adventure and visit another country — Brazil — and the famous Iguazu Falls.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

This tour launches in June 2027. To see details for earlier departures, visit the **Essential South America** tour page on our website.

Day 9: Buenos Aires - San Antonio de Areco - Buenos Aires Today begins with an **IMPACT MOMENT** focused on the work of the *Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo*, a human rights organization that has helped to restore the identities of children taken during Argentina's military coup from 1976 to 1983. Meet with someone who was personally impacted and learn about *los desaparecidos* ("the disappeared") and this time in Argentina's history. This afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!**

how you see more of the city. Choose between two walking tours, either exploring the captivating Recoleta Cemetery **-OR-** discovering the colourful murals of the Palermo neighbourhood. Tonight, gather for dinner at a local restaurant and toast to the end of a grand adventure. (B, D)

Day 10: Buenos Aires - Tour Ends Your tour comes to an end today. Transfer to the airport for your flight home later today. (B)

Peru: Machu Picchu & Lake Titicaca

Small Group

10 DAYS • 15 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,499



Machu Picchu

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on January 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Pisac Market, Ollantaytambo Ruins, Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio, Quechua Community Visit & Lunch, Machu Picchu, Koricancha Temple, Uros Floating Islands, Home-Hosted Lunch, Larco Museum

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore the colourful markets of Peru, including the famous Pisac village market.
- Delight in a farm-to-table lunch with a local Quechua community.
- Learn traditional methods of harvesting and weaving from a rural community.
- Cruise to the floating islands of the Uros people of Lake Titicaca.
- Spend the afternoon with a guide uncovering the mysteries of Machu Picchu.
- Discover the artist's techniques and designs at Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio.
- Enjoy a private culinary demonstration at your hotel near the base of Machu Picchu.
- Experience a home-hosted meal on Lake Titicaca.

Day 1: Lima, Peru Welcome to Peru, one of the treasures of South America. Travel through this intriguing land visiting some of the world's most legendary sites, including Machu Picchu, the "Lost City of the Incas." Arrive late this evening in Lima, the "City of Kings." Due to arrival times, there are no scheduled activities today.

Day 2: Lima Discover Lima's fascinating history during a colonial tour through the historic city centre, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Admire the artwork at San Francisco Monastery and enter the catacombs. View the elegant Cathedral at Plaza de Armas and visit the Casa de Aliaga — former house of the conquistador Jeronimo de Aliaga y Ramirez — where the energy of colonial and republican Lima comes to life. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to discover Lima on your own. Get to know your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner featuring artfully crafted Peruvian dishes. (B, D)

Day 3: Lima - Cuzco - Sacred Valley Fly to Cuzco in the heart of the Inca civilization. Journey through the Andes to the majestic Sacred Valley of the Incas, the agricultural centre of their grand empire. While en route to your hotel, explore different towns

in the valley, each a representation of the region's unique culture. After a short lesson on the local language, stop in Pisac village to browse the colourful handicraft market. Settle into your hotel nestled in the heart of the Sacred Valley and enjoy a night at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Sacred Valley - Ollantaytambo - Sacred Valley

This morning, visit the spectacular Ollantaytambo ruins, the only Incan settlement that has been continually inhabited since its inception. A uniquely terraced complex topped with carved stone panels, these ruins reflect ancient Incan architecture and heritage. Then, head to the Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio where you'll get first-hand knowledge of this internationally renowned artist's techniques and designs, inspired by ancient Peruvian cultures. Deep-dive into the cultures of modern Andean people and experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you mingle with a nearby community. Thanks to their effort and teamwork, tourism has become an additional income to agriculture which has positively impacted their quality of life. 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



Weavers



Uros

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 prepared just for your group. Arrive back to your hotel in the early evening for a relaxed night on your own. (B, L)

Day 5: Sacred Valley - Machu Picchu

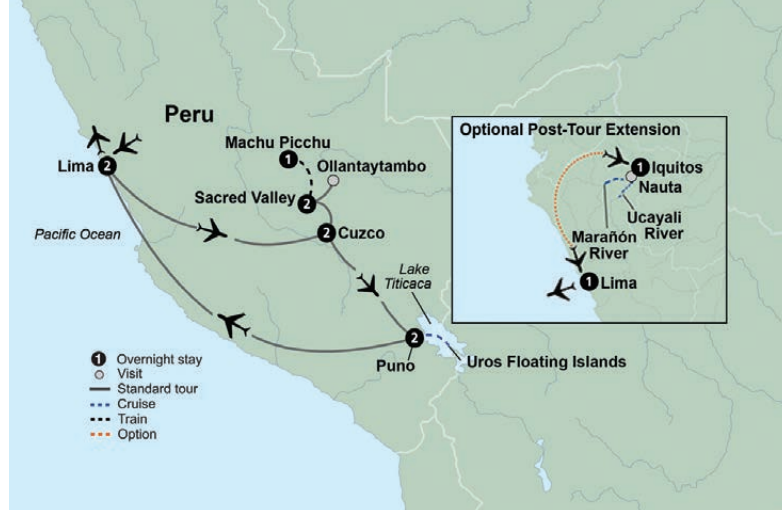
Get ready for an unforgettable day as you board your train to Machu Picchu, taking in breathtaking views through panoramic windows as you ride through the Andes to the "Lost City of the Incas." Hidden by mountains and semi-tropical jungle, Machu Picchu is considered the most spectacular sight in South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

Day 6: Machu Picchu - Cuzco This morning, take advantage of free

time and explore the local markets in Aguas Calientes on your own, or opt for a second visit to Machu Picchu — an incredible opportunity to experience the ancient citadel in the softer morning light, when the site is often more peaceful and serene. This afternoon, return to the Sacred Valley by train. Upon arriving in Cuzco this evening, take time to explore the captivating city at your leisure. (B)

Day 7: Cuzco Start your morning on a tour of Cuzco, visiting the San Pedro Market, the Koricancha temple, the central Plaza de Armas, and the Cuzco Cathedral. Later, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Travel above the city to discover the important sacred Incan ruins of Sacsayhuamán Fortress - **OR** - embark on a walking tour through the enchanting streets of Cuzco, going off the beaten path and uncovering the city's best-kept secrets. This evening, dine at your leisure at a local restaurant featuring the local flavours of Cuzco. (B, D)

Day 8: Cuzco - Puno Today, fly to Puno, hugging the shores of Lake Titicaca. Known as the birthplace of



Arrival: Lima (LIM)

Departure: Lima (LIM)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2	Hilton Garden Inn Miraflores, Lima
Days 3, 4	Casa Andina Premium Sacred Valley, Yucay
Day 5	Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel, Aguas Calientes
Days 6, 7	Hilton Garden Inn, Cuzco
Days 8, 9	GHL Lago Titicaca, Puno

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Lima • Pre-Night Stay

Peruvian Amazon Cruise • Post-Tour Hosted Extension
5 Nights, Starting at \$2,740[†] pp

Continue your adventure on a 4-night Peruvian Amazon cruise, discovering wildlife all around you.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

the Inca Empire, ancient legends say that life began here. Upon arrival, check into your lakeside hotel. Tonight, enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 9: Uros Floating Islands - Lake Titicaca - Chullpas de Sillustani - Puno Spend today getting to know the locals. Enjoy a morning cruise to the floating islands of the Uros people of Lake Titicaca. Experience walking on the island's spongy surface made from compacted beds of tortora reeds and meet the locals, learning about their history and lifestyle. Then, make your way to a local rustic village for a private home-hosted meal and swap stories with Peruvian families before visiting the mystical Chullpas de Sillustani — an archaeological area boasting 13th-century funerary

monuments. After a full day of touring, spend your last evening in Puno as you wish. (B, L)

Day 10: Puno - Lima - Tour Ends As your tour comes to a close, spend the morning relaxing on the shores of Lake Titicaca before flying to Lima. Upon arrival, head to the Larco Museum, a former mansion built on the site of a pre-Columbian temple. The museum offers a collection of over 3,000 years of ceramic, textile, and precious metal artifacts. After this incredible trip through history, your tour concludes with an exclusive farewell dinner on the grounds of the museum before departing for Lima's airport and your connecting flight home. (B, D)

Machu Picchu & Galapagos Wonders featuring a 4-Night Cruise to the West Islands

Small Group

14 DAYS • 27 MEALS • STARTING AT \$13,799



Blue-footed Booby

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 13 • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$13,799 (DOUBLE) or \$19,499 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on December 6, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 - May 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 - May 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Pisac Market, Ollantaytambo Ruins, Cooking Class, Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio, Quechua Community Visit & Lunch, Machu Picchu, "Middle of the World," 4-Night Galápagos Cruise

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Stand tall in the "Middle of the World" at the Equatorial Line Monument and Museum.
- Wind through the Andes in a train to Machu Picchu and explore the fabled ruins.
- On a private yacht, embark on a 4-night cruise of the Galápagos Islands with a naturalist guide.
- Delight in a farm-to-table lunch with a local Quechua community.
- Meet giant tortoises in their natural habitat.
- Master two of South America's classics, ceviche and pisco sours, at an interactive cooking class.
- Learn traditional methods of harvesting and weaving from a rural community.

Day 1: Lima, Peru Arrive in Lima. Due to late flight schedules, there are no scheduled activities today and dinner is on your own.

Day 2: Lima Begin with a tour of Lima's historic centre, a designated UNESCO World Heritage site, and see the elegant Cathedral at Plaza de Armas. Next, visit the former home of a conquistador. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to discover Lima on your own. Get to know new friends over a menu of artful Peruvian dishes at a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Lima - Cuzco - Sacred Valley Fly over the Andes on your way to Cuzco, the heart of the Inca civilization. Follow the trails with a local guide to the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Stop in Pisac village and browse a handicraft market full of vibrant colours. Discover why Peru has consistently been named the world's top food travel destination during a fun-filled interactive cooking class where you will learn how to master ceviche and pisco sours. Settle into your hotel nestled in the heart of the Sacred Valley. (B, D)

Day 4: Sacred Valley - Ollantaytambo - Sacred Valley Visit the terraced ruins of Ollantaytambo, the only Incan settlement that has remained continually inhabited since its inception. At the ceramic studio of

artist Pablo Seminario, see his intricate techniques inspired by ancient Peruvian cultures. Dive into the cultures of modern Andean people and experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you mingle with a nearby community. Thanks to their effort and teamwork, tourism has become an additional source of income for agriculture, which has positively impacted their quality of life. Learn traditional methods of growing, harvesting, and weaving, listen to their music, and learn their dances before enjoying a farm-to-table meal of local specialties prepared just for your group. Arrive back at your hotel in the early evening for a night on your own. (B, L)

Day 5: Sacred Valley - Machu Picchu Get ready for an unforgettable day as you hop aboard your train to Machu Picchu, where views of the Andes astound through panoramic windows as you climb toward the "Lost City of the Incas." Uncover the mysteries of this "Lost City" between the Peruvian Andes and the Amazon Basin. Wrapped inside a semi-tropical jungle and hidden by mountains, Machu Picchu, or *La Ciudadela* (the Citadel), is one of the world's most spectacular archaeological sites. (B)

Day 6: Machu Picchu - Cuzco This morning, take advantage of free time and explore the local markets in Aguas

Calientes on your own, or opt for a second visit to Machu Picchu. This is an incredible opportunity to visit in the morning light, when the site is often more peaceful. This afternoon, return to the Sacred Valley by train. Upon arriving in Cuzco this evening, feel the local culture at a special community dining experience. (B, D)

Day 7: Cuzco This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Travel above the city to discover the Incan ruins of Sacsayhuamán Fortress -**OR**- embark on a walking tour through the enchanting streets of Cuzco, going off the beaten path and uncovering the city's best-kept secrets. After, come together for a tour of Cuzco, visiting the San Pedro Market, the Koricanha Temple, the Plaza de Armas, and the Cuzco Cathedral. This evening, enjoy flexible dining at a local restaurant featuring the local flavours of Cuzco. (B, D)

Day 8: Cuzco - Quito, Ecuador This morning, fly to Quito, Ecuador's capital city, and your home for the next two nights. An intersection of mountains and colonial architecture, this city is a UNESCO World Heritage site. (B)

Day 9: Quito Today, tour the Presidential Palace in Quito's colonial center. After lunch, stand at the "Middle of the World," situated between two hemispheres, at the Equatorial Line Monument and Museum. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B, L)

Day 10: Quito - Baltra - Embark Ship - Santa Cruz Highlands, Galápagos Fly to Baltra, the gateway of the Galápagos, to launch your eco-adventure aboard the *M/Y Coral II*, an exclusive yacht that serves as your home for the next four nights. After dry landing on Santa Cruz Island, head to the Highlands Tortoise Reserve. In addition to the famed Galápagos giant tortoises, you may also spot many kinds of birds, such as tree and ground finches, vermilion flycatchers, yellow warblers, and cattle egrets, which are usually found standing on the tortoises' shells. (B, L, D)

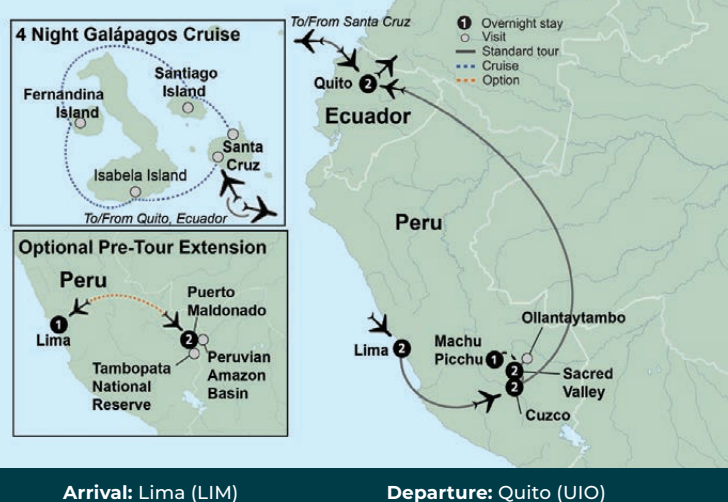
Day 11: Isabela Island - Fernandina Island On Isabela Island, soak in the wonders of one of the richest marine havens on Earth during deep-water snorkeling in Bolívar Channel. Then, take a dinghy ride along the coast to observe birds including Nazca and blue-footed boobies, noddies, penguins, and flightless cormorants. Continue on to make a dry landing on Fernandina Island, where the largest marine iguanas are found mingling with sea lions and Sally Lightfoot crabs. You may

even encounter flightless cormorants at their nesting sites, Galápagos penguins, and the Galápagos hawk! (B, L, D)

Day 12: Isabela Island Make a wet landing today on the volcanic black beaches of Urbina Bay, home to giant tortoises, land iguanas, and the unusual flightless cormorant. Here, colourful plants and flowers attract unusual insects, birds, and reptiles. Enjoy time to snorkel, possibly swimming alongside sea turtles, sea lions, and tropical fish. Don't miss the remarkable views of the Alcedo Volcano from the island's uplifted coral reef. Travel from Urbina to Tagus Cove for a dry landing. Follow the trail to Darwin's saltwater crater lake, offering views of lava fields and volcanic formations. A dinghy ride along the shoreline full of marine wildlife highlights a variety of seabirds, such as the Brown Noddy, blue-footed boobies, terns, and depending on the season, a large number of Galápagos penguins. Keep an eye out for graffiti believed to have been left by 19th-century pirates. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Santiago Island Walk in Darwin's footsteps today on Santiago Island. Begin with a wet landing at Egas Port's black volcanic sand beach, visited by Darwin in 1835. Take a unique trail formed by volcanic ash that transitions halfway to an uneven terrain of volcanic basaltic rock. The unique, truly striking layered terrain of Santiago is home to the bizarre, yellow-crowned night heron and marine wildlife such as lobster, starfish, and marine iguanas that graze on algae alongside Sally Lightfoot crabs. Colonies of fur seals swim in volcanic rock pools. After landing in Sullivan's Bay on southeastern Santiago Island, walk through the otherworldly landscape of solidified *pahoehoe* lava flows, formed during the last quarter of the 19th century. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Santa Cruz - Disembark Ship - Quito - Tour Ends Your last landing in the Galápagos is at Santa Cruz at Bachas Beach, where ponds entice Galápagos flamingos to visit and iguanas to sunbathe, and where coastal birds, such as Darwin finches, mockingbirds, and gulls, flutter among the mangroves. This beach is also one of the main sea turtle nesting sites in the Galápagos and home to the remains of barges that sank during World War II. Bid the Galápagos goodbye and return to Quito, where a day room will be available close to the airport before your flight home. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2	Casa Andina Premium Miraflores, Lima
Days 3, 4	Casa Andina Premium Sacred Valley, Yucay
Day 5	Casa Andina Standard Machu Picchu, Aguas Calientes
Days 6, 7	Casa Andina Premium, Cuzco
Days 8, 9	Mercure Hotel Alameda, Quito
Days 10 – 13	<i>M/Y Coral II</i>

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

13 Breakfasts (B) • 6 Lunches (L) • 8 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Lima • Pre-Night Stay

Peruvian Amazon • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,095[†] pp

From your lodge in the Peruvian Amazon, set out for wildlife treks, canoe rides, and hanging bridges.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



Machu Picchu & Galapagos Wonders featuring a 4-Night Cruise to the South Islands

Journey from the Land of the Incas to the Galápagos archipelago, enjoying a 4-night cruise aboard a personal yacht

Dates Available: December 2026 – May 2027; July 2027 – May 2028.

Patagonia: Edge of the World featuring Argentina, Chile, and a 4-Night Patagonia Cruise

14 DAYS • 28 MEALS • STARTING AT \$13,699

Small Group

Torres del Paine

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$13,699 (DOUBLE)** or **\$17,399 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on September 18, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – March 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – March 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – March 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Buenos Aires, Tango Show & Dinner, Perito Moreno Glacier, Torres del Paine National Park, Patagonian *Estancia*, 4-Night Fjord Cruise, Ainsworth Bay, Tucker Islets, Pia Glacier, Glacier Alley, Cape Horn, Wulaia Bay

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Get a glimpse into Argentine culture at a lively tango performance.
- Meet a local *gaucho* (cowboy) and learn all about life on the ranch.
- Embark on a 4-night cruise through the fjords and ethereal wilderness of Patagonia.
- Enter a rugged wonderland as you walk through the breathtaking Torres del Paine National Park.
- Experience the dramatic beauty of Argentina's Perito Moreno Glacier.
- Hike the "End of the Earth" at Cape Horn.
- Spend the afternoon at a family-owned Patagonian *estancia* and enjoy a traditional lamb roast.
- Enjoy unlimited wine and beer with every dinner while onboard your cruise ship.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Snowcapped mountains towering in the distance. Vibrant teal waters lapping against the shore. Glaciers carving their way through the valleys. This is Patagonia – a rugged wonderland of nature nestled along Argentina and Chile.

Day 2: Buenos Aires, Argentina Arrive in Buenos Aires, a city that radiates Latin-infused rhythm mixed with European heritage. Due to varied arrival times, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Later this afternoon, meet your fellow travellers for a welcome briefing at your hotel. Head to a private dinner with your new friends and indulge in savoury Argentine flavours. (D)

Day 3: Buenos Aires This morning, embark on a panoramic city tour with a local guide and coast down the famous Avenida 9 de Julio. Take in the Parisian architecture and verdant trees lining the world's widest avenue. Discover the city's most well-known sites before arriving to the colourful neighbourhood of La Boca. Experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** during lunch at Alamesa, a popular restaurant renowned for its inclusive dining experience. Founded by a local doctor who sought to create opportunities for his daughter who is autistic, this welcoming lunch spot employs neurodiverse staff and has formed a supportive community. Arrive

back at your hotel around 3:00 p.m. and enjoy 3-4 hours of free time this afternoon getting to know the city on your own. Tonight, get into the Argentinian spirit with a tango show and dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Buenos Aires Start the day with a visit to the famous Recoleta Cemetery, considered one of the most beautiful cemeteries in the world, and the final resting place of Eva Peron. Our tour will conclude around noon and the rest of the day is yours to spend as you please. Perhaps you'll continue your exploration of the Recoleta neighbourhood on an optional walking food tour, sampling local specialties and learning about Buenos Aires' rich culinary traditions and the stories behind its iconic flavours. (B)

Day 5: Buenos Aires - El Calafate Fly to El Calafate, the gateway to Patagonia's natural splendour, known as the "National Capital of the Glaciers." The remainder of the day is yours to enjoy this charming town at your own pace. (B)

Day 6: El Calafate - Perito Moreno Glacier - El Calafate This morning, get ready to embark on a cruise that will take you up close to the Perito Moreno Glacier. This gigantic tower of vibrant ice rests against blue-green waters – an awe-inspiring wonder of



Ventus Australis

the natural world. Then, catch many views of the glacier from a series of walkways. Gaze off the shoreline in search of floating icebergs as you listen for the resounding cracks of ice sheets breaking free. Return to your hotel for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 7: El Calafate - Torres del Paine National Park, Chile Today, take in the vast landscape and learn more about Patagonian wildlife while travelling to the border and crossing into Chile. Arrive in Torres del Paine National Park, one of the most remote, unspoiled places in the world, designated a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. Soak in the dramatic beauty of jagged mountains, expansive grasslands, and ethereal teal waters and marvel at cascading waterfalls on a panoramic tour through one of South America's most incredible national parks. Along the way, you may spot soaring condors, inquisitive *guanacos* (llamas), and independent felines. After, check into your hotel for a two-night stay beside stunning views of the Serrano River and Paine mountain range. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Torres del Paine National Park Set out to spend a full day exploring the wonders of Torres del Paine. Stretch your legs on a morning hike to the Salto Grande waterfall. Your guide will make sure you don't miss a thing, from this landscape's stunning features to the flora and fauna all around you. Following lunch, the adventure continues with a scenic hike around Lago Grey, leading to spectacular views of the Grey Glacier. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Torres del Paine National Park - Punta Arenas - Board Ship Today, make your way to the coastal metropolis of Punta Arenas. Along the way, stop to spend time at a family-owned Patagonian *estancia*. Enjoy a traditional lamb roast lunch as you chat and learn about the culture. Later in Punta Arenas, admire the sights, where brightly coloured houses meet modern skyscrapers. As the day draws to a close, leave the mainland on the *Ventus Australis* — your home for the next four

nights. Head for one of the most remote corners of the world as you sail through Chilean waters. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Ainsworth Bay - Tucker Islets Dock in Ainsworth Bay. As you take your Zodiac to shore, keep an eye out for the area's extensive birdlife or perhaps a colony of elephant seals. Get ready to choose how to spend the morning because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Embark on new adventures by starting at the beach to discover Ainsworth Forest. Learn all about the evolution and vegetation as a cause of the glacier recession and explore a beaver habitat **-OR-** venture off on an active hike along a glacial moraine — a unique form of glacial sediment made from rock and soil. No matter what you choose, take in surreal views of the Almirantazgo Sound and Darwin Mountain Range. Back on the ship, sail to the Tucker Islets where you'll head to shore for a close-up view of the Magellan penguins. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Pia Glacier - Glacier Alley Take a Zodiac to shore and stand in awe before the Pia Glacier, a colossal mass of ice slowly crawling down the mountains. Decide where you want to hike because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Traverse the Pia Boulders on a medium-level hike for panoramic views of the glacier **-OR-** venture on an easy walk towards the Pia Lookout for panoramic views of the glacier. Back onboard the ship, continue through the Beagle Channel and into Glacier Alley. These impressive masses of ice are so large that most of them are named after countries — including Holland, Italy, Germany, and France. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Cape Horn - Wulaia Bay Disembark at Cape Horn National Park, home to an archipelago of islands, and considered to be the "End of the Earth." This afternoon, anchor at fabled Wulaia Bay and visit the historic radio station, formerly used by the Chilean Navy. Explore the area by selecting a hike alongside an expert guide because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Head towards the peak on the most difficult



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Recoleta Grand, Buenos Aires
Days 5, 6	Mirador del Lago Hotel, El Calafate
Days 7, 8	Rio Serrano Hotel & Spa, Torres del Paine
Days 9 – 12	<i>Ventus Australis</i>
Day 13	Recoleta Grand, Buenos Aires

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 7 Lunches (L) • 9 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Buenos Aires • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Easter Island • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

5 Nights, Starting at \$5,370[†] pp

Discover Easter Island's iconic Moai statues, history, and volcanic beauty on this unforgettable pre-tour journey.

**Extension is only available on select dates.*

†Additional air segment purchase required.

Iguazu Falls • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,780[†] pp

Extend your South American adventure and visit another country — Brazil — and the famous Iguazu Falls.

†Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

hike for a scenic lookout **-OR-** embark on a slower-paced hike of moderate difficulty toward the Forest Lookout **-OR-** take a peaceful nature walk along the beach for a chance to witness even more wildlife. Each choice will offer sprawling vistas of the gentle bay and allows time to leave a postcard at the information centre. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Disembark Boat - Ushuaia - Buenos Aires Your cruise through

Patagonia comes to an end as you enter Argentine waters, docking at Ushuaia. Disembark in Ushuaia before flying to Buenos Aires. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner and share a toast with your fellow travel companions. (B, D)

Day 14: Buenos Aires - Tour Ends Say *adios* to Argentina as your tour draws to a close this morning. (B)

Antarctica: The White Continent

12 DAYS • 27 MEALS • STARTING AT \$20,949

Small Group

Penguins

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: VARIES • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$20,949 (DOUBLE)** or **\$40,649 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on March 6, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

December 2027 – March 2028 (featured itinerary*)

**Itinerary featured is for December 2027 – March 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Ushuaia, Tierra del Fuego, The Drake Passage, Zodiac Safaris, Penguin Colony Close-Ups, Polar Plunge, Expedition Landings, On-Board Educational Sessions

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Experience nearly 24 hours of sunlight as you absorb your surroundings ashore and from the expedition ship's many observatory decks.
- Discover multitudes of Antarctic wildlife including seals, whales, albatrosses, and chinstrap, gentoo, and Adelie penguins.
- Savour fresh and varied meals aboard the expedition ship while admiring the scenery around you.
- Take the opportunity, if you wish, for a thrilling polar plunge off the yacht.
- Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant in Ushuaia.
- Cruise through the waters of Antarctica on an all-inclusive yacht.
- Take in the incredible scenery of Tierra del Fuego during a panoramic tour.
- Cross the Drake Passage, a milestone for any adventurer!

Day 1: Overnight Flight An overnight flight takes you to Buenos Aires, the launching point for your adventure into Antarctica.

Day 2: Buenos Aires, Argentina

Arrive in cosmopolitan Buenos Aires, birthplace of the tango and the "Paris of South America." Stretching along the banks of the Rio de la Plata, the city is a mosaic of European-style architecture and South American spirit. Spend the day however you wish before setting out to begin your voyage tomorrow. There are no meals or activities included today.

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

This morning, we fly over Patagonia before landing in Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world, surrounded by spectacular mountain scenery. Set out on a panoramic tour of Tierra del Fuego National Park and soak in this dramatic landscape on the southern tip of South America featuring glaciers, lakes, mountains, and waterfalls. From Ushuaia, embark on the expedition ship that will be your home for the next nine days during a cruise to Antarctica. (B, L, D)

Day 4: The Drake Passage - At Sea

Cruise south through the fabled Drake Passage, named after the explorer Sir Frances Drake. Set between Cape Horn and the Antarctic Peninsula,

crossing the legendary Drake Passage is unforgettable — a milestone for any adventurer! Warmer waters of the north meet colder, denser waters of the south here in the Antarctic Convergence, making the area rich in marine life such as humpback whales and hourglass dolphins. (B, L, D)

Day 5: The Drake Passage - Antarctica

During the 48-hour journey through the Drake Passage, the soundtrack includes the crash of waves against the ship and the cry of petrels, skuas, and gulls overhead. While the waterway is famous for its challenging navigation, on some occasions the channel is calm and tranquil — this unpredictable nature is part of the adventure. As you emerge from the Drake Passage, reaching the northern point of the "White Continent," the mammoth, icy peaks of the South Shetland Islands greet you. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Antarctica Part of the greater Antarctica region, the South Shetland Islands hold a bounty of wildlife, scenic landscapes, hiking opportunities, and magnificent views that inspire a sense of discovery. According to sea and weather conditions, there are several possible shore landing opportunities. A possible landing on Elephant Island, named for the shape of its cliffside and the elephant seals that call it home, sets you on the same path as the



Zodiac



Humpback Whale

famous Shackleton Expedition. Another possible landing is Deception Island, a volcanic caldera with heated springs and black sands. Other possible stops include Half Moon Island, Yankee Harbor, Point Wild, and Barrientos Island with its gentoo penguin rookeries. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Antarctica Your days are filled with discovering Antarctica, the last great wilderness stretching across ice-covered desert and mountains for over five million square miles. The ethereal beauty and immense scale of the continent are like nowhere else on the planet. The voyage keeps a flexible schedule as your captain expertly navigates ice floes, icebergs, and changing sea and weather conditions to ensure you experience the most from your expedition. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Antarctica Nicknamed the "White Continent" for its vast expanse of icebergs, snow, and glaciers, Antarctica is often a final frontier for experienced explorers to conquer. As you navigate Antarctic waters, you may set foot on sites like Beak Island, Brown Bluff, Cierva Cove, Hidden Bay, and many more. Each landing throughout the continent offers its own unique landscape, from expansive tundra to rugged mountain peaks, all beckoning you to follow the paths that few explorers have trekked before. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Antarctica Each day is a new adventure filled with a spontaneous sense of exploration. Your captain works with the expedition team to determine possible shore landings and Zodiac safaris. You may take a Zodiac foray among towering icebergs or hike along the shoreline near penguin colonies. On one day of the cruise, you can even take the chance to experience a polar plunge by jumping in with a harness from the side of the ship! (B, L, D)

Day 10: The Drake Passage - At Sea Today, Antarctica falls into your wake as you begin sailing back towards Ushuaia, crossing the southern waters of the Drake Passage. As you make your return through this famed channel, stay on the lookout for the incredible wildlife around you in the sea and sky. (B, L, D)

Day 11: The Drake Passage - At Sea On your final day of sailing the channel, enjoy time to relax on the ship and reflect on all you have seen and learned along the journey. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Ushuaia - Disembark Ship - Fly to Buenos Aires - Tour Ends After breakfast, disembark in Ushuaia and proceed to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires before flying home.



Arrival: Buenos Aires (EZE)

Departure: Buenos Aires (EZE)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Day 2 Sofitel Buenos Aires Recoleta, Buenos Aires

Days 3 – 11 Atlas World Navigator or Atlas World Traveller

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 9 Lunches (L) • 9 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Easter Island • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

5 Nights, Starting at \$5,370[†] pp

Discover Easter Island's iconic Moai statues, history, and volcanic beauty on this unforgettable pre-tour journey.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.



Atlas World Traveller

Costa Rica: A World of Nature featuring Tortuguero National Park, Arenal Volcano & Manuel Antonio National Park

12 DAYS • 23 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,499

Small Group

Squirrel Monkey

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$5,499 (DOUBLE) or \$6,699 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on June 17, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Tortuguero National Park, Hanging Bridges, Manuel Antonio National Park, Ziplining or Volcano Lava Field, Chocolate-Making Demonstration & Tasting, River Safari, Jungle Crocodile Safari

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Stay in Tortuguero National Park and find yourself surrounded by wildlife.
- Taste for yourself why cacao is called “the food of the gods” and observe the process of converting this seed from bean to bar.
- Learn how to cook using a coconut before tasting some delicious local candy.
- Explore Arenal during a captivating 3-night stay.
- Learn about Costa Rica’s ecosystem and local culture.
- Hop aboard a river boat for a jungle crocodile safari and bird watching excursion.
- Visit the world’s first sea turtle research station.

Day 1: San Jose, Costa Rica *Pura vida.*

In English, it translates to “the simple life.” But *pura vida* is so much more: it’s an attitude; a celebration of life in the moment. It’s time to experience what *pura vida* means to you. You’re on your way to explore a place that’s unlike anywhere else in the world, where *pura vida* is an unofficial motto and a way of life. Welcome to the emerald of Central America: Costa Rica. As travellers’ arrival times will vary, you have no group activities or meals planned today.

Day 2: San Jose - Tortuguero National

Park Seemingly endless mountain horizons. Complex evergreen forests. These are the wonders of Tortuguero National Park. Travel by boat to your hotel before heading farther down the rivers and canals to the world’s first sea turtle research station. Later, have time to explore Tortuguero town with your Tour Manager. Get away from it all and relax at your lodge set in the middle of the jungle, your home for the next two nights. From the morning calls of the monkeys to the gentle chatter of the birds, listen to the active sounds of the rainforest around you. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Tortuguero National Park

Begin the day on an excursion to search for the elusive green macaw

and other unique winged creatures that flock to Tortuguero. Embark on a nature cruise, getting a glimpse into the habitat of jaguars, manatees, ocelots, and more. The rest of the afternoon is yours to enjoy your Tortuguero resort. Tonight, your group will enjoy an exclusive experience with a local from Tortuguero. He’ll share personal stories about his life in this remote village and give you a demonstration of how coconuts are harvested and prepared. Then, savour a local treat — freshly made coconut candy — crafted just for you. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Tortuguero National Park -

Sarapiquí - San Carlos Take a boat back to the mainland and make your way towards Sarapiquí and Tirimbina Rainforest Center. Today will be an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you visit a cacao plantation at the Tirimbina Rainforest Center — an ecotourism destination that is vigilant of environmental, social, and economic impact. Learn the process of sustainably converting seed from bean to bar on a private tour and taste for yourself why it’s called “the food of the gods.” Later, arrive at your secluded nature resort, nestled on the edge of the San Carlos River. Stroll the botanical garden lined with fruit trees, including lemon, soursop, guava, mango, and tangerine. (B, L, D)



Arenal Volcano



Manuel Antonio National Park

Day 5: San Carlos Explore the beauty of your surroundings on a Peñas Blancas River Safari. Paddle and float down the river on a peaceful adventure, taking in the sights and sounds of the rainforest as your naturalist guide describes the intricacies of the wildlife around you. Visit the *finca* of a local family and try homemade snacks such as banana bread, local coffee, and more. End your day with a guided walk through a private, primary forest reserve for a look at the various flora and fauna. (B, D)

Day 6: San Carlos - Arenal Today, suspended over the rainforest floor, relish a bird's-eye view of the jungle on a guided tour of Arenal's famous hanging bridges. High above the jungle canopies, marvel at the natural world around you. Later, settle into your resort where you'll be surrounded by striking views of Arenal's famous volcano for the next three nights. (B, D)

Day 7: Arenal Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Since Costa Rica is the birthplace of ziplining, glide over the canopies on a mind-blowing rip through the jungle **-OR-** make your way across lava fields for an up-close-and-personal look at the volcano on a moderate hike along the trails formed by lava during the 1968 eruption. The

afternoon is yours to spend as you please. Perhaps you'll discover the town of La Fortuna or relax by the hotel's pool. Also consider an optional excursion to a family-owned *finca* with an included farm-to-table lunch. (B, D)

Day 8: Arenal In the shadow of Arenal Volcano, the day is yours to enjoy at leisure. Perhaps, if you're feeling adventurous, you'll opt for an exhilarating white water rafting experience. Or simply hang back at the resort, explore the grounds, and soak in the views. (B)

Day 9: Arenal - Playa Herradura This morning, wake up and smell the coffee at a local farm that produces some of Costa Rica's well-known beans. Take a private tour with local plantation workers and have a chance to discuss what life is like for these coffee farmers. In the afternoon, head to Playa Herradura and settle into your resort for the next two nights. As the day draws to a close, watch the sun set over the Pacific alongside birds in every colour of the rainbow. (B, D)

Day 10: Playa Herradura - Manuel Antonio National Park - Playa Herradura Welcome to Manuel Antonio National Park, home to



Arrival: San Jose (SJO)

Departure: San Jose (SJO)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari Hotel, San Jose
Days 2, 3	Evergreen Lodge, Tortuguero
Days 4, 5	Tilajari Eco Resort, San Carlos
Days 6 - 8	Lomas del Volcán, Arenal
Days 9, 10	Los Sueños Marriott, Playa Herradura
Day 11	Doubletree by Hilton Cariari Hotel, San Jose

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

11 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Lunches (L) • 8 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

San Jose • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Colombia • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

5 Nights, Starting at \$3,040[†] pp

Spend 2 nights in Medellín, visit a flower farm in Santa Elena, explore Cartagena, and enjoy a drumming and dance performance in the Afro-Caribbean fishing village of La Boquilla.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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verdant rainforests and white sand beaches. In this natural wonderland, traverse the trails where the wild things are, or go for a swim in the turquoise waters as wildlife rummages in the canopies. Return to your resort later this afternoon with plenty of time to enjoy its many amenities at your leisure. (B)

Day 11: Playa Herradura - Tárcoles - San Jose See wild crocodiles among the mangroves of Tárcoles' Rio Grande. On this exhilarating jungle

crocodile safari, you'll boat beneath the towering jungle, looking along the river banks for a glimpse of these incredible creatures. Then say goodbye to the coast and hello to San Jose. Toast to the *pura vida* of Costa Rica tonight over a farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 12: San Jose - Tour Ends Bid Costa Rica farewell as your tour comes to an end today. (B)

Tropical Costa Rica

9 DAYS • 15 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,199



Arenal Volcano

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,199 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,199 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on June 12, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Monteverde Cloud Forest, Hanging Bridges or Canopy Adventure, Farm Tour and Lunch, Coffee Plantation, Arenal Volcano, Cano Negro Refuge

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Put your feet up and relax during a 2-night stay in Guanacaste, known for the country's most beautiful beaches.
- Join an engaging talk led by a local birding expert, exploring the fascinating migration patterns of the country's avian visitors
- Discover the history of coffee in Costa Rica during your visit to a coffee plantation.
- Catch a glimpse of local life as you explore a family-owned farm.
- Spot indigenous wildlife while on a Cano Negro riverboat cruise.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Montaña de Fuego Hotel, Fundación Conservacionista Costarricense, and Selvatura Park — protecting forest ecosystems through visitor education. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: San Jose, Costa Rica Your trip to Costa Rica opens in the colourful capital city of San Jose, the perfect place to relax and soak up the sights as your adventure begins. As travellers' arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing or meals today.

Day 2: San Jose - Coffee Plantation - Arenal Welcome to the Central Valley. Begin with a private tour of a local coffee plantation highlighting the history and cultivation of this driver of the Costa Rican economy. This afternoon, check in for a leisurely 3-night stay at a lodge overlooking the majestic Arenal Volcano. (B, D)

Day 3: Arenal - Cano Negro - Arenal Embark on a Cano Negro guided riverboat trip in a covered canoe known as a panga. These 20,000 acres are home to the largest viewable collection of indigenous wildlife in all of Costa Rica. Go in search of caimans, river otters, sloths, monkeys, river turtles, exotic birds, and rare butterflies. Later, return to Arenal for the chance to relax at your resort. (B, D)

Day 4: Arenal Today, explore a family-owned farm, getting a peek into the daily lives of the locals. During a tour of the gardens, learn

how the plants are organically grown through the concept of sustainability. The farm considers itself a "classroom without borders." Taste the exotic fruit harvest and experience the traditional way to process sugar cane. Enjoy a sip of cane liquor before engaging in a culinary demonstration and an exclusive farm-to-table lunch. After lunch, head back to the hotel and spend the remainder of the day as you wish. (B, L)

Day 5: Arenal - Monteverde Today, it's off to the secluded Monteverde Cloud Forest, a place you have to see to believe, where trees grow to heights of 30 metres! Set off on a nature walk through this spectacular ecosystem, where you're sure to encounter many incredible species of flora and fauna. (B, D)

Day 6: Monteverde IT'S YOUR CHOICE! This morning, join your Tour Manager for a leisurely paced "Hanging Bridges" walking tour to gain a different perspective of the cloud forest's lush ecosystem -**OR**- take an exhilarating ride on one of the longest canopy zipline tours in Costa Rica. Your afternoon is at leisure, or if you would like to do both the hanging bridges and the zipline tour, you may purchase the second as an option on tour. This evening, take part in an expert-led discussion about the



Hanging Bridges



Coffee Plantation



Sloth

migratory birds that flock to Costa Rica. (B, D)

Day 7: Monteverde - Guanacaste

Today, we make our way to breathtaking Guanacaste, known for its fine sandy beaches. Settle in for a relaxing 2-night stay at your resort and take in the mesmerizing ocean views. (B, D)

Day 8: Guanacaste Fun in the sun is in store today as you explore the nearby beaches or simply relax

by the pool and take advantage of your resort's lovely amenities. This afternoon, visit the delightful beach town of Samara for some local culture. Return to your hotel in time to catch a Costa Rican sunset and soak in the spectacular colours as the sun illuminates the natural landscape before your final dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Guanacaste - Tour Ends Today, you depart for home with fabulous memories of your Costa Rican adventure. (B)



Arrival: San Jose (SJC)

Departure: Liberia (LIR)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** DoubleTree by Hilton Cariari, San Jose
- Days 2 – 4** Hotel Montaña de Fuego, Arenal
- Days 5, 6** El Establo Hotel, Monteverde Cloud Forest
- Days 7, 8** Nammbu Beachfront Bungalows, Playa Carrillo, Guanacaste

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

San Jose • Pre-Night Stay

Guanacaste • Post-Night Stay

Jungle Adventure • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,370 pp

Enjoy an exciting soft-adventure jungle extension to Tortuguero, the Amazon of Costa Rica.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Guanacaste

EUROPE



📍 Santorini, Greece



A Living Link to the Past

In Iceland, a farm in Hvítársíð offers more than a picturesque getaway — it's a gateway to the past. The goats of Háafell Farm trace their origins back to when Viking settlers first brought them to the island more than a thousand years ago, but their time there wasn't always assured.

On **Best of Iceland**, you'll spend time talking with the family whose passion helped rescue this ancient breed from the brink of extinction, preserving a remarkable piece of Iceland's living heritage.

Turn to page 108 to read more.



The Mysteries of Rural Ireland

"There's a big old wide world outside of Dublin," laughs Julianne, the Collette Tour Designer behind **Countryside of the Emerald Isle**. It's a philosophy that shapes the entire journey, leading travellers beyond the familiar and into what she calls

"the essence of rural Ireland." That essence is perhaps most evident during an overnight on the Aran Islands, where stone walls trace the windswept, otherworldly landscape and travellers are offered a deeper exploration into the Ireland Julianne knows and loves.

Turn to page 120 to read more.

The Balkans

From Coastal Croatia to Legendary Greece

16 DAYS • 22 MEALS • STARTING AT \$9,349

Small Group



Bay of Kotor

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$9,349 (DOUBLE)** or **\$11,799 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 20, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Zagreb, Plitvice Lakes National Park, Sarajevo, Mostar, Dubrovnik, Our Lady of the Rocks, Boka Bay Scenic Sailing, Kotor, Albanian Farm Experience, Tirana, Gjirokastra, Metéora, Athens

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Impact Moment: Uncover Sarajevo's wartime history at the Tunnel of Hope.
- Discover Gjirokastra's Old Town and bazaar.
- Visit a traditional icon-painting workshop in Kalambaka.
- Take a private boat to explore Our Lady of the Rocks Island and breathtaking Boka Bay.
- Explore the historic and architectural evolution of Tirana.
- Come to know Metéora and visit one of its Byzantine monasteries, built over 600 years ago.
- Enjoy traditional Albanian cuisine and folk entertainment in Tirana.
- Sit down for a farm-to-table lunch in the village of Fishtë and learn about traditional Albanian agriculture.
- Experience Bosnian hospitality and regional dishes while sharing a meal with a local family in Sarajevo.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Set off for an adventure to the Balkans, where dramatic coastlines and towering mountains meet medieval cities and complex history. On your journey, centuries-old traditions come alive through immersive local experiences set against stunning backdrops.

Day 2: Zagreb, Croatia Arrive in Croatia's vibrant capital city, Zagreb. As arrival times may vary, there are no scheduled activities today. Spend time as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Zagreb This morning, join a local guide for a walking tour highlighting Zagreb's main square and historic Upper Town. The remainder of the day is yours. Perhaps you'll wander through the old town's two medieval settlements, stroll the many open squares and parks, browse the stalls at the Dolac Market, or savour the flavours of Zagreb's dynamic culinary scene. (B)

Day 4: Zagreb - Plitvice Lakes Travel to Plitvice Lakes, one of the oldest and largest national parks in Croatia. Inspiring scenery abounds at this designated UNESCO World Heritage site. Marvel at cascading waterfalls, emerald lakes, and pristine surroundings during a short cruise into the heart of this natural wonder. Tonight, stay at a hotel

in the small village near the national park. (B, D)

Day 5: Plitvice Lakes - Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina Today, continue to Sarajevo - Bosnia and Herzegovina's capital city and your home for the next two nights. With its centuries-old multiculturalism, experience a city shaped by its rich history and the coexistence of diverse religions. This evening, you may choose to join your Tour Manager for a stroll to get acquainted with the area. (B, L)

Day 6: Sarajevo Begin the day with an **IMPACT MOMENT** and visit the Sarajevo Tunnel Museum, home to the famed "Tunnel of Hope," and hear the stories that provide insight into the resilience and determination of the city and its citizens during the war. Continue exploring Sarajevo's layered history, including its role in the start of World War I. Walk its historic streets and discover the city's unique blend of architectural styles and religious traditions. The rest of the afternoon is yours to explore Sarajevo on your own. Tonight, experience Bosnian hospitality with a local family. Enjoy regional favourites and sip Bosnian coffee as traditional folk music sets the tone for a truly memorable evening. (B, D)

Day 7: Sarajevo - Mostar - Dubrovnik, Croatia On your way back to Croatia, stop in Mostar to explore the iconic



Sarajevo

UNESCO-listed Stari Most Bridge. Enjoy a walk through the historic town, followed by free time for lunch. This afternoon, be greeted by views of the Adriatic Sea when you arrive in Dubrovnik. As the day comes to an end, perhaps you'll join in an evening stroll. (B)

Day 8: Dubrovnik Dubrovnik's ancient streets share their history and timeless charm during a guided walking tour of the city. Then, let the city continue to reveal itself to you because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take a harbour cruise for magnificent views of Dubrovnik's medieval city walls and visit Lokrum Island **-OR-** get a bird's-eye view of the city by cable car, riding up to Srd Hill, a breathtaking vantage point to look over the Old Town below and the Adriatic Sea. With the rest of the afternoon and evening free to relax or explore the city on your own, perhaps you will walk along the iconic Dubrovnik city walls. (B)

Day 9: Dubrovnik - Kotor, Montenegro Bid farewell to Croatia and travel to Montenegro. Set sail on a private boat for the islet of Our Lady of the Rocks. Visit the church before cruising through the stunning Bay of Kotor. Enjoy a guided tour of Kotor's UNESCO-listed Old Town before you settle in your hotel located within the town's historic walls. (B)

Day 10: Kotor Enjoy a full day at leisure in Kotor. Perhaps you'll go on an optional excursion and discover the authentic flavours of the Adriatic at a traditional, family-run mussel and oyster farm. Savour a fresh, farm-to-table tasting of locally harvested mussels and oysters, and gain insight into the time-honoured traditions and techniques that make Boka Bay a celebrated seafood destination. Upon return, the remainder of the day is yours to explore the hidden corners of Kotor. (B)

Day 11: Kotor - Fishtë, Albania - Tirana Cross another border today and arrive in Albania! A unique blend of traditional Albanian hospitality and cultural experiences awaits in the picturesque rural setting of one of Albania's best-

regarded agritourism destinations, located in the village of Fishtë. Enjoy a farm-to-table lunch of authentic dishes made from organic, locally sourced ingredients, and take a stroll through the farm. Continue your travel day on your way to Tirana, the capital city of Albania. Explore its history and architecture on a locally guided tour while learning more about Albania's complex past, including a visit to a former top-secret nuclear bunker turned museum. (B, L)

Day 12: Tirana Today, enjoy Tirana at leisure or join an optional excursion to the coastal ancient city of Durrës to explore Roman ruins, including the Roman Amphitheater of Emperor Hadrian, followed by wine tasting paired with local specialties at a prominent winery. No matter how you fill your day, experience the best of the local cuisine and folk entertainment at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 13: Tirana - Gjirokastra - Kalambaka, Greece Soak in the beauty of the countryside with its winding roads and stretches of green on your way to Gjirokastra, a UNESCO-listed city celebrated for its Ottoman-era heritage and often considered one of the steepest cities in the world. Leisurely explore its unique architecture and glorious history. After having some free time in this fascinating town, continue towards Greece, and cross your last border on this travel journey. Arrive in Kalambaka in the late afternoon in time to freshen up for dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

Day 14: Kalambaka - Metéora - Athens This morning, explore Metéora. Visit one of the remote monasteries situated in a unique landscape, where limestone rock "towers" extend nearly 900 feet into the air. Over 600 years ago, Byzantine monks built their monastic community perched atop these rocks. Later, observe traditional Byzantine icon-making during a workshop visit in Kalambaka. Continue to Athens and gather for a



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Le Premier Boutique Hotel, Zagreb
Day 4	The Lyra Hotel Plitvice, Licko Petrovo Selo, Plitvice Lakes
Days 5, 6	Hotel Colors Inn, Sarajevo
Days 7, 8	Hotel Adriatik, Dubrovnik ▲
Days 9, 10	Hotel Cattaro, Kotor
Days 11, 12	Hotel Rogner, Tirana
Day 13	Divani Metéora Hotel, Kalambaka
Days 14, 15	NYX Esperia Palace Hotel, Athens

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

14 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 6 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Zagreb • Pre-Night Stay

Athens • Post-Night Stay

Ljubljana • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$1,370 pp

Tour beautiful Ljubljana, Slovenia, then visit picturesque Lake Bled and enjoy a boat ride to scenic Bled Island.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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celebratory farewell dinner, savouring delicious Greek cuisine. (B, D)

Day 15: Athens Explore Athens on a guided walking tour, including Syntagma Square and the Monument to the Unknown Soldier. Wander through the streets, soaking in the essence of this iconic city and savouring its charm and energy. Visit the Acropolis Museum to trace the history of ancient Athens through its remarkable

artifacts. Located within a short walking distance of the Acropolis, the museum houses archaeological treasures from the Acropolis and offers wonderful views of the ancient site. The rest of the day is yours to explore more of Athens on your own before joining your fellow travellers to toast to the end of your journey. (B)

Day 16: Athens - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)

Majestic Cities of Central & Eastern Europe

featuring Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Budapest & Krakow

14 DAYS • 19 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,849



Prague, Czech Republic

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$7,849 (DOUBLE) or \$9,899 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – December 2026; March – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – December 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

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HIGHLIGHTS

Berlin, Dresden, Prague, Prague Castle, Pannonhalma Archabbey, Vienna, Viennese Coffee House, Budapest, Krakow, Wawel Castle, Auschwitz

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Hear from a Berliner about life in East Germany before the fall of the Berlin Wall.
- Learn to prepare traditional Czech dishes during a hands-on cooking class.
- Experience traditional Viennese coffee house culture during an Impact Moment.
- Take part in learning the classic Viennese Waltz.
- Visit Pannonhalma Archabbey, a Benedictine monastery with over 1000 years of history.
- Take a poignant journey through the history of Auschwitz concentration camp.
- Experience the vibrant atmosphere of Krakow's beautifully preserved Old Town.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Set out to journey through some of Europe's most fascinating cultural capitals.

Day 2: Berlin, Germany Arrive in Berlin, Germany's dynamic capital, where history, modern culture, and multicultural influences intersect. With no scheduled sightseeing today, spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Berlin This morning, meet your local guide for a scenic motorcoach tour of Berlin's iconic landmarks. Enjoy panoramic views of the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church and the Philharmonic Hall, and stop for photos at the Berlin Wall, the Brandenburg Gate, and the Holocaust Memorial. Pause at a local café for coffee or tea while hearing firsthand about life in Eastern Berlin before the fall of the Berlin Wall. Around noon, continue with a walking tour through the historic Nikolai Quarters and along Unter den Linden, passing Humboldt University, the State Opera, and Babelplatz, ending at Museum Island. Enjoy free time for lunch on your own in one of the neighbourhood's many restaurants. The rest of the day is yours to discover and explore at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Berlin - Dresden - Prague, Czech Republic Depart Berlin for

Prague, the "City of a Thousand Spires." En route, make a stop in Dresden, the capital of Saxony. With a local guide, admire the city's Baroque architecture, including the Frauenkirche, the Cathedral of Our Lady, and the Royal Palace. Enjoy some free time on your own in this lovely town on the banks of the River Elbe before continuing to Prague. This evening, participate in a traditional Czech cooking class. (B, D)

Day 5: Prague Begin your day at the world's largest ancient castle complex, Prague Castle (UNESCO), and the haunting St. Vitus Cathedral. Home to kings and emperors, the complex at Prague Castle is one of the most important sites in the Czech Republic and is easily the highlight of the city. Continue on a walking tour through Old Town, seeing the statue-lined Charles Bridge and the unique Astronomical Clock. Learn about the poignant history passing by Prague's Jewish Quarter. Your exploration ends at lunchtime, and the rest of the afternoon and evening are yours to enjoy Prague on your own. (B)

Day 6: Prague - Vienna, Austria This morning, travel by train to Vienna, the "City of Music." Upon arrival, enjoy a short orientation drive through the city. Then, enjoy an **IMPACT MOMENT** at a Viennese coffee house connecting generations, because at this café, the baked goods are lovingly prepared



Budapest



Krakow

by local grandmothers, fostering intergenerational connection. This social enterprise aims to give local retirees a chance to engage with locals and travellers around the world. This afternoon, take part in one of Vienna's most treasured traditions during a Viennese Waltz lesson. Later, enjoy an evening at a beloved, folksy Viennese restaurant, where dinner intertwines with local culture and flavour to create an unforgettable night. (B, D)

Day 7: Vienna Meet your local guide for a walking tour of Vienna's historic centre and take in the beautiful architecture, scenic parks, and gothic spires that fill the city, followed by some free time in the afternoon to make your own discoveries. Tonight, you may choose an optional visit to explore the interiors of the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace and listen to a musical performance at the famous Orangerie where the past comes alive. (B)

Day 8: Vienna - Bratislava, Slovakia - Budapest, Hungary Sit back, relax, and enjoy the picturesque countryside en route to Budapest. Make a stop in Bratislava, Slovakia, the former Imperial capital of the Habsburg Empire. Enjoy an orientation walk with your Tour Manager and free time for lunch. Continue on to visit a true historical gem and UNESCO site, Pannonhalma, and hear about the abbey's thousand-

year history and its present life. Top off your day in this region with a delicious meal in a local restaurant. Continue to lovely Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube", and join your Tour Manager for an evening stroll. (B, D)

Day 9: Budapest The beautiful city of Budapest is yours to discover. This morning, join a local expert on a city tour featuring Fisherman's Bastion, Matthias Church, Old Buda, the New Parliament, Gellert Hill, and Heroes' Square, a unique monument dedicated to the diverse leaders of Hungary. The afternoon is yours to explore this enchanting city as you like. This evening, you may choose to take in the essence of the region during an optional dinner followed by a cruise to view Budapest's stunning night skyline. (B)

Day 10: Budapest This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Choose to visit the House of Terror Museum and Memorial and gain an important perspective of 20th-century Hungarian history **-OR-** indulge in the famous Thermal Baths of Budapest, one of the largest spa baths in Europe. The remainder of the day is yours. (B)

Day 11: Budapest - Donovaly, Slovakia - Krakow, Poland Take in the picturesque landscapes en route to Poland. Make a stop for lunch near Donovaly, a small village situated



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Radisson Red Hotel, Berlin
Days 4, 5	Majestic Plaza Hotel, Prague
Days 6, 7	Imperial Riding School Hotel, Vienna
Days 8 – 10	Prestige Hotel, Budapest
Days 11 – 13	Hotel Grand, Krakow

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Berlin • Pre-Night Stay

Krakow • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

within Low Tatras National Park. Continue to Krakow, a historic city offering old-world charm and your home for the next three nights. This evening, enjoy a folklore performance and dinner featuring traditional Polish cuisine and later perhaps join your Tour Manager for an evening stroll. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Krakow - Auschwitz - Krakow Explore Krakow's historic Old Town on a city tour complete with stops at the Wawel Castle, Market Square, St. Mary's Church, and the university. In Market Square, marvel at the Gothic city hall tower and the beautiful palaces that surround you. This afternoon, embark on a poignant journey through history as you visit Auschwitz on a guided tour led by a local expert, offering a powerful

and moving reflection on history and remembrance. The evening is yours to spend as you wish. (B)

Day 13: Krakow Explore the historic Kazimierz district with a local guide, visiting synagogues including the Remuh Synagogue and Cemetery. Walk the former Jewish Market and connect with the Jewish history and culture along the way. From around noon, the day is yours to explore the town on your own. This evening, toast to the end of this memorable trip with your fellow travellers at a farewell dinner, feeling connected to the cultures and traditions of Central and Eastern Europe. (B, D)

Day 14: Krakow - Tour End Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Mediterranean Coastal Journey Spain, France & Italy

16 DAYS • 23 MEALS • STARTING AT \$9,349



Portofino



Fontfroide Abbey



Truffle Hunting

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$9,349 (DOUBLE) or \$11,249 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on November 6, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October - December 2026; March - June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 - June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Barcelona, Tapas Food Tour, Spanish Riviera, Dalí Theatre-Museum, Abbaye de Fontfroide, Aix-en-Provence, Cassis Boat Tour, Wine Tasting, French Riviera, Monaco, Portofino, Carrara Marble Quarries, Florence, Truffle Hunting, San Gimignano

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore Saint-Honorat Island, belonging to the monks of Lérins Abbey.
- Set out through the rolling hills and olive groves of Tuscany in the company of a truffle hunter and his truffle-sniffing dogs.
- Explore Florence, the veritable open-air museum of the Renaissance.
- Sail the stunning coastline of Cassis.
- Savour a true taste of Tuscany with an exclusive olive oil tasting experience.
- Veer off the beaten path to visit one of Italy's natural wonders, the Carrara marble quarries.
- At ancient Fontfroide Abbey, enjoy lunch paired with the abbey's wines in the tasting cellar.
- Explore Barcelona's food scene on a tapas walking tour.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to the Mediterranean coast for a journey connecting the Spanish, French, and Italian Riviéras. From chameleonic Barcelona to sun-kissed Nice, and from the splendour of Provence to the rolling hills of the Tuscan countryside, embark on a coastal journey combining rich scenery, art, culture, food, and wine.

Day 2: Barcelona, Spain Welcome to the Mediterranean coast. Begin your journey in Barcelona, famed for its exceptional architecture and vibrant culinary scene. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers over a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Barcelona This morning, step into the shoes of a local and navigate the metro. Then, explore the ever-changing Catalan capital as it's meant to be — on foot. Stroll along the bustling *La Rambla* boulevard, famous for its street artists and performers. Wander along the Gothic Quarter's labyrinthine streets and delve into one of Barcelona's lively food markets. Enjoy free time to explore at your own pace, perhaps visiting the iconic Sagrada Família or the colourful Park Güell. End your day with a relaxed

walking tour through Barcelona's hidden corners, discovering authentic tapas and savouring the city's local flavours. (B, D)

Day 4: Barcelona - Girona - Costa Brava (Spanish Riviera) Set out for Girona, a medieval town known for its atmospheric Old Quarter. On arrival, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the Museum of Jewish History to uncover the legacy of Girona's Jewish community **-OR-** head uphill through the old town toward Girona Cathedral to explore the Arab Baths, a serene 12th-century bathhouse built in Romanesque style. Enjoy time for lunch on your own in Girona before heading to the Catalan coast for a 3-night stay at a seaside hotel. Discover the allure of Costa Brava, the perfect place to spend your days relaxing in your sea-view room or exploring secluded coves and beaches. This evening, relax over dinner at your hotel. (B)

Day 5: Costa Brava - Figueres - Costa Brava Take in the Spanish coastline during a coastal walk between the charming villages of Calella de Palafrugell and Llafranc. Then, travel inland to the town of Figueres, the birthplace of Salvador Dalí. Visit the extraordinary Dalí Theatre-Museum; its eccentric exterior topped with giant eggs and golden statues hints

at the imaginative world inside. From dreamlike paintings to whimsical installations, explore works of one of the 20th century's most influential artists. Later, return to your hotel for a free evening. (B, D)

Day 6: Costa Brava Today is yours to enjoy at leisure along the stunning Costa Brava. Relax at your coastal hotel, take a refreshing dip in the Mediterranean, or simply unwind on the beach with the sound of the waves as your backdrop. For those eager to explore further, consider an optional excursion to the enchanting medieval town of Besalú, and experience a taste of the region's rich winemaking heritage. (B)

Day 7: Costa Brava - Aix-en-Provence, France Bid *adiós* to the Spanish Riviera as you cross into southern France and journey into the heart of Provence. Along the way, visit Fontfroide Abbey, founded almost 10 centuries ago. Explore its tumultuous history during a guided visit that concludes with a paired lunch of its locally produced wine. Continue your journey to Aix-en-Provence, a charming town in the heart of the Provençal countryside. Known for its elegant boulevards, lively markets, and artistic heritage, Aix offers a perfect introduction to the region's timeless beauty and relaxed pace of life. (B, L)

Day 8: Aix-en-Provence - Cassis - Aix-en-Provence Journey to the charming fishing village of Cassis, nestled between the dramatic cliffs of Cap Canaille and the rugged beauty of Calanques National Park. With its colorful waterfront, bobbing boats, and laid-back Mediterranean vibe, Cassis invites you to slow down and soak in its coastal charm. Enjoy a scenic cruise through the Calanques, where towering limestone cliffs and hidden coves create a breathtaking natural landscape. Back in Aix, walk to dinner at a nearby restaurant and savour Provençal cuisine. (B, D)

Day 9: Aix-en-Provence - Cannes - Nice, French Riviera Travel to glamorous Cannes and soak up its star-studded atmosphere before setting sail across the Bay of Cannes to the serene island of Saint-Honorat. For over a thousand years, the monks of Lérins Abbey have called this island home. Here, enjoy a tasting of the island's locally produced wine, crafted by the monks themselves. Return to the mainland and continue to Nice for

a 2-night stay in the heart of the Côte d'Azur. (B)

Day 10: Nice The day is yours to explore Nice. Perhaps you'll stroll along the lively seafront *Promenade des Anglais* before finding your favourite café and soaking in the local life or venturing up to Castle Hill. Or take an optional journey to St. Paul de Vence, exploring this charming, walled medieval village, and then on towards Grasse, where you'll uncover the art of French perfumery in a hands-on workshop led by a master "nez." No matter how you spend your day, this evening savour a tasting menu highlighting the delights of the South of France. (B, D)

Day 11: Nice - Monaco - Arenzano, Italy Bid *au revoir* to France this morning as you head to Monaco, the second smallest country in the world. Witness the changing of the guard at the Prince's Palace and step inside the Cathedral of Monaco, the final resting place of Prince Rainier III and Princess Grace. Then, take time to explore the charm and elegance of this tiny, yet iconic, nation at your own pace. Take in the coastal views as you cross into Italy during an afternoon-long transfer to Arenzano, a picturesque seaside town on the Ligurian Riviera, offering a blend of coastal charm, historic elegance, and lush natural surroundings. Settle into your hotel for a 2-night stay on the Italian Riviera. (B)

Day 12: Arenzano - Santa Margherita - Portofino - Arenzano Start your day with a peaceful morning in Arenzano — perhaps take a stroll along the seaside promenade. Then, set off on a picturesque drive to the sophisticated town of Santa Margherita Ligure, situated along the stunning Ligurian Coast. Later this afternoon, board a boat to one of the most glamorous spots on the Italian Riviera, Portofino. Take in its colourful harbour, dotted with fishing boats and yachts, set against a backdrop of pastel-coloured buildings. (B)

Day 13: Arenzano - Carrara - Tuscan Countryside Venture beyond the usual tourist routes to discover one of Italy's most impressive natural landmarks: the marble quarries of Carrara. Embark on an off-road journey through the rugged Apuane Mountains, tracing the paths carved out by quarrymen. Carrara marble has long been revered for its beauty and was famously used by Michelangelo for masterpieces such as the *Pietà* in St. Peter's Basilica and



Arrival: Barcelona (BCN)

Departure: Florence (FLR)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	H10 Art Gallery, Barcelona
Days 4 – 6	Park Hotel San Jorge, Costa Brava
Days 7, 8	Hotel Saint Christophe, Aix-en-Provence
Days 9, 10	Hotel Apollinaire, Nice
Days 11, 12	Grand Hotel Arenzano, Arenzano
Days 13 – 15	Hotel Borgo di Cortefreda, Tuscan Countryside, Tuscany

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

14 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 7 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Barcelona • Pre-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

the iconic *David*. Your day continues through Tuscany's gentle hills. After tasting some traditional bites paired with olive oil, arrive for a relaxing stay in the Tuscan countryside. (B, D)

Day 14: Tuscan Countryside - Florence - Tuscan Countryside Today is dedicated to Florence, the "Cradle of the Renaissance". Join a local expert for a walking tour through the city's heart. Marvel at Ghiberti's gilded "Gates of Paradise" and Brunelleschi's imposing dome at the Santa Maria del Fiore cathedral complex. Stand before the Palazzo Vecchio, a symbol of the Medici dynasty's power, and end your guided walk in the expansive Piazza Santa Croce. (B)

Day 15: Tuscan Countryside - San Gimignano - Tuscan Countryside Enjoy a memorable epicurean adventure with a truffle hunt, led by a local expert and trained, truffle-sniffing dogs. Set out on foot through rolling hills and silvery olive groves in search of the elusive tuber-shaped fungi before sampling the results for lunch. Then, spend time in San Gimignano, whose slender medieval towers stand tall over the surrounding vineyards. As the sun begins to set, gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner at your hotel. (B, L, D)

Day 16: Tuscan Countryside - Tour Ends Say *arrivederci* to Italy as your journey comes to an end today. (B)

Imperial Cities featuring Prague, Vienna & Budapest

11 DAYS • 14 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,249



Budapest

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,249 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 27, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Prague, Prague Castle, Český Krumlov, Vienna, Schönbrunn Palace, Classical Music Performance, Bratislava, Budapest, Fisherman's Bastion, Szentendre

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore majestic Prague Castle and uncover stories that shaped Czech Republic's national identity.
- Learn the art of crafting classic Hungarian strudel.
- Enjoy traditional Czech cuisine accompanied by a lively folklore show.
- Step inside magnificent Schönbrunn Palace, the opulent summer residence of the Habsburg dynasty.
- Discover the charming riverside town of Szentendre, known for its vibrant art scene, colourful streets, and rich cultural heritage.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Strudel demonstration, Teyföl, and Prague's Old Jewish Quarter — representing important Jewish historical site and ghetto. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Embark on a captivating journey through the Imperial Cities of Central Europe: Prague, Vienna, and Budapest. Along the way, immerse yourself in centuries-old history, vibrant cultural traditions, and local culinary experiences that bring this remarkable region to life.

Day 2: Prague, Czech Republic Arrive in Prague, the "City of 100 Spires," where Gothic towers and cobblestone lanes evoke centuries past. With no scheduled activities, spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant, marking the beginning of your Central European adventure. (D)

Day 3: Prague Step into Prague's fairytale charm as you explore the best of Prague's Old Town and its iconic landmarks. Marvel at the statue-lined Charles Bridge spanning the Vltava River and admire the city's striking architecture. After free time for lunch, enjoy an afternoon and evening at leisure, discovering the city on your own. Perhaps you'll join an optional excursion to the Old Jewish Quarter, home to the historic Jewish Museum and one of Europe's oldest Jewish cemeteries, founded in 1478. (B)

Day 4: Prague Begin with a panoramic tour before exploring the "Castle District," including Prague Castle, the awe-inspiring St. Vitus Cathedral, and the charming Golden Lane. The afternoon is yours to explore independently. You may consider shopping for Bohemian crystal or visit one of the city's museums, such as the Lapidarium or Klementinum Baroque library. Tonight, enjoy a traditional Czech dinner paired with a vibrant folklore performance, celebrating recipes and traditions passed down through generations. (B, D)

Day 5: Prague - Český Krumlov - Vienna, Austria Travel through the scenic Bohemian countryside to the medieval gem of Český Krumlov. Wander its winding streets framed by colourful Baroque façades before continuing to the grand city of Vienna. This evening, join your Tour Manager for an evening stroll before dining independently. (B)

Day 6: Vienna Join a local guide for a visit to the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace, the lavish summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty for over two centuries. Continue into Vienna's historic centre, where grand boulevards, ornate architecture, and manicured parks reflect the city's



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 4** Grandior Hotel, Prague
- Days 5 – 7** InterContinental Hotel, Vienna
- Days 8 – 10** Up Hotel, Budapest
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.*
- 9 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)**

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

- Prague** • Pre-Night Stay
- Budapest** • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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travellers to celebrate your journey with a farewell cocktail, the perfect way to end your memorable trip. (B, L)

Day 11: Budapest - Tour Ends Say goodbye to these regal cities as your tour comes to a close today. (B)

imperial legacy. Spend the afternoon at leisure, perhaps embracing Vienna's celebrated café culture. This evening, hear Vienna's past come alive and experience a classical performance featuring the timeless works of Mozart and Strauss. (B, D)

Day 7: Vienna Choose how you spend your day because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Venture down the Danube to the medieval town of Durnstein and cruise to the 11th-century Melk Abbey **-OR-** join a local guide in exploring the Belvedere Museum, home to Gustav Klimt's iconic painting *The Kiss* **-OR-** enjoy a leisurely morning before participating in a Viennese Waltz lesson in the afternoon. The rest of the day is yours. (B)

Day 8: Vienna - Bratislava, Slovakia - Budapest, Hungary Travel to Bratislava, once an imperial capital of the Habsburg Empire. Join a local guide to uncover the city's rich history and layered past. Continue to Hungary for an immersive cultural experience at a rustic Hungarian event house dedicated to preserving centuries-old local traditions. Learn to prepare traditional strudel before enjoying a hearty lunch featuring classic Hungarian goulash. Arrive in Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube" and your home for the next three

nights. Enjoy the evening on your own. (B, L)

Day 9: Budapest Uncover the magic of Budapest with a local expert as your guide. Wander through iconic landmarks like the stunning Matthias Church perched on Buda Castle Hill, marvel at the fairytale-like Fisherman's Bastion, pass by the charming streets of historic Old Buda, and take in the impressive exterior of the Parliament House. The afternoon is yours to explore independently. Perhaps unwind in one of the city's famous thermal pools for an afternoon of relaxation, or maybe you'll join an optional excursion to discover Budapest by night. (B)

Day 10: Budapest - Szentendre - Budapest Set out on a scenic drive along the Danube Bend to the charming riverside town of Szentendre, celebrated for its colourful streets and artistic spirit. Stroll through the picturesque Old Town on a guided walking tour with your Tour Manager and soak in the stunning views along the Danube Promenade. Savour a relaxing lunch at a local restaurant featuring regional flavours and warm hospitality. Later, return to Budapest and enjoy some time at leisure. This evening, gather with your fellow

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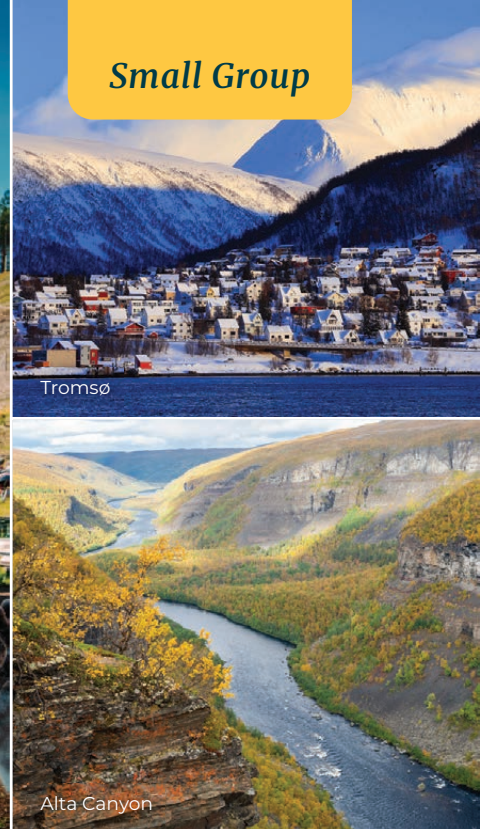
Nordic Discovery

Sweden, Finnish Lapland & Norway's Coastal Cities

16 DAYS • 25 MEALS • STARTING AT \$12,349



Reindeer Farm



Tromsø

Alta Canyon

Small Group

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$12,349 (DOUBLE) or \$15,399 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on July 17, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

July – September 2027; May – June 2028

HIGHLIGHTS

Stockholm, Gammelstad Church Town, Swedish Lapland, Sámi Experience, Finnish Lapland, Reindeer Farm, Arctic Forest Walk, Alta Canyon, King Crab Excursion, Nobel Peace Center, Oslo

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Walk among Sweden's Gammelstad Church Town (UNESCO), hearing stories that surround the 15th-century stone church.
- Uncover Nordic culture as you get to know the Sámi people, explore their traditions, and experience their way of life.
- Learn about reindeer herding at a local farm in the heart of Lapland.
- Step aboard a working-style cruiser for a hands-on king crab experience in Tromsø.
- Cross the Arctic Circle in Finnish Lapland, where the landscape opens into tundra, forest, and a true sense of the far north.
- Taste freshly grilled whitefish on the Kukkola Rapids inside a traditional kota hut as fire, river, and local tradition come together.
- Step inside a Sámi lavvu tent and savour traditional cake with freshly brewed coffee.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Your Nordic adventure begins! From the Arctic wilderness of Lapland to the coastal towns of Norway, an unforgettable adventure across Sweden, Finland, and Norway starts now.

Day 2: Stockholm, Sweden Welcome to Stockholm, where city life unfolds across a network of islands and waterways. As arrival times vary, there are no scheduled experiences through the afternoon. Take time to walk, settle in, and get your bearings. As evening arrives, meet your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner and your first shared taste of Sweden. (D)

Day 3: Stockholm This morning, walk Stockholm with a local guide who brings the city into focus during an immersive three-hour tour. Along the way, pause for *fika* and take part in this Swedish coffee break tradition. The rest of the day is yours for exploration. Continue into neighbourhoods, museums, or galleries at your own pace, from the Vasa Museum to Fotografiska or the ABBA Museum. (B)

Day 4: Stockholm - Luleå It's time to say *hej då* to Stockholm and fly north to Luleå, the gateway to Swedish Lapland. Upon arrival, experience Nordic hospitality inside a traditional Sámi lavvu. Inside this tent, your host shares stories of Arctic life in the

wilderness as you enjoy a slice of Sámi cake. Later, settle in and take time to explore this coastal city, perhaps along the harbour. (B)

Day 5: Luleå This morning, explore Luleå on foot with a local guide who brings everyday life in Swedish Lapland into focus, where long-held traditions meet the rhythms of today. Just beyond the city, visit Gammelstad Church Town, where rows of red cottages circle a historic stone church. Hear how worshippers once journeyed here from afar to gather. Sit down for lunch at a cozy local restaurant in the village. Later, return to Luleå, where your evening is free to explore in your own way. (B, L)

Day 6: Luleå - Kukkola - Rovaniemi, Finland Travel north toward the Arctic Circle, crossing into Finnish Lapland. Continue to Kukkola, where locals still work the river using techniques passed down through generations. See the fishing installations lining the banks, then step inside a *kota* (a wooden hut) to gather around the fire as whitefish cooks in the traditional Kukkola style. Listen to personal stories tied to the river, and share a meal together, telling stories around the fire. Arrive in Rovaniemi, the gateway to Lapland. (B, L)

Day 7: Rovaniemi Wake up in Finnish Lapland and head to Konttaniemi Reindeer Farm, where a local herder welcomes you into the patterns of daily life shaped by the animals. Spend time together learning how reindeer are raised, guided, and cared for. Hear personal stories that connect family, land, and tradition. Sit down for lunch at the farm and taste a local favourite, reindeer soup or salmon soup, prepared with ingredients tied to the region. This afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Sip and savour at Lapland Brewery during a guided tour and tasting -**OR-** step inside a local artisan's studio, where antlers are shaped into keepsakes and everyday life unfolds up close as you are welcomed into the artisan's home. The evening is yours to spend time in Rovaniemi as you wish. (B, L)

Day 8: Rovaniemi - Saariselkä Cross the Arctic Circle and travel deeper into Finland's far north, where daily life slows with the landscape. By afternoon, arrive in Saariselkä, a small village shaped by the traditions of Lapland. Settle in for a 2-night stay and get your bearings in this remote setting, where wide skies and quiet surroundings define the experience. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Saariselkä This morning, head out with a local guide who shares how people live with, and read, the Arctic landscape during a two-hour forest walk. Move along pine-lined trails, learning what makes this environment home. Return to Saariselkä for free time for lunch. This afternoon, slow down the local way at Galdu Spa, rotating between traditional and wood-burning saunas, a daily ritual rooted in Finnish culture. (B, D)

Day 10: Saariselkä - Alta, Norway Travel into Norway's Finnmark region and visit Karasjok, where the Sámi Parliament offers a window into Indigenous governance, identity, and Arctic life today. Take time for lunch before continuing west across open tundra into Alta. Arrive at Sorrisniva Arctic Wilderness Lodge and settle into your remote surroundings, where the connection to nature shapes the experience. A cozy dinner at the lodge rounds out the day. (B, D)

Day 11: Alta This morning, set out with a guide to visit the Alta Canyon and learn how the region balances natural forces with modern energy at its hydroelectric site. Later, head to the

Alta Museum and visit its UNESCO-listed rock carvings, where stories of early Arctic life are shared through guided insight. Free time allows you to explore the exhibits at your own pace before returning to Sorrisniva, where the evening settles in with dinner in your remote wilderness lodge. (B, D)

Day 12: Alta - Tromsø Travel south through the Arctic landscape, tracing routes shaped by water and weather. Cross fjords by ferry via Olderdalen and Lyngseidet, where local connections still rely on these crossings. Crossing a second dramatic fjord, arrive in Tromsø, the "Gateway to the Arctic." (B)

Day 13: Tromsø This morning, experience a hands-on Arctic tradition as you board a working-style cruiser in Tromsø for a "catch, cook, and eat" king crab outing. Head out with local crew who share life on these waters, then step in and help haul crab pots from the sea. The catch becomes your lunch, prepared fresh on board. Back in port, linger onboard and connect with the crew or take time to explore Tromsø on your own. (B, L)

Day 14: Tromsø - Oslo Begin your day with an early transfer to the airport and fly south to Oslo. On arrival, join your Tour Manager for a panoramic tour of the capital, moving through distinct neighbourhoods and civic spaces that shape modern Norwegian life, from the waterfront harbour to the heart of the city along Karl Johans gate. Enjoy free time for lunch before settling into your centrally located hotel. This evening, visit the Nobel Peace Center for an after-hours experience, where a private guide brings the stories of past laureates and global changemakers into sharper focus. Spend time exploring the exhibits without the daytime crowds, followed by a cocktail reception in this remarkable setting. Grab dinner on your own and explore this vibrant city at leisure. (B)

Day 15: Oslo Start your day with a scenic drive to the harbour and board an Oslo fjord cruise, where daily life unfolds along the water as you pass islands and coastal neighbourhoods. Return to the city and enjoy the afternoon at your own pace. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers over a farewell dinner at a local restaurant, reflecting on the connections and experiences that shaped your journey. (B, D)

Day 16: Oslo - Tour Ends Your Nordic journey comes to an end today. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Elite Adlon Hotel, Stockholm
Days 4, 5	Clarion Hotel Sense, Luleå
Days 6, 7	Arctic Light Hotel, Rovaniemi
Days 8, 9	Galdu Hotel & Spa, Saariselkä
Days 10, 11	Sorrisniva Arctic Wilderness Lodge, Alta
Days 12, 13	The Dock 69°39 by Scandic, Tromsø
Days 14, 15	Karl Johan Hotel, Oslo

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

14 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Lunches (L) • 6 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

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Small Group

Mount Kirkjufell

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$6,999 (DOUBLE) or \$8,549 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 9, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

November 2027 – April 2028

HIGHLIGHTS

Reykjavik, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Gullfoss Waterfall, Horse Farm Visit, Snæfellsnes Peninsula, Icelandic Goat Farm, Langjökull Glacier, Hraunfossar Waterfalls

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Ascend the massive Langjökull glacier aboard a mountain truck.
- Learn about Icelandic goats and how dedicated farmers saved this rare breed from near extinction.
- Journey to Snæfellsnes Peninsula with its picture-perfect vistas.
- Taste a slice of lava bread and learn how locals bake it underground using natural heat.
- Tour the old section of Reykjavik on foot.
- Sample homemade specialties during a visit to an Icelandic goat farm.
- Travel the Golden Circle and straddle the continents in Thingvellir National Park.
- Get acquainted with the famous Icelandic horse breed on a family-owned farm.
- Enjoy Icelandic cuisine at a local restaurant.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Iceland, a land forged by fire and ice, where adventurous landscapes give way to a rich cultural heritage. Discover the dramatic contrasts: from ethereal lava fields and thundering waterfalls to charming coastal villages and a vibrant cultural heritage.

Day 2: Reykjavik, Iceland Discover culture and history in the world's northernmost capital – Reykjavik. Stroll through the historic Old Town, see the Parliament building, and admire the stunning, honeycombed glass façade of the Harpa Concert Hall. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers and experience the freshness of authentic Icelandic fare at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Reykjavik - Golden Circle - Reykjavik Travel the Golden Circle to experience Iceland's most iconic natural wonders, including the Mid-Atlantic Ridge in Thingvellir National Park where you can walk between two continents. Feel the earth rumble at the geysir geothermal areas, where Strokkur erupts skyward. Then, witness the raw power of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) double-cascade waterfall as it plunges into a dramatic canyon. A unique culinary treat awaits as you taste traditional

"lava bread" baked using the Earth's natural geothermal heat. Return to Reykjavik for an evening on your own. (B)

Day 4: Reykjavik - Akranes - Borgarnes Travel west along Iceland's coast to the fishing town of Akranes at the foot of Akrafjall Mountain. Visit the picturesque lighthouse, climb the stairs to take in views over the bay if you wish, and take time for a leisurely walk along the historical harbour if you choose. Feel the power of the earth at Deildartunguhver, the highest-flowing hot spring in Europe, and stroll along wooden walkways to explore the hot springs safely. Later, get to know the world-famous Icelandic horse breed as you visit friendly horses at the stables of a family-run farm, and learn how geothermal energy is used in daily life, from baking rye bread to heating homes and stables. This evening, arrive in Borgarnes, your home for the next three nights and an ideal setting for seeking the northern lights. (B, D)

Day 5: Borgarnes - Langjökull Glacier - Borgarnes This morning, experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** with a visit to an Icelandic goat farm. Learn how local farmer, Jóhanna, helped to bring this unique breed,



Jokulsarlon



Hraunfossar

dating back to the time of Iceland's settlement, back from the brink of extinction. After visiting with the friendly goats, enjoy a simple meal of homemade specialties from the farm. Then, bundle up and ascend Langjökull glacier via mountain truck and go "Into the Glacier" to experience the purest blue ice color in this man-made tunnel, the world's largest. Cap the day at the enchanting Hraunfossar waterfalls (Lava Falls), where clear, cold springs seep through the lava field and form many small waterfalls into the Hvítá River. Tonight, after dinner, gaze at the sky in search of the northern lights. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Borgarness - Snæfellsnes Peninsula - Borgarness Today, journey to the Snæfellsnes Peninsula,

with its camera-ready black sand beaches, mountain peaks, volcanic craters, rocky coastlines, and tiny fishing villages. Explore Arnarstapi, a small fishing village set among extraordinary basalt cliffs and sea arches that form a natural harbour. This afternoon, take in the views on Mount Kirkjufell with its iconic shape and freestanding form; this is one of the most photographed landscapes in Iceland. After dinner, continue searching for the northern lights dancing across the night sky. (B, D)

Day 7: Borgarness - Reykjavík This morning, travel back to Reykjavík, and spend some time exploring the capital city and have lunch on your own. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Immerse yourself in the Icelandic tradition of geothermal bathing with



Arrival: Reykjavík (KEF)

Departure: Reykjavík (KEF)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3 Centerhotel Miðgardur, Reykjavík
Days 4 – 6 Hotel Hamar, Borgarness
Day 7 Centerhotel Miðgardur, Reykjavík

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Reykjavík • Pre- or Post-Night Stay



Thingvellir

a dip in the warm, mineral-rich waters of Sky Lagoon -**OR-** embark on a thrilling virtual experience ride, giving you the feeling of flying over Iceland's glaciers, fjords, and most iconic landscapes. This evening, celebrate

your Icelandic journey with a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 8: Reykjavík - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)

Best of Iceland

9 DAYS • 13 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,499

Small Group



Gullfoss Waterfall

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,299 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on May 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

May – September 2026; May – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – September 2027; May – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Reykjavík, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Lake Mývatn, Húsavík, Whale Watching, Horse Farm Visit, Snæfellsnes Peninsula, Icelandic Goat Farm, Langjökull Glacier

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Ascend the massive Langjökull Glacier aboard a mountain truck.
- Stand in awe before the mist-covered Húsafell waterfalls as they tumble over ancient lava rock.
- Go whale watching in Skjálfandi Bay on specialized RIB Zodiac boats.
- Tour the old section of Reykjavík on foot.
- Taste a slice of lava bread and learn how locals bake it underground using natural heat.
- Learn about Icelandic goats and how dedicated farmers saved this rare breed from near extinction.
- Travel the Golden Circle and straddle the continents in Thingvellir National Park.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Iceland, a land forged by fire and ice, where adventurous landscapes give way to a rich cultural heritage. Prepare to discover the dramatic contrasts from ethereal lava fields and thundering waterfalls to charming coastal villages.

Day 2: Reykjavík, Iceland Arrive in Reykjavík, Iceland's vibrant capital. Explore the city's old core on a guided walking tour featuring the Parliament, harbour, city hall, and the city's oldest building. Marvel at the dazzling glass façade of the Harpa Concert Hall, a true marvel of modern architecture. This evening, join your fellow travellers for dinner featuring fresh Icelandic ingredients at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Reykjavík Travel the Golden Circle to see Iceland's most iconic natural wonders, including the Mid-Atlantic Ridge in Thingvellir National Park, where you can walk between two continents. Visit a geothermal bakery to see how Icelanders use natural steam to cook food underground, and taste the delicious, slow-cooked "lava bread." Continue along the Golden Circle and take in the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) double-cascade waterfall before visiting the

explosive Strokkur fountain geyser. Return to Reykjavík for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Reykjavík - Húsafell - Langjökull Glacier - Borgarnes This morning, travel inland to Húsafell to view its misty waterfalls cascading over ancient lava rocks. Experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** during a visit to an Icelandic goat farm, where you'll learn how local farmer Jóhanna helped revive this historic breed, dating back to Iceland's earliest settlers. Enjoy a simple meal of homemade specialties before continuing onward. Then, bundle up for an adventurous ascent of Langjökull glacier via mountain truck. Go "Into the Glacier" to explore the shimmering blue ice inside the world's largest man-made ice tunnel. End the day in Borgarnes, your home for the next 2 nights. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Borgarnes - Snæfellsnes Peninsula - Borgarnes Journey to the stunning Snæfellsnes Peninsula with its camera-ready black sand beaches, mountain peaks, volcanic craters, rocky coastlines, and tiny fishing villages. Enjoy free time for lunch in Arnarstapi, a beautiful, small fishing village at the foot of Mt. Stapafell, framed by columnar basalt and striking sea cliffs. In the



Whale Watch



Langjökull Glacier

afternoon, take in views on Mount Kirkjufell, with its iconic shape and freestanding form — this is one of the most photographed landscapes in Iceland. (B, D)

Day 6: Borgarnes - Norðurland Vestra region - Húsavík Today, head to the scenic Norðurland Vestra region, celebrated for its horse-breeding heritage. Visit a family-owned farm, grab your camera for a photo tour of the stables, and interact with these friendly animals and their caretakers. En route, stop at one of Iceland's most historic waterfalls, Goðafoss, where legend says Iceland converted to Christianity in AD 1000. End your day in Húsavík, one of the first settlements on the island. (B, D)

Day 7: Húsavík - Lake Mývatn - Húsavík - Whale Watching This morning, take in the otherworldly

landscapes surrounding Lake Mývatn, including the Hverir geothermal area, where bubbling mud pools resemble Martian terrain. Join your Tour Manager for a hike through Dimmuborgir, where fantastical lava formations and mystical caves inspire Icelandic legends. After free time for lunch, gear up in thermal wear to join expert whale watchers on a cruise on Skjálfandi Bay. Aboard RIB Zodiacs, get as close as you can to whales in northern Iceland. You may see humpback, minke, fin, or harbour porpoise, and possibly the orca or giant blue whales that frequent these waters. (B)

Day 8: Húsavík - Akureyri - Reykjavík This morning, fly back to Reykjavík. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Experience the Icelandic tradition of geothermal bathing



Arrival: Reykjavík (KEF)

Departure: Reykjavík (KEF)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Centerhotel Miðgardur, Reykjavík
Days 4, 5	Hotel Hamar, Borgarnes
Days 6, 7	Fosshotel, Húsavík
Day 8	Centerhotel Miðgardur, Reykjavík

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Reykjavík • Pre- or Post-Night Stay



Goat Farm

with a dip in the warm, mineral-rich waters of scenic Sky Lagoon **-OR-** take a thrilling virtual experience ride, giving you the feeling of flying over Iceland's glaciers, fjords, and most iconic landscapes. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner

at a restaurant highlighting Icelandic cuisine. (B, D)

Day 9: Reykjavík - Tour Ends Head home having uncovered Iceland's adventurous side. (B)

Iceland's Magical Northern Lights

7 DAYS • 11 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,599

Vík

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,599 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 24, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – March 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – March 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – March 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Reykjavik, Northern Lights Cruise, Search for the Northern Lights, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Lava Exhibition Center, Vík, Jökulsárlón Glacier Lagoon, Blue Lagoon

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Learn about Iceland's volcanic nature during a visit to the Lava Exhibition Center.
- Straddle two continents while exploring Thingvellir's rugged rift valley.
- Experience the power of nature at the geothermal fields of Geysir.
- Venture into Vík's countryside for 3 nights of aurora borealis searching.
- Relax in the warm, mineral-rich water of the Blue Lagoon.
- See Jökulsárlón Glacier Lagoon's floating icebergs.
- Sample traditional flavours and fresh, local ingredients.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Lava Centre, Hotel Dyrhólaey, and Blue Lagoon — using renewable geothermal energy to power visitor experiences. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice — where steaming lava fields and massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving thundering waterfalls and plunging fjords. In this land of many natural wonders, enjoy the rare opportunity to search for the aurora borealis, one of nature's most dazzling light displays, also known as the northern lights.

Day 2: Reykjavík, Iceland Welcome to Iceland's capital city, Reykjavík. Your room is available on arrival, so make yourself comfortable before refueling with breakfast. This afternoon, get acquainted with Old Town Reykjavík on a walking tour with a local guide to see the vibrant harbour, City Hall, the Parliament building, and the iconic Harpa Concert Hall with its stunning geometric glass façade. Gather with your fellow travellers at a popular restaurant for dinner featuring Icelandic cuisine. This evening, take an adventurous northern lights cruise and sail into the darkness of Faxaflói Bay in search of the aurora borealis. (B, D)

Day 3: Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Vík Travel the Golden Circle to see Geysir, the double-cascade Gullfoss

Waterfall, and Thingvellir National Park, where you can stand on the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. In the afternoon, visit the Lava Exhibition Center before continuing to Seljalandsfoss — a rushing waterfall you may walk behind for a unique inside-out view. Continue to Vík and begin three nights of aurora borealis searches in the countryside to increase your likelihood of seeing these elusive lights. (B, D)

Day 4: Vík - Reynisfjara - Vík Begin your day with a journey to Reynisfjara, the volcanic black-sand beach famous for its basalt columns and rugged sea stacks just offshore. Connect with the resilient spirit of Iceland at the Skógar Museum, where its farm, domestic artifacts, and preserved turf-built houses bring rural Iceland to life. Afterward, stand in awe before the impressive Skógafoss Waterfall, one of Iceland's biggest and most beautiful waterfalls. Cap off your day with a visit to Sólheimajökull Glacier, Iceland's fourth-largest glacier. After dinner, gaze at the sky in search of the northern lights. (B, D)

Day 5: Vík - Jökulsárlón Glacier Lagoon - Vík This morning, embark on a spectacular journey east along the coast to the world-famous



Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon



Reynisfjara



Gullfoss Waterfall

Jökulsárlón Glacier Lagoon. Witness the breathtaking sight of an iceberg calving from a glacier and floating serenely towards the Atlantic Ocean. Keep an eye out for seals swimming in cold waters. Explore the "Diamond Beach," where ice sculptures from the lagoon wash ashore and glitter brilliantly against the stark black sand. After soaking in this unforgettable landscape, return to Vík. Following dinner, continue searching for the northern lights dancing across the night sky. (B, D)

Day 6: Vík - Blue Lagoon - Reykjavík
Drive along the south shore towards the Reykjanes Peninsula. Known for its rugged landscape, lava fields, and numerous hot springs, the peninsula is home to the Blue Lagoon. Take a dip in the warm, mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool, located in the heart of a dramatic lava field. Return to Reykjavík for your farewell dinner and overnight stay. (B, D)

Day 7: Reykjavík - Tour Ends Depart for home with many incredible memories of your time in Iceland. (B)



Arrival: Reykjavík (KEF)

Departure: Reykjavík (KEF)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight
Day 2 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavík
Days 3 – 5 Hotel Dyrhólaey, Vík
Day 6 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavík

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Reykjavík • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Reykjavík

Iceland's Midnight Sun: Glaciers, Geysers, and the Golden Circle

10 DAYS • 15 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,399

Seljalandsfoss Waterfall

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$6,399 (DOUBLE)** or **\$8,299 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – September 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Reykjavík, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Akranes, Snæfellsnes Peninsula, Lava Exhibition Center, Vík, Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, Sky Lagoon

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Journey along the famed Golden Circle route and witness the power of Iceland's natural wonders.
- Navigate the ice-strewn waters of Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon on an amphibian boat cruise.
- Explore vibrant Reykjavík with a local guide.
- Stand in awe before the Gullfoss waterfall, known as the "Golden Falls."
- Savour a taste of rural Iceland with a visit to a family-owned dairy farm.
- Visit Skógar Museum and experience the rustic charm of historic Icelandic life.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Friðheimar Greenhouse, ONPower Geothermal Exhibition, and Efstidalur Dairy Farm — demonstrating renewable energy use in agriculture. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Set out on a journey full of dramatic contrasts. Come to know Iceland; a place where steaming lava fields reflect a volcanic nature and massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving behind thundering waterfalls and plunging fjords.

Day 2: Reykjavík, Iceland Begin in the capital city of Reykjavík. Get to know your fellow travellers during an Icelandic lunch at a popular local restaurant. Next, join a walking tour of old town Reykjavík with a local guide and learn about the City Hall, Parliament building, and the iconic Harpa Concert Hall with its stunning geometric glass façade. Later, check into your hotel and spend the afternoon at leisure. (L)

Day 3: Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Reykjavík Travel the Golden Circle and experience renowned natural wonders. Marvel at the double-cascade Gullfoss waterfall, the explosive Geysir thermal area, and the famous Thingvellir National Park where you'll stand upon the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. Along the way, stop at a family-run dairy farm to enjoy various cheeses and their famous ice cream during a light lunch. Your day ends with a visit to Friðheimar stud farm and greenhouse cultivation centre to learn about the

tradition of breeding Icelandic show horses as well as how pesticide-free produce is grown with the aid of geothermal energy before returning back to Reykjavík. (B, L)

Day 4: Reykjavík - Akranes - Borgarnes Explore Iceland's western coastline with a visit to Akranes, an old fishing town at the base of Akrafjall Mountain. Don't miss a photo opportunity of one of the most picturesque lighthouses in the world. Perhaps you'll climb up the stairs to take in its stunning views or take a leisurely walk along the historical harbour if you choose. Continue to Deildartunguhver, the highest-flowing hot spring in Europe. Stroll along several wooden walkways and observation points to explore the hot springs safely. Listen to local stories and legends while visiting Barnafoss, which translates to "the Children's Falls." Your day comes to an end in Borgarnes, a small West Iceland town with deep Viking roots. (B)

Day 5: Borgarnes - Snæfellsnes Peninsula - Borgarnes Discover the diversity of the Snæfellsnes Peninsula. Begin your day with stunning views on Ytri Tunga beach, where you may spot seals basking on the shore. Marvel at the majestic Bjarnarfoss waterfall, which plummets like a



Sky Lagoon



Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon

beautiful white ribbon against the dramatic backdrop of dark basalt cliffs. Explore the dramatic coastal cliffs and stunning stone arch at Arnarstapi and spend some time exploring this small fishing town and enjoying lunch on your own. Feel the power of the Atlantic at the black pebble beach of Djúpalónssandur, then end your day with a photo stop at Iceland's most photographed mountain, Kirkjufell, beautifully framed by the Kirkjufellsfoss waterfalls, before returning to Borgarnes for an evening at leisure. (B, D)

Day 6: Borgarnes - Vík Learn about geothermal renewable energy on a visit to Hellsheiðavirkjun, the largest power station in Iceland and the second largest geothermal power station in the world. Visit the Lava Exhibition Center and delve into Iceland's past and present volcanic eruptions. Afterward, witness Seljalandsfoss, a rushing waterfall where you may walk behind the water for unique views from the inside out. Arrive in Vík, Iceland's southernmost village and one of the most remarkable spots in Iceland. (B, D)

Day 7: Vík - Reynisfjara - Vík Travel along the scenic south shore to the Skógar Museum and discover its turf-built houses and collection of

historic Icelandic artifacts. Nearby, stand before the impressive Skógafoss waterfall, one of the tallest in Iceland. Behold Reynisfjara, a black volcanic sand beach scattered with caves and surrounded by basalt columns and cliffs. At Dyrhólaey, you may spot nesting puffins perched along the dramatic rock formation. And finally, take in stunning views of Sólheimajökull Glacier, part of Iceland's fourth-largest ice cap. (B, D)

Day 8: Vík - Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon - Vík This morning, embark on a spectacular journey east along the coast to the world-famous Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon. Witness the breathtaking sight of icebergs calving from a glacier and floating serenely toward the Atlantic Ocean as you board a cruise on an amphibian boat. Float alongside the huge icebergs as you search for seals swimming in cold waters. Explore the "Diamond Beach," where ice formations from the lagoon wash ashore and glitter brilliantly against the stark black sand. After soaking in this unforgettable landscape, return to Vík. (B, D)

Day 9: Vík - Reykjavík Today, make your way back to Reykjavík while taking in stunning backdrops as you approach the Reykjanes Peninsula. Visit a local studio and learn about



Arrival: Reykjavík (KEF)

Departure: Reykjavík (KEF)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Grandi by Center Hotels, Reykjavík
Days 4, 5	Hotel Hamar, Borgarnes
Days 6 – 8	Hotel Dyrhólaey, Vík
Day 9	Grandi by Center Hotels, Reykjavík

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Reykjavík • Pre- or Post-Night Stay



Reykjavík

Icelandic traditions of wool dyeing using natural ingredients and traditional techniques. Later, visit the scenic Sky Lagoon and experience the Icelandic tradition of geothermal bathing. Take a dip in the warm, mineral-rich waters and enjoy sweeping ocean views. This evening,

join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant and reflect on your journey through the Land of Fire and Ice. (B, D)

Day 10: Reykjavík - Tour Ends Depart for home with memories of your Icelandic adventure. (B)

The Northern Lights of Finland

8 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,199

© Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort, Lapland, Finland

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: 24 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,199 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,999 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on November 10, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – March 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

October 2027 - March 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for October 2027 - March 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Helsinki, Helsinki Rock Church, Lapland Region, Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort, Santa's Home Visit, Reindeer Safari, Northern Lights Searches, Husky Safari, Overnight in Glass Igloo

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Lead your very own dog sled team on a husky safari.
- Introduce yourself to majestic Lappish reindeer before they take you for an evening sled ride.
- Embark on a city tour of Helsinki alongside a local expert.
- Immerse yourself in the Arctic wilderness and learn about Sámi cultural traditions during a 3-night stay in the north of Finland.
- Explore Lapland in search of the northern lights.
- Sip warm berry juice, a Finnish winter tradition.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Lilla Roberts Hotel and Restaurant Savotta — serving traditional Finnish cuisine using local lake and forest ingredients sourced from small-scale producers. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Embark on a winter adventure to the magical landscapes of Finnish Lapland. Under pristine Arctic skies, you'll have the chance to search for the breathtaking northern lights dancing above the snowy wilderness. The journey kicks off from charming Helsinki, the "Daughter of the Baltic."

Day 2: Helsinki, Finland *Hei Helsinki!* Finland's vibrant capital, where history converges with architectural style and combines with a laid-back vibe across beautiful islands and pristine public parks, welcomes you. With no scheduled activities throughout the afternoon, spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, gather with new friends for a welcome dinner in the city centre, taking a 20-minute stroll to a local restaurant. *Hyvää ruokahalua!* (bon appetit!) (D)

Day 3: Helsinki Join a local expert for an engaging city tour. If Finland's heart beats in Helsinki, then Helsinki's core is the Empire-style Senate Square, home of the iconic Helsinki Cathedral. Drive through the charming neighbourhoods of the city and visit the Church in the Rock, a Lutheran place of worship excavated directly into solid rock. Continue to see the steel monument dedicated to the world-famous

composer Jean Sibelius. This afternoon and evening are free to explore more of Helsinki independently. (B)

Day 4: Helsinki - Kakslauttanen - Northern Lights Search Escape to northernmost Finland's winter wonderland on board a flight to Ivalo and magical Lapland. Like a storybook come to life, Lapland's culture is steeped in myth and legend. Relish a sled ride with reindeer and unspoiled views of the northern lights. At the remote Kakslauttanen Resort, spend two nights in your very own Finnish log cabin indulging in your own personal Finnish sauna. Take the motorcoach on a chase for the northern lights. Stops along the pursuit allow you the chance to witness nature's dazzling, electric light show. (B, L, D)

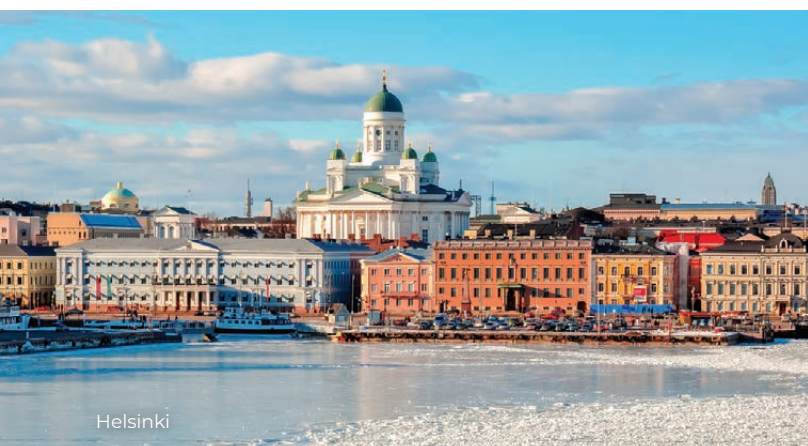
Day 5: Kakslauttanen - Northern Lights Search Hit the snow and mush yourself to breakfast aboard your own authentic Finnish sleigh. After a leisurely breakfast, meet Santa's elves, who will take you to meet Santa Claus in his own home. The rest of the afternoon is yours to spend as you please throughout the resort until dinner. After dinner, under the Arctic moonlight, a reindeer farmer introduces you to some friendly Lappish reindeer. Set out on an exhilarating reindeer safari



Husky Safari



Sami Culture



Helsinki

through remote Kakslauttanen. Then, step inside a Lappish teepee, or *kota*, and sip warm berry juice (a Finnish tradition) around an open fire while gaining insight into the importance of reindeer herding in Lapland. The search for the elusive northern lights continues in the surroundings of northern Finland's wilderness. (B, D)

Day 6: Kakslauttanen - Northern Lights Search Breathe in fresh Arctic air this morning and step into the role of leader of your own dog sled team. Zoom through the wilderness on a husky safari, driving your husky guides that are as fast as they are adorable. Spend some time getting to know these amazing dogs and learn about their different commands. You'll also

be introduced to the equipment you'll need to experience this incredible Arctic adventure at its best. This afternoon, continue to enjoy the resort at your own pace. Enjoy your last night in the heart of the Lappish wilderness, nestled in your incredible and unique glass igloo. You may even see the northern lights dancing overhead from the comfort of your own bed. (B, D)

Day 7: Kakslauttanen - Helsinki Say goodbye to enchanting Lapland and fly back to Helsinki. Tonight, in downtown Helsinki, toast to grand adventures and new friends. (B, D)

Day 8: Helsinki - Tour Ends Set out for home with incredible memories and a longing to return. (B)



Arrival: Helsinki (HEL)

Departure: Helsinki (HEL)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3 Lilla Roberts Hotel, Helsinki
Days 4 – 6 Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort - West Village, Kakslauttanen ▲
Day 7 Lilla Roberts Hotel, Helsinki

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Helsinki • Pre-Night Stay



Northern Lights

Spectacular Scandinavia

15 DAYS • 20 MEALS • STARTING AT \$9,999

Aurlandsfjorden

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$9,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$12,749 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on July 23, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April - June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028

(featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Stockholm, Vasa Museum, Copenhagen, Tivoli Gardens, Oslo, Borgund Stave Church, Flåm Railway, Geirangerfjord Cruise, Bergen

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Ride the Flåm Railway, one of the world's steepest train rides.
- Explore centuries-old history along the streets of Gamla Stan in Stockholm.
- In Geiranger, cruise through one of the world's most famous fjords.
- Visit Borgund Stave Church, a masterpiece of medieval Norwegian architecture.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Borgund Stave Church and the Sunnfjord Museum — preserving and sharing the region's historical identity through protected buildings, community-centred storytelling, and educational exhibits. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Set out to explore Scandinavia by land and experience one of the world's most incredible regions.

Day 2: Stockholm, Sweden Arrive in the beautiful city of Stockholm. With no scheduled activities during the day, take some time to venture out on your own and get to know this relatively compact city, built on 14 islands and connected by 57 bridges. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers for dinner. (D)

Day 3: Stockholm Join a local expert to see Stockholm's greatest vistas and attractions, including Gamla Stan (Old Town), Riddarholm Church, the Royal Palace, and the Parliament, on a historic and cultural walking tour. Enjoy a visit inside Stockholm's stunning City Hall, which displays towering brick walls paired with an opulent interior. Explore the Vasa Ship Museum and learn about the vessel's shocking maiden voyage, when it sank in a single nautical mile (the perfectly preserved ship, commissioned in the 1600s by King Vasa, was raised from the bottom of the harbour 334 years later). This afternoon is yours to explore Stockholm independently, from its colourful architecture to its innovative cuisine. (B)

Day 4: Stockholm - Gothenburg
Bid farewell to Stockholm and set

off by train for a relaxing journey to Gothenburg, Sweden's second largest city. Upon arrival, join your Tour Manager for an orientation walk, and enjoy a private sightseeing tour from the water on board one of the city's sightseeing boats. Hear about the local history and present times as you pass the fish market, old shipyard areas, and docks along the harbour. Enjoy the remainder of the afternoon and evening to explore independently. (B)

Day 5: Gothenburg - Copenhagen, Denmark This morning, travel to the cosmopolitan city of Copenhagen and enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before joining a local expert for an engaging three-hour walking tour of Denmark's capital city. See Nyhavn, the picturesque harbour lined with colourful façades and charming cafes, as well as Amalienborg Palace, the residence of the Danish Royal Family. Visit the famous Little Mermaid statue, and finish at Tivoli Gardens, the world's second oldest amusement park. (B, L)

Day 6: Copenhagen This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the National Museum of Denmark for an audio-guided visit at your own pace **-OR-** visit the Home of Carlsberg brewery, where an exhibition takes you through the history of the Jacobsen family and how they built their empire around this



Stockholm

Flåm Railway

iconic beer. The afternoon and evening are yours to spend how you wish. (B)

Day 7: Copenhagen - Aarhus, Denmark Travel from Copenhagen to Aarhus this morning, enjoying a scenic coach and ferry journey across Denmark's coastline before arriving in the country's vibrant second city. Step back in time at Den Gamle By, Aarhus's immersive open-air museum featuring Danish history and daily life through centuries-old streets and buildings. This evening, join your Tour Manager for a relaxed orientation walk to get acquainted with the surrounding area. The evening is yours to enjoy. (B)

Day 8: Aarhus - Oslo, Norway Today, travel north through Denmark by coach, taking in the changing scenery en route to the coast, where you'll board a ferry to Norway. Enjoy a relaxing midday crossing to Larvik, with time for lunch onboard and views out over the water, before continuing on to Oslo. Arrive in the early evening and transfer to your hotel, with time to settle in after a scenic day of travel across Scandinavia. (B, L)

Day 9: Oslo This morning, join a local guide for an exploration of Oslo. By coach and on foot, discover the rich heritage of this fascinating city. The afternoon is yours to further explore independently. (B)

Day 10: Oslo - Flåm Travel north from Norway's capital to the majestic fjord

region. Visit Borgund Stave Church, the intricate structure built in dedication to the Apostle Andrew in 1180. Arrive in the quaint village of Flåm, nestled at the entrance to the stunning Aurlandsfjord, and enjoy time to explore at your leisure before settling in for the evening. (B, D)

Day 11: Flåm - Flåm Railway - Loen Embark on the renowned Flåm Railway, one of the world's steepest train rides, and ascend 867 metres past mighty waterfalls, towering mountains, and amazing valleys. Journey to the mountain plateau of Myrdal and cascade down to the fjord of Flåm, taking in the breathtaking views each way. Continue on to the village of Loen for a relaxing stay in the heart of Norway's fjord region. (B, D)

Day 12: Loen - Fjord Cruise - Loen An enchanting day in Norway's fjord region begins. In Geiranger, a UNESCO World Heritage site, embark on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise, soaking in some of Norway's most beautiful scenery along the way. One of the most famous fjords in the world, Geirangerfjord is where you'll find Norway's mightiest waterfalls: the Seven Sisters, the Bridal Veil, and the Sutor. Marvel at homesteads along the steep sides of the mountains, where farms have been kept for centuries. The day's relaxed pace offers the opportunity to soak up the nature and stunning scenery of the region. (B, D)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Scandic Grand Central, Stockholm
Day 4	Elite Park Avenue Hotel, Gothenburg
Days 5, 6	Scandic Copenhagen, Copenhagen
Day 7	Bassin Seven, Aarhus
Days 8, 9	Radisson Blu Scandinavia, Oslo
Day 10	Fretheim Hotel, Flåm
Days 11, 12	Alexandra Hotel, Loen
Days 13, 14	Hotel Norge, Bergen

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Stockholm • Pre-Night Stay

Bergen • Post-Night Stay

Iceland • Post-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,190* pp

Discover Old Reykjavik with a guide, enjoy leisure time, and journey along Iceland's Golden Circle.

**Additional air segment purchase required.*

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Day 13: Loen - Bergen Be inspired by Norway's most impressive landscapes en route to Bergen — the gateway to the fjords. A visit to the Sunnfjord Folk Museum tells the story of local enterprise and community spirit. Founded with Viking roots, the Bergen of today is known for its old-world charm and scenic landscapes. (B)

Day 14: Bergen Join a guided walking

tour of Bergen and stroll along the historic and iconic harbour front, known as the Bryggen (UNESCO). Enjoy the afternoon at leisure before reuniting with your fellow travellers for an atmospheric farewell dinner in the historic Bryggen neighbourhood. (B, D)

Day 15: Bergen - Tour Ends Depart for home today with incredible memories of your Scandinavian journey. (B)

Highlights of Norway

9 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,999



Fjord Region

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 23, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Bergen, Nordfjord Folk Museum, Geirangerfjord Cruise, Loen Skylift, Flåm Railway, Borgund Stave Church, Oslo

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Visit the intricately designed Borgund Stave Church, erected in 1180.
- Gain insight into the region's history at the open-air Nordfjord Folk Museum.
- Ride one of the steepest cable cars in the world for unrivalled fjord views.
- Embark on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise.
- Explore Bergen on a locally guided walking tour.
- Witness scenic wilderness along the Flåm Railway.
- Dine in Bergen's historic Bryggen neighbourhood.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Borgund Stave Church, Nordfjord Folk Museum, and Loen Skylift — operating entirely on electricity while supporting local employment and reducing terrain impact. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Begin your journey to a land of mountains, glacial fjords, legends, and charming people as you set off for Norway. Dive into the culture of the region, connecting with layers of Viking history, attention-grabbing nature, and a sense of refined traditions.

Day 2: Bergen, Norway Arrive in Bergen, in the heart of the fjords, where you'll be greeted by small-town charm despite it being the second largest city in Norway. With no scheduled activities throughout the afternoon, enjoy time to explore Bergen independently. Meet your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner in the historic Bryggen neighbourhood. (D)

Day 3: Bergen Stroll along the historic and iconic Bryggen harbour front (UNESCO) on a guided walking tour of Bergen. Vibrant hues of historic wooden buildings and the salty sea breeze blends as you gain a sense of this area's long maritime history. The rest of the day is yours to explore Bergen at your leisure. (B)

Day 4: Bergen - Loen Heading north this morning, take in the striking scenery along your journey today. Stop for lunch in a village along the way, and continue to the Nordfjord Folk Museum, an open-air cultural

history museum depicting how Norwegians have lived from the 17th century to the modern day. Later, arrive at the hotel for a relaxing evening and dinner. (B, D)

Day 5: Loen Find yourself immersed in the enchanting landscapes of Norway's fjord region. Soak up the mesmerizing landscape on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise in Geiranger (UNESCO). Discover Norway's mightiest waterfalls — the Seven Sisters, the Bridal Veil, and the Sutor. Marvel at the homesteads built along the steep sides of the mountains, where farmland has endured for centuries. (B, D)

Day 6: Loen - Flåm Reach great heights with today's adventures. This morning, ride the Loen Skylift, one of the world's steepest cable cars, for unrivalled views of the fjord landscape. Continue to the quaint village of Flåm, your gateway to the grandeur of Aulandsfjord. Traverse the terrain on the renowned Flåm Railway, one of the steepest train rides in the world, and climb 867 metres past rushing waterfalls, looming mountains, and picturesque valleys. Descend back into Flåm for your stay tonight. (B, D)

Day 7: Flåm - Oslo Norway's impressive landscapes continue



Borgund Stave Church



Bergen



Oslo

to weave their spell on you as you travel to Oslo today. On the way, visit the Borgund Stave Church, an awe-inspiring building dedicated in honour of Apostle Andrew in 1180. After a stop for lunch, continue to Norway's grand capital and enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 8: Oslo This morning, join a local guide and begin your day at the Fram Museum, dedicated to telling the story of Norwegian polar exploration. Venture down Karl Johan Street, passing iconic buildings such as the Royal Palace and city hall, as you take

in the charming heart of downtown Oslo. This afternoon, enjoy free time to relax or continue discovering the hidden gems of Oslo on your own. Tonight, toast to your Norwegian adventure with your fellow travellers during a farewell dinner featuring traditional fare in one of Oslo's oldest buildings. (B, D)

Day 9: Oslo - Tour Ends Say *ha det* to Norway and depart for home with incredible memories of your adventures. (B)



Arrival: Bergen (BGO)

Departure: Oslo (OSL)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Hotel Thon Orion, Bergen
- Days 4, 5** Alexandra Hotel, Loen
- Day 6** Fretheim Hotel, Flåm
- Days 7, 8** Hotel Bristol, Oslo

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Bergen • Pre-Night Stay

Oslo • Post-Night Stay

Iceland • Post-Tour Guided Extension
3 Nights, Starting at \$2,330[†] pp

Discover Old Reykjavik with a guide, enjoy leisure time, and journey along Iceland's Golden Circle.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.



Flåm Railway

Countryside of the Emerald Isle

11 DAYS • 14 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,849

Small Group



Aran Islands

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$6,849 (DOUBLE)** or **\$8,649 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 30, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; March – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Dublin, Experience Gaelic Games, Rock of Cashel, Distillery Tour, Kinsale, Kenmare, Dingle Sheepdogs Demonstration, Aran Islands, Cliffs of Moher

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Overnight on the enchanting Aran Islands and jump head-first into Irish culture.
- Savour traditional Irish cuisine at a popular local pub.
- Take in scenic views from Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way.
- Cruise beneath the iconic Cliffs of Moher.
- Enjoy a cheese tasting at an award-winning goat farm.
- Visit a nonprofit celebrating Irish heritage through traditional sports, community values, and cultural storytelling.
- See Irish sheepdogs in action as they work on a Dingle farm.
- Explore the Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson Irish Whiskey.
- Discover how one man's love of beer resulted in a successful local brewery.

Day 1: Overnight Flight This is your chance to experience the many seldom-explored sides of Ireland. From the vibrant pulse of Dublin's historic streets to the windswept beauty of Dingle's coastal hills, this journey invites you to connect with the heart of the Emerald Isle and to your Irish roots (even if you don't have any).

Day 2: Dublin, Ireland *Fáilte* to Dublin, Ireland's cosmopolitan capital. With no scheduled activities through the afternoon, you can take time to soak up the vibrancy of Dublin's fair city. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant and toast the start of a wonderful adventure. (D)

Day 3: Dublin A local expert escorts you through Dublin's magnificent streets on a walking tour, taking you through the history and culture of this eclectic city. Get up close and personal with Dublin as you discover the vibrancy of the capital and its evolution over the centuries. This afternoon, experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you immerse yourself in Irish culture with Experience Gaelic Games. This social enterprise benefits the wider community, giving local youth opportunities to engage in community-based sport and cultural activities.

Learn why these national sports are so important to many Irish people, and if you're feeling sporty, have a go yourself! (B)

Day 4: Dublin - East Cork Take to Ireland's country roads. Tour the Irish National Stud, an area of outstanding natural beauty that's home to regal thoroughbreds and opulent gardens. Continue south to the awe-inspiring Rock of Cashel. Be amazed by its imposing facade and visit the spot where St. Patrick preached. (B, D)

Day 5: East Cork This morning, visit the Old Midleton Distillery, home of the world-famous Jameson Irish Whiskey. Indulge in a tippie with a tasting of the distillery's production. Next, head to the pretty coastal town of Kinsale for the afternoon. Enjoy free time to peruse the charming shops, galleries, and cafés. (B)

Day 6: East Cork - Garnish Island - Killarney National Park Travel through forty shades of green before arriving in the charming village of Glengarriff. Board a ferry and sail to a place that must be seen to be believed — Garnish Island. Sheltered in the Glengarriff harbour of Bantry Bay, this hidden island is home to one of Ireland's most beautiful gardens. Continue over the Cork and Kerry mountains to the



Dingle Peninsula



Rock of Cashel

tranquil beauty of Killarney National Park, where the elegant Muckross Park Hotel becomes home for two nights. (B)

Day 7: Killarney National Park - Dingle Peninsula - Killarney National Park

This morning, explore the spectacular scenery of the Dingle Peninsula with a drive along Sleat Head, with its enchanting hills and weather-worn bluffs. During a visit to a Dingle farm, witness the remarkable skill of sheepdogs in action, all set against a backdrop of sweeping ocean views.

Later, soak in the charm of Dingle with a lively pub lunch in the heart of town. Then, step into the story of a beloved local brewery and discover how one man's passion for craft beer brewed a thriving business. The afternoon is yours to wander the colourful streets, chat with friendly locals, or simply savour the harbour's peaceful rhythm before heading back to Killarney National Park. This evening, enjoy the serenity of the hotel grounds and trails surrounded by lakes, forests, waterfalls, and historic sites. (B, L)

Day 8: Killarney National Park - Aran Islands (Inishmore) Leave the rugged southern coast behind and embark on an adventure. Board a ferry bound for Inishmore, the largest of the three Aran Islands. Upon arriving in Inishmore's

ethereal landscape, take a private tour through the labyrinth of stone walls blanketing the island. Visit the east of the island and see the Old Cromwellian Castle and Port Aodh. Learn about the island's 850 inhabitants, their livelihoods, and devotion to traditional culture and customs. As the last ferry leaves for mainland Ireland, breathe in the fresh Atlantic air and settle into your cozy island chalet. The humble accommodations in the heart of Inishmore allow the striking, rocky coast to be the star of your stay. (B, D)

Day 9: Aran Islands (Inishmore) - Cliffs of Moher - Ennis In the morning, visit Dun Aonghusa, a prehistoric hill fort facing the Atlantic Ocean. Continue to the Seven Churches, a pilgrimage site in the Middle Ages. Look to catch a glimpse of a colony of seals on your way to visit a family-run goat farm. Savour the flavours of locally produced award-winning cheeses during a tasting. Later, enjoy time in Kiltonan village to explore and peruse the famous Aran sweaters. Then, ferry back to the mainland, taking in unrivalled views while sailing beneath the iconic Cliffs of Moher. (B)

Day 10: Ennis This morning, join a local historian on a walking tour of the town of Ennis. Your walk ends at the site of the medieval Franciscan friary, where you



Arrival: Dublin (DUB)

Departure: Shannon (SNN)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Trinity City Hotel, Dublin
- Days 4, 5** Garryvoe Hotel, East Cork, Cork ▲
- Days 6, 7** Muckross Park Hotel & Spa, Killarney
- Day 8** Aran Islands Hotel, Aran Islands
- Days 9, 10** Old Ground Hotel, Ennis

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Dublin • Pre-Night Stay

Belfast • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

4 Nights, Starting at \$2,740 pp

Delve into Belfast's story and visit Northern Ireland's iconic World Heritage Site, the Giant's Causeway.



Irish National Stud

may wish to tour the ruins and grounds at leisure. The afternoon is yours to relax or shop for those last-minute souvenirs before joining your fellow travellers this evening to toast the end of an incredible adventure. (B, D)

Day 11: Ennis - Tour Ends Your journey comes to a close today, leaving you with the spirit of Ireland in your heart forever. (B)

The Best of Ireland

15 DAYS • 22 MEALS • STARTING AT \$10,149

Small Group



Giant's Causeway

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$10,149 (DOUBLE) or \$12,649 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on September 28, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – March 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Dublin, EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum, Hillsborough Castle, Belfast, Culinary Walking Tour, Soda Bread Making, Giant's Causeway, Derry City, Boatyard Distillery, Galway, Kilkenny, Home-Hosted Lunch, Hurling Experience

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Meet the owners of Blessingbourne Estate and learn the fascinating history of their family home.
- Discover the thrill of Ireland's ancient Gaelic sport at a family-run hurling experience.
- Experience true Irish hospitality with a home-cooked meal in a local family's home in Cobh.
- Make your own soda bread in a farmhouse kitchen.
- Learn about Derry's political history during a locally guided city tour.
- Experience the ethereal landscape of Giant's Causeway.
- Learn about Irish emigration at the *Jeanie Johnston* Famine Ship and EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum in Dublin.
- Meet with Irish farmers during visits to a traditional sheep farm and a small, family-run organic farm.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Rocky coasts, animated pubs, a storied past, and endless green hills — where else but Ireland? Experience the country like never before, visiting the traditional sites you'd expect as well as a few off-the-beaten-path spots you couldn't find on your own. Connect with the locals, connect with your roots, and connect with the Emerald Isle.

Day 2: Dublin, Ireland Arrive in Dublin, a city rich with layered history and lively culture. With no planned activities today, the time is yours to explore independently. This evening, meet your fellow travellers and toast the start of your journey with dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Dublin Join your Tour Manager on a walk through Dublin's lively streets, gaining insight into the historic places and modern culture of this eclectic city. After free time for lunch, delve into stories of Irish emigration. Follow in the footsteps of those who fled the famine as you board the *Jeanie Johnston*, a replica museum ship. At EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum, trace the history of how more than 10 million people left Ireland over the centuries and its influence on the world. The evening is yours to explore on your own. (B)

Day 4: Dublin - Belfast, Northern Ireland This morning, cross the border into Northern Ireland and enjoy a visit to Hillsborough Castle and Gardens, Northern Ireland's royal residence. Afterward, it's on to Belfast, a buzzing capital city. Kick it off by meeting up with local foodies for a culinary walking tour, enjoying Belfast's flavours as you explore the city. After checking into your hotel, the rest of the evening is yours to further explore Belfast's vibrant scene. (B, L)

Day 5: Belfast Start your day with a visit to the farmhouse home of a local in Killinchy. After a hands-on lesson in making your own soda bread, be treated to lunch with homegrown produce from the farmhouse garden. This afternoon, enjoy free time to discover Belfast at your leisure. (B, L)

Day 6: Belfast - Giant's Causeway - Derry - Donegal Visit the ethereal Giant's Causeway, walking in the footsteps of mythical legends. Marvel at the hexagonal basalt slabs that, according to legend, were formed by gargantuan beasts crossing the crashing waves. Next, make your way to Derry, a growing artistic and cultural hub. On a guided walking tour, delve into the complex history of this city once gripped by the conflict known as the Troubles. Later on, arrive in the



Caherconnell Sheepdog Herding Demonstration

pretty town of Donegal and gather for dinner tonight. (B, D)

Day 7: Donegal Set out to explore the Wild Atlantic Way. Visit the Slieve League Cliffs, offering stunning views over the Sligo Mountains and Donegal Bay. Three times higher than the Cliffs of Moher, these iconic cliffs are amongst the highest and most scenic in Europe. Then, take in the beauty of Killybegs, Ireland's largest fishing port, on a short harbour cruise before finishing the day back in Donegal. (B)

Day 8: Donegal - Enniskillen, Northern Ireland This morning, meet the Lowry family, owners of the Blessingbourne Estate. Get a peek inside the private living quarters of Blessingbourne House and hear how this wonderful property has been passed through generations of the same family, all while enjoying their Irish hospitality. Enjoy free time for lunch upon arriving in Enniskillen, a charming island town. This afternoon, visit a local gin distillery on the banks of Lough Erne and discover how this family business has grown into an integral part of the local community. (B, D)

Day 9: Enniskillen - Mayo - Galway Experience Ireland's rural past at the National Museum of Ireland. Set on the beautiful 40-acre Turlough Park estate, interactive galleries bring to life the traditions, crafts, and rural lifestyles of Irish people since the 1800s. Continue your journey from Mayo to Galway, a lively city where medieval relics meet modern flair. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 10: Galway The day is yours to explore. Perhaps pop into a pub for a drink with the locals, browse one of the city's many museums, or shop along bustling Quay Street. You may also consider an optional tour to Kylemore Abbey, driving through Connemara National Park before touring the historic monastery. (B)

Day 11: Galway - Cork Today, get a glimpse into Irish farming culture with a visit to a traditional sheep farm, where you'll watch a sheepdog herding demonstration and meet the hardworking canine partners. Learn about the ancient Irish farming tradition of Winterage, practiced for thousands of years in the Burren, a UNESCO Global Geopark. Next, visit Tory Hill House Farm, a small, organic, family-run farm led by three generations of women and rooted in sustainable, traditional methods. Their herd grazes on wildflower meadows, and their farm shop serves as a vital link for the local community. Later, arrive in Cork, a lively city known for its riverside walks and the historic 18th-century English Market. (B)

Day 12: Cork This morning, explore Cork City Gaol during an **IMPACT MOMENT** at the castle-like former prison dating back to 1824. Once held here was Countess Constance Markievicz, one of the most influential figures in Ireland's struggle for independence and the first woman elected to the British Parliament. In the afternoon, follow in the footsteps of many Irish emigrants with a short train journey from Cork to Cobh, the *Titanic's* final port of call. Meet a local guide for



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Hyatt Centric The Liberties, Dublin
Days 4, 5	Europa Hotel, Belfast
Days 6, 7	Mill Park Hotel, Donegal
Day 8	Lough Erne Resort, Enniskillen ▲
Days 9, 10	The Connacht Hotel, Galway
Days 11, 12	The River Lee Hotel, Cork
Days 13, 14	Lyrath Estate, Kilkenny

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

13 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Lunches (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Dublin • Pre-Night Stay

Kilkenny • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

an in-depth tour of this historic harbour town, ending with a home-hosted meal. (B, L)

Day 13: Cork - Kilkenny Today, enjoy lunch at a traditional Irish pub, owned by the same family for 200 years. Listen to stories about family ancestors and the social role that pubs play within rural communities. Afterwards, watch a hurling demonstration, a traditional sport of Ireland, with the opportunity to participate yourself! Continue to Kilkenny, one of Ireland's most charming cities. (B, L)

Day 14: Kilkenny This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Enjoy a day of leisure to

explore the town and Kilkenny Castle on your own **-OR-** visit Rothe House, a 16th-century merchant's home on Kilkenny's medieval mile. This beautifully preserved town house in the heart of Kilkenny offers a vivid window into the life of a prosperous family in the 16th-century. No matter what activities fill your day, come together in the evening for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. *Sláinte!* (B, D)

Day 15: Kilkenny - Tour Ends Wish the Emerald Isle goodbye as you depart for home. (B)

Scotland: Land of Lore & Legend

11 DAYS • 14 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,299

Small Group



Isle of Mull

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$7,299 (DOUBLE) or \$9,199 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 2, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Glasgow, Scottish Highlands, Sheepdog Demonstration, Isle of Mull, Isle of Iona, Urquhart Castle, Cawdor Castle, Whisky Tasting & Dinner, Edinburgh

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- See border collies in action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration at a family-run farm.
- Toast with the famous “water of life” during a whisky-inspired dinner in Edinburgh.
- Walk the trails of Glencoe, where dramatic peaks and valleys echo clan legends.
- Ferry to the Isle of Iona and visit Iona Abbey.
- Immerse yourself in the history of tartan as told by Highland women.
- Discover Cawdor Castle, a medieval fortress linked to *Macbeth* and Highland history.
- Explore the culturally rich city of Glasgow.
- Enjoy Scottish treats on a Highland farm overlooking Loch Lomond.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Rolling landscapes of green hills and rocky coastlines. Lively cities of friendly locals and the renowned “water of life.” This is Scotland, where legends live long and storybook pages come to life.

Day 2: Glasgow, Scotland Welcome to Glasgow, a cultural trove of art, music, and history. Get ready to experience the eclectic architecture, friendly locals (Glaswegians), and rich traditions that make this city such a fascinating place. As arrival times will vary, the day is yours to explore at your own pace — maybe visit one of the many museums or galleries or simply relax and take in the local scene. Settle into your hotel before joining your fellow travellers this evening for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Glasgow Soak in the rich culture of Glasgow. Join a local guide on a walking and motorcoach tour that leads you through historic George Square and the beautiful Beaux-Arts style architecture that surrounds it; to Provand's Lordship, the oldest surviving house in the city; the medieval Glasgow Cathedral; prestigious Blythswood Square; and the futuristic-looking Science Centre. After lunch on your own in central Glasgow, enjoy the rest of the day free to discover the city as you like. (B)

Day 4: Glasgow - Luss - Oban - Loch Melfort Leave the city behind, travelling along sloping fields towards Loch Lomond. Visit a family-run farm with spectacular views of the lake and surrounding hills, see border collies in action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration, and enjoy Scottish snacks. Next, arrive in Luss and explore this quaint lakeside village of stone cottages and bright flowers, taking time for lunch on your own. Then, it's off to Oban, where a local guide will lead you on a walking tour of this coastal town and important fishing port. Continue to Loch Melfort and settle into your hotel for the next two nights. Take in a stunning view of the ocean from the hotel before wandering the grounds, home to friendly Highland cows and neighbouring the National Trust's Arduaine Gardens. (B, D)

Day 5: Loch Melfort - Isle of Mull - Isle of Iona - Loch Melfort It's time to island hop! Setting off from Loch Melfort, take the ferry from Oban to the Isle of Mull, a picturesque island that is the largest of the Inner Hebridean Islands. Continue to the Isle of Iona, one of Western Europe's oldest Christian religious centres. Journey to Iona Abbey on foot and enjoy free time to explore the tranquility of the grounds on your own before returning to Oban and back to your hotel in Loch Melfort. (B, D)



Highland Cow



Loch Melfort

Day 6: Loch Melfort - Inverness

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

Day 7: Inverness This morning, step back in time as you explore Cawdor Castle, a romantic 14th-century stronghold steeped in Shakespearean legend and Highland history. This afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Delve into the poignant history of the Jacobite uprising at Culloden Battlefield **-OR-** explore Inverness Castle and learn about the rich history of the Highlands from this iconic hilltop landmark. The remainder of the evening in Inverness is yours to soak in the atmosphere of this Highland town. (B)

Day 8: Inverness - Edinburgh

Discover the story of the local pioneering women who created the ethical clothing company, Prickly

Thistle, and learn the true story of tartan as told by a Highland woman. After, make your way to the picturesque town of Pitlochry, take some time for lunch on your own, and then board a high-speed train to finish your day in Scotland's capital city, Edinburgh. (B)

Day 9: Edinburgh This morning, join a local expert for a three-hour walking tour of Edinburgh's hilly Old Town and discover more about the lore and legends of the capital city. After your tour, the afternoon and evening are yours — perhaps take the opportunity to visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels. (B)

Day 10: Edinburgh The day is yours to explore as you wish. Perhaps you'll take a stroll among the Georgian architecture of the New Town or journey to Leith for a visit to the royal yacht *Britannia*. Or you might take advantage of the optional excursion to Stirling Castle, an iconic landmark in Scotland's history, followed by a brief stop at the Kelpies, the world's largest equine sculptures. Gather in the evening for a whisky-inspired farewell dinner highlighting the flavours of Scotland and toast to your Scottish explorations. (B, D)

Day 11: Edinburgh - Tour Ends Wish Scotland a fond farewell as you depart for home. (B)



Arrival: Glasgow (GLA)

Departure: Edinburgh (EDI)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Hilton Glasgow, Glasgow
- Days 4, 5** Loch Melfort Hotel, Arduaine, Oban
- Days 6, 7** Inverness Palace Hotel, Inverness
- Days 8 – 10** Clayton Hotel Edinburgh, St. Andrews Square, Edinburgh

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Glasgow • Pre-Night Stay

Edinburgh • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



Scotland: Land of Lore & Legend featuring the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Experience The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo and uncover Scotland's soul through Highland legends, island abbeys, tartan tales, and whisky toasts in cities, castles, and coastal towns.

Dates Available: August 2027

NEW TOUR

Small Group

Celtic Traditions and Landscapes

14 DAYS • 20 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,949



Dublin

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,949 (DOUBLE)** or **\$11,249 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 14, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

July – October 2027; March – June 2028

HIGHLIGHTS

Glasgow, Lake District, Sheep Dog Demonstration, Liverpool, Strawberry Fields, Ferry Across the Irish Sea, Dublin, Irish Dance Class, Castle Experience, County Clare, Cliffs of Moher, Private Traditional Irish Music Session

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Discover the legacy of Strawberry Fields, following in the footsteps of John Lennon.
- Savour traditional Scottish fare with a modern twist during a welcome dinner in Glasgow.
- Experience farm-to-table hospitality with a hearty Lake District meal at a family-run farm.
- Journey through the Lake District's scenery with a classic Windermere Lake cruise and a nostalgic ride on the Haverthwaite steam railway.
- Unwind in elegance with a stay at Castlemartyr Resort, set in a restored 17th-century manor.
- Soak up the soul of County Clare with an afternoon of lively traditional Irish music.
- Take in breathtaking Atlantic views as you explore Ireland's iconic Cliffs of Moher.
- Discover the revival of Scotch whiskey with a tasting in the Scottish lowlands.
- Get swept up in the rhythm of Ireland with a lively Irish dance class.

Day 1: Overnight Flight From bustling capitals to poetic countrysides, experience the many distinctive sides of Great Britain and Ireland. Encounter the history, connect with the locals, and see what life is like in the towns and cities.

Day 2: Glasgow, Scotland Arrive in Scotland, where age-old legends intersect with scenic beauty. In Glasgow, Scotland's largest city, enjoy time on your own to discover its rich heritage, dynamic arts scene, and distinctive architecture at your own pace. As arrival times will vary, there are no scheduled activities until this evening. Tonight, gather for your first taste of Scottish culture during a locally inspired dinner with a modern-day twist. (D)

Day 3: Glasgow Experience Glasgow like a local on a guided walking tour, as you explore the city's rich history and vibrant culture, exploring landmarks like George Square, Glasgow Cathedral and hidden gems that reveal Glasgow's unique past and lively present. Visit the Tenement House for a fascinating glimpse into everyday life in early 20th-century Glasgow. The rest of the day is yours. Take advantage of free time to experience the city however you please. (B)

Day 4: Glasgow - Lake District, England Say goodbye to Scotland

and travel towards the scenic Lake District, eternalized through the works of Sir Walter Scott and William Wordsworth. Along the way, enjoy a guided tour and tasting at a historic whisky distillery in the Scottish Lowlands, and learn about this time-honoured craft – an age-old Scottish tradition. Continue on to Gretna Green, where you'll have free time and lunch at leisure in this iconic and historic border village where countless couples famously eloped, drawn by its romantic legacy and storied past. Enjoy a relaxing evening on the shores of Lake Windermere, your home for the next two nights. Breathe in the crisp air and admire the rolling hills nestled against the water. (B, D)

Day 5: Lake District See the area from a different perspective and step back in time as you board a steam train for a scenic ride. Then, set sail on Lake Windermere, England's largest lake. This afternoon, decide how you'll explore more of the Lake District's surrounding beauty – **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Discover a magnificently restored and rare architectural gem with a visit to Blackwell, the Arts & Crafts house **-OR-** embark on a two-hour guided hike through glacial valleys and along lakeside trails with a local expert. (B)



Castlemartyr

Day 6: Lake District - Liverpool

Depart the tranquil landscapes of the Lake District and head to Liverpool, England's popular port city, famed for its maritime heritage and vibrant cultural scene. Along the way, stop for a memorable farm-to-table lunch at a family-run farm in Cumbria, where fresh, locally sourced ingredients bring rural life to the table. This evening, enjoy dinner at the iconic Cavern Club restaurant and enjoy the atmosphere of one of the city's most legendary music landmarks. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Liverpool This morning, join a local expert and embark on a two-hour walking tour of the Georgian Quarter, discovering one of the most beautiful parts of the city and where Paul McCartney went to school. In the afternoon you will visit Strawberry Fields, the site where John Lennon came to play as a child, which he later immortalized in the song, *Strawberry Fields Forever*. Here you will experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** and learn about the work the Salvation Army does at Strawberry Fields to give young people with learning difficulties the opportunity for work experience. The afternoon is yours to enjoy on your last evening in Liverpool. (B)

Day 8: Liverpool - Dublin, Ireland This morning, travel by ferry across the Irish Sea from Liverpool to Dublin, a historic route that has long connected Britain and Ireland through trade, culture and shared heritage. Arriving in Dublin, settle into your hotel located near one of Ireland's most important sporting and cultural landmarks. In the evening discover Dublin through the words and worlds of its greatest writers on a guided literary walking tour, where storytelling, readings and traditional pubs bring the city's literary legacy to life. (B)

Day 9: Dublin This morning, travel to the charming seaside village of Howth,

renowned for its dramatic coastal scenery and maritime heritage. Join a local guide for a walking tour, learning about the area's history and natural beauty. Then, immerse yourself in Irish culture with a lively dance class featuring traditional *sean-nós* steps and a modern twist — offering a fun and authentic taste of Ireland's rich dance traditions, followed by lunch. (B, L)

Day 10: Dublin - Castlemartyr

Depart Dublin and journey through Ireland's heartland, stopping at Sloe Blossom farm where you will explore the deep cultural and historical significance of Ireland's bogs, with a hands-on demonstration illustrating how peatlands were formed, commercially harvested, and are now being rewilded and restored. Later, travel south to County Cork and arrive at Castlemartyr Resort, where you'll settle into your elegant surroundings and enjoy an overnight stay on the grounds of a beautifully restored historic castle, blending luxury with centuries of Irish heritage. (B, D)

Day 11: Castlemartyr - Cobh Begin the day exploring the beautiful grounds of Castlemartyr Resort with a local expert, taking in the landscaped gardens and historic surroundings of the estate's castle and manor house. Depart Castlemartyr and travel to the nearby port town of Cobh, where a guided walking tour introduces you to its rich maritime heritage, colourful streets and scenic harbour views. Learn about Cobh's role in Irish emigration history and its connection to the Titanic while enjoying the charm of one of Ireland's most picturesque coastal towns, where you will have free time to explore and enjoy lunch at leisure. In the evening, enjoy the timeless elegance and refined comforts of Castlemartyr



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	The Address, Glasgow
Days 4, 5	Low Wood Bay Resort and Spa, Lake Windermere ▲
Days 6, 7	Maldron Hotel, Liverpool
Days 8, 9	Croke Park Hotel, Dublin
Days 10, 11	Castlemartyr Resort, Cork
Days 12, 13	Armada Hotel, County Clare

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Glasgow • Pre-Night Stay

Resort, with time to relax, dine, and soak in the historic castle setting. (B)

Day 12: County Clare Depart Castlemartyr and journey west toward County Clare, stopping in the storybook village of Adare for free time to enjoy lunch at leisure. Continue to Miltown Malbay for a visit to The Design Bank, a meaningful responsible travel highlight that supports Irish designers, makers and sustainable local enterprise while preserving traditional skills and creativity within the community. Arrive on the Atlantic coast at the Armada Hotel, your home for the next two nights. Perched overlooking the ocean, the Armada Hotel is a recognized leader in responsible hospitality, deeply committed to sustainability, community partnership, and celebrating the culture of West Clare — making it a stay that is as thoughtful as it is memorable. Enjoy a relaxed

evening at the Armada Hotel, perhaps take a peaceful stroll along the beach as the sun sets over the Atlantic. (B)

Day 13: County Clare - Cliffs of Moher Start the morning with a visit to Ireland's awe-inspiring Cliffs of Moher, where dramatic Atlantic views and towering sea cliffs create one of Ireland's most unforgettable natural landmarks. Afterwards, enjoy an intimate experience at the Doolin Music House, where traditional Irish music is performed in an authentic setting at the heart of the region's cultural heritage. This evening, return to the Armada Hotel for a memorable farewell dinner celebrating your journey with locally inspired cuisine and stunning coastal surroundings. (B, L, D)

Day 14: County Clare - Tour Ends Your journey through Great Britain and Ireland comes to a close today. (B)

Irish Splendour

8 DAYS • 9 MEALS • STARTING AT \$3,499

Cliffs of Moher

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **1** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$3,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$4,399 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on December 2, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – March 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

October 2027 – March 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for October 2027 – March 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Dublin, Rock of Cashel, Blarney Castle, Killarney, Cliffs of Moher, Distillery Tour, Foynes Aviation Museum, Castle Hotel Stay

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- In Foynes, learn about the pioneering days of aviation and passenger travel across the North Atlantic.
- Stay overnight on the grounds of a historic castle hotel and enjoy an elegant dinner.
- Delight in a distillery tour and craft spirit-tasting.
- Visit the famous Blarney Castle.
- Discover breathtaking scenery at Cliffs of Moher.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Blasket Centre and Fore Distillery — preserving island heritage through community-rooted storytelling and craft. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Experience a true taste of Irish splendour on a trip that combines four-star accommodations, stunning scenery, and tasty local cuisine. Make a return to times past when you embark on an unforgettable tour of the Emerald Isle.

Day 2: Dublin, Ireland Arrive today in Dublin, Ireland's historic capital city. With no scheduled activities until this evening, take your time settling in as you begin to encounter the Irish way. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Dublin Enjoy a full morning's sightseeing bus tour of Dublin with a local expert. Navigate the city viewing famous sites, drive down the Georgian streets and bustling O'Connell Street, and give a nod to the statue of Oscar Wilde, perched on his stone. The rest of the day is yours to independently explore the "Fair City" as you wish. You may choose to join an optional tour to the Guinness Storehouse, followed by a traditional Irish dinner and dance performance. (B)

Day 4: Dublin - Killarney Depart Dublin for Ireland's breathtaking countryside. Visit the town of Cashel for views of the historic Rock of

Cashel, the location where it's believed St. Patrick preached and converted the king of Munster. Next, journey to historic Blarney Castle, where you may take the opportunity to kiss the famous Blarney Stone. Legend has it that those who kiss the stone are bestowed with the gift of eloquence. End your day in Killarney, a town surrounded by natural beauty. Enjoy dinner this evening at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 5: Killarney - Dingle Peninsula - Killarney IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Set off this morning to follow what is perhaps Ireland's most beautiful coastal route — the stunning Slea Head Drive on Dingle Peninsula and visit the Blasket Centre, a heritage museum with stunning views of the Atlantic **-OR-** experience Killarney's beauty the traditional way with a local jaury on a jaunting car ride where history and storytelling come together in breathtaking scenery. This afternoon, you can take some time to explore the town of Dingle or Killarney. (B)

Day 6: Killarney - Cliffs of Moher - Ennis Today, explore the fascinating Foynes Flying Boat & Maritime Museum and discover the story of Hollywood star Maureen O'Hara's connection to Foynes. Continue to



Blarney Castle



Dublin



Ennis

the stunning 214-metre-high Cliffs of Moher for awe-inspiring views of the mighty Atlantic and Aran Islands. End your day in the charming town of Ennis. Enjoy the ambience of your historic hotel and feel the warmth of Irish hospitality. This evening, you may join an optional tour to a medieval banquet dinner hosted in a castle. (B)

Day 7: Ennis - Kingscourt Start your day with a cross-country journey to

the picturesque Fore Valley. Explore a working distillery where you'll discover the art of craft spirit-making and enjoy a tasting of its unique creations. Top your day off with an overnight stay on the regal grounds of a historic castle and toast the end of a fabulous trip during your farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Kingscourt - Tour Ends Your tour comes to an end in Kingscourt. (B)



Arrival: Dublin (DUB)

Departure: Dublin (DUB)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham, Dublin
- Days 4, 5** Killarney Avenue Hotel, Killarney
- Day 6** Old Ground Hotel, Ennis
- Day 7** Cabra Castle, Kingscourt

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Dublin • Pre-Night Stay

Kingscourt • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Cabra Castle

Shades of Ireland

10 DAYS • 13 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,799



Ring of Kerry

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,799 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,999 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on November 4, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October - November 2026; March - June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Dublin, Irish Dinner & Entertainment, Blarney Castle, Powerscourt Estate, Jaunting Car Ride, Ring of Kerry, Cliffs of Moher, Sheepdog Demonstration, Castle Stay

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Overnight on the grounds of a stately castle and enjoy an elegant dinner.
- Journey along the Ring of Kerry, one of the world's great coastal roads.
- Travel back in time during a jaunting car ride through Killarney.
- Explore the splendour of Powerscourt Gardens and experience Ireland's modern distilling revival.
- Stand in awe of the stunning 214-metre-high Cliffs of Moher.
- Savour a dinner and night of traditional Irish entertainment.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 4 community tourism partners: Ahascragh Distillery, Powerscourt Gardens and Distillery, Shankill Castle, and Railway Children — supporting donations of unused transit funds to protect at-risk youth. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Anticipation mounts as you make your way toward the Emerald Isle and its many wonders. Rich history, rolling hills, and warm smiles lie ahead in Dublin, Waterford, Killarney, and Limerick. With tomorrow comes quintessential Ireland.

Day 2: Dublin, Ireland Get a taste of old Dublin. With no scheduled activities through the afternoon, enjoy time at your own pace to stroll the city streets, relax in a traditional Irish pub, and soak up that unmistakable Irish charm. Tonight, you and your fellow travellers revel in a traditional Irish evening, including regional cuisine. (D)

Day 3: Dublin Today, ride with a local guide to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, and the historic Phoenix Park. What follows is an afternoon to discover Dublin's charms on your own. Later, you may join an optional tour to the Guinness Storehouse, followed by dinner at a contemporary restaurant showcasing Irish cuisine. (B)

Day 4: Dublin - Powerscourt - Waterford Begin the day at Powerscourt Estate, where manicured gardens framed by the Wicklow Mountains have inspired

visitors for centuries. Enjoy time to explore the renowned gardens, followed by a visit to the on-site distillery, where Ireland's heritage of fine spirits is reimagined through modern craftsmanship. Later, embark on a leisurely paced walking tour of Waterford, Ireland's oldest city. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Tour the Waterford Crystal factory and learn how exquisite crystal has been made for centuries -**OR**- visit the Medieval Museum for a guided tour and a glass of wine in the 15th-century Mayor's Wine Vault. (B, D)

Day 5: Waterford - Blarney Stone - Killarney The legend goes that those who kiss the Blarney Stone gain the gift of eloquence. Give it a try if you wish at historic Blarney Castle, by navigating the 128 narrow steps to the top. Cross into County Kerry and continue on to charming Killarney. Tonight, it's Diner's Choice — choose your included dinner from a "menu" of Killarney's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 6: Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney Take in the rugged coastline as you loop your way around the picturesque Ring of Kerry, past pristine beaches, quaint villages, and majestic landscapes. At the Gap of Dunloe, shop for local artisan-made crafts. Meet the local McGill family at



Galway



Athlone

their roadside artisan brewery and enjoy a taste of their finest beers. Continue around the Ring of Kerry and top off the day back in Killarney with a ride in a traditional jaunting car. The night is free for reminiscing about the day as you find your own authentic taste of Irish culture. (B)

Day 7: Killarney - Cliffs of Moher - Limerick Today brings you to the dramatic, 214-metre-high Cliffs of Moher for cinematic views of the mighty Atlantic. Continue to Limerick, where a panoramic city tour showcases King John's Castle and the Treaty Stone. Delve into the fascinating history of the "city of the violated treaty." This evening, you may join an optional medieval banquet dinner, hosted in a castle. (B)

Day 8: Limerick - Galway - Limerick Pass through the windswept, limestone landscape of the Burren, known for its stark beauty and Neolithic tombs. See border collies in

action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration. Continue on to Galway for some free time to explore this pretty and vibrant city. Return to Limerick to relax over dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Limerick - Athlone - Kingscourt You don't have to be a history enthusiast to appreciate the rich heritage of Ireland's ancient heartlands. Today brings you to Athlone, strategically located on the banks of the River Shannon, where you'll visit Athlone Castle and step inside centuries of Irish history shaped by conflict, trade, and settlement. Afterwards, enjoy free time in Athlone town, perfect for a relaxed lunch, or a stroll through its lively streets. Top your day off with an overnight stay on the stately grounds of Cabra Castle, where you toast the end of a memorable trip during an elegant dinner. (B, D)

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



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham, Dublin
- Day 4** Granville Hotel, Waterford
- Days 5, 6** The O'Donoghue Ring Hotels, Killarney
- Days 7, 8** The George Hotel, Limerick
- Day 9** Cabra Castle, Kingscourt

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Dublin • Pre-Night Stay

Cabra Castle • Post-Night Stay

London • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,780[†] pp

Begin in London! Enjoy a walking tour, Tower of London tickets, and free time.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

Edinburgh • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,330[†] pp

Extend your tour in Edinburgh, Scotland. Enjoy a city tour, visit Edinburgh Castle, and have free time to explore.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE

Shades of Ireland ft. Northern Ireland

Experience Ireland in all its vibrant shades as you travel from the lively city of Dublin to the untamed natural beauty of Northern Ireland.

Dates Available: October – November 2026, March – June 2027; July – November 2027, March – June 2028



Shades of the English Countryside featuring London, Cornwall & The Cotswolds

10 DAYS • 13 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,499



Cotswolds

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,849 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 22, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; March – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Walking Tour of London, Stonehenge, Tin Mining History in Cornwall, Coastal Walk in Cornwall, Bovey Castle Hotel Stay, Dartmoor National Park, Country Pub Dinner, The Cotswolds

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Enjoy the fast-paced energy of London with a local guide.
- Explore dramatic Dartmoor, steeped in English folklore and legends.
- Discover the quaint and quintessentially English villages of the Cotswolds.
- Marvel at the mystery of Stonehenge.
- Spend two nights at Bovey Castle, hear a storyteller share local folklore, and enjoy classic English dining.
- Discover scenic Cornwall and its rich tin mining history.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Lost Gardens of Heligan and Darts Farm — achieving sustainable goals with eco-friendly management and efficient use of natural resources. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight England and its charming countryside await you. Discover the genteel nature and wild landscapes of southern English towns and the vibrant energy of the capital city, London.

Day 2: London, England Welcome to London, England's dynamic capital, where the medieval intertwines with the modern. In this city steeped in history, everything you've read and seen in films comes to life as you take in the sights and everyday facets of London life. With no scheduled activities through the afternoon, take your time to immerse yourself in the London atmosphere and perhaps visit one of the many free museums and art galleries. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: London Set out on a three-hour walking tour to admire the exteriors of London's iconic landmarks, including Big Ben, Westminster Abbey, Downing Street, and the royal residence of Buckingham Palace. History is all around as you walk along cobblestone streets and discover both old and new London with your local guide. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy free time and explore the city independently. (B)

Day 4: London - Stonehenge - Cornwall Say goodbye to London and travel to the iconic site of Stonehenge. On this self-guided visit, follow in the footsteps of the prehistoric natives who lived here over 4,000 years ago. Continue your journey into the countryside with a stop at a family-owned farm shop on a working organic farm in the heart of a small community. Later, arrive in Cornwall on England's remote southern peninsula. Settle in for your stay at a luxury resort on the Cornish coast and join your fellow travellers for dinner tonight. (B, D)

Day 5: Cornwall Joined by a local guide, discover the rugged beauty of Cornwall, the breathtaking backdrop that steals the spotlight in the BBC's *Poldark*. Uncover why so many poets, writers, and artists have found inspiration in this setting, with its miles of sandy beaches and outstanding natural beauty. Learn how the tin mining industry, dating back to the Bronze Age, has defined the landscape and local economy. Take time for lunch, then breathe in the ocean air on a coastal walk with your local guide. (B)

Day 6: Cornwall - Devon After breakfast, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a local expert for a woodland



Cornwall



London

and coastal walk of Charlestown, famous for *Poldark* and featured in films like *The Eagle Has Landed* and Tim Burton's *Alice in Wonderland* -OR- enjoy a self-guided visit to The Lost Gardens of Heligan, with its stunningly restored Victorian garden, exotic jungle, and array of wildlife. This afternoon, travel to your home for the next two nights, Bovey Castle, a country retreat in Devon. Delve into the English love of stately homes during your stay at this neo-Elizabethan manor house, your glimpse into the lifestyle of English aristocracy. Tonight, a local storyteller regales you with myths, legends, and folklore before dinner at this classic English estate. (B, D)

Day 7: Devon This morning, journey into the heart of Dartmoor National Park. As you travel by motorcoach, learn about the mystery and legends surrounding this beautiful and wild area, and visit some of the towns and villages within it. After free time for lunch, return to Bovey Castle. Tonight, it's dinner out at a traditional English country pub! (B, D)

Day 8: Devon - Cotswolds Today, venture into the Cotswolds region, taking in the rolling hills and honey-coloured stone homes that make this one of England's most beautiful

areas. Arrive in Castle Combe, a quaint and picturesque Cotswolds village waiting to be explored. The afternoon is yours to soak in the rich history and stroll the pretty streets at your own pace. Later, arrive at your Cotswolds hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 9: Cotswolds This morning, visit Chavenage House, a country estate dating back to the 16th century, constructed of Cotswold stone and tiles. A guided tour delves into the deep history of this manor house, which is also recognizable as a filming location featured in *Poldark*. Next, spend some free time in a neighbouring town and find a nice spot for lunch on your own. This afternoon, take time exploring Cheltenham at your own pace before enjoying a farewell dinner at a traditional local pub with a toast to your English adventure. (B, D)

Day 10: Cotswolds - Tour Ends Your journey from London through the English countryside ends today. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Park Plaza County Hall, London ▲
- Days 4, 5** The Carlyon Bay Hotel, Cornwall ▲
- Days 6, 7** Bovey Castle, Devon ▲
- Days 8, 9** The Queens Hotel, Cheltenham

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

London • Pre-Night Stay

Cotswolds • Post-Night Stay

Jersey • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,235[†] pp

Venture to Jersey, the largest of the Channel Islands, and unwind on a laid-back island retreat.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.



Stonehenge

Exploring Britain and Ireland featuring England, Ireland, Scotland & Wales

15 DAYS • 21 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,499



CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on October 31, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; March – June 2028

(featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Edinburgh, York, London, Windsor, Bath, Cardiff Castle, Waterford, Blarney Castle, Killarney, Ring of Kerry, Rock of Cashel, Dublin, Traditional Irish Night

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Get to know a local family on their innovative 500-acre farm in the Scottish Borders, learning about sustainable practices and tasting fresh produce over lunch.
- Feel Ireland's spirit during an evening of traditional Irish song and dance in Dublin.
- Visit York's awe-inspiring Minster, the largest Gothic cathedral in northern Europe.
- Delve into Scottish culture with a whisky tasting paired with dinner, sampling single malts and learning how they complement regional dishes.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Rosslyn Chapel and Standhill Farm — generating clean biogas energy from organic materials and modeling a highly sustainable food production system. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way! Let the anticipation build as you fly toward Britain and Ireland's stirring landscapes, storied cities, and vibrant cultures.

Day 2: Edinburgh, Scotland

Edinburgh, where castle-capped hills loom above cobblestone streets. There are no planned activities as arrival times vary, so settle in and wander at your own pace. Stroll the Royal Mile, climb Calton Hill, and witness medieval alleyways blending with contemporary life. As evening falls, savour a whisky experience and dinner showcasing Scotland's flavours and meet your fellow travellers. Raise a glass of single malt as you hear stories of Scotland's clans and Highlanders. (D)

Day 3: Edinburgh This morning, join a local guide to get acquainted with Scotland's capital, exploring the Old and New Towns. On your guided walk, stories of monarchs and rebels come alive. Stroll the Royal Mile to Edinburgh Castle with its own crown jewels. The afternoon is yours to explore independently. Climb Arthur's Seat, visit a museum, or linger in a cozy pub. Tonight, consider an optional excursion and dinner at Rosslyn Chapel, one of Edinburgh's most remarkable medieval buildings. An after-hours private tour will take you deep into this well-known setting from *The Da Vinci Code*. (B)

Day 4: Edinburgh - Scottish Borders

- York, England Depart Edinburgh and travel through Northumberland's rolling hills. Mid-morning, you'll visit a family farm in the Scottish Borders, where sustainability and innovation shape life. Meet the farmers, sample produce over a light lunch, and learn how they care for livestock and the land. Back on the road, the countryside yields to England's green pastures. By evening, you'll arrive in York, a walled city of snickelways and medieval charm. (B, L)

Day 5: York Step out with your Tour Manager this morning to get your bearings in York. Join a leisurely walking tour through the tangle of narrow lanes known as the Shambles, where timbered houses lean overhead. Visit the soaring York Minster, the largest Gothic cathedral in northern Europe, and gaze up at the sea of stained glass. The afternoon and evening are yours to explore. Tuck into tea rooms for some respite, seek out a hidden pub for a cold pint, or walk atop the city walls to take in the sunset. (B)

Day 6: York - London This morning, a high-speed train zips you south to London. Upon arrival, savour a classic afternoon tea before setting out with a local expert to see Westminster's landmarks: Parliament, Westminster

Abbey, and the Big Ben clock tower, followed by the grand façade of Buckingham Palace. This evening, share stories of the day over dinner with your fellow travellers before checking into your hotel. The rest of the night is yours to explore London's vibrant neighbourhoods at your leisure. (B, L, D)

Day 7: London Enjoy a full day to explore London at your own pace. Perhaps visit Windsor Castle, home to forty monarchs, making it one of the world's longest-occupied royal residences, or wander through neighbourhoods like Covent Garden and Soho. Step inside a museum, ride a red double-decker bus, or watch the Changing of the Guard. In the evening, you might take in one of London's many theatrical productions, meander through the street markets for local wares, or unwind in a nearby pub. Your Tour Manager is on hand with suggestions to make the most of your free day. (B)

Day 8: London - Bath - Cardiff, Wales Today, you leave London behind and journey to Bath, where golden Georgian buildings line cobblestone streets. Step inside the Roman Bath Museum to explore its 2,000-year-old spas and learn about ancient bathing culture. After, wander through Bath's squares and lanes, peeking into a bookshop, or stopping for tea at a local café. This afternoon, travel across Severn Bridge to Wales. Your day ends in Cardiff, the Welsh capital, where you can rest before tomorrow's discoveries. (B)

Day 9: Cardiff Start your day with a leisurely walking tour of Cardiff. A local guide shares how coal once fuelled the city, points out Roman remnants, and leads you through Victorian shopping arcades. Visit Cardiff Castle, a fortress that has evolved from a Roman fort and Norman stronghold into a Victorian fantasy. Pause for lunch in a pub to sample traditional "pub grub" and chat with locals. After lunch, continue exploring Cardiff's lively streets. (B, L)

Day 10: Cardiff - Waterford, Ireland Travel through the Welsh countryside to the village of Fishguard, where you'll board a ferry and cross the Irish Sea. Watch as the coast of Wales recedes and the green fields of the Emerald Isle appear. Docking in Rosslare, continue to Tramore in County Waterford, your home for the evening. Settle into your hotel and perhaps stroll along the

beach or enjoy a pint in a local pub before tomorrow's adventures. (B, D)

Day 11: Waterford - Blarney - Killarney This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Tour the House of Waterford Crystal to watch artisans transform molten glass and browse the many treasures in the showroom **-OR-** join a relaxed walking tour of Ireland's oldest city to learn about its Viking and Norman past. Later, travel to Blarney Castle, climb the tower, and kiss the fabled stone for luck and the "gift of eloquence." Continue on to Killarney, where it's Diner's Choice... choose your included dinner from a "menu" of Killarney's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 12: Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney Your day begins exploring Killarney National Park aboard a horse-drawn jaunting car. Listen as your jarvey shares tales and points out scenery. Then, travel along the Ring of Kerry, where windswept cliffs, rugged mountains, and lakes unfold. Stop at the Kerry Bog Village Museum for a glimpse of rural life before returning to Killarney for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 13: Killarney - Rock of Cashel - Dublin Travel through Ireland's fertile "Golden Vale" today on your way to the Rock of Cashel. Towering high on a limestone outcrop, this medieval complex commands sweeping views of the countryside. Walk the grounds and imagine St. Patrick preaching here over 1,500 years ago. Continue on to Dublin and head straight to Christchurch Cathedral for a guided tour of its vaulted interior. A private drinks reception caps your visit before settling into the city for the evening. (B)

Day 14: Dublin Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Ride with a local guide to see Dublin's highlights: St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, the General Post Office, and Phoenix Park **-OR-** take a walking tour through St. Stephen's Green and Grafton Street, crossing the River Liffey. The afternoon is yours. Visit museums, wander Temple Bar, or browse the local shops for souvenirs. Tonight, experience the charm, levity, and liveliness of Irish music and dance during an evening of entertainment. (B, D)

Day 15: Dublin - Tour Ends Today, you bid farewell to Britain and Ireland. While your tour ends today, the stories and connections you've made travel with you. (B)



Arrival: Edinburgh (EDI)

Departure: Dublin (DUB)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Mercure Edinburgh Haymarket Hotel, Edinburgh
Days 4, 5	DoubleTree by Hilton, York
Days 6, 7	Canopy by Hilton London City, London
Days 8, 9	Clayton Hotel, Cardiff
Day 10	Granville Hotel, Waterford
Days 11, 12	Scotts Hotel, Killarney
Days 13, 14	Herbert Park Hotel, Dublin

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

13 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Edinburgh • Pre-Night Stay

Dublin • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



Exploring Britain and Ireland featuring the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Travel through the magical countryside of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, and take in the world-famous Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo.

Dates Available: August 2027

Discover Scotland

10 DAYS • 15 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,999



Urquhart Castle

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on July 24, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; March – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Bagpipe Demonstration, Whisky Tasting, Isle of Skye, Loch Ness, Orkney Islands, Dunrobin Castle, Sheepdog Demonstration, Edinburgh Castle, Scottish Cooking Demonstration

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Take a cruise on Loch Ness and search for the elusive Nessie.
- Visit a family-run Highlands farm and watch sheepdogs at work in the mountain wilderness.
- Enjoy an interactive cooking demonstration at one of Edinburgh's premier culinary institutions.
- Discover the Neolithic ruins on Orkney and learn how they have shaped the island today.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: National Piping Centre and Glengoyne Distillery — implementing responsible consumption and production practices. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight An overnight flight transports you to a country of stunning landscapes, lively cities, and stirring history.

Day 2: Glasgow, Scotland Arrive in Glasgow, Scotland's Victorian city. With no planned activities today, you can explore Glasgow at leisure. Tonight, your Scottish adventure begins with a visit to the National Piping Centre. After a demonstration and lesson with a renowned piper, join your fellow travellers for a lively welcome dinner at the Centre's farm-to-table restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Glasgow - Ballachulish This morning, bid Glasgow farewell as you travel to your next destination. First, stop at a local whisky distillery for a guided tour and tasting. After some free time for lunch in a nearby town, you can relax aboard the motorcoach and admire the verdant green hills and mountainside waters as you arrive at your remote countryside hotel, situated on lovely Loch Linnhe. (B, D)

Day 4: Ballachulish - Isle of Skye - Ballachulish This morning, journey to the stunning Isle of Skye, also known in poetry and song as Eilean a' Cheò (The Misty Isle). Upon arrival in Armadale, a local from the island joins you to share the history of this

magical place and what it is like to live there today. A visit to the capital of Portree allows some time to explore before taking the scenic route back to Broadford. End your day by returning to Ballachulish via the Skye Bridge and a scenic drive along the "Road to the Isles." (B, D)

Day 5: Ballachulish - Loch Ness - Thurso Depart early this morning and journey into the heart of the Scottish Highlands. From the shores of Loch Ness, enjoy a scenic one-way cruise across this legendary loch. Soak in views of the dramatic Great Glen landscape and keep watch for the ever-elusive Nessie before approaching the striking ruins of Urquhart Castle. Then, travel off the beaten path to Thurso, one of Scotland's most remote towns on the rugged North Coast. Embrace the rustic environment of the Scottish Highlands as you settle in for your 2-night stay. (B, D)

Day 6: Thurso - Orkney Islands - Thurso Grab your windbreaker — it's time for an adventure on the Orkney Islands. Ferry to this former Viking stronghold off the northernmost coast of Scotland, where artists admire the ever-changing clouds rolling across the sky like a time-lapse at double speed. On the crossing, feel the wind in your hair as you view the abundant



Bagpiper



Edinburgh

bird life and, if you're lucky, porpoises and seals. A local guide introduces this ethereal place that few visitors to Scotland get to experience. Continue on toward the prehistoric Standing Stones of Stenness, reported to be older than Stonehenge. Enjoy a traditional lunch in Kirkwall, featuring the very best that Orkney has to offer, like homemade oatcakes using grain of Bere, before returning to the mainland. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Thurso - Inverness As you make your way back from the northern coast, visit the majestic Dunrobin Castle, which dates back to the 1300s. The castle is built in the style of a French château and is home to the Duke of Sutherland. Next, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Step into history at the atmospheric Culloden Battlefield, where the Jacobite Rising came to a tragic end -**OR**- visit the imposing Inverness Castle on a self-guided tour, now home to a fascinating museum of the battles of the Highlands. Enjoy an overnight stay in Inverness, capital of the Highlands. (B)

Day 8: Inverness - Pitlochry - Edinburgh Begin your day with a visit to a family-run farm set in the heart of the Highlands. See sheepdogs at work while surrounded by the mountain wilderness of Cairngorms National Park. Continue on to the vibrant Victorian town of Pitlochry for some time at leisure to explore on your own. End your day in Scotland's capital city of Edinburgh. (B)

Day 9: Edinburgh Today, visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels. Enjoy a panoramic tour of Edinburgh's new town before your local expert takes you on a walking tour up to the magnificent castle. This evening, give traditional Scottish ingredients a modern twist. Enjoy a lively and interactive cooking experience at one of Scotland's premier culinary institutions with a "wee dram" in hand. (B, D)

Day 10: Edinburgh - Tour Ends Your tour of Scotland comes to a close today. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Day 2** Maldron Hotel, Glasgow
- Days 3, 4** Ballachulish Hotel, Ballachulish
- Days 5, 6** Castletown Hotel, Thurso or Norseman Hotel, Wick
- Day 7** Inverness Palace Hotel & Spa, Inverness
- Days 8, 9** Radisson Blu, Edinburgh

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Glasgow • Pre-Night Stay

Edinburgh • Post-Night Stay

London • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,055 pp

Begin in London! Enjoy a walking tour, Tower of London tickets, and free time — then a train to Scotland.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



Discover Scotland ft. the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Uncover a land of castles, sheepdogs and rolling green Highlands, and take in the spectacle of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo.

Dates Available: August 2027

Exploring Scotland & Ireland

13 DAYS • 19 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,549



Edinburgh Castle

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,549 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; March – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Edinburgh, Edinburgh Castle, St. Andrews, Inverness Castle, Distillery Visit, Glasgow, Belfast, Giant's Causeway, Derry, Sheepdog Demonstration, Cider Farm Tour, Dublin

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Connect to Scottish culture at a local *ceilidh*, a traditional gathering that includes music and dance.
- Meet working sheepdogs and see them in action on a local farm.
- Explore historic Inverness Castle.
- Tour the “Fair City” of Dublin with a local guide.
- Set out on a walking tour of Derry featuring its medieval city walls.
- Take a tour (and have a tasting!) at one of Scotland's oldest whisky distilleries.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Glencoe Visitor Centre, Long Meadow Cider, and Rosslyn Chapel — preserving Scottish heritage while supporting biodiversity through a bee sanctuary, renewable energy use, and strong local community engagement. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight From rugged natural beauty to vibrant and historical cities, the diverse charms of Scotland and Ireland await.

Day 2: Edinburgh, Scotland Arrive in Edinburgh, Scotland's capital city. With no planned activities today, you can take your time to unwind and soak in the atmosphere of this lively capital. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Edinburgh This morning, visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels, and enjoy a panoramic tour of Edinburgh's New Town and an insightful walking tour up the Royal Mile to the castle. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city further at your leisure. Tonight, you might like to join the optional private tour and dinner at Rosslyn Chapel, one of Scotland's most remarkable buildings, brought to life by *The Da Vinci Code*. (B)

Day 4: Edinburgh - St. Andrews - Inverness Depart Edinburgh and travel on to St. Andrews, the beautiful town in the Kingdom of Fife that gave the world the game of golf. See the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the famous Old Course. Continue on to Inverness, the capital of the Highlands. (B, D)

Day 5: Inverness This morning, take time to explore Inverness Castle, the majestic cliffsides estate steeped in tales of the Jacobite Rebellion and Mary Queen of Scots. Then, take a walking tour with a local guide to discover how important Inverness is as the gateway to the Highlands. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy — explore the city, take a riverside walk, or simply relax. This evening, enjoy a Highland gathering (*ceilidh*) filled with storytelling, singing, and Scottish dancing. (B, D)

Day 6: Inverness - Glencoe - Glasgow Depart Inverness and visit one of the oldest licensed whisky distilleries in Scotland. After a tour and a tasting, continue to the scenic valley of Glencoe, one of Scotland's most historic and breathtaking glens. Your day ends in Glasgow. (B, D)

Day 7: Glasgow - Belfast, Northern Ireland This morning, explore Glasgow with a local guide. Highlights include visiting George Square, passing by Glasgow Cathedral and Provand's Lordship, the oldest house in the city, and discovering the rich industrial heritage of the area. Travel to the scenic Ayrshire coast to your ferry. Cross the Irish Sea as you head for Northern Ireland's capital city of Belfast. (B)



Dublin

Day 8: Belfast Enjoy a privately guided tour of Belfast, Northern Ireland's largest city. Learn about the struggles in this great city's history as you pass through its distinctive neighbourhoods. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the award-winning Titanic Experience Museum **-OR-** visit Ulster Museum, Northern Ireland's treasure house of the past and present. The afternoon is yours to further explore this fascinating city before joining your fellow travellers for dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 9: Belfast - Glens of Antrim - Giant's Causeway - Derry Venture along the stunning Antrim Coastal Route, stopping at Giant's Causeway (UNESCO). Formed by volcanic activity millions of years ago, the causeway resembles an old, cobblestone road leading mystically into the sea. Then, embark on one of the world's most beautiful railway journeys along the Causeway Coast. Soak up the incredible scenery before arriving at the walled city of Derry. Set out on a walking tour featuring medieval walls, St. Augustine's Cathedral, and the Guildhall. Perhaps you'll discover why Derry is one of Ireland's best-kept secrets during an optional evening at an exclusive private dining space serving traditional food and featuring a local singer playing Irish music. (B)

Day 10: Derry - Donegal Town - Derry Today's journey showcases the rugged beauty of County Donegal. Start your day with a visit to Donegal Castle, a restored 15th-century castle with a

unique history. Enjoy some free time to explore Donegal Town, a picturesque village at the mouth of the River Eske. Return to Derry and join your fellow travellers for dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 11: Derry - Dublin, Ireland Depart on a journey through the scenic countryside of Northern Ireland, stopping at Glenshane Country Farm to meet the working dogs and see them in action. With lunch included at the farm, you can enjoy the relaxed and leisurely pace of the countryside. Then, visit a family-run cider farm. Meet the family and explore the orchards before sampling their award-winning Irish ciders. Continue on to the Republic of Ireland. Your day concludes in Dublin, Ireland's vibrant capital city. (B, L)

Day 12: Dublin A locally guided tour of Dublin highlights the world-renowned St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, Phoenix Park, and the city's magnificent rows of lovely Georgian town homes. You may choose to join an optional tour with lunch at a historic and traditional local pub, followed by a visit to the Guinness Storehouse Museum. Spend the rest of your day at leisure as you delve further into Dublin's cultural treasures. This evening, toast the end of an incredible adventure during a farewell dinner at one of the city's most popular local restaurants. (B, D)

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



Arrival: Edinburgh (EDI)

Departure: Dublin (DUB)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Radisson Blu, Edinburgh
Days 4, 5	Inverness Palace Hotel, Inverness
Day 6	Hilton, Glasgow
Days 7, 8	Maldron Hotel, Belfast
Days 9, 10	Maldron Hotel, Derry
Days 11, 12	Herbert Park Hotel, Dublin

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Edinburgh • Pre-Night Stay

Dublin • Post-Night Stay

London • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,190 pp

Begin in London! Enjoy a walking tour, Tower of London tickets, and free time — then a train to Scotland.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE

Exploring Scotland & Ireland featuring the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Bask in the warm Celtic culture and majestic scenery of two remarkable lands, and see the world-famous Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo.

Dates Available:
August 2027



British Landscapes featuring England, Scotland and Wales

10 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,199



Conwy

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,199 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,799 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 27, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

February – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; February – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Edinburgh Castle, York Minster, Chester, Conwy Castle, Stratford-upon-Avon, Heritage Railway, Traditional Afternoon Tea, London

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Travel on a restored heritage railway for a nostalgic journey, evoking Britain's golden age of rail travel.
- Connect with the literature and birthplace of Shakespeare in Stratford-upon-Avon.
- See the quintessential sights of London with a local guide.
- Explore the wondrous York Minster.
- Discover Edinburgh's fascinating history with a local guide and visit Edinburgh Castle.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Roast Restaurant, Amber Restaurant and Whisky Bar, and Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC) — converting food waste into energy and fertilizer. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Feel the vibrant energy of England, hear the unique sounds of Scotland, and see the rolling countryside of Wales on a trip that combines dramatic history and an array of fascinating landscapes.

Day 2: Edinburgh, Scotland Arrive in Edinburgh, the historic capital of Scotland, where rocky hills, towers in the distance, and the shadows of history can be seen around every corner. With no scheduled sightseeing today in consideration of varied arrival times, take some time to discover Scotland's capital for yourself and see how medieval crossroads blend seamlessly with a vibrant modern energy. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Edinburgh Start the day with a panoramic and walking tour of old and new Edinburgh, exploring Georgian architecture, writers and monuments, alleyways and hidden passages, and the dark and mysterious side of the city. Then, walk up the Royal Mile to enter Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels. After a guided tour of the castle grounds, enjoy time to explore the city as you wish this afternoon and evening. Perhaps you will choose to join an optional night of Scottish food, song, and dance. (B)

Day 4: Edinburgh - York, England

Say goodbye to the rolling hills of Scotland while travelling south on a local passenger train to York. After you arrive, join a walk to get familiar with York's streets before taking some free time to enjoy lunch on your own. After an afternoon visit to the magnificent York Minster, enjoy free time to explore York at your own pace before retreating to the tranquil countryside for an overnight stay in a charming castle setting. (B)

Day 5: York - Chester - Pulford, Chester

This morning, travel to Chester, your home for the next two nights, where ancient walls enclose charming Tudor and Victorian houses. Discover the charms of the city with your Tour Manager before taking some time for lunch. This afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Enjoy a guided tour of the magnificent Chester Cathedral **-OR-** take a leisurely boat ride along the River Dee. After, check in to a tranquil countryside retreat steeped in history. (B, D)

Day 6: Pulford, Chester - Conwy, Wales - Llangollen - Pulford, Chester

Today, venture to the inviting town of Conwy in Wales. Visit Conwy Castle to discover the history behind one of Edward I's most imposing castles. Afterward, take a scenic drive to the



picturesque town of Corwen to board a heritage railway for a nostalgic journey through North Wales to Llangollen. Then enjoy free time for lunch in the picturesque village of Llangollen and perhaps stand on the bridge to watch the fast-flowing waters beneath and take in the hustle and bustle of this charming, popular town. (B)

Day 7: Pulford, Chester - Stratford-upon-Avon Step back in time on a journey through the English countryside to Stratford-upon-Avon — the Bard's birthplace. Join your Tour Manager for a walk through the town's busy streets and then sit down to a traditional English afternoon tea. Tour the childhood home of William Shakespeare and take time to explore this historic market town on your own. (B, L)

Day 8: Stratford-upon-Avon - London Bid farewell to Stratford

and travel to the esteemed capital — London. Upon arriving in the bustling Covent Garden area, take some time and have lunch on your own. Then, join a local guide for a three-hour walking tour, taking in the iconic landmarks of Westminster from the outside, including Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, and Buckingham Palace. Later, settle in at your hotel and spend the evening in the city as you wish. (B)

Day 9: London Take in London your way today with a full day at leisure. Or, you may wish to join an optional tour to Windsor Castle, the majestic residence that has been the home of British royalty for centuries, offering a glimpse into the lives of monarchs past and present. (B, D)

Day 10: London - Tour Ends Your journey through Britain comes to a close today. (B)



Arrival: Edinburgh (EDI)

Departure: London (LON)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Apex Grassmarket Hotel, Edinburgh
- Day 4** Cave Castle Hotel, York
- Days 5, 6** Grosvenor Pulford Hotel & Spa, Pulford, Chester
- Day 7** Hotel Indigo, Stratford-upon-Avon
- Days 8, 9** Park Plaza County Hall, London ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Edinburgh • Pre-Night Stay

London • Post-Night Stay

Paris • Post-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,740 pp

Set off for Paris via the "Chunnel," tour the Montmartre neighbourhood, and soak up the City of Light your way!

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



British Landscapes ft. the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

An adventure fit for a Shakespearean tale takes you from verdant hillsides to bustling British cities rich with culture, featuring the world-famous Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo.

Dates Available: August 2027

Spotlight on London

7 DAYS • 8 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,199



Tower Bridge

SPOTLIGHTS • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,199 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,299 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on June 21, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Tower of London, Westminster Walking Tour, River Bus Along the Thames, Greenwich, Culinary Walking Tour, Kensington Palace

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Immerse yourself into London's history with a local expert.
- Take a local transport river bus along the River Thames to Greenwich.
- Take a peek into the State Apartments at Kensington Palace.
- Explore the famous Tower of London.
- Sample British fare on a culinary walking adventure through London's village of Greenwich.
- Enjoy dinner in a modern English restaurant.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Roast Restaurant and London Thames Clipper. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Get ready for a trip to one of the world's trendiest cities, full of history, charm, and regal flair.

Day 2: London, England Welcome to London, a metropolis that is both timeless and sophisticated. Beautiful gardens hidden behind bustling city streets. Museums, monuments, and grand theatres tell a rich story that you'll uncover on your journey. With no scheduled activities today, you can explore London's busy streets at your leisure. This evening, join your new travel companions at a modern English restaurant, and kick off your tour with a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: London There's no better way to start the day than at the Tower of London, the iconic UNESCO World Heritage Site steeped in a dark and fascinating history. After free time for lunch, a local expert shows you the exteriors of the most famous buildings, which include Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, Parliament, and Westminster Abbey, on this afternoon's two-hour walking tour. The evening is yours to immerse yourself further into this eclectic and vibrant city. (B)

Day 4: London This morning, visit Kensington Palace, the birthplace

of Queen Victoria and the home to many young royals for over 300 years. Walk in their footsteps as you explore the staterooms and gardens. This afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take afternoon tea at one of London's finest establishments **-OR-** enjoy a matinee show and discover why many consider London theatre to be the best in the world. Enjoy the evening to continue exploring this exciting city independently. (B)

Day 5: London - Greenwich - London Take the local transport river bus along the River Thames en route to Greenwich to change up the view; the skyline looks spectacular from the water. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Explore the attractions with your Greenwich Pass that allows entrance into four of the wonderful museums in the vicinity **-OR-** visit the Old Royal Naval College, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and home to 600 years of naval history. This afternoon, join a local guide for a walking culinary tour, sampling the best of the local eateries and foods of traditional and ethnic London, experiencing the charming streets like a local. (B, L)

Day 6: London Today is yours to explore London your way. A free day means independent exploration of London's treasures. Perhaps join an



Big Ben & Parliament



Windsor Castle



Buckingham Palace

optional tour to Windsor Castle, home to kings and queens for over 900 years and the oldest royal residence still in use today. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 7: London - Tour Ends It's time to go home... with new friends, countless memories, and souvenirs from your London adventure. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 6 DoubleTree by Hilton - Tower of London, London

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

5 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

London • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Dublin • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,370[†] pp

Experience the iconic landmarks, charming pubs, and lively streets of Dublin.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



Christmas in London

Feel the holiday spirit when you experience the Christmas season in London, a world within a city.

Dates Available:

November – December 2026; November – December 2027

London & Paris

9 DAYS • 11 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,899



Big Ben & Houses of Parliament

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,899 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,399 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 23, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Walking Tour in London, Traditional Pub Dinner, London Eye, Afternoon Tea, Eurostar Train, Eiffel Tower Dinner, American Cemetery in Paris, Perfume Workshop

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Spend a reflective moment at the Paris American Cemetery.
- Learn the secrets of perfume making during a hands-on workshop in Paris.
- Cross under the English Channel aboard the Eurostar train.
- Take a “flight” on the iconic London Eye.
- Savour an exclusive dinner at the Eiffel Tower, featuring delicious cuisine and breathtaking views.
- Dine on traditional pub food in the heart of London.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Madame Brasserie — sourcing food locally and sustainably while supporting organic and biodynamic wines. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight From cosmopolitan London to romantic Paris, see the best of the world’s most captivating cities. To help make the most of your getaway, unpack just once in each city. Enjoy a leisurely-paced journey with plenty of time for independent exploration.

Day 2: London, England Arrive in London, England’s dynamic capital. With no planned activities through the afternoon, take the time to explore on your own. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a taste of traditional pub fare — where else but at a historic London pub! (D)

Day 3: London Start your morning with a local in London. Kick it off with a three-hour walking tour of Westminster, taking in exterior views of Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, and Buckingham Palace. This afternoon, head to the lively district of Covent Garden, where charming streets, boutique shops, bustling markets, and entertaining street performers invite you to explore at your own pace. The rest of the day is free time to explore the city as you wish. (B)

Day 4: London After a hearty breakfast, head over to the South Bank to take a “flight” on the iconic

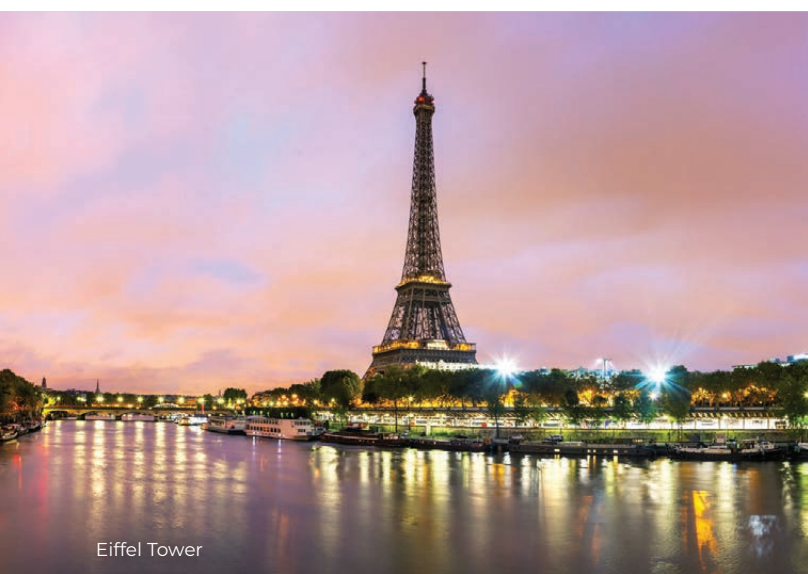
London Eye. Have cameras at the ready for this unforgettable journey with 360-degree panoramic views of London. This afternoon, sit down to a customary afternoon tea and soak up the vibrancy of the city. This evening, you may wish to join an optional theatre experience in London’s legendary West End. (B, L)

Day 5: London - Paris, France *Allons-y!* Today, you’re off to Paris! Hop aboard the Eurostar high-speed train to get there in just two hours. A sophisticated metropolis of style and culture, Paris’ bustling city streets are filled with colourful history, fascinating museums, renowned monuments, and grand theatres. Settle in for your four-night stay in the “City of Light,” and perhaps join your Tour Manager for an evening walk to get acquainted with the neighbourhood before dinner. (B, D)

Day 6: Paris This morning, **IT’S YOUR CHOICE!** Enjoy a guided overview of the city’s iconic sights, including the Arc de Triomphe, Champs Élysées, and a walk near Notre Dame -**OR-** explore Montmartre with a local expert by Métro, wandering the hilltop streets around Sacré Cœur that inspired generations of artists. No matter which option you choose, your city tour concludes around 1:30 p.m., leaving you free to enjoy the city at your own



London Eye



Eiffel Tower

pace. Perhaps visiting the Louvre or exploring the fashionable Le Marais, a district known for its winding streets, historic mansions, and independent boutiques. This evening, you may choose to join an optional dinner at the dynamic Paradis Latin for a champagne-flowing, can-can kicking, music-driven night at the cabaret. (B)

Day 7: Paris Be romanced by Paris – the whole day is yours for the taking. Perhaps you'll wander over to the Left Bank of the Seine and plunge into the bohemian atmosphere of the Saint-Germain-des-Prés neighbourhood and the Latin Quarter. Or, join an optional excursion to Versailles, where you'll explore King Louis XIV's magnificent palace and its formal gardens, masterpieces of grand architecture and landscape design. Step back in time as you walk through the opulent State Apartments, including the legendary Hall of Mirrors, where history was made amid glittering chandeliers and gilded walls. (B)

Day 8: Paris This morning, visit Suresnes American Cemetery and Memorial, a solemn tribute to the U.S. soldiers who served in both World Wars. Stroll through the rows of gravestones, pause in quiet reflection within the chapel, and take in the city view from this serene hillside setting. Next, ready your senses to delve into the art of perfume making. Create your own fragrance during a hands-on workshop led by a master perfumer, fondly known as a "Nez" (Nose), and after, return to your hotel with your creation in hand. It's your last afternoon in Paris to enjoy a romantic Seine River cruise set against Paris' glittering skyline. Then end the day at an exclusive dinner at the Eiffel Tower, featuring French cuisine and breathtaking views. (B, D)

Day 9: Paris - Tour Ends You depart today, but London and Paris will remain in your heart forever. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4 Strand Palace Hotel, London
Days 5 – 8 Le Meridien Arc De Triomphe, Paris
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

London • Pre-Night Stay

Amsterdam • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,465 pp

Explore Amsterdam's cuisine, canals, and culture — with a mix of locally guided tours and free time.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



London & Paris Holiday

Experience the spirit of these iconic cities during the holiday season.

Dates Available:

November – December 2026; November – December 2027

NEW TOUR

Small Group

Journey through Spain: Madrid to Barcelona

11 DAYS • 14 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,299



Alhambra

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$6,299 (DOUBLE) or \$7,949 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 12, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Madrid 20th Century Tour, Mosque-Cathedral of Córdoba, Olive Oil Mill Tour, Seville Santa Cruz Quarter, Flamenco Show, Granada, The Alhambra, Valencia, Paella Cooking Class, Barcelona Food Tour

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Feel the energy of Spain at a Flamenco performance in Granada.
- Explore the Mosque-Cathedral of Córdoba and venture through the old town.
- Feel *la movida* on a tour exploring Madrid's 20th-century spirit.
- Discover Seville's charm as you wander through the enchanting Santa Cruz Quarter.
- Visit the Alhambra, a stunning masterpiece of architecture.
- Discover Valencia's flavours in a hands-on paella cooking class.
- Taste the lively spirit of Barcelona on a food tour.
- Savour the essence of Spain with every bite of *tapas*.
- Visit a family-owned olive grove and taste the award-winning local product.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You are on your way to a colourful and cultural adventure featuring the best of Spain.

Day 2: Madrid, Spain Welcome to Madrid, Spain's lively capital and largest city. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Madrid Begin your journey with a walking tour through Madrid, exploring its streets and iconic landmarks while touching on key moments that have shaped the city's character. From Plaza de España to Gran Vía, take in the architecture, culture, and energy that define modern Madrid. Visit the Liria Palace art museum for a glimpse into one of the city's most impressive private collections. Our city tour concludes around 1:00 p.m., leaving you free to enjoy the city at your own pace. (B)

Day 4: Madrid - Córdoba Travel by AVE high-speed train, quickly reaching the next destination of your journey, the extraordinary Moorish city of Córdoba. Upon arrival, take some time to get lunch and wander on your own. Embark on a guided walking tour of Córdoba's historic old town, and visit La Mezquita (UNESCO), one of

the most architecturally fascinating buildings in the world — an 8th-century mosque later transformed into a cathedral, reflecting the intermingling of cultures that have shaped the city over time. Inside, marvel at its striking forest of red-and-white arches and columns, creating a truly unforgettable visual. Next, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Continue your exploration of the city's heritage with a guided tour of Córdoba's Jewish Quarter **-OR-** by seeing the vibrant patios of Córdoba, discovering a cherished tradition. Later, after settling into your hotel, meet up for dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 5: Córdoba - Seville - Córdoba

This morning, set off on a full-day journey to Seville and back. Upon arrival, meet your local expert guide for a walking tour beginning in the enchanting Santa Cruz Quarter, an atmospheric maze of whitewashed homes, blooming balconies, and winding medieval lanes, where lively restaurants spill into the streets beneath fragrant orange trees. Take in the ornate exterior of the magnificent Seville Cathedral, one of the city's most iconic landmarks. In the afternoon, continue to an award-winning olive grove, where you'll step into the heart of a family-run estate. Learn about their traditions, stroll



Seville



Olive Grove

through sun-drenched groves, and sample exceptional olive oils. Later, return to Córdoba to unwind after an inspiring day. (B)

Day 6: Córdoba - Granada Travel to Granada, the last grand capital of the Moors in Spain, conquered by the Catholic Monarchs in 1492. Upon arrival, take in your first impressions of the historic centre alongside your Tour Manager. Later, join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra (UNESCO), a beautiful complex of buildings and gardens. Surrounded by lush, tree-lined walkways and water flowing from its fountains, behold a stone fortress overlooking the entire city — a mesmerizing example of Islamic architecture. After exploring the Alhambra, and the day draws to a close, immerse yourself in the passionate rhythms of a traditional Flamenco show, experiencing the soulful music and dance that are integral to Andalusian culture. (B)

Day 7: Granada - Murcia - Valencia On your way to the Mediterranean coast, travel through Spain's stunning landscape with olive and orange groves dotting the rolling hills. Enjoy some time in "Europe's orchard," the charming city of Murcia surrounded by a mountain chain. Arrive in the city of Valencia, a treasure trove of Roman

and Arabic architecture and Spain's third largest city, melding historic and modern culture. This evening, head out for a drive, taking in views of the stunning Valencian seafront, charming promenades, and the iconic City of Arts and Sciences. (B)

Day 8: Valencia - Cooking Class - Valencia Valencia is a city of contrasts, where a charming old town meets striking futuristic architecture. Explore the historic centre on foot with a local expert, taking in ornate towers and the bustling Central Market, where you'll shop alongside locals. Then, immerse yourself in a true Valencian tradition with a hands-on paella cooking experience. Guided by a local chef, learn the secrets behind this iconic dish—from selecting the finest ingredients to mastering traditional techniques—before enjoying the authentic paella you helped create. Back in Valencia later, enjoy time on your own to explore as you wish. (B, L)

Day 9: Valencia - Barcelona Travel to Barcelona, one of Europe's most enchanting cities. Arrive in the late afternoon and meet your local food expert for a guided walking tour through the heart of the Gothic Quarter, the city's oldest and most atmospheric neighbourhood. As you wander its narrow medieval lanes and squares,



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	H10 Puerta de Alcalá, Madrid
Days 4, 5	H10 Palacio Colomera, Córdoba
Day 6	NH Collection Granada Victoria, Granada
Days 7, 8	Hospes Palau De La Mar, Valencia
Days 9, 10	H10 Casanova, Barcelona

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Madrid • Pre-Night Stay

Barcelona • Post-Night Stay

Barcelona & Spanish Riviera • Post-Tour Hosted Extension
4 Nights, Starting at \$2,465 pp

Enjoy one more day in Barcelona — and continue to the Catalan coast to explore and relax by the sea.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

each stop reveals new flavours and stories. Sample classic Catalan bites in centuries-old taverns, discover artisan shops tucked behind Gothic façades, and soak in the aromas of lively market stalls as Barcelona's cuisine connects past and present. (B, D)

Day 10: Barcelona This morning, enjoy a visit to the Recinte Modernista de Sant Pau (UNESCO), one of Barcelona's most impressive architectural landmarks and a masterpiece of Catalan modernism. Beginning in the early afternoon,

enjoy free time to explore Barcelona at your own pace. Perhaps visit the Sagrada Família, Park Güell, La Pedrera, or simply relax and soak up the atmosphere of this vibrant city. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner, celebrating the memories and shared moments of your journey. (B, D)

Day 11: Barcelona - Tour Ends Return home with memories of a beautiful land and a diverse cultural heritage or begin your Spanish Riviera post-trip extension. (B)

Portugal's Old-World Charms featuring Douro Valley, Alentejo & Lisbon

Small Group

11 DAYS • 16 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,299

Douro River Valley

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$6,299 (DOUBLE) or \$7,949 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 27, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Douro Valley, Porto, Amarante, Douro River Cruise, Home-Hosted Dinner, Aveiro, Alentejo, Lusitano Stud Farm, Olive Press Experience, Local Winery Visit, Évora, Lisbon, Alfama Walking Tour, Fado Performance

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Embark on a Douro River cruise through the breathtaking terraced landscape (UNESCO).
- Explore an old oil press in Marvão and learn about traditional olive oil production.
- Taste the wines of the Alentejo region during a locally sourced farm-to-table dinner at a winery.
- Experience a night of fado and learn about this traditional art form.
- Venture to Alter do Chão, a small village with ties to the Lusitano horse breed and enjoy a private visit to the historic Alter Stud Farm.
- Savour Portuguese cuisine during a home-hosted dinner full of local flavours.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Ancient castles, historic cityscapes, groves of olive trees, quiet whitewashed villages, delightful cuisine, fragrant wine, and welcoming locals – Portugal awaits with open arms.

Day 2: Porto, Portugal - Amarante Arrive in Porto today and continue directly to the starting point of your tour in the Douro Valley. Soon you'll find yourself surrounded by the natural beauty of vineyards in tranquil Amarante, your home for the next three nights. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Amarante - Douro Valley - Amarante Begin the day exploring the picturesque town of Amarante, renowned for its traditional sweets and scenic location along the Rio Tâmega. Stroll across the historic São Gonçalo Bridge, a proud symbol of the town's resistance against Napoleon's troops. Continue to Régua, where you'll enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Afterwards, embark on a Douro River cruise, soaking in the breathtaking landscapes of the Douro Valley. Disembark in Pinhão

and return to Amarante for a relaxing evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 4: Amarante - Porto - Amarante Today, immerse yourself in the vibrant culture and flavours of Porto. Begin with a guided walking tour led by a local expert, uncovering the charm of this hilly city. Wander through the lively Ribeira district, nestled along the riverfront in the heart of the old town, and take in its colourful facades and bustling atmosphere. After the tour, enjoy free time for lunch and shopping at your own pace, with plenty of opportunities to sample local specialties or explore the city's boutiques. In the afternoon, venture just outside Porto to a home-hosted experience. Join your host family in preparing a fresh, market-inspired dinner together, sharing stories and traditions as you cook and dine in a warm, authentic setting. (B, D)

Day 5: Amarante - Aveiro - Alentejo This morning, say goodbye to the Douro region. On the way to the Alentejo, visit the enchanting city of Aveiro, known for its colourful canal boats, traditionally used for harvesting seaweed. Explore Aveiro's rich history and heritage, defined by its canals and coastline. Continue along the rolling hills of Portugal



to the village of Alter do Chão for a 3-night stay. (B, D)

Day 6: Alentejo (Alter do Chão - Marvão - Alter do Chão) Begin your day in the charming hilltop village of Marvão, where breathtaking views stretch across the plains – on a clear day, you may see all the way to Spain! Your journey into local culture continues at a nearby olive grove, where you'll learn about traditional olive oil production, visit a historic press, and enjoy a tasting of the region's unique oil over lunch. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your leisure – relax and make the most of your hotel's amenities. This evening, you may choose to dine on your own in nearby Alter do Chão; round-trip transportation will be provided. (B, L)

Day 7: Alentejo (Alter do Chão - Estremoz - Portalegre - Alter do Chão) Start with a private visit to the historic Alter Stud Farm, established in 1748 and home to the renowned Lusitano purebred horse. Continue on to the charming marble city of Estremoz, and enjoy some free time to wander its whitewashed streets, browse local handicraft shops, or admire the sweeping views from the medieval castle that crowns the town. This afternoon, two different local experts await, because **IT'S**

YOUR CHOICE! Enjoy a guided visit to a local tile museum, where centuries-old craftsmanship comes to life **-OR-** venture farther for a walk along the Serra d'Ossa walkway in Redondo. End your day by indulging in full-bodied wines from the Alentejo region paired with a locally sourced farm-to-table dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Alentejo - Évora - Lisbon Say goodbye to Portugal's charming countryside as you travel to the vibrant capital of Lisbon. On the way, your journey takes you to the medieval walled city of Évora (UNESCO), known for its 2nd-century Roman temple to Diana and the mysterious 16th-century Chapel of Bones. Arrive in Lisbon in the late afternoon and take a leisurely stroll through the Rossio area for a first introduction to Portugal's vibrant capital. (B)

Day 9: Lisbon It's your day to experience Lisbon at your own pace. With plenty of free time in the capital city, you may wish to check out its famous culinary scene or venture downtown to do some shopping. If you'd prefer, you may opt to join an excursion to visit the colorful Pena Palace, one of Portugal's most iconic landmarks, before continuing to the picturesque seaside town of Cascais,



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 4** Monverde Wine Experience Hotel, Amarante, Douro River Valley
- Days 5 – 7** Vila Galé Collection Alter Real, Alter do Chão, Alentejo
- Days 8 – 10** Turim Boulevard Hotel, Lisbon
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.*

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Douro Region • Pre-Night Stay

Lisbon • Post-Night Stay

Porto • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$1,645 pp

Extend your journey in Porto where vibrant culture and old-world charm blend seamlessly along the Douro River.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

where you'll have time to explore at your leisure. (B)

Day 10: Lisbon Head to the vibrant Alfama district – Lisbon's oldest quarter – where stories, legends, and hidden corners await. Are we all descendants of Ulysses? How many of Lisbon's hills can you climb? Follow your expert guide through narrow alleyways and shadowy courtyards as you uncover the mysteries of this captivating neighbourhood. The tour wraps up at approximately 1:00 p.m., allowing the rest of the afternoon free for you to enjoy Lisbon independently,

until 5:30 p.m., when we leave for dinner. This evening, join your fellow travellers for an unforgettable farewell dinner of Portuguese cuisine and wine, and listen to local artists perform the traditional *fado* (UNESCO). (B, D)

Day 11: Lisbon - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)

The Azores Jewels of Portugal

13 DAYS • 17 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,299

Small Group



Sete Cidades, São Miguel

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$6,299 (DOUBLE) or \$7,899 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on October 28, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

São Miguel Island, Lagoa das Sete Cidades “Blue & Green Lagoons,” Furnas Valley, Home-Hosted Meal, Faial Island, Capelinhos Volcano Interpretation Centre and Winery, Terceira Island, Angra do Heroísmo, Natural Volcanic Pools, Lisbon

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- On São Miguel, learn about traditional basket weaving from local artisans.
- Appreciate the quiet stillness of nature as you descend into an ancient lava tube on Terceira Island.
- Experience a truly unique *cozido das furnas* lunch in Furnas valley.
- Taste wines born from volcanic ash at a one-of-a-kind local winery.
- Visit both pineapple and tea plantations and learn about local cultivation and flavour.
- Walk through the colourful capital of Terceira, Angra do Heroísmo (UNESCO).
- In Lisbon, explore the Ajuda National Palace alongside a local expert.
- Enjoy a home-hosted meal on Terceira Island.

Day 1: Overnight Flight From volcanic craters and thermal waters to lush vegetation and picturesque coasts, enjoy the natural splendour of this Portuguese archipelago and see why the Azores are commonly referred to as “the Hawaii of Europe.”

Day 2: Ponta Delgada, São Miguel, Azores, Portugal This is the Azores. A set of islands virtually untouched by urban development. Your adventure begins on São Miguel, the largest of the nine volcanic islands. With no scheduled sightseeing today, spend the day as you wish, exploring Ponta Delgada independently, perhaps strolling along the seaside promenade and breathing in the mild air of the Atlantic. Depending on when your flight arrives, you may choose to join your Tour Manager and fellow travellers for a welcome reception at your hotel this evening.

Day 3: Ponta Delgada - Sete Cidades - Ponta Delgada Get to know Ponta Delgada, the capital city of São Miguel, on a morning walking tour of the area. Discover the city's rich history, culture, and beauty alongside your Tour Manager, seeing highlights like the iconic 18th-century *Portas da Cidade* and the stunning *Igreja Matriz de São Sebastião*, and perhaps even catching the farmers market, the vibrant

Mercado da Graça. This afternoon, take a ride up to Sete Cidades caldera's highest point and discover some of Mother Nature's finest work: the twin blue and green lakes that make up this caldera and are explained by local legend! On the way back, visit a pineapple plantation and learn about unique cultivation methods on the island, producing pineapples renowned for their sweetness and flavour. This evening, celebrate the beginning of your journey with a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Ponta Delgada - Furnas - Ponta Delgada Start the day with a visit to one of the few remaining basket weavers on the island. Learn how willow basket making has evolved and how this father-son enterprise has kept this traditional craft alive. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Enjoy the thermal waters at the Terra Nostra pool, built in the 18th century by the American consul to the Azores -OR- embark on a guided visit to the organic paradise that is the Terra Nostra Botanical Garden. For lunch, enjoy a traditional *cozido das furnas* meal, where your food is cooked in the earth's volcanic heat. Later, continue to the green fields of a nearby tea plantation to learn about this unique crop before an evening of leisure in São Miguel. (B, L)



Horta, Faial



Beekeeper

Day 5: Ponta Delgada Today, enjoy a full free day to explore São Miguel at your own pace. You might choose to visit a local apiary where you'll suit up as a beekeeper and immerse yourself in the fascinating world of bees. Your visit during this **IMPACT MOMENT** is guided by a family-run team dedicated to sustainable practices and the preservation of nature for future generations. (B)

Day 6: Ponta Delgada - Horta, Faial After a short flight from Ponta Delgada, Say *bom dia* (good morning) to Faial. Enjoy a stroll through Horta, where the marina and its painted murals reflect the island's long significance to sailors on trans-Atlantic voyages. Later, encounter the volcanic vitality of Faial when you take in the surrounding rocky landscape and ash hills with a fascinating visit to the Capelinhos Volcano Interpretation Centre. End your afternoon with a tasting at a unique local winery, where volcanic soil lends a distinctive character to the wines and the setting is as memorable as the flavours. (B)

Day 7: Horta The day is yours to enjoy on your own and relax on Faial Island! You may also consider joining an optional tour to Pico to encounter the Landscape of the Pico Island Vineyard Culture (UNESCO) and explore this

scarcely populated island's scenery, a sublime mixture of lava rock and exotic vegetation. (B, D)

Day 8: Horta - Angra do Heroísmo, Terceira Board your flight to Terceira and say hello to the colourful capital of Angra do Heroísmo (UNESCO) with a local guide. Restored in traditional style, the city features white facades and vibrant trims. Learn about the Holy Ghost Chapels, known locally as *Imperios*, and customs surrounding this tradition. Tonight, get a taste of the culture at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 9: Angra do Heroísmo - Biscoitos - Algar do Carvão - Angra do Heroísmo Start your day with a swim in the natural volcanic pools of Biscoitos. Later, on your way to Algar do Carvão, stop at Serra do Cume viewpoint where views of the agricultural fields and their neat, orderly stone walls will take your breath away. At Algar do Carvão, the "Cavern of Coal," feel the quiet stillness as you descend into this ancient lava tube. Enjoy the evening exploring Angra do Heroísmo as you wish. (B)

Day 10: Angra do Heroísmo Today is yours to enjoy at your own pace. You may choose to join an optional tour to the western side of Terceira in the morning, sipping coffee at an organic coffee plantation and tasting locally grown bananas along the



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 5** Vila Galé Collection S. Miguel - Ponta Delgada, São Miguel, Azores
- Days 6, 7** Hotel do Canal, Faial, Azores
- Days 8 – 10** Torel Terra Brava, Terceira, Azores
- Days 11, 12** BessaHotel Liberdade, Lisbon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

11 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

São Miguel • Pre-Night Stay

Lisbon • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

way and ending at a family-owned cheese factory for a light lunch made up of local products. End the day at a *petiscos* home-hosted dining experience. (B, D)

Day 11: Angra do Heroísmo - Lisbon Say farewell to the Azores archipelago as you head to Lisbon in continental Europe. Lisbon, known as the city of the seven hills and the starting point of many of its 15th-century explorations, was also the departure point of many of its immigrants that crossed the Atlantic searching for a better life. (B)

Day 12: Lisbon Start your morning by exploring the majestic Ajuda Palace with a local expert. This elegant neoclassical residence, once home to Portuguese royalty, features opulent

halls adorned with gilded furnishings and masterful artworks. As you wander through its grand salons, let the sweeping views over the Tagus River add a touch of magic to the experience. Your day continues with a guided tour of the vibrant heart of the city, *Baixa*. Discover the soul of Lisbon through its lively streets during a walking tour. Stop to admire the scenic overlook at Praça do Comércio, where the city opens up to a breathtaking view of the river. Our city tour of Lisbon concludes around 1:00 p.m., after which you're free to explore on your own. Close your adventure with dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 13: Lisbon - Tour Ends Say *adeus* (goodbye) to Portugal and the Azores as you depart this coastal paradise. (B)

Exploring Iberia: Southern Spain to Coastal Portugal

12 DAYS • 17 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,599

Small Group

Setenil de las Bodegas

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$6,599 (DOUBLE) or \$8,249 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 14, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Málaga, White Villages of Andalusia, Setenil de las Bodegas, Córdoba, The Mosque-Cathedral, Winery Visit & Cooking Class, Home-Hosted Meal, Seville Cathedral, Alentejo, Lisbon Food Tour, Sintra, Pena Palace, Cascais Portuguese Riviera

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Discover Setenil de las Bodegas, a town carved into dramatic cliffs.
- Visit a family-owned olive grove and taste the award-winning local product.
- Immerse yourself in Seville with a flamenco lesson.
- Discover Sintra and the fairytale Pena Palace.
- Enjoy a winery visit and hands-on cooking class in Córdoba.
- In Córdoba, take a walking tour of La Mezquita Cathedral, a religious marvel.
- Taste local flavours on a Lisbon food tour.
- Step back in time as you take in the sights of the picturesque white villages of Andalusia.
- Savour a home-hosted meal in Málaga.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Enjoy a true taste of the Iberian Peninsula. Your tour begins with an overnight flight.

Day 2: Málaga, Spain Welcome to Málaga, an Andalusian city renowned for its easygoing lifestyle, historic charm, and breathtaking Mediterranean scenery. As travellers' arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome reception.

Day 3: Málaga Immerse yourself in the heart of Málaga, exploring its art, traditions, and daily life with the guidance of a passionate local expert. Start your journey at the Picasso Museum, where the legacy of Málaga's most iconic figure reveals the city's creative spirit and rich cultural heritage. Wander through the historic city centre and bustling market stalls, savouring the local flavours, stories, and customs that bring the city to life. The experience reaches new depths when you meet a member of the Sepulcro Brotherhood to learn about the role these religious traditions play in local culture. (B, D)

Day 4: Málaga - Frigiliana - Málaga Journey to Andalusia's enchanting white villages, starting with Frigiliana,

often hailed as one of the region's most beautiful gems. Stroll through its narrow cobblestone streets, lined with whitewashed houses and steeped in history. Upon returning to Málaga, enjoy a heartfelt farewell with an intimate, home-hosted gathering in the homes of local residents — a warm and unforgettable way to bid the city goodbye. (B, D)

Day 5: Málaga - Setenil de las Bodegas - Córdoba Travel to Setenil de las Bodegas, a remarkable town famous for its houses built directly into dramatic rock formations. Like many of Andalusia's white villages, Setenil reflects a rich Moorish heritage rooted in the Arab presence that once shaped the region. Enjoy free time to explore its unique streets and cliffside dwellings at your own pace before continuing to Córdoba and concluding your day with a leisurely stroll through its enchanting streets. (B)

Day 6: Córdoba Begin your day immersing yourself in the culture of Córdoba when you admire the rows of patios filled with colourful flowers and plants. The tradition of decorating patios dates back to when Córdoba was under Muslim rule. Houses were built with inner courtyards to provide a cool, private space for families. Later, tour the magnificent



Mezquita

Mezquita (UNESCO). Originally built as a mosque, it was converted into the city's cathedral when the Christians conquered the region in 1236. Conclude your day with a visit to a charming family-run winery, where a hands-on culinary experience awaits. Discover the art of preparing traditional local dishes while soaking in the serene beauty and laid-back ambiance of the late afternoon — a delightful fusion of flavour, culture, and setting. (B, D)

Day 7: Córdoba - Seville Your taste of the local culture continues today. Head to an award-winning olive grove and learn about this family-owned business. Try their unique olive oil before arriving in Seville, Spain's "cultural capital." Upon arrival, get acquainted with the city before setting out on a leisurely walk to the Mirador Setas viewpoint, where you'll take in sweeping panoramic views of Seville at sunset. (B, D)

Day 8: Seville Today in Seville, choose how you want to start your morning, because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Begin the day either alongside a local expert on a walking tour of the quaint Santa Cruz quarter, where cascading bright flowers, whitewashed buildings, and winding streets reflect the city's rich history **-OR-** learn the secret of ceramics in a dynamic hands-on workshop. Afterwards, come together to explore the magnificent Seville Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the largest Gothic cathedral in the world. Admire its ornate architecture and see the tomb of Christopher

Columbus. Later this afternoon, during an **IMPACT MOMENT**, participate in a flamenco lesson at Fundación Cristina Heeren de Arte Flamenco, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the art of flamenco in Spain and internationally. After your lesson, enjoy a traditional flamenco performance. (B)

Day 9: Seville - Estremoz, Portugal - Lisbon Say *adiós* to Spain and travel to Estremoz, a historic town whose marble can be found in Portuguese monuments throughout the country. After savouring a lunch brimming with local flavours, set off toward Lisbon, nestled along the serene banks of the Tagus River. This charming, coastal city will be your welcoming home in Portugal. Enjoy an evening at leisure to do as you please. (B, L)

Day 10: Lisbon *Olá Lisboa!* Get ready to discover Europe's second-oldest capital through one of its greatest pleasures: food. Today, explore Lisbon on a guided walking food tour through the historic neighbourhoods of Chiado and downtown (Baixa). As you wander through lively squares, elegant streets, and traditional cafés, you'll sample a variety of local flavours while learning about Lisbon's culinary traditions and everyday life. Expect a mix of classic tastings, neighbourhood stories, and stops at beloved local eateries. Return to your hotel and spend the rest of the day exploring independently. This evening, you may choose to join an optional experience to see local artists perform traditional *fado* music (UNESCO). (B, L)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 5** NH Hotel, Málaga
- Days 6, 7** H10 Palacio Colomera, Córdoba
- Days 8, 9** H10 Casa de la Plata, Seville
- Days 10 – 12** Turim Lisboa Hotel, Lisbon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Málaga • Pre-Night Stay

Lisbon • Post-Night Stay

Madrid • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,190 pp
Experience Madrid and its iconic sites — the Plaza Mayor, Prado Museum, and Palacio Real await.

Porto • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,370 pp
Experience Porto's rich maritime history. Explore the colourful Ribeira district, visit the Stock Exchange Palace, and learn about Porto's centuries-old wine traditions.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Day 11: Lisbon - Sintra - Portuguese Riviera - Lisbon Head to the town of Sintra (UNESCO), a favourite summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. High above, nestled in the crown of the Sintra hills, lies the enchanting Pena Palace, surrounded by a magnificent park. Spend some time exploring this storybook town before heading to the stunning coastal views of Guincho Beach. Then, make a stop in Cascais, the

picturesque gem of the Portuguese Riviera, before returning to Lisbon. Tonight, toast to a wonderful trip with your fellow travellers during a farewell dinner featuring savoury Portuguese favourites. (B, D)

Day 12: Lisbon - Tour Ends This cultural deep-dive into Spain and Portugal comes to a close today. (B)

Flavours of Portugal & Spain featuring the Douro & Rioja Wine Regions

16 DAYS • 23 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,199



Douro Vineyard



Bilbao



Porto

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,199 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on November 30, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Lisbon Chiado, Templar Castle and Convent of Christ, Porto Ribeira and Wine Tasting, Home-Hosted Dinner, Douro River Valley, Traditional Olive Press Mill, Salamanca, La Rioja Wine Region, Bilbao, Guggenheim Museum, San Sebastián Food Tour

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Call a picturesque *quinta* estate in the Douro River Valley your home for 2 nights.
- Enjoy a *petiscos* cooking class in the Douro River Valley.
- Visit the world-renowned Guggenheim Museum, hailed as a true icon of architectural culture.
- Stroll along the scenic Ribeira waterfront of Porto, famous for its port wine.
- Explore wine cellars in the Douro and Rioja regions and enjoy wine tastings.
- Visit a local family home in Porto and enjoy their warmth and hospitality.
- Stroll through San Sebastián with your foodie guide, tasting *pintxos* as the city comes alive around you.
- Discover the soul of Iberia at an olive press mill dedicated to traditional cultivation methods.

Day 1: Overnight Flight The stage is set — from charming historic cities and breathtaking landscapes to the rich flavours of Iberian cuisine and the unmistakable aroma of world-class wine. Northern Portugal and Spain await with open arms for the journey of a lifetime.

Day 2: Lisbon, Portugal Arrive in Lisbon, the capital of Portugal. Perched on seven hills, Lisbon welcomes travellers with its laid-back charm. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. At a local restaurant, meet your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner to officially kick off your adventure. (D)

Day 3: Lisbon Good morning, *Lisboa!* Start your day like a local with a walk to the Metro. Meander through historic neighbourhoods, hearing stories that bring the city to life. Begin in Lisbon's chic Chiado district, learning about the 1755 earthquake and the 1974 Carnation Revolution. Continue to Praça do Comércio for views over the Tagus River and a tasting of traditional *ginjinha*. The city tour ends around noon, followed by free time until dinner in the evening. Over dinner, experience an **IMPACT MOMENT**, learning how this inspiring restaurant empowers individuals experiencing homelessness

through culinary training and social reintegration. (B, D)

Day 4: Lisbon Explore the city today at your own pace. You may wish to explore Lisbon's renowned culinary scene, browse the shops downtown, or visit the historic district of Belém, home to the iconic Belém Tower overlooking the river. If you'd prefer, you may opt to join an excursion to visit the colourful Pena Palace, one of Portugal's most iconic landmarks, before continuing to the picturesque seaside town of Cascais, where you'll have time to explore at your leisure. (B)

Day 5: Lisbon - Tomar - Porto Depart Portugal's capital city and head to Tomar, home to some of the country's historical jewels, including the Templar Castle and Convent of Christ (UNESCO). Explore the octagonal Templars' Rotunda and imagine the day-to-day life of a warrior monk. Next stop: Porto! Take in the landscape of wild pine trees as you leave Tomar and embark on a two-and-a-half-hour drive to Portugal's second largest city. (B)

Day 6: Porto Today, an extensive walking tour of Porto reveals its many charms. See the São Bento railway station, which opened in 1916 and is one of Portugal's most striking architectural gems. Visit the Bolsa Palace (UNESCO) — known as the

Stock Exchange Palace, a 19th-century neoclassical masterpiece, and finish your morning crossing the river to Vila Nova de Gaia for a visit and a taste of the port wine production scene. Later in the afternoon, head just outside Porto for a home-hosted experience. Join your host family to prepare a beloved local dessert and share a warm, authentic dinner together. (B, D)

Day 7: Porto - Douro Valley Today, say *tchau* to Porto and set out for the Douro wine region, where the Douro Valley blends natural beauty with rich history, culture, and a renowned food scene. On the way, stop at one of Portugal's most famous wineries for a tasting and a visit to its stunning Baroque palace. This afternoon, embark on a relaxing boat ride along the Douro River, passing terraced vineyards and dramatic landscapes. Then settle into your winery hotel in the heart of the Douro Valley for the next two nights. This evening, enjoy dinner featuring traditional Portuguese cuisine. (B, D)

Day 8: Douro Spend a relaxed morning enjoying the picturesque grounds of your winery hotel, nestled in the heart of the Douro Valley. This UNESCO World Heritage site is known for its breathtaking landscapes and long tradition of winemaking. After soaking in the serene atmosphere, roll up your sleeves for a hands-on cooking class where you'll prepare and savour a light lunch of *petiscos*, the Portuguese style of small, shared plates. Here, you'll learn about the centuries-old tradition of winemaking that dates back to Roman times. Return to your hotel and enjoy the end of the day on your own. (B, L)

Day 9: Douro - Salamanca, Spain Today, cross the border into Spain. Head to an olive grove and learn about this family-owned business, known for its dedication to traditional methods of olive cultivation and oil production. During your visit, sample high-quality olive oil, renowned for its rich taste and health benefits. The tasting will be accompanied by a light lunch featuring local dishes that perfectly complement the olive oil. End your day in Salamanca with a guided walking tour to help you find your preferred spot for dinner on your own. (B, L)

Day 10: Salamanca In Salamanca, step back in time on a walking tour with your local guide as you discover the city's rich history. Visit the Cathedral of Salamanca, which is actually two churches joined together from the

12th-13th and 16th centuries, and stroll through the historic University of Salamanca, the oldest university in Spain, imagining student life through the ages. Afterward, enjoy free time to explore Salamanca at your own pace. With more than two thousand years of history and beautiful sandstone architecture, this charming city is a true hidden gem. (B)

Day 11: Salamanca - Burgos - La Rioja Today, leave for the famous Rioja wine region. On your way, stop in Burgos and set out on a walking tour, discovering the city's pedestrian-friendly riverside to the historic Plaza Mayor. As you make your way back to Rioja, stop at a local winery nestled in the centre of Spain's beautiful Basque Country. Taste some of the wines and walk through the vineyards before heading to your hotel. Arrive in La Rioja, your home for the next two nights. (B)

Day 12: La Rioja (Option to Pamplona) Today is yours to enjoy at leisure. Stroll into the historic centre to see the Concatedral de Santa María de la Redonda, or visit the renowned Bodegas Franco-Españolas if you would like to sample local wines. You might also explore Logroño's Camino de Santiago heritage with a walk across the medieval Puente de Piedra. Or perhaps you'll choose to join an optional excursion to Pamplona, the capital of Navarra and home to the famous San Fermín festival and its legendary Running of the Bulls. (B, D)

Day 13: La Rioja - Vitoria - Bilbao Begin your adventure with a visit to Vitoria, the capital of the Basque Country. Embark on a walking tour through its enchanting old town, where you'll encounter a tapestry of historic buildings and bustling squares. Continue to Bilbao, a city where tradition meets cutting-edge design. End your day with an immersive audio-guided visit to the iconic Guggenheim Museum, a striking symbol of modern architecture and contemporary art. (B)

Day 14: Bilbao Put on comfortable walking shoes and get ready for a day of discovery. This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Explore the glimmering Spanish coastline during a guided tour of the coastal villages of Mundaka and Bermeo **-OR-** take a leisurely hike along the Camino de Santiago, "the Way of Saint James," for a scenic experience along this world-famous route. Then, set off for an extensive walking tour of Bilbao, a city known for



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Avani Avenida Liberdade, Lisbon
Days 5, 6	Turim Oporto Hotel, Porto
Days 7, 8	The Wine House Hotel - Quinta da Pacheca, Douro River Valley ▲
Days 9, 10	NH Collection Palacio de Castellanos, Salamanca
Days 11, 12	NH Logroño Herencia Rioja, La Rioja
Days 13 – 15	Radisson Collection Gran Via Bilbao, Bilbao

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

14 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 6 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Lisbon • Pre-Night Stay

Alentejo Countryside • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension
3 Nights, Starting at \$2,055 pp

Uncover Alentejo's magic — savour bold flavours, explore Évora, and bask in timeless village charm.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

its avant-garde architecture and rich history. Wander through the old town, Casco Viejo, with its charming streets and vibrant atmosphere, alongside a local expert. (B, D)

Day 15: Bilbao - San Sebastián - Bilbao Set off for San Sebastián, beginning the morning with views of the city's beautiful coastline. Wander through the Old Town as the aroma of freshly prepared *pintxos* fills the air, setting the stage for a guided food tour through the heart of Basque cuisine. Visit iconic bars and local

favourites while sampling a variety of traditional and inventive *pintxos*, each highlighting the region's rich culinary traditions. Later, you may wish to take a leisurely walk along La Concha Beach, where golden sands and sweeping views of the Bay of Biscay offer the perfect way to end your time in San Sebastián before returning to Bilbao. Tonight, toast to a wonderful trip with your fellow travellers. (B, L)

Day 16: Bilbao - Tour Ends Today, your tour of Portugal and Spain comes to a close. (B)

Sunny Spain: Madrid & Costa del Sol

9 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,149



CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,149 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,249 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 28, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Fuengirola, Málaga, Marbella, Mijas White Village, Ronda, The Alhambra, Granada, Madrid, Plaza Mayor, Home-Hosted Lunch

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Discover the Alhambra, Granada's iconic palace and a marvel of the Muslim world.
- Take a walking tour of Madrid, seeing icons like the Plaza Mayor.
- Explore Ronda, one of Spain's loveliest and most historic towns.
- Tour the centuries-old port city of Málaga.
- Ride the high-speed train from Málaga to Madrid.
- Share lunch with locals during a home-hosted meal in Málaga.
- Enjoy traditional Spanish dishes.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Escuela de Baile Paquita Jesus — preserving an important cultural aspect of the area. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Get ready for a true taste of southern Spain. From the sunlit shores of the Costa del Sol to the grand boulevards of Madrid, the journey ahead promises contrast, culture, and colour. Settle in and enjoy your overnight flight as the adventure begins.

Day 2: Málaga, Spain - Fuengirola

Welcome to Málaga, where centuries of history meet the easy rhythm of Andalusian life. After arriving, make your way to the coastal town of Fuengirola and settle into your home for the next few nights. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing through the afternoon, leaving time to wander, relax, or ease into the Mediterranean pace. As evening approaches, gather with your Tour Manager and fellow travellers for a welcome reception at your hotel.

Day 3: Fuengirola - Ronda - Fuengirola

This morning, travel into the hills to Ronda, a dramatic town shaped by centuries of layered Arab history. Walk through the Old Town and see the 18th-century Puente Nuevo spanning the sheer El Tajo gorge below. Then **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the Arab Baths archaeological site alongside a local guide **-OR-** explore bullfighting's

place in Spanish culture during an audio-guided visit to the historic bullring. Back in Fuengirola, the day winds down with dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Fuengirola - Marbella - Fuengirola

Set out for Marbella, where narrow cobblestone streets, whitewashed façades, and flower-lined plazas reflect the city's Moorish past. During a walking tour, spend time around Plaza de los Naranjos, where daily life unfolds amid historic architecture. By afternoon, continue into the Andalusian hills to Mijas, a whitewashed village known for its winding lanes, colourful balconies, and expansive coastal views. After time to explore, return to Fuengirola and enjoy a relaxed evening at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Fuengirola - Málaga - Fuengirola

This morning, head into Málaga and discover the port city alongside a local guide. Meet a member of the Sepulcro Brotherhood and gain insight into the religious traditions that continue to shape daily life. Walk Málaga's winding old town streets and see the historic Roman Theatre before sharing lunch inside a local's home, where conversation flows easily across cultures. With free time to explore



Alhambra



Fuengirola

independently, shop in the old town, or perhaps visit the Picasso Museum. Return to Fuengirola as the sun begins to dip toward the horizon. (B, L)

Day 6: Fuengirola - Granada - Fuengirola Today, you travel to Granada, the last capital of the Moors in Spain before it fell to the Catholic monarchs in 1492. This morning, spend time with a local expert visiting the Alhambra, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the Wonders of the Muslim world. As you walk through this centuries-old palace and fortress complex, intricate stonework, shaded courtyards, and far-reaching views reveal layers of power, artistry, and belief. After your extensive morning walk, enjoy free time in Granada to find lunch on your own before returning to Fuengirola, where the evening unfolds at your own pace. (B)

Day 7: Fuengirola - Málaga - Madrid This morning, bid *adiós* to the Costa del Sol and board a northbound fast-speed train bound for Madrid. Sit back and watch the landscape shift as southern Spain gives way to Spain's bustling capital. After arriving, walk from the station to your hotel before joining your Tour Manager for a stroll to get your bearings in the city.

Wander along the Paseo del Prado and into Barrio de las Letras, where historic streets and long-standing cafés introduce the spirit of Madrid. (B)

Day 8: Madrid Set out with a local expert to explore Madrid's historic centre. See iconic sites like Plaza Mayor, once the city's social heart, and wander through tucked-away streets and quiet squares filled with stories of monarchs, artists, and everyday life. Continue toward Plaza de Oriente, where views of the Royal Palace frame the walk. The city tour concludes around noon, leaving the afternoon yours to experience Madrid in your own way — linger at a café, stroll through the plazas, or you may choose an optional excursion to visit the Prado Museum with a local expert. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant to toast the end of your journey. ¡Salud! (B, D)

Day 9: Madrid - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. As you head home, carry with you the flavours, landscapes, and shared moments from the Costa del Sol to Madrid. (B)



Arrival: Málaga (AGP)

Departure: Madrid (MAD)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 6 Occidental Fuengirola, Costa del Sol
Days 7, 8 NH Madrid Nacional, Madrid
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Costa del Sol • Pre-Night Stay

Madrid • Post-Night Stay

Barcelona • Post-Tour Guided Extension
 3 Nights, Starting at \$2,055 pp

Continue by train to Barcelona — architectural marvels and the lively La Rambla and Gothic Quarter await!

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

This tour launches in June 2027. To see details for earlier departures, visit the **Spain's Costa del Sol & Madrid** tour page on our website.



Mijas

NEW TOUR

Splendid Portugal: From Porto to the Algarve

13 DAYS • 17 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,999



CLASSIC • Average Group Size: 37 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$4,999 (DOUBLE) or \$6,599 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 14, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

November 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

*Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. See note on next page.

HIGHLIGHTS

Porto, Stock Exchange Palace, Porto Wine Cellars, Braga, Portuguese Riviera, Cascais, Óbidos, Sintra, Évora, Alentejo, Lagos, Algarve, Wine Tasting, Lisbon, Belém, UNESCO World Heritage Sites

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Get a taste of Portuguese gin production at a local distillery.
- Experience the exclusive *Cante Alentejano* music (UNESCO).
- Learn about the importance of tiles to the Portuguese culture and economy at a family-owned factory.
- Taste port wine and learn of its importance to the development of the northern city of Porto.
- Discover Lisbon and step inside the UNESCO-listed Jerónimos Monastery.
- Walk through the medieval, whitewashed village of Óbidos.
- Venture to Porto and discover the Stock Exchange Palace and its beautiful Arab Room.
- Sip the wines of the Alentejo region during a locally sourced lunch.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Ancient castles and Roman ruins, groves of orange and almond trees, quiet whitewashed villages, and welcoming locals – Portugal is waiting for you.

Day 2: Porto, Portugal Arrive in Porto, a former industrial city steeped in history. With no scheduled sightseeing today, spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Porto's Baroque and modernist architecture blend to create an artistic heritage that's earned a UNESCO designation. Here, you'll find quiet cafés perfect for sipping a glass of port wine and watching the world go by. Depending on your flight arrival time, join your Tour Manager and fellow travellers this evening for a welcome reception at your hotel.

Day 3: Porto - Villa Nova de Gaia - Porto Begin with a walking tour led by a local expert, exploring charming cobblestone streets and the vibrant atmosphere Porto is known for. As you make your way towards the Palácio da Bolsa, pass by the São Bento Railway Station, renowned for its *azulejo* (tile) panels depicting scenes from Portuguese history. At Palácio da Bolsa (Stock Exchange Palace), take in the grandeur of the Arab Room with its lavish Moorish-inspired decor. Then stroll through the historic Ribeira District, a UNESCO

World Heritage site, bursting with colourful building facades and lively riverside cafés. Next, cross the bridge into the neighbouring city of Vila Nova de Gaia, tracing the historic paths of Portugal's wine merchants. Tour a traditional wine cellar, indulging in the rich flavours of vintage wines that have made this region famous worldwide, before returning to the hotel with a breathtaking view of the city. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Porto - Braga - Porto Depart from Porto and travel north to the charming village of Barcelos, where you'll immerse yourself in rich artisan traditions and a vibrant local culture that can truly be felt only here. Continue to Braga, where you'll explore the historic city centre with time to enjoy its elegant squares, ancient monuments, and lively streets. Afterward, make your way to the iconic Bom Jesus do Monte Sanctuary, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Ascend the hill aboard the historic hydraulic funicular, the oldest operating funicular of its kind in the world, and take in the breathtaking panoramic views from the top. Explore the Baroque stairways, serene gardens, and symbolic chapels that give this sanctuary its remarkable spirit, before returning to Porto for a leisurely evening. (B)

Day 5: Porto - Aveiro - Cascais This morning, say goodbye to Porto. En route to the Portuguese Riviera, enjoy some free time to experience the city of Aveiro. This enchanting city is known for its canals and its egg-yolk desserts, loved by the Portuguese, and has a rich history and heritage fuelled by its canals and the Atlantic Ocean. As you arrive in the Portuguese Riviera, mansions scattered throughout Cascais hint at this area's history as a haven for exiled European royals and nobility. Settle into your hotel before joining your fellow travellers for dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 6: Cascais - Óbidos - Sintra - Cascais Explore the picture-perfect city of Óbidos, where white-washed houses sit snug within medieval city walls, and toast with a *ginjinha*, a sour cherry liqueur served in a small chocolate cup. Continue to Sintra (UNESCO), a breathtaking hub that served as the summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Explore the quaint hilltop village of Sintra and take some time to wander through its winding streets **-OR-** join a guided tour of the National Palace of Sintra, considered the best-preserved medieval palace in Portugal. (B)

Day 7: Cascais - Évora Today, make your way through Portugal's charming countryside as your journey takes you to Évora, a UNESCO-listed city steeped in over 2,000 years of history. Explore the medieval walled town with a local expert, admiring its narrow, cobbled streets, Roman architecture, and the remarkable first-century Roman Temple. Visit the Chapel of Bones, where the walls are intricately lined with the bones and skulls of thousands of former residents. The afternoon is yours to wander at leisure or simply relax. Later, you may choose to join an optional excursion to learn about the region's centuries-old cork harvesting traditions, ending with a flavourful Alentejo dinner. (B)

Day 8: Évora - Lagos Journey to the stunning coasts of the Algarve – the southernmost region of Portugal. On the way, visit a local gin distillery. Learn how one man took a homemade drink and implemented traditional Portuguese stills and local ingredients to craft a premium gin. Savour the flavours of these botanicals before continuing your journey south. Indulge in full-bodied wines of the Alentejo

over lunch. This evening, explore the historic resort town of Lagos, where Moorish and Renaissance influences meet towering seaside cliffs. Many celebrated voyagers began their explorations from this bustling port. (B, L)

Day 9: Lagos Enjoy a full day experiencing the Algarve at your own pace. Lagos, with its golden beaches, dramatic cliffs, and a relaxed coastal atmosphere, invites you to explore. Wander the historic old town, stroll along the marina, or follow the scenic coastal paths toward Ponta da Piedade, with its breathtaking sea views and iconic rock formations. You may choose to join an optional boat tour combining the thrill of spotting wild dolphins with a visit to Portugal's stunning coastal caves. (B, D)

Day 10: Lagos - Silves - Lagos This morning, venture inland to Silves, a once-mighty Moorish capital that still carries the quiet charm of a sleepy hillside town. As you approach, the red sandstone walls of Silves Castle rise above whitewashed houses, creating one of the Algarve's most striking contrasts. Enjoy time to explore at your own pace, or choose to climb to the castle, Portugal's best-preserved Moorish fortress. Later, visit a local winery set among the sun-drenched hills, where you'll learn about the region's winemaking traditions while savouring local wines, all paired with magnificent rural views. Return to Lagos for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 11: Lagos - Azeitão - Lisbon En route to Lisbon, pause for a truly local lunch at an unexpected spot that captures the region's genuine flavours. Afterwards, continue to Azeitão, a picturesque village celebrated for its exquisite hand-painted tiles. Meet local artisans in a family-run workshop and learn how Portugal's iconic *azulejos* are crafted. Continue your journey to your last destination, Lisbon, Portugal's vibrant capital city. Tonight, you may choose to join an optional tour to listen to local artists perform traditional *Fado* music, a UNESCO intangible cultural heritage highlight. (B, L)

Day 12: Lisbon Get ready for a full and intense day of discovery. Begin your day with a local expert in Portugal's vibrant capital. Journey to Belém to admire the iconic 16th-century Jerónimos Monastery (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) and discover the



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Turim Porto Hotel, Porto
Days 5, 6	Hotel Baía, Cascais ▲
Day 7	Vila Galé Évora Hotel, Evora
Days 8 – 10	Vila Galé Lagos, Algarve
Days 11, 12	Lumen Lisboa Hotel, Lisbon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Porto • Pre-Night Stay

Lisbon • Post-Night Stay

Madeira Island • Post-Tour Hosted Extension
4 Nights, Starting at \$2,749[†] pp

Spend 3 nights on the island paradise of Madeira and 1 in Lisbon — more time to unwind and explore.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

This tour launches in July 2027. To see details for earlier departures, visit the **Sunny Portugal with Porto** tour page on our website.

pivotal role of the Age of Discoveries in shaping Portugal's history. Then decide how you want to explore Lisbon, because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Discover the art and tradition of Portuguese sidewalks during a locally led walking tour **-OR-** venture with your Tour Manager on foot and discover the city through the lens of the businesses and streets

connected with the country's most loved fish, *bacalhau* (salted codfish). Savour a farewell dinner to Portugal at a restaurant beloved by locals, celebrating the perfect ending to your unforgettable journey. (B, D)

Day 13: Lisbon - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)

Sunny Portugal

Lisbon, Alentejo, Algarve & Portuguese Riviera

10 DAYS • 13 MEALS • STARTING AT \$3,849

Algarve

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$3,849 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,149 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 24, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Lisbon, Belém, Cork Factory, Évora, Alentejo, Algarve, *Petiscos* Lunch, Portuguese Riviera with Cascais, Óbidos Walled Village, Sintra, UNESCO World Heritage Sites

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Get a taste of Portuguese gin production at a local distillery.
- Step back in time in Evora, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Taste the wines of the Alentejo region during a locally sourced lunch.
- Savour the flavours of Algarve with iconic local *petiscos*.
- Walk through the medieval, whitewashed village of Óbidos.
- Learn about the importance of cork to the Portuguese culture and economy at a family-owned cork factory.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Leonel Telo Cerâmica — preserving traditional pottery through locally sourced clay and hands-on artisan practice. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Ancient castles and Roman ruins, groves of orange and almond trees, whitewashed villages, and welcoming locals — Portugal awaits.

Day 2: Lisbon, Portugal Say hello to Lisbon, Portugal's capital and a city full of authenticity, where old customs and ancient history intermix with cultural entertainment. With no scheduled sightseeing today, spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Lisbon Begin your day with a local expert in Portugal's vibrant capital. Journey to Belém to admire the iconic 16th-century Jerónimos Monastery (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) and discover the pivotal role of the Age of Discoveries in shaping Portugal's history. Continue exploring Lisbon's traditions as you stroll through the charming streets of downtown and the Baixa district, ending with a relaxing cruise along the Tagus River. Our city tour concludes around 2:00 p.m., leaving you free to enjoy the city at your own pace. Tonight, you may choose to join an optional tour to listen to local artists perform traditional *fado* music, a UNESCO intangible cultural heritage highlight. (B)

Day 4: Lisbon - Evora Today, make your way through Portugal's charming countryside. Visit a family-owned

cork factory, where you'll learn about the product's importance to the local economy and why Portugal is the world's top cork producer. Your journey then takes you to Evora (UNESCO). Explore this medieval walled city with your local expert as you wander through cobbled streets and past buildings spanning the ages, and see its well-preserved Roman temple up close. (B, D)

Day 5: Evora - Alentejo Region - Lagos Journey to the stunning coasts of the Algarve — the southernmost region of Portugal. On the way, visit a local gin distillery. Learn how one man took a homemade drink and implemented traditional Portuguese stills and local ingredients to craft a premium gin. Afterward, enjoy a traditional lunch showcasing the authentic flavours of Alentejo — Portugal's tranquil region of rolling plains and deep-rooted traditions. Take the opportunity to learn about Vinho da Talha, an exclusive wine crafted using ancient amphora techniques, offering a rare taste of Portugal's heritage before continuing on your drive. Later, switch from the rich taste of local wine and spirits to the salty ocean air in the Algarve. (B, L)

Day 6: Lagos - Algarve Countryside - Lagos Enjoy a slow, unhurried morning before venturing inland, where the landscape grows quieter and the air carries the scent of earth and sun



Belem Tower



Evora

warmed hills. Settle into a serene setting for a guided tasting of regional wines, each glass reflecting the character of the Algarve. Your experience unfolds with a light lunch of *petiscos*, simple, seasonal flavours prepared with local ingredients, served in a peaceful ambiance that invites you to linger and savour every moment. Return to Lagos for an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 7: Lagos Today, it's your opportunity to experience the Algarve on your own. Explore the historic resort town of Lagos, where Moorish and Renaissance influences meet towering seaside cliffs. Many celebrated voyagers began their explorations from this bustling port city. Geraniums, camellias, and oleanders grow alongside fig, orange, and almond trees, while brightly coloured fishing boats bob in the sea. Protected by hills to the north and warmed by the sea, the Algarve's mild climate and beautiful beaches attract visitors from all over the world. You may choose to join an optional boat tour today that gets you closer to some of the most famous coastal scenery in Portugal. (B)

Day 8: Lagos - Alentejo Region - Cascais En route to the Portuguese Riviera, stop at a local estate to discover the region's rich winemaking tradition. Enjoy a guided tasting of these distinctive wines and then meet

local artisans at a family-run shop and learn how the famous hand-painted Portuguese tiles, *azulejos*, are made. Then, head to the Portuguese Riviera and explore Cascais, a charming seaside town where elegant mansions and grand villas reflect its storied past as a retreat for exiled European royals and aristocracy. Stroll along its picturesque waterfront, admire the vibrant marina, and soak in the coastal views that have made Cascais one of Portugal's most sophisticated destinations. (B)

Day 9: Cascais - Óbidos - Sintra - Cascais Explore the picture-perfect city of Óbidos, where white-washed houses sit snug within medieval city walls, and toast with a *ginjinha*, a sour cherry liqueur served in a small chocolate cup. Continue on to Sintra (UNESCO), a breathtaking hub that served as the summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Explore the quaint hilltop village of Sintra and its crafts, taking time to wander through the winding streets **-OR-** join a guided tour of the National Palace of Sintra, considered the best-preserved medieval palace in Portugal. Bid Portugal goodbye during dinner in Cascais and celebrate the end of your unforgettable journey. (B, D)

Day 10: Cascais - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)



- 1 Overnight stay
- 2 Visit
- Standard tour
- Option 1
- Option 2

Arrival: Lisbon (LIS)

Departure: Lisbon (LIS)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Lumen Lisboa Hotel, Lisbon
- Day 4** Vitoria Stone Hotel, Evora
- Days 5 – 7** Vila Galé Lagos, Algarve
- Days 8, 9** Hotel Baía, Cascais ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Lisbon • Pre-Night Stay

Cascais • Post-Night Stay

Templar Tomar featuring Nazaré & Fatima • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,199 pp

Start your Portugal journey with 3 nights in charming Tomar, explore Templar Castle, Nazaré, and Fatima.

Madeira Island • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

4 Nights, Starting at \$2,749+ pp

Spend 3 nights on the island paradise of Madeira and 1 in Lisbon — more time to unwind and explore.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE

Sunny Portugal featuring New Year's Eve in Madeira

Start the new year off with a toast amidst lively fireworks and dazzling lights on the Portuguese island of Madeira.

Dates Available:
December 2026
& December 2027



Spain's Classics & Portugal

15 DAYS • 20 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,549



Flamenco



Valencia

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,549 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on January 29, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Barcelona, Valencia, Paella Experience, Granada, The Alhambra, Seville, Flamenco Show, Córdoba, Madrid, The Prado Museum, Winery Tasting, Alentejo, Lisbon, Óbidos, Fado Dinner Show

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Feel the vibrant energy of Spain at a flamenco performance in Seville.
- Experience a night of *fado* (UNESCO) and learn about this traditional art form.
- Discover the little-known town of Peníscola, the "City in the Sea."
- Explore Madrid's Prado Museum and view masterpieces by Velázquez, Goya, and others.
- Experience a paella-making demonstration and delicious paella lunch.
- Tour the Alhambra Palace in Granada.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Adegas Mayor and El Patio Sevillano — preserving flamenco traditions and supporting local artists. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to a colourful cultural adventure featuring the best of Spain and Portugal.

Day 2: Barcelona, Spain Welcome to Spain! Today, arrive in the vibrant city of Barcelona. With no scheduled sightseeing today, spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers and enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Barcelona Start the morning by joining a local expert and exploring this amazing city as it was meant to be experienced on foot. Begin in the heart of Barcelona's Las Ramblas, enjoying the vibrant atmosphere of the city's most famous boulevard, which stretches from Plaça de Catalunya. Walk through the Gothic Quarter, a labyrinth of narrow, winding streets that date back to Roman times. Your local expert will guide you through this enchanting neighborhood, highlighting its hidden gems and sharing stories of its past. After your guided city walk, enjoy a visit to the spectacular Palau de la Música Catalana, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of Barcelona's most celebrated architectural landmarks. Following the visit, enjoy free time for lunch and an afternoon

at leisure to explore Barcelona independently. (B)

Day 4: Barcelona - Peníscola - Valencia Today, say goodbye to Barcelona! On your way to Valencia, stop in beautiful Peníscola and enjoy free time to explore on your own. Known as the "City in the Sea," this fortified city and its Knights Templar Castle, dating back to the 13th century, are a surprise. Continue onward to Valencia, Spain's third-largest city. A treasure trove of Roman, Gothic, and Arabic influences, Valencia seamlessly blends centuries of heritage with striking modern design. This contrast is especially evident at the ultramodern City of Arts and Sciences, an architectural masterpiece that showcases the city's innovative spirit. (B)

Day 5: Valencia - Albufera - Valencia Valencia is a city full of contrasts, where a charming old town lives next to futuristic buildings. Explore the city's old quarter on foot, discovering its history with a local expert. View the ornate Serranos Towers before wandering through the bustling central market, where you can shop side-by-side with the locals. Travel to Albufera, which with its freshwater lake that evolved from an ancient marine gulf, is one of the most

important wetlands in Spain. This is the area where paella originated — and the best place to experience it for lunch today. Enjoy time on your own to explore as you wish back in Valencia. (B, L)

Day 6: Valencia - Granada Today, make your way to Granada, the last great capital of the Moors in Spain before it fell to the Catholic monarchs in 1492. Nestled at the foot of the Sierra Nevada mountains, Granada is a city where centuries of Islamic, Jewish, and Christian heritage blend seamlessly. Its narrow, winding streets, whitewashed neighbourhoods, and elegant palaces reflect the splendour of the Nasrid dynasty, whose legacy still defines the city's character. As the sun sets, the city bathes in a warm, golden light, highlighting the stunning architecture and historic landmarks. As the streets come alive for the evening, you may enjoy a leisurely stroll before dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Granada - Seville This morning, join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra (UNESCO), a stone fortress overlooking the entire city and serving as a mesmerizing example of Islamic architecture. As you enter this historical marvel, feel transported to a different era. Wander through the intricate Nasrid Palaces, the heart of the Alhambra, and lose yourself in the serene beauty of the Generalife Gardens and stunning views from the Alcazaba, the oldest part of the complex. After this captivating visit, continue to Seville, where you'll end the day in southern Spain's cultural capital. (B, D)

Day 8: Seville Embark on a tour starting with the iconic Plaza de España. Next, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Walk the Santa Cruz quarter with an expert guide, admiring the orange trees and white-washed houses **-OR-** enjoy a self-guided visit of Casa de Pilatos with an audio guide, discovering its elegant courtyards and rich blend of Andalusian architectural styles. Whichever you choose, the morning concludes with a visit to Seville Cathedral (UNESCO) — the largest Gothic church in the world. Your city tour concludes around 1:00 p.m., leaving you free to enjoy the city at your own pace. This evening, enjoy an authentic flamenco show (UNESCO) showcasing Seville's famous traditions. (B)

Day 9: Seville - Córdoba - Madrid Travel to the extraordinary Moorish city of Córdoba. Upon arrival, embark on a walking tour of La Mezquita (UNESCO), an 8th-century mosque that was converted into the city's cathedral in the 16th century. As you continue your exploration of Córdoba's historical centre, encounter a mix of Roman, Islamic, and Christian influences. The UNESCO World Heritage Site showcases a rich and diverse history, offering a fascinating journey through time with its unique blend of cultures and architectural styles. Then, board the two-hour high-speed train to Spain's capital city, Madrid! Arrive in the late afternoon with time to freshen up before gathering again for dinner. (B, D)

Day 10: Madrid During a locally guided tour of Madrid's historic centre, see iconic sites such as Plaza Mayor, where events have been held since the 17th century, and Plaza de Oriente — the square of the Royal Palace. Join a local expert to explore the priceless masterpieces of the Prado Museum, which opened in 1819 and boasts some of the world's finest collections of art by masters such as Velázquez and Goya. Our city tour concludes around 1:30 p.m., leaving you free to enjoy the rest of the day at your own pace. (B)

Day 11: Madrid, Spain - Elvas, Portugal Bid Spain *adios* and cross the border into Portugal, arriving in the off-the-beaten-path town of Elvas, a garrison town recognized as a World Heritage Site. On the way, indulge in full-bodied wines from the Alentejo region during a winery tour, tasting, and some *petiscos* — Portuguese traditional bites, usually shared with friends. (B)

Day 12: Elvas - Lisbon Make your way to Lisbon, the capital of Portugal, and enjoy a more relaxed start to the day. Upon arrival, explore the historic downtown, where your guide will bring the city and its vibrant neighbourhoods to life through engaging stories. Stroll through Baixa, Lisbon's elegant downtown district, before enjoying some free time to soak in the atmosphere, browse local shops, or relax at a café at your own pace. This evening, over Portuguese cuisine and wine, listen to local artists perform the traditional *fado* (UNESCO). (B, D)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Radisson Blu 1882, Barcelona
Days 4, 5	SH Valencia Palace, Valencia
Day 6	Barcelo Carmen, Granada
Days 7, 8	NH Plaza de Armas, Seville
Days 9, 10	Marriott Madrid Princesa Plaza, Madrid
Day 11	Vila Gale Collection, Elvas
Days 12 – 14	Altis Grand Hotel, Lisbon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Barcelona • Pre-Night Stay

Lisbon • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Day 13: Lisbon The day is all yours! Discover the capital city on your own, perhaps indulging in the city's delicious cuisine, taking a historic tram through the charming Alfama district, or heading to Belém to explore the iconic landmarks that celebrate Portugal's Age of Discovery. Perhaps you'll choose an optional excursion to the Portuguese Riviera, featuring a visit to the magnificent National Palace of Queluz and time to explore the picturesque seaside town of Cascais. (B)

Day 14: Lisbon - Óbidos - Lisbon Today, visit one of Portugal's most

famed towns — Óbidos! With its labyrinth of cobblestoned streets and whitewashed houses, this medieval town beckons you to linger and enjoy its charm. You may choose to try one of the local delicacies — sour cherry liquor served in chocolate cups — or simply enjoy the narrow streets and picture-perfect alleyways. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip to Spain and Portugal. (B, D)

Day 15: Lisbon - Tour Ends Return home with memories of two warm cultures and of a beautiful land. (B)

A Journey through the Netherlands, Belgium & France: Canals, Champagne & Culture

11 DAYS • 15 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,949

Small Group

Kinderdijk

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$7,949 (DOUBLE) or \$9,999 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 7, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; May – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; May – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Paris, Eiffel Tower Dinner, Amsterdam, Canal Cruise, Kinderdijk, Bruges, Reims, Route du Champagne, Versailles Palace & Gardens, Seine River Cruise, Historic Paris Walking Tour

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Cruise the Seine River, viewing Paris's iconic landmarks.
- Explore the Palace of Versailles and its gardens with a local expert.
- Enjoy a full day exploring Amsterdam, the vibrant capital of the Netherlands.
- Stand before the legendary Dutch windmills of Kinderdijk.
- Tour a traditional Belgian brewery in Bruges, sampling its famous beers.
- Dine inside the Eiffel Tower during an exclusive experience with regional cuisine and stunning views of Paris.
- Visit Amsterdam's A Beautiful Mess restaurant for an Impact Moment that goes far beyond a meal.
- Connect with local traditions in the Belgian city of Bruges.
- The scenic countryside of France unfolds along the Route du Champagne.

Day 1: Overnight Flight An overnight flight carries you toward Europe, where daily life still turns around centuries-old traditions. Ahead, waterways, working landscapes, historic streets, and celebrated vineyards shape your path through the Netherlands, Belgium, and France.

Day 2: Amsterdam, Netherlands

Narrow canals, arched bridges, and bicycle-lined streets set the rhythm as you arrive in Amsterdam. Check into your historic hotel that anchors you in the city for the next three nights. With arrival times varying, the afternoon unfolds at your pace – wander nearby neighbourhoods, pause at a café, or follow the canals wherever they lead. As evening settles in, get your first taste of Dutch hospitality at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Amsterdam This morning, see Amsterdam from its most natural vantage point – the water. A private canal cruise carries you beneath arched bridges and past classic canal houses that frame daily life. Back on land, a walking tour with a local guide adds context, history, and lived perspective. Later, a conversation with a local offers insight into the city's progressive, often thought-provoking cultural landscape. By around 1:00 p.m., the rest of the day

opens up for independent exploration. (B)

Day 4: Amsterdam Today is yours to shape in Amsterdam. Spend it inside the Van Gogh Museum or reflect on history at the Anne Frank House. Or, choose an optional excursion to Delft, hometown of Johannes Vermeer, for a guided walk and a visit to the Royal Delft earthenware factory. Check out the hand-painted blue motifs that have been crafted since the 16th century and try painting a tile yourself. Share a meal this evening during an **IMPACT MOMENT** at A Beautiful Mess, a restaurant supporting refugees building new lives in the Netherlands. Savour Middle Eastern and North African flavours from locally sourced ingredients. This is more than a meal; it's a connected experience that makes a difference. (B, D)

Day 5: Amsterdam - Kinderdijk - Bruges, Belgium This morning leads you right into the Dutch countryside and the windmill landscapes of Kinderdijk (UNESCO). Here, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Drift along the canals in a boat, walk the paths, and venture inside a working windmill **-OR-** climb aboard a bike to cycle through the open Kinderdijk landscape with a local guide. However you experience it, wind, water, and space tell the story of



Bruges



Arrival: Amsterdam (AMS)

Departure: Paris (CDG)

Dutch ingenuity. This evening, Bruges comes into view with its cobblestone streets and quiet canals. Take an easy walk through the medieval city you'll call home for the next two nights. (B, D)

Day 6: Bruges Bruges reveals itself on foot this morning as you walk with a local guide down historic streets and follow narrow canals. Later, a canal cruise shifts your perspective before hands-on traditions take centre stage — learning about lace-making and tasting sweet Belgian chocolate. The afternoon unfolds at leisure. As the day winds down, visit a local brewery for a taste of Belgium's celebrated beer. With dinner on your own, wrap your day of tasting the local flavour however you wish. (B)

Day 7: Bruges - Arras, France - Reims Belgium makes way for France today. Travel through Flanders, then stop in Arras where you can walk through the Grand Place and Place des Héros and take in their distinctive Flemish-Baroque façades. In this charming slice of France, cafés and markets set the tone of daily life and the final country of your journey. This evening, Reims welcomes you into the heart of France's Champagne region. Tonight, savour regional flavours during dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Reims - Champagne Winery - Reims Reims unfolds this morning on a guided walk through streets shaped by centuries of royal history. You'll see the Notre-Dame Cathedral de Reims, renowned for its stained glass. This afternoon, vineyard rows line the *Route du Champagne*. A visit to a traditional *maison du champagne* reveals the craft behind the region's celebrated sparkling wine, followed by a tasting. *Santé!* The rest of the day

is yours to explore Reims in your own way. (B, L)

Day 9: Reims - Versailles - Paris En route to Paris, Versailles sets the stage. With a local guide, grand halls and formal gardens reveal how this palace shaped royal life across Europe. You'll take in celebrated spaces like the Hall of Mirrors and the Queen's Bedchamber before time opens up to wander the grounds. By evening, Paris makes its entrance. Your neighbourhood hotel places you in the heart of the city, with streets alive with cafés, corner bistros, and late-day energy. Tonight is yours — linger nearby or opt for an unforgettable night at the Paradis Latin where dinner, champagne, soaring vocals, and can-can dancers bring classic Parisian cabaret to life. (B)

Day 10: Paris Paris reveals itself step by step this morning as you explore the historic heart of the city on foot with a local expert. Grand boulevards give way to quieter passages, where centuries of history unfold through architecture, hidden courtyards, and covered galleries once used by merchants and locals alike. From the street, the city shifts again as you glide along the Seine, passing Paris' most celebrated monuments from the water. Around noon, the rhythm slows and the city becomes yours, perhaps inside the Louvre or wandering the layered streets of Le Marais and Place des Vosges. This evening, your journey culminates with an exclusive dinner at the Eiffel Tower, where French flavours pair with sweeping views over the city. (B, D)

Day 11: Paris - Tour Ends *Au revoir!* You connected with the cultures and people of the Netherlands, Belgium, and France, all in one epic journey. Now, head home and tell your friends all about it! (B)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	The Manor, Amsterdam
Days 5, 6	Hotel Aragon, Bruges
Days 7, 8	Continental Hotel, Reims
Days 9, 10	La Maison Favart, Paris

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Amsterdam • Pre-Night Stay

Paris • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



A Journey through the Netherlands, Belgium & France featuring the Keukenhof Tulip Gardens

Experience the essence of three European countries and the world-famous Keukenhof Tulip Gardens.

Dates Available:

March – April 2027; March – April 2028

Spotlight on Paris

7 DAYS • 7 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,149



SPOTLIGHTS • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,149 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,249 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 23, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; February – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; February – June 2028

(featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Eiffel Tower Dinner, Louvre Museum, Montmartre, Seine River Cruise, Île de la Cité, Notre-Dame

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Enjoy an exclusive dinner at the Eiffel Tower with unparalleled views of the "City of Light."
- Navigate Paris like a local by riding *Le Métro*.
- Feel like a true Parisian when you discover the beloved neighbourhood of Montmartre.
- Admire the city skyline as you float down the Seine on a relaxing cruise.
- Take a walk down to the Île de la Cité to take in the sight of the awe-inspiring Notre Dame.
- Explore the treasures of the Louvre Museum with a museum expert.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Madame Brasserie, Musée du Débarquement, and Normandy American Cemetery. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Iconic skylines of picturesque towers. A trend-setting culinary scene. The inspirational muse of the world's greatest artists. Fashion-forward haute couture. This is the "City of Light." Feel the essence of Paris as the locals do — with its chic cosmopolitan vibe and constant energy. You're on your way to a five-night stay in the thriving heartbeat of France.

Day 2: Paris, France Be swept off your feet as the Paris of your dreams comes alive. Spend the day as you wish, settling into your centrally located hotel and exploring the city independently. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Tonight, say *salut* as you toast the beginning of your tour.

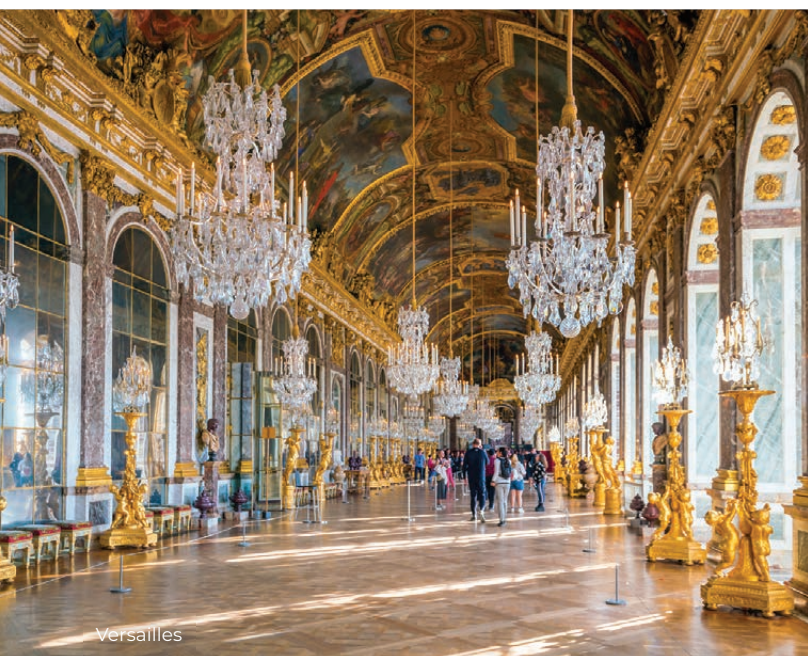
Day 3: Paris - The Louvre - Île de la Cité - Eiffel Tower Begin your Parisian discovery on foot with your Tour Manager in the heart of the city, known for its historic universities and vibrant streets. Continue to Île de la Cité, Paris's ancient core, where the Notre Dame Cathedral rises along the Seine, an 850-year-old Gothic masterpiece steeped in history. Take in sweeping views of the city on a Seine River cruise, framed by

Paris's iconic landmarks. Later, join a local expert for a visit to the Louvre Museum. Enter through the iconic glass pyramid and explore centuries of art, from ancient sculptures to 19th-century masterpieces by artists like Rembrandt, Caravaggio, Michelangelo, and Leonardo da Vinci. End your day in an unforgettable dinner inside the Eiffel Tower, featuring classic French cuisine and unparalleled views of Paris. (B, D)

Day 4: Paris - Optional Excursion to Versailles Be romanced by Paris — the whole day is yours for the taking. Perhaps you'll wander over to the Left Bank of the Seine and plunge into the bohemian atmosphere of the Saint-Germain-des-Prés neighbourhood and indulge in a little retail therapy along the elegant Champs Élysées. Or, join an optional excursion to Versailles, where you'll explore King Louis XIV's magnificent Palace and formal Gardens, masterpieces of architecture and landscape design. Step back in time as you walk through the opulent State Apartments, including the legendary Hall of Mirrors, where history was made amid glittering chandeliers and gilded walls. This evening offers a choice to experience Parisian nightlife during an optional dinner at the dynamic Paradis Latin for a



Montmartre



Versailles

champagne-flowing, can-can kicking, music-driven night at the cabaret. (B)

Day 5: Paris - Optional Excursion to Normandy Enjoy the day on your own, exploring Paris however you wish. If you'd prefer to venture beyond Paris, you can choose to join a full-day optional tour to Normandy, retracing the history of World War II with visits to see the Mulberry harbour (an engineering marvel), the Normandy American Cemetery, and the D-Day landing site at Omaha Beach. (B)

Day 6: Paris - Montmartre Today, step into the shoes of a local and navigate *Le Métro*, the main mode of transportation for Parisians, and spend the morning exploring the hip, bohemian neighbourhood of

Montmartre. Blending artistic roots and quirky modernity, this 18th *arrondissement* neighbourhood is home to classical painters and cultural provocateurs. After your guided walk, you can choose to visit the Sacré-Coeur on your own and take in the city from this iconic hilltop basilica. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Venture into the Musée de Montmartre to get a glimpse into the roots of cabaret and the lives of Paris's most famous artists with a local guide **-OR-** step off the tourist trail for a peaceful stroll on your own through the Montmartre Cemetery. As the day and the journey come to an end, you'll gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Paris - Tour Ends *Au revoir!* Your tour comes to a close today. (B)



Arrival: Paris (CDG)

Departure: Paris (CDG)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 6 Novotel Paris Les Halles, Paris

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

5 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Paris • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Louvre

Spotlight on the French Riviera

9 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,149



SPOTLIGHTS • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,149 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,249 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on January 20, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Nice Flower Market, Food Tour & Tasting, Monaco, Monte Carlo, Eze, Fragonard Perfumery Workshop, Menton, Cannes, Wine Tasting, Saint Paul de Vence

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore Saint-Honorat Island, belonging to the monks of Lérins Abbey.
- Discover the hilltop town of St. Paul de Vence and its beautiful vistas.
- Learn the secrets of perfume making during a hands-on workshop.
- Explore Monaco and Monte Carlo and see their iconic sites.
- Taste your way through Nice on a guided foodie tour.
- Savour Mediterranean cuisine during dinner in *Vieux Nice*.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 4 community tourism partners: The French Way, Maison Herbin, Fragonard Perfume Laboratory, and Nice Flower Market. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight It's time to live the good life and embark on a getaway to the fabulous French Riviera, or *Côte d'Azur*. Its elegant coastal resorts, superb eateries, chic boutiques, and captivating museums make it the ultimate sunny retreat for the elite. Unpack your bags just once and stay at a single hotel for your entire adventure, which begins with an overnight flight to France.

Day 2: Nice (French Riviera), France Your tour commences in the stunning city of Nice, a coastal pearl of the Mediterranean known for its legendary opulence and balmy beaches. With an average of 300 sunny days per year, Nice is a seaside paradise. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner in *Vieux Nice* featuring Mediterranean-inspired French cuisine. (B)

Day 3: Nice Start your day immersed in French art with a visit to the Matisse Museum, housed in a 17th-century Genoese villa surrounded by olive groves. This museum offers an extraordinary journey through the life and work of Henri Matisse, one of the 20th century's most influential artists.

Later, discover Nice by meandering through the city's famed and colourful flower market. Delve into the Old Town, sampling local delicacies while on a tasting tour. The rest of the day is yours. Perhaps you'll return to your hotel and stroll along the lively seafront *Promenade des Anglais* – maybe you'll find your favourite café for the week and soak in the local life. (B, L)

Day 4: Nice - Monaco - Monte Carlo - Nice Upon arrival, enjoy a walking tour led by your expert Tour Manager through the charming streets of Monaco-Ville, the old town, lined with pastel-coloured houses, quaint cafés, and boutiques. Learn about Monaco's rich history and royal traditions as you make your way to the Prince's Palace, the official residence of the Sovereign Prince. Here, witness the ceremonial Changing of the Guard, a time-honoured ritual that reflects the principality's heritage and elegance. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Embark on an audio-guided tour of the majestic Prince's Palace of Monaco, a grand residence steeped in history **-OR-** dive into the wonders of the Oceanographic Museum where you can explore its captivating aquarium and marvel at the fascinating collection of fossils and skeletons curated by the legendary Jacques



St. Paul de Venice



Eze

Cousteau. Next, make your way to Monte Carlo for a quick stop to soak in breathtaking views and admire the iconic, world-famous casino. (B)

Day 5: Nice - Èze - Menton - Nice

Begin your morning in the medieval village of Èze, a quintessential Provençal hilltop town. Immerse yourself in the art of perfume-making with a hands-on workshop, where exquisite fragrances have been crafted since the 18th century. Then, wander the village's timeless cobblestone streets and visit the stunning Exotic Garden of Èze, perched high above the sea with extraordinary panoramic views. Continue your journey to Menton, a charming town celebrated for its pastel-hued façades and serene ambiance. Famous for its citrus groves and artisanal jams, Menton beautifully blends French and Italian influences. (B, D)

Day 6: Nice - Cannes - Ile Saint-Honorat - Nice

Journey to Cannes and sail across the Bay of Cannes to the tiny island of Saint-Honorat, belonging to the monks of Lérins Abbey. Pause to taste the locally produced wine before returning to Cannes to perhaps rub elbows with Europe's elite. Walk in the footsteps of celebrities when you see the Film

Festival Palace and the iconic red carpet featured during the Cannes Film Festival. During free time, explore the cobblestone lanes of the *Le Suquet* neighbourhood or the Museum of World Exploration. (B, D)

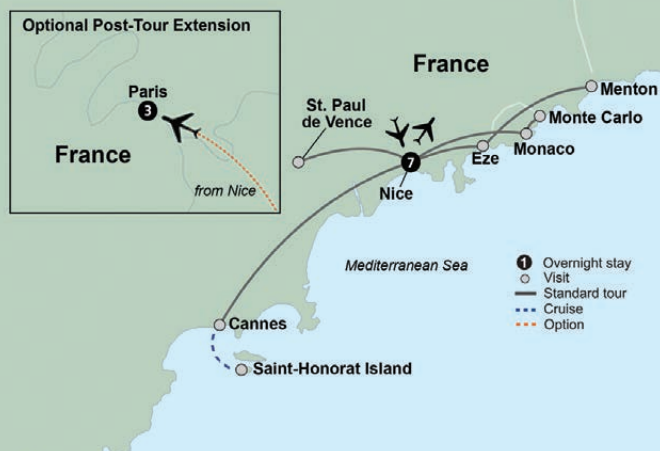
Day 7: Nice - Free Day or Optional Excursion to Italy

The day is yours! Enjoy your free time relaxing and taking in the laid-back atmosphere along the Riviera. Perhaps you'll join an optional excursion to Dolceacqua, a gem of the Italian Riviera nestled in the mountains, before savouring the local cuisine during an included light lunch. (B)

Day 8: Nice - St. Paul de Venice - Nice

This morning, venture to historic St. Paul de Venice, situated atop a hill overlooking the beautiful countryside of Provence. Explore this walled medieval village, soaking in its distinctive light, said to have inspired Matisse, Braque, Chagall, and other artists. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip. (B, D)

Day 9: Nice - Tour Ends Depart for home with many wonderful memories of your journey through the *Côte d'Azur*. (B)



Arrival: Nice (NCE)

Departure: Nice (NCE)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 8 Hotel Radisson Blu, Nice ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Nice • Pre-Night Stay

Paris • Post-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,465[†] pp

Soak up the charm of Paris as you please, plus an expert-led tour of the iconic Montmartre neighbourhood.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Ile Saint-Honorat

France Magnifique

12 DAYS • 16 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,849



CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$6,849 (DOUBLE)** or **\$8,649 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 2, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Versailles Palace & Gardens, Giverny, Normandy, D-Day Landing Sites, Omaha Beach, American Cemetery, Le Mont Saint-Michel, Loire Valley, Winery Tour, Château de Chenonceau, Seine River Cruise, Eiffel Tower Dinner

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Tour a family-owned winery in the Loire Valley (UNESCO) with a private tasting.
- Explore the Private Apartments of King Louis XIV in the Royal Palace of Versailles.
- Bear witness to history at Normandy's D-Day Landing Sites.
- Dine exclusively inside the Eiffel Tower, with French food and panoramic views over Paris.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 4 community tourism partners: Marché de Notre Dame, Château du Petit Thouars, Musée du Débarquement, and Normandy American Cemetery — honouring the memory of 9,388 American military personnel who died during the D-Day landings and subsequent World War II operations. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight France is calling, and tonight you answer. The history, art, and flavour of France's celebrated cities and towns are yours to discover. *À bientôt*, Paris.

Day 2: Paris, France - Versailles

Bienvenue en France, and welcome to Versailles. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today, so spend the afternoon exploring at your own pace. As evening falls, gather with your fellow travellers for a savoury French dinner to kick off the journey right. (D)

Day 3: Versailles - Royal Palace and Gardens

This morning, explore the Palace of Versailles (UNESCO) with a guide, unlocking the Private Apartments where Louis XIV, the Sun King, held court and shaped a kingdom. Then, the grandeur is yours to take in at your own pace. Wander the lavish State Apartments, linger in the Hall of Mirrors, and stand in the very bedchamber where queens once woke to the business of an empire. By afternoon, step into the formal gardens as Baroque fountains surge to classical music. Enjoy free time to explore the quieter Petit Versailles or lose yourself in the stalls of the open-air *Marché Notre-Dame*. (B)

Day 4: Versailles - Giverny - Caen

This morning, step into the world

that shaped one of history's greatest artists, visiting Monet's home at Giverny, the village where he lived and painted for over forty years. Walk Monet's Garden, where water lilies still drift across the famous pond that inspired his *Nymphéas* series, exactly as he captured them on canvas. By afternoon, the pastures of Normandy roll past as you make your way to Caen, your base for the next two nights. (B, D)

Day 5: Caen - Normandy American Cemetery - Arromanches - Caen

This morning, pay your respects at the Normandy American Cemetery, where the Stars and Stripes fly honouring the thousands of Allied soldiers who gave their lives. From there, stand on the sands of Omaha Beach — where Allied forces faced fierce resistance on June 6, 1944 — and feel the weight of what happened here. Walk through the Pointe du Hoc Ranger Memorial and see the clifftops where the 2nd Ranger Battalion scaled 30-metre cliffs under fire to seize a fortified enemy position. The morning ends in Arromanches-les-Bains, where you'll see the concrete remains of Mulberry Harbour, the artificial port the Allies built to sustain the liberation of France. Continue your journey, heading back to Caen. (B)

Day 6: Caen - Bayeux - Saint-Malo

This morning, explore the Caen Peace Memorial Museum, which puts the



Omaha Beach



Le Mont Saint-Michel

full story of the D-Day landings and Europe's post-war recovery into vivid context. By midday, the medieval streets of Bayeux, the first French town liberated after D-Day, are yours to wander, past half-timbered houses and into one of Normandy's best-preserved town centres. This afternoon, the walled city of Saint-Malo and the coast of Brittany open up before you — granite ramparts, wide beaches, and the blue sweep of the sea. (B, D)

Day 7: Saint-Malo - Le Mont Saint-Michel - Saint-Malo Today takes you to Le Mont Saint-Michel (UNESCO). Rising from the sea on the border of Normandy and Brittany, this ancient pilgrimage site becomes an island at high tide, earning its name as the "Wonder of the West." Come ready to climb; you'll wind upward through the old village, mount uneven cobblestones and steep medieval steps, and ascend into one of France's most extraordinary monastic complexes, dating to the 11th century. At the top, Gothic spires reach skyward and the bay stretches out in every direction — a view that makes every step worth it. (B)

Day 8: Saint-Malo - Winery Visit - Tours - Loire Valley Head south into the Loire Valley (UNESCO), where châteaux dot the landscape and centuries of winemaking run as deep

as the roots in the soil. Arrive at a family-owned estate set among the rolling vineyards — its architecture and cellars dating back several centuries, with a winemaking tradition passed down through generations — for an exclusive visit. Your host unlocks the story of the land, the *terroir*, and the techniques that make this region's wines so distinctive. The visit ends at the tasting table where the Loire Valley speaks for itself, glass by glass. As evening falls, settle into your Loire Valley château hotel and gather for a French dinner in its dining room. (B, D)

Day 9: Loire Valley - Chenonceau - Amboise - Loire Valley This morning, explore Château de Chenonceau at your own pace — its grand galleries stretching across the Cher River, its Renaissance architecture and rooms lined with centuries of art and furniture that bring its rich history to life. From there, the historic centre of Amboise awaits. Enjoy free time to take in the town before your local expert leads you to Clos Lucé, the residence where Leonardo da Vinci spent his final years in France, and where his imagination filled the rooms that still stand today. (B)

Day 10: Loire Valley - Paris Today, the French countryside gives way to the "City of Light", and Paris reveals itself the best way it can — from the



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Le Louis Versailles Chateau - MGallery, Versailles
- Days 4, 5** Mercure Caen City Center - Port de Plaisance, Caen
- Days 6, 7** Hotel Oceania, Saint-Malo ▲
- Days 8, 9** Chateau Belmont The Crest Collection, Loire Valley
- Days 10, 11** Hyatt Regency Étoile, Paris

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

10 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

- Versailles • Pre-Night Stay
- Paris • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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water. Settle in for lunch aboard a cruise along the Seine as Notre-Dame Cathedral, the Conciergerie, and Île Saint-Louis drift past (UNESCO) — a front-row introduction to one of the world's great cities. As evening falls, enjoy free time to lose yourself in Paris at your own pace. Wander a neighbourhood, find a café, let the city pull you in. For an unforgettable night out, consider the optional Paradis Latin — champagne, can-can, and live music at one of Paris's most celebrated cabarets. (B, L)

Day 11: Paris This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Enjoy a guided overview of the city's iconic sights, including the Arc de Triomphe, Champs Élysées, and

a walk near Notre-Dame **-OR-** explore Montmartre with a local expert by Métro, wandering the hilltop streets around Sacré Cœur that inspired generations of artists. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city at your own pace — one last chance to let Paris surprise you. As evening falls, head up inside the Eiffel Tower itself for an exclusive dinner — French food, panoramic views of the "City of Light" glittering below, and a send-off that is, in every sense, *magnifique*. (B, D)

Day 12: Paris - Tour Ends Head home carrying a little bit of France with you — the food, the wine, and the art of living that this country does better than anyone. *Au revoir*. (B)

Peaks of Europe: The Alps to The Dolomites

featuring France, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, and Italy

13 DAYS • 19 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,999

Grindelwald

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,699 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on October 11, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Chamonix, Annecy, Mont Blanc, GoldenPass Train, Gstaad, Jungfrau, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Dolomites, Cortina, Prosecco Region, Venetian Countryside Villa Stay

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Experience the Alps through a variety of immersive mountain settings.
- Visit the Barryland Foundation, dedicated to preserving Switzerland's beloved St. Bernard breed.
- Travel aboard Switzerland's GoldenPass panoramic train through spectacular alpine scenery.
- A local expert leads a guided nature experience across alpine landscapes.
- Stay three nights in Chamonix, at the foot of Mont Blanc.
- Explore iconic alpine destinations including Lucerne, Innsbruck, and Cortina d'Ampezzo.
- Dine at a Venetian villa in the idyllic countryside.
- Enjoy a traditional *raclette* brunch at a Swiss dairy farm.
- Visit a vineyard in Italy's Prosecco region and taste the sparkling wine.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Your journey begins in the air, with anticipation for the days ahead. You're heading toward Europe's alpine heart, where mountain landscapes define daily life and borders blur between France, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, and Italy. Ahead lies a journey grounded in tradition and the rhythms of the Alps.

Day 2: Chamonix, France Say *bonjour* to Chamonix, a legendary mountain town set beneath Mont Blanc. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing through the afternoon. The time is yours to wander Chamonix's walkable streets, where cafés, outfitters, and historic buildings reflect generations of alpine life. As evening approaches, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome cocktail party and toast the journey ahead.

Day 3: Chamonix - Annecy - Chamonix This morning, travel to Annecy, a lakeside town where water routes once carried goods, ideas, and people. Walk the medieval centre with a local guide, tracing canals, bridges, and long-standing neighbourhoods. Free time follows to browse markets, stroll along the lake, or settle into a café. By afternoon, return to Chamonix. This evening, gather over a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Chamonix Experience the landscape surrounding Mont Blanc in the way that speaks to you. **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Ascend by cable car to the Aiguille du Midi, rising to over 3,841 metres, where you stand eye-to-eye with Mont Blanc and take in views stretching across the French, Swiss, and Italian Alps **-OR-** ride aboard the historic Tramway du Mont Blanc, a rack railway that steadily climbs through alpine forests and open mountain scenery. Later, return to the valley and slow the pace with a gentle walk through the forests around Chamonix, sharing the crisp air and quiet moments of the mountains with your fellow travellers. (B)

Day 5: Chamonix - Gstaad, Switzerland Bid France *au revoir* and cross into Switzerland. During today's **IMPACT MOMENT**, visit Barryland, where a foundation actively preserves the legacy of the St. Bernard, Switzerland's national dog. Later, board the GoldenPass panoramic train and watch alpine valleys and villages roll by en route to Gstaad. After settling in, take a stroll through town. This evening, enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

Day 6: Gstaad - Grindelwald Travel through the Bernese Oberland, where alpine pastures support a long-standing dairy tradition. Visit a local



Annecy



Barryland

creamery and sit down to a *raclette* brunch at a working farm, tasting specialties made just steps away. By afternoon, arrive in Grindelwald, set beneath the towering Eiger. Settle in for your 2-night stay. With an evening at leisure, explore this charming village at your own pace. (B, L)

Day 7: Grindelwald - Jungfrauoch - Grindelwald This morning, ride a cogwheel train to Jungfrauoch (UNESCO) and find out why it's called the "Top of Europe." At this high-alpine destination, take in views of the Eiger, Mönch, and Jungfrau, and wander through the Ice Palace carved into the glacier. By afternoon, you're back in Grindelwald with the remainder of your day free for independent exploration. (B)

Day 8: Grindelwald - Lucerne - Seefeld, Austria You can't leave Switzerland without a visit to Lucerne, where medieval architecture lines the lakefront and wooden bridges connect old neighbourhoods. After your visit to Lucerne, continue through Liechtenstein, the only country entirely within the Alps. Arrive in Seefeld, Austria, and begin getting your bearings in the village with an evening at leisure. (B, D)

Day 9: Seefeld This morning, settle into the slower rhythm of Seefeld

during a horse-drawn carriage ride through the Tyrolean countryside. As hooves echo along quiet lanes, take in the scent of pine, the creak of the carriage, and the vast rocky backdrop. The afternoon is yours to explore Seefeld or perhaps choose an optional tour to Oberammergau, known for its Passion Play tradition dating back to 1633 — walk the town and theatre site before sitting down to homemade Tyrolean dishes at a local restaurant. Return to Seefeld by evening. (B)

Day 10: Seefeld - Innsbruck - Brunico, Italy Travel through the Bavarian Alps to Innsbruck, the historic capital of Tyrol. With a local guide, combine a walking tour of the Old Town with a panoramic drive that whisks you past imperial landmarks like the Golden Roof. Free time follows before crossing into Italy. As the limestone peaks of the Dolomites rise ahead, arrive in Brunico, your home for the next two nights. After dinner, an evening stroll through this town that dates back to the 1200s offers a glimpse of local life. (B, D)

Day 11: Brunico - Dolomites - Brunico Spend the day actively moving through the Dolomites (UNESCO), where narrow valleys and high ridgelines define both the landscape and daily life. In Val Badia, hear from



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	La Folie Douce Hotel, Chamonix
Day 5	Golf Hotel Le Hauts de Gstaad, Gstaad
Days 6, 7	Sunstar Alpine Hotel, Grindelwald
Days 8, 9	Seelos Hotel NIKO, Seefeld
Days 10, 11	Hotel Ander, Brunico
Day 12	Hotel Villa Condulmer, Mogliano Veneto, Venice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

11 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Venice • Post-Tour Hosted Extension
2 Nights, Starting at \$1,370 pp

Extend your time in Italy with two magical nights in Venice, exploring canals, culture, and hidden gems.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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a local guide as Ladin traditions come into focus through language, food, and routine. Step inside a traditional *maso*, an alpine farm, where you taste Ladin dishes prepared from local ingredients and long-practiced methods. Later, ride a cable car up to Rifugio Lagazuoi, lifting above the valley as peaks unfold in every direction. This evening, Brunico is yours to explore at your own pace. (B, L)

Day 12: Brunico - Cortina - Mogliano Veneto Today, it's off to Cortina d'Ampezzo, set beneath the Dolomite peaks. Free time gives you room to wander the streets, pause at a café,

and watch the town move through its day. As the route continues, the mountains fall behind and vineyard-covered hills take over. In Italy's Prosecco region, visit a local vineyard and sample its sparkling wine, produced here as part of everyday work and tradition. By evening, a villa in the Venetian countryside welcomes you as you gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Mogliano Veneto - Tour Ends Your journey across Europe's stunning peaks comes to a close today. (B)

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Innsbruck

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,849 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on November 3, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – May 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

June – November 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Bern, Alphorn Maker, Yodeling Demonstration, Lucerne, Austrian Alps, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Mirabell Gardens, Bavaria, Linderhof Palace, Tyrolean Folklore Show

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Savour a memorable lunch at a 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, Austria's oldest dining establishment.
- Witness the artistry behind Alpine music during alphorn crafting and yodeling demonstrations.
- Immerse yourself in local tradition at a Tyrolean folklore show in Innsbruck.
- Discover Lucerne's medieval charm on a guided walk through historic Altstadt.
- Tour Linderhof Palace and its beautiful gardens.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Bernatone Alphornbau and Hotel Innsbruck — demonstrating low impact craftsmanship using locally sourced materials.

Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9

Day 1: Overnight Flight Discover spectacular Switzerland, Austria and Bavaria on a tour featuring four-night stays in two cities.

Day 2: Bern, Switzerland Arrive in Bern, Switzerland's charming capital and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. With its cobblestone streets and medieval architecture, Bern feels beautifully preserved in time. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner featuring local cuisine. (D)

Day 3: Bern Enjoy a panoramic sightseeing tour of Bern with a local guide. Highlights include the Bundeshaus (the Swiss Parliament), the famous Bear Pit, the Rose Gardens, and the soaring Gothic cathedral that crowns Old Town's skyline. The afternoon is free to explore independently. Perhaps you'll take a ride on the Gurtenbahn funicular, climbing Gurten Mountain to an altitude of 858 metres for sweeping views of the city and the surrounding countryside. (B)

Day 4: Bern - Habkern - Bern Travel to Habkern, a postcard-perfect mountain village near Interlaken. Visit a local

workshop to learn how the alphorn is crafted, and enjoy a lively yodeling demonstration led by a professional performer. Cap off the experience with a fondue lunch at a local restaurant before returning to Bern for a leisurely afternoon. (B, L)

Day 5: Bern - Lucerne - Bern Set out for Lucerne, often called the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Join a guided walking tour of Altstadt featuring the covered Chapel Bridge, the famous Water Tower, the Renaissance-style Town Hall, and the Lion Monument, carved from natural rock to commemorate the heroic Swiss Guard. Enjoy your free time exploring this magnificent city, or perhaps choose an optional tour to the legendary Mount Pilatus. Return to Bern this evening for dinner at one of the city's renowned restaurants. (B, D)

Day 6: Bern - Vaduz, Liechtenstein - Innsbruck, Austria En route to Innsbruck, make your way through Liechtenstein, the world's smallest German-speaking country and the only European country to lie entirely within the Alps. Spend some time in Vaduz, strolling through the charming old quarter and along the pedestrian-friendly *Stadtle*, referred to as "small town" by the locals. Continue into Austria and arrive in Innsbruck, nestled



in the heart of the Alps. The afternoon is free to settle in and explore. (B)

Day 7: Innsbruck This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a guided walk highlighting Innsbruck's history and landmarks, including Maria-Theresien-Strasse, the Hofburg, and the "Golden Roof" **-OR-** you may embark on a tour to the Nordkette, Innsbruck's stunning mountain range, where you'll enjoy breathtaking alpine views and experience the dramatic scenery that rises directly from the heart of the city. Enjoy a free afternoon in this charming town or perhaps you'll choose to join an optional tour to the alpine village of Seefeld. This evening, delight in a Tyrolean folklore show, hosted by a well-known local musical family. (B)

Day 8: Innsbruck - Salzburg - Innsbruck Travel through scenic countryside to Salzburg. Discover the city on a walking tour featuring

Mirabell Gardens, the quaint Getreidegasse (Mozart's birthplace), and other highlights of this Baroque jewel. Enjoy lunch at a legendary 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, the oldest in Austria and still owned by the monks. (B, L)

Day 9: Innsbruck - Bavaria, Germany - Innsbruck Cross into Bavaria to tour Linderhof Palace, the only palace — out of three — that King Ludwig II lived to see completed. With an expert guide, explore its lavish interiors inspired by Versailles. Continue to Ettal Abbey — a Benedictine monastery founded in 1330, where you'll tour the Basilica and enjoy a brewery visit with tastings. Return to Innsbruck for a farewell dinner at a traditional Tyrolean restaurant. (B, D)

Day 10: Innsbruck - Tour Ends Your tour comes to an end in Innsbruck. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 5 Hotel Bern, Bern
Days 6 – 9 Hotel Innsbruck, Innsbruck
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Vienna • Post-Tour Guided Extension
3 Nights, Starting at \$2,190 pp
 Extend your journey and get to know Vienna, the "City of Music."

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

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Bernina Express

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,699 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 7, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Bernina Express Train, Glacier Express Train, Lake Maggiore, Borromeo Palace, Zermatt, St. Moritz, Lucerne, Mount Pilatus, Family-Run Farm Experiences

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Cruise on Lake Maggiore, visit one of the picturesque Borromean Islands, and dine on the charming island of Isola dei Pescatori.
- Enjoy lunch with local products at a family-owned farm in Val d'Ossola.
- Take in breathtaking Alpine scenery and enjoy a meal aboard the legendary Glacier Express.
- Journey through the Bernina Pass on one of the world's most scenic railways.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 5 community tourism partners: Bernina Express, Glacier Express, Faircheese Farm, La Pescheria Ristorante, and Raselli Herbal Farm. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Breathtaking Alpine vistas await as you travel through Italy and Switzerland. Experience dramatic views aboard railways and lake cruises while enjoying cultural experiences in charming villages.

Day 2: Lake Maggiore, Italy Welcome to the serene region of Lake Maggiore, where crystal clear waters meet the dramatic backdrop of the Alps. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the lakeside at your own pace. As the evening approaches, board a private boat bound for the charming island of Isola dei Pescatori. Gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner and toast the start of the journey. (D)

Day 3: Lake Maggiore This morning, set sail to *Isola Bella*, known as the "beautiful island." With an expert guide, explore the magnificent Borromeo Palace, a lakeside Baroque masterpiece surrounded by ornate gardens. Return to shore at around noon, and the remainder of the day is yours to explore at leisure. Perhaps you'll take time to stroll the cobbled streets of Stresa or soak up the sun along the waterfront. (B)

Day 4: Lake Maggiore - Val d'Ossola - Zermatt, Switzerland Depart Italy

and travel towards Switzerland. Along the way, visit a family-owned dairy farm in Val d'Ossola, where you'll meet the owners and learn about traditional Alpine farming. Enjoy a rustic lunch featuring homemade regional specialties. Continue your journey through the historic Simplon Pass, once used by traders and even Napoleon to cross the Alps. By day's end, arrive in the car-free mountain village of Zermatt, nestled beneath the iconic Matterhorn. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Zermatt Start the day with a guided walk led by your Tour Manager to become familiar with the charming village of Zermatt. The remainder of the day is yours to explore independently. Perhaps visit the Matterhorn Museum to uncover the area's mountaineering history or ride the Gornergrat Railway for sweeping views of the Matterhorn and surrounding peaks. (B)

Day 6: Zermatt - St. Moritz Today, board the legendary Glacier Express train. This world-famous scenic railway carries you across some of Switzerland's most dramatic landscapes, passing snow-capped peaks, deep valleys, dense forests, and rushing streams. Arrive in St. Moritz, where the afternoon is yours to relax or stroll along the lakeside promenade. (B, L)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3 Zacchera Hotels, Lake Maggiore ▲
Days 4, 5 Hotel Alex, Zermatt
Days 6, 7 Hotel Steffani, St. Moritz
Days 8, 9 Hotel Astoria, Lucerne

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Stresa • Pre-Night Stay
Lucerne • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Day 7: St. Moritz - Le Prese - St. Moritz

Embark on an unforgettable rail journey aboard the Bernina Express, travelling from St. Moritz to Tirano and marvelling at breathtaking Alpine views, including the impressive Morteratsch Glacier. Explore Tirano's historic streets, seamlessly blending charm with mountain splendour. Continue by coach to Le Prese, a lakeside village known for its peaceful setting on Lake Poschiavo offering scenic mountain views. Enjoy a delicious lunch featuring farm-grown ingredients at a family-owned herb farm set on the sunny slopes of Val Poschiavo. Later, join a local guide and learn about the cultivation and processing of organic herbs at the farm fields. Upon return to St. Moritz, the evening is yours to explore on your own. (B, L)

Day 8: St. Moritz - Lucerne

Travel to Lucerne, widely regarded as one of Switzerland's most beautiful cities. En route, stop at the Lion Monument, carved into sandstone to honour the Swiss Guards who died during the French Revolution. The "Swiss Paradise on the Lake," nestled among

breathtaking mountains and a picturesque lake, is yours to explore. Enjoy an evening at leisure, or perhaps join an optional evening cruise on Lake Lucerne. (B)

Day 9: Lucerne

This morning, join a local guide for a walking tour through Lucerne's charming *Altstadt* (Old Town). Cross the iconic Chapel Bridge and see the historic Water Tower that once served as a prison. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Choose to take a short funicular ride to exciting views over Lucerne and the lake from the famous Gütsch viewpoint **-OR-** connect with Lucerne's natural and cultural heritage at the engaging Museum Lucerne. Later, ascend Mount Pilatus via panoramic gondola and the world's steepest cogwheel railway. At the summit, enjoy spectacular views from more than 2,132 metres above sea level before descending by gondola. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner featuring traditional Swiss specialties. (B, D)

Day 10: Lucerne - Tour Ends

Your scenic journey comes to an end today in Lucerne. (B)

Exploring the Alpine Countries

12 DAYS • 16 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,849



Salzburg

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$6,849 (DOUBLE)** or **\$8,649 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 20, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Vienna, Schönbrunn Palace, Classical Concert, Danube Cruise, Salzburg, Rhine Falls, Oberammergau, Linderhof Palace, Black Forest, Freiburg, Lucerne

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace.
- Enjoy a performance set to the music of Strauss, Mozart, and more in Vienna.
- Spend two nights in the charming city of Salzburg.
- Cruise along the legendary Danube River.
- Explore Linderhof Palace, the lavish retreat of Bavaria's King Ludwig II.
- Take in breathtaking views of Rhine Falls from Laufen Castle.
- Taste authentic Black Forest cake in the region where it originated.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Hofgut Sternen Hotel and Geigenbaumuseum — preserving and interpreting Mittenwald's historic violin-making tradition as a core part of the town's cultural identity. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight From regal Austrian palaces to handcrafted German clocks and snowcapped Swiss Alps, set out to experience three Alpine cultures set amid postcard-worthy landscapes.

Day 2: Vienna, Austria Welcome to Vienna, Austria's stately capital city. Built by the Habsburg Empire and enriched by classical composers, Vienna exudes an old-world charm through its cobblestone streets and grand architecture. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day exploring the city independently before meeting your fellow travellers this evening for a welcome dinner in the city. (D)

Day 3: Vienna Discover Vienna today in the company of a local guide. Begin with a visit to the magnificent 17th-century Schönbrunn Palace, boasting more than 1,440 rooms and once serving as the summer residence of the Habsburg dynasty. Continue with a panoramic city tour followed by a guided walk highlighting Vienna's architectural treasures, from Hofburg Palace to St. Stephen's Cathedral. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore the city's grand boulevards, cafés, and museums. Tonight, delight in a performance by opera singers

and ballet dancers set to the music of Strauss, Mozart, and other classical masters. (B)

Day 4: Vienna - Salzburg This morning, travel through the scenic Austrian countryside before boarding a relaxing cruise on the Danube River, one of Europe's most celebrated waterways. Arrive in Salzburg, the picturesque "City of Music," renowned for its baroque architecture, lush gardens, and connection to Mozart. Enjoy the remainder of the afternoon and evening at leisure to explore at your own pace or perhaps join your Tour Manager for an orientation stroll. (B)

Day 5: Salzburg Choose how you spend your morning because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Discover Salzburg during a leisurely walking tour of the Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site filled with charming squares and historic landmarks **-OR-** follow in the footsteps of the Von Trapp family during a city tour highlighting some of the famous filming locations from *The Sound of Music*. This afternoon is yours to explore Salzburg independently. Perhaps browse local shops, enjoy a café along the Salzach River, or join an optional tour to the Eagle's Nest, a Nazi-era retreat with stunning alpine views and unique WWII history. (B)



Freiburg



Lucerne

Day 6: Salzburg - Mittenwald - Oberammergau, Germany Look out upon the Bavarian Alps en route to the picturesque alpine village of Mittenwald. Upon arrival, enjoy time to explore this village, renowned for its colourful Lüftlmalerei-painted houses and rich musical heritage. Take a self-guided walk through the Violin Making Museum to learn about this centuries-old craft that defines the region. Afterwards, enjoy free time for lunch on your own and a stroll through the village. Continue on to Oberammergau, famed for its once-a-decade Passion Play and its tradition of intricate woodcarving. This unique village, set against a striking alpine backdrop, will be your home for the next two nights. (B, D)

Day 7: Oberammergau - Ettal - Oberammergau Today, visit Linderhof Palace, the only palace completed during the lifetime of King Ludwig II. Explore its ornate interiors, inspired by the grandeur of Versailles, and experience the opulence of Bavaria's royal past. Continue to Ettal monastery, a beautiful Benedictine abbey set against a stunning alpine backdrop. Here, visit the monastery and its traditional brewery, where you can sample local specialties crafted by the monks. Enjoy a scenic drive through the picturesque Bavarian

countryside, taking in sweeping mountain views, charming villages, and lush alpine landscapes before returning to Oberammergau. (B, L)

Day 8: Oberammergau - Black Forest Journey into the legendary Black Forest, a region known for its deep evergreen landscapes, traditional crafts, and charming villages. Famous for handmade cuckoo clocks and Hummel figurines, the Black Forest also boasts one of Germany's best-loved desserts. End your day with a slice of authentic Black Forest cake, surrounded by postcard-worthy scenery. (B, D)

Day 9: Black Forest - Freiburg - Black Forest Travel by train this morning to Freiburg, a city on the edge of the Black Forest region. With a local guide, explore Freiburg's medieval charm, including its magnificent Gothic cathedral and unique Bächle — narrow water channels running alongside the streets that once served as the city's water system. Before returning to your hotel, visit Lake Titisee and enjoy a boat ride immersed in the beauty of the Black Forest landscape. (B, D)

Day 10: Black Forest - Schaffhausen, Switzerland - Lucerne Enjoy a scenic drive through the Black Forest region before arriving in



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	InterContinental Hotel, Vienna
Days 4, 5	NH Collection Salzburg City Hotel, Salzburg
Days 6, 7	Hotel Alte Post, Oberammergau
Days 8, 9	Hofgut Sternen, Titisee
Days 10, 11	Hotel Astoria, Lucerne

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

10 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Vienna • Pre-Night Stay

Lucerne • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Schaffhausen, a charming Swiss town near the German border. Visit the spectacular Rhine Falls, Europe's largest waterfall, and take in impressive views from the Laufen Castle viewing platform. Afterwards, enjoy some free time in Schaffhausen to explore at your leisure or have lunch on your own. Continue to Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Upon arrival, join your Tour Manager for an orientation walk through Lucerne's charming Old Town. This evening, enjoy dinner on your own. (B)

Day 11: Lucerne Enjoy a full day at leisure to experience Lucerne at your own pace. You may choose an optional excursion to Mount

Pilatus, ascending to the summit via the world's steepest cogwheel railway and a panoramic gondola for incredible Alpine views. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner featuring regional Swiss specialties as you celebrate the end of an unforgettable journey. (B, D)

Day 12: Lucerne - Tour Ends Wish the Alps goodbye as your tour comes to a close today. (B)

NEW TOUR

Sardinia & Corsica: Islands of Italy and France

15 DAYS • 19 MEALS • STARTING AT \$12,349



Bonifacio

Small Group



La Maddalena



Alghero

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$12,349 (DOUBLE) or \$15,399 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on October 15, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

September – October 2027; April – June 2028

HIGHLIGHTS

Alghero, Castelsardo, Strait of Bonifacio, Corsica, Gallura Coastline, Winery Tour and Tasting, La Maddalena Boat Tour, Barbagia Countryside, Sardinian Cooking Class, Shepherd's Hut Lunch, Blue Zone Dinner

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Walk a Bronze Age settlement built by the people who shaped Sardinia.
- Visit a cork workshop and learn about one of Sardinia's most important crafts.
- Meet the keepers of Mamoiada's ancient carnival — a living tradition of masks, bells, and ritual that predates Christianity.
- Explore Bonifacio, perched dramatically on white limestone cliffs at the southern tip of Corsica.
- Cruise the Costa Smeralda and island-hop through the La Maddalena Archipelago.
- Sit down to lunch at a Sardinian winery and taste through their production, from vine to glass.
- Master the distinct craft of Sardinian cooking and share the meal you've made around the table.
- Off-road into the Barbagia hills for lunch at a shepherd's hut — a simple, seasonal meal made from whatever the land provides.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way. Sardinia and Corsica sit at the heart of the Mediterranean, close enough to see each other across the Strait, and worlds apart in language, culture, and table.

Day 2: Rome, Italy Arrive in Rome. As arrival times vary, the day is yours to explore at your own pace: wander through cobblestone neighbourhoods or visit a corner caffè. As evening approaches, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome *aperitivo* drink before a night on your own.

Day 3: Rome - Fly to Alghero, Sardinia A one-hour flight carries you off the Italian mainland and into a different world entirely. Touch down in Alghero on Sardinia's western coast and check in to your hotel. Alghero is unlike anywhere else on the island. Dominated for centuries by the Spanish Kingdom of Aragon, the city retains a unique dialect that is closer to Catalan than to Italian, and its rich history is still reflected in its street names and architecture. Join your Tour Manager for an orientation walk through this walled city before an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Alghero This morning, visit Nuraghe Palmavera — a Bronze Age tower complex built by Sardinia's indigenous Nuragic people, a civilization that left more than 7,000

stone structures scattered across the island. Afterward, wander the fruit and vegetable stalls at Alghero's public market. Lunch and the afternoon are on your own: the old town's pedestrian lanes are lined with local restaurants, small shops and a coral museum worth a look. Consider a motorboat ride out to the Neptune Caves, where stalactites and stalagmites fill chambers right at sea level. As evening falls, take a *passaggiata* (stroll) along the city ramparts. (B)

Day 5: Alghero - Ferry to Bonifacio, Corsica This morning, travel through northern Sardinia with a stop in Castelsardo — a hilltop town wrapped around a medieval castle. Its narrow lanes are still home to artisans who weave palm-leaf baskets by hand, a craft with roots in agricultural and fishing life that has defined the town for generations. In the afternoon, climb aboard a ferry for a one-hour trip across the Strait of Bonifacio, watching the white limestone cliffs of France's largest island rise from the sea. Corsica didn't pass to France until 1768, one year before Napoleon was born here. Transfer to your hotel and settle in for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 6: Bonifacio This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a local expert for a walking tour of Bonifacio's old town, tracing history as you take in

the Étendard bastion and the Citadel **-OR-** pull on your walking shoes for a hike along the limestone cliffs above Bonifacio, where the views stretch across the old town and all the way to Sardinia on the horizon. The afternoon is yours to explore on your own. (B)

Day 7: Bonifacio Today is yours. Hop a local boat out to the Îles Lavezzi – a cluster of uninhabited islands in the Strait, known for their hidden coves and clear water – or join an optional excursion to Porto-Vecchio. Built in 1539 as a fortified hilltop port, Porto-Vecchio was designed to control the sea lanes and hold the south of Corsica against invasion. Walk the old fortifications and browse the lanes before returning to Bonifacio for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 8: Bonifacio - Ferry to Santa Teresa di Gallura, Sardinia Cross back to Sardinia by ferry boat this morning. Along the way, visit a local winery for a tour and a tasting lunch of their own production. This afternoon, check into your resort hotel on the Gallura Coast – perched on Sardinia's northern shore, with extensive grounds and a private beach within walking distance. Settle in for a three-night stay. (B, L)

Day 9: Gallura Coast - La Maddalena National Park Following an early morning transfer to the port, board your boat for a cruise along the Costa Smeralda before reaching the archipelago of La Maddalena – a national park made up of more than 60 islands and islets off Sardinia's northeastern tip. You'll cruise aboard a large, shared vessel (150–200 passengers); the standard way to cruise this protected park. The boat makes three stops in total – the village of La Maddalena and two island landings where you can walk the beaches or even swim. Return to the hotel for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 10: Gallura Coast Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take a full day to unwind at the resort – lounge by the pool, walk the private beach, and simply let the pace slow down **-OR-** head to glamorous Porto Cervo, the village at the heart of the Costa Smeralda. In the early 1960s, Prince Karim Aga Khan set out to build one of Europe's first purpose-designed luxury coastal destinations along this stretch of Sardinia's northeastern coast. The result was Porto Cervo: a place that manages to feel both exclusive and stunning – and attracts the international jet set. (B)

Day 11: Gallura Coast - Barbagia Countryside Leave the coast behind and drive into Sardinia's seemingly untouched mountainous interior. En route to the Barbagia, visit a cork workshop and get to know one of the island's most important crafts: Sardinia supplies some of the finest cork in the world, stopping the bottles of Chianti, Brunello, and Barolo in cellars across Italy. Check in for a three-night stay at Su Gologone Experience Hotel – a property built around the traditions of the Barbagia, where rooms are simple by design and corridors are hung with local crafts and artwork. Rooms are spread across the hillside, some requiring climbing flights of stairs. Dinner is served around 8 p.m., when the sun finally dips below the horizon. That rhythm of life, with easy movement, late meals, a little bit of everything, and time spent outdoors, reflects the *un po' di tutto* approach that researchers have linked to Sardinia's extraordinary longevity. As one of the world's renowned Blue Zones, the island's relaxed pace is something you'll feel firsthand. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Barbagia Countryside This morning, visit the village of Mamoiada and step into one of Sardinia's most distinctive living traditions during an **IMPACT MOMENT** at the Mediterranean Mask Museum. Explore a collection of masks from carnival traditions across the island and Italy – including the haunting *Mamuthones*, weighed down with heavy bells, and the *Issohadores*, dressed in red and white. These figures symbolize seasonal cycles, land, and the balance between order and wildness – still performed each February by volunteers from across the community. Your visit directly supports the local carnival association in maintaining the handcrafted costumes and masks that anchor this tradition. Back at the hotel this afternoon, roll up your sleeves for a Sardinian cooking class – and come ready to unlearn everything you think you know about Italian food. What goes onto the table here has nothing to do with the mainland: the pasta shapes are different, the sauces are different, the proteins are different. You are the chef of your dinner tonight – *buon appetito!* (B, D)

Day 13: Barbagia Countryside This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Work alongside a local artisan at the hotel in a hands-on craft workshop – a window into the skills passed down through Barbagia's *ovili* settlements for generations **-OR-** climb into an



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2	Aria Palace Hotel, Rome
Days 3, 4	Hotel Catalunya, Alghero, Sardinia
Days 5 – 7	Hotel Santateresa, Bonifacio, Corsica
Days 8 – 10	Mangia's Sardinia Resort, Gallura Coast
Days 11 – 13	Su Gologone Experience Hotel, Barbagia
Day 14	Hotel Tiber, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

13 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Rome • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Rome • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$2,055 pp

Explore the Colosseum and Roman Forum, taste your way around Rome's favorite pizza parlors, and more.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

off-road vehicle for a 30-minute drive to a Bronze Age Nuragic village. The hike to the ruins gains about 150 feet on an unpaved path and rewards with the sight of a stone settlement built between 1800 and 800 BC. Those who want to go further can enter a cave with prehistoric relics still inside. Everyone comes together at midday and heads to a local shepherd's hut for lunch. The meal is exactly what a shepherd would pull together from the land – simple and deeply connected to the present season. Return to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure before gathering this evening for a Blue

Zone dinner: ancestral recipes from Barbagia's home kitchens, the kind of table that has helped keep this corner of Sardinia's centenarian count among the highest in the world. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Barbagia Countryside - Fly to Rome Fiumicino Say goodbye to Sardinia this morning. A two-hour drive brings you to Olbia for your flight back to Rome Fiumicino, where you check into a seaside hotel near the airport. (B)

Day 15: Fiumicino (Rome) - Tour Ends Today you depart for home carrying a different understanding of two beautiful islands. (B)

NEW TOUR

Gems of Tuscany featuring Cinque Terre

12 DAYS • 15 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,299

Small Group



EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$7,299 (DOUBLE) or \$9,299 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 17, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

September – November 2027; March – June 2028

HIGHLIGHTS

Versilia Coast, Carrara Marble Quarries Off-Road Excursion, Cinque Terre & Portovenere Excursion, Maremma Coastline, Elba Island Excursion, Orcia Valley, Greve in Chianti, Florence

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Journey into the Carrara marble quarries on an off-road adventure.
- Connect with Tuscany's enduring cowboy culture at a traditional *butteri* farm.
- Step into a real-life postcard among Cinque Terre's coastal landscapes and colourful cliffside homes.
- Ferry to Elba Island to discover its quiet villages and Napoleonic history.
- Explore Florence's iconic art, architecture, and timeless appeal.
- Step inside Puccini's lakeside home for a private piano performance on the composer's own instrument.
- Roll up your sleeves for a hands-on cheese-making experience.
- Visit a Montepulciano winery for a tasting of the region's celebrated *Vino Nobile*.
- Taste authentic extra virgin olive oil straight from the source at a *frantoio*.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to explore some of the beloved and lesser-known treasures of Tuscany, where a tapestry of culture, food, wine, and picture-perfect landscapes awaits.

Day 2: Viareggio, Versilia Coast, Tuscany Make your way to Viareggio along the Versilia Coast, where you'll spend three nights discovering a different side of Tuscany. Here, you'll find a coastal base for exploration, with Art Nouveau architecture, summertime beach clubs, and lakeside retreats that inspired some of Italy's most celebrated opera. As arrival times vary, there's no scheduled sightseeing today, so you can get to know this seaside town at your own pace. Wander the promenade, stop to sip an espresso, or simply settle into your hotel and breathe in the salty breeze. As evening falls, join your fellow travellers for a welcome drink to toast your upcoming journey.

Day 3: Viareggio This morning, leave the well-worn roads behind for the Carrara marble quarries, one of Tuscany's most extraordinary open-air workplaces. An off-road drive through the Apuan Alps follows paths carved by generations of quarrymen, revealing how this stone shaped Italian art and architecture, from ancient Rome to Michelangelo's *David*. Back in Viareggio, the afternoon is yours to soak up the sophisticated coastal atmosphere as

you please. As the day winds down, a short drive brings you to Torre del Lago and the beloved home of opera composer Giacomo Puccini. Visit the maestro's residence-turned-museum — where *La Bohème*, *Tosca*, and *Madama Butterfly* were born — and settle in for a private performance on Puccini's own piano before dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Viareggio On a full-day outing, the dramatic coastline of Cinque Terre stretches before you — terraced vineyards tumbling to the sea and five fishing villages clinging to cliffs like they've been there forever (they have). Ferry among the rugged coastline, stopping to visit one of these legendary villages before the sapphire-blue waters carry you to Portovenere, a colourful harbour town the locals call "the other Cinque Terre." A bit less travelled than Cinque Terre, Portovenere's allure lies in its neighbourhood charm and relaxed pace. Later, head back to Viareggio for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Viareggio - Maremma Coast This morning, follow quiet Tuscan backroads toward the Abbey of San Galgano, where legend lingers in stone. Visit a small chapel with a legendary past, then step into the abbey's open-air ruins, its Gothic arches framing sky and wind-stirred grass. This afternoon, continue toward the Maremma Coast,



Orca Valley



Badia Vecchia Butteri

a wilder stretch of Tuscany where pine forests meet the sea. Settle into your resort, a relaxed, seaside base on Scarlino's Marina. Unwind at the resort or head into nearby Castiglione for a livelier evening along the coast. (B, L)

Day 6: Maremma Coast Board a ferry to Elba Island and let the Mediterranean breeze guide you past umbrella pines. On a guided exploration, take in colourful villages shaped by Napoleon's influence during his time in exile here. In Portoferraio, visit one of the emperor's historic residences before sailing back to the mainland while scanning the horizon for distant glimpses of Capraia or the islets of Palmaiola and Cerboli. (B)

Day 7: Maremma Coast - Pienza, Orcia Valley During an **IMPACT MOMENT**, visit a *butteri* farm — a tradition with roots that run deep in the Maremma, where the landscape itself shaped a culture of cattle herding across wide-open terrain. The region's "Italian cowboys" still work on horseback today, tending herds of cattle and horses that roam in a semi-wild state. Gain insight into this enduring way of life before sitting down to lunch on the farm. This afternoon, journey toward Pienza. The open landscapes of the Orcia Valley unfold along the way — rolling hills, slender cypress trees, and skies that seem to go on forever. (B, L)

Day 8: Pienza Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Circle the slopes of Mount Amiata, an extinct volcano with natural hot springs, to reach Saturnia, where limestone pools cascade down the hillside, inviting you to bathe in its warm mineral waters **-OR-** remain in Pienza, joining a local expert for a guided walk through the UNESCO-designated town, one of the first examples of Renaissance-style urban planning. Meander its harmonious streets, browse artisan shops, then lose yourself in the kind of view that made Tuscany famous — the *Val d'Orcia* rolling away beneath you, timeless and unhurried. (B)

Day 9: Pienza This morning, hike along one of Tuscany's gravel-paved "white roads" where the iconic landscapes of the Orcia Valley open up around you, and open fields, scattered farmhouses, and distant hilltop villages stretch as far as the eye can see. The road leads to a local dairy known for its pecorino cheese, where regional traditions run as deep as the flavours themselves. Roll up your sleeves for a hands-on cheese-making session, preparing fresh ricotta and *primo sale* alongside the cheesemaker, before sitting down to a simple lunch of your own creations paired with a tasting of pecorino and local charcuterie. This afternoon, visit the hilltop town of Montepulciano,



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 4** Palace Hotel, Viareggio ▲
- Days 5, 6** Marina di Scarlino Resort, Scarlino
- Days 7 – 9** Hotel Corsignano, Pienza
- Days 10, 11** Grand Hotel Cavour, Florence

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

10 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Viareggio • Pre-Night Stay

Florence • Post-Night Stay

Florence • Post-Tour Hosted Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$960 pp

Discover Florence's artistic heart, from Oltrarno's charm to free time in its historic centre.

known for its production of *Vino Nobile* wine. Pause for a tasting at a local winery before returning to Pienza in the late afternoon. (B, L)

Day 10: Pienza - Greve in Chianti - Florence The road north winds through the Chianti region, where vine-covered hills and ancient olive groves set the tone for the day ahead. A stop at an award-winning *frantoio* (olive presser) brings you into the heart of a tradition that comes alive each November when the harvest is pressed. Learn about the many varieties of trees and oil-making methods before joining a tasting of the extra virgin olive oil produced right at the mill. No journey through the Chianti countryside would be complete without time in Greve, considered by many the capital of Chianti, where the village feels lived-in and full of local

character. This afternoon, Florence appears on the horizon, and you settle in for a 2-night stay in the "cradle of the Renaissance." (B)

Day 11: Florence For your final day of *la dolce vita*, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a local expert for a walking tour through Florence's storied squares and iconic landmarks **-OR-** visit the Cathedral Museum to observe masterpieces by Michelangelo, Donatello, Ghiberti, and Brunelleschi firsthand. Whatever you choose, you'll find yourself surrounded by the splendour of the Renaissance as you explore. The afternoon is yours to explore the city in your own way before gathering for a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 12: Florence - Tour Ends Your journey ends today. (B)

Italy Uncovered

Venice to Rome with Rustic Mountain Towns & Wine Country

13 DAYS • 18 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,249

Small Group

San Marino

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,249 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,549 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 25, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; February – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Venice, Winery Tour & Tasting, Republic of San Marino, Cooking Class, Ravenna's Mosaics, Truffle Hunting Experience, Gran Sasso Mountain Village Stay, Impact Moment, Canoe Ride, Rome

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Witness the artistry behind Venetian gondolas and uncover the secrets of their timeless craftsmanship.
- Embark on a truffle hunt through woods and fields for a hands-on taste of Italy's foraging traditions.
- Ascend to the hilltop country of San Marino, one of the world's oldest sovereign states.
- Explore Urbino's Ducal Palace, a Renaissance masterpiece.
- Marvel at Ravenna's dazzling mosaics, masterpieces of early Christian and Byzantine art.
- Immerse yourself in medieval Abruzzo with accommodations scattered throughout a historic mountain village.
- Roll up your sleeves during a hands-on cooking class dedicated to crafting Romagna's signature pastas.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Travel Italy's lesser-known eastern coast, tracing a route from Venetian canals to Rome's timeless grandeur. Along the way, uncover sparkling mosaics, Renaissance cities, medieval villages, rugged mountains, and wine-producing countryside where heritage, culture, and adventure intertwine.

Day 2: Venice, Italy Welcome to enchanting Venice, with its 117 tiny islands surrounded by a latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. As arrival times will vary, today is yours to explore at your own pace. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome drink.

Day 3: Venice This morning, explore the traditional Venetian craftsmanship behind one of the city's most enduring symbols: the gondola. During an **IMPACT MOMENT**, visit one of Venice's few remaining traditional boatyards, witnessing the skill and dedication that have kept this time-honoured craft alive for centuries. Wrap up the morning at a local café, enjoying a classic Venetian spritz and taking part in the beloved Italian ritual of *aperitivo* (pre-lunch drink), a pause before lunch at leisure. The afternoon is yours to explore more of the floating city. Perhaps you'll head out for your own treasure hunt in search of the city's hidden gems. (B)

Day 4: Venice - Dozza - Romagna Countryside Say *ciao* to Venice as you journey towards the Romagna region, famous for its epicurean lifestyle and its *joie de vivre*. Your first stop is the charming hilltop village of Dozza, renowned for its vibrant murals, atmospheric lanes, and striking medieval castle. In the afternoon, continue to your hotel, nestled amidst the rolling vineyards of the Romagna countryside, where you'll settle in for a relaxing 3-night stay. This evening, enjoy an exclusive tour of your resort's winery, followed by a dinner featuring their own expertly crafted wines. (B, D)

Day 5: Romagna Countryside Grab your passport and set off for the Republic of San Marino, the fifth-smallest country in the world. Perched atop Mount Titano, this historic gem offers breathtaking views of the Adriatic Riviera and the rolling hills of the Romagna countryside. Spend your free time exploring the Old Town's fascinating network of fortification towers, walls, gates, and bastions. Later this afternoon, return to your hotel and roll up your sleeves for a hands-on cooking class, where you'll master the art of crafting pasta staples like handmade *tagliatelle*. End the day around a convivial table, enjoying the meal you've prepared together. (B, D)



Cooking Class

Day 6: Romagna Countryside Spend the day uncovering the treasures of Ravenna, a city that rose to prominence during the twilight of the Roman Empire, thanks to its strategic location. As power shifted between the Byzantines and the Goths, Ravenna's rulers adorned its churches with breathtaking mosaics that still dazzle today. On a guided walking tour, explore the city's most iconic monuments and marvel at its rich history and artistry. This evening, return to your wine resort and indulge in a wine-paired dinner, savouring the flavours of the region in a truly idyllic setting. (B, D)

Day 7: Romagna Countryside - Urbino - Pesaro, Marche Region This morning, journey into the Marche region, where rolling hills are lined with olive groves and vineyards. Stop in the hilltop city of Urbino, birthplace of Renaissance painter Raphael, and visit the impressive Ducal Palace — once home to a powerful ruling family and now a showcase of Renaissance art and architecture. Later, continue to the seaside town of Pesaro, where you'll settle in for a two-night stay. (B)

Day 8: Pesaro Today, uncover another side of the Marche — its reputation as a truffle haven, known for both black truffles and the rare white truffle (found only from October to December). Join a truffle hunter and his dogs for a walk through the woods in search of these elusive fungi, followed by an organic, farm-to-table lunch at the family's farm. The afternoon is free back in Pesaro, birthplace of opera composer Gioachino Rossini, best known for *The Barber of Seville* and *William Tell*. (B, L)

Day 9: Pesaro - Santo Stefano di Sessanio, Abruzzo Mountains Much of the day is spent travelling by coach as you make your way into the Abruzzo Mountains. Arrive in the medieval village of Santo Stefano di Sessanio, a peaceful, pedestrian-only locale where you'll walk to your accommodations. Your stay in a unique *albergo diffuso* serves as an **IMPACT MOMENT** and features rooms set in historic buildings throughout the village, offering a

simple, rustic atmosphere. This evening, connect with local traditions during a hands-on experience making regional cheese and bread, then gather for a dinner featuring what you've prepared, embracing the slower pace of mountain life. (B, D)

Day 10: Santo Stefano di Sessanio Begin your day with a scenic drive across the Campo Imperatore plateau, more than 7,000 feet (2,100 meters) above sea level, with sweeping views of the Gran Sasso peaks, the highest in central Italy. Along the way, stop to enjoy some *al fresco arrostitini* — grill-it-yourself lamb skewers and a beloved local specialty rooted in Abruzzo's sheep-herding traditions. Back in Santo Stefano di Sessanio this afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a guided walking tour exploring your village's fortified layout, stone lanes, and historic buildings **-OR-** take part in a challenging, guided 4-hour mountain hike to Rocca Calascio, a dramatic stone fortress set high above the surrounding mountains. (B)

Day 11: Santo Stefano di Sessanio - Rome Say goodbye to the quiet lanes of Santo Stefano di Sessanio and journey to the Tirino River, known for its striking blue-green, crystal-clear waters. Set out by canoe and drift along this peaceful waterway, surrounded by gentle currents, reeds, and birdsong in one of Abruzzo's most serene landscapes. As the saying goes, all roads lead to Rome. After this peaceful encounter with nature, continue your journey to the Italian capital, arriving in the late afternoon for a two-night stay in the Eternal City. (B, L)

Day 12: Rome This morning, embark on an extensive walking tour through Rome's medieval district, a captivating neighbourhood that grew atop the ruins of the ancient city. Wander through its narrow cobblestone streets, admire the dark tufa stone buildings, and marvel at the ingenious ways Roman ruins have been repurposed over the centuries. Ascend to the panoramic terrace of the Vittoriano to take in one of Rome's most



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Hotel Abbazia, Venice
- Days 4 – 6** Borgo Conde Wine Resort, Romagna Countryside, Forlì
- Days 7, 8** Hotel Charlie in Pesaro, Pesaro ▲
- Days 9, 10** Sextantio Albergo Diffuso, Santo Stefano di Sessanio, Abruzzo ▲
- Days 11, 12** Ponte Sisto Hotel, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Venice • Pre-Night Stay

Rome • Post-Night Stay

Venice • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$1,370 pp

Extend your Italian adventure with two magical nights in Venice, exploring canals, culture, and hidden gems.

Rome • Post-Tour Fully Guided Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$2,055 pp

Explore Rome's iconic sights, including the Colosseum, Roman Forum, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, and more.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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breathtaking views. From this vantage point, gaze out over the remnants of the Roman Empire, from the sprawling Forum to the iconic Colosseum. The afternoon is yours to explore the Eternal City at your own pace, soaking in its timeless charm. This evening,

come together to celebrate the end of your Italian adventure with a farewell dinner and a toast to the unforgettable journey you've shared. (B, D)

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

Flavours of Italy

Famous Food, Wine & Ferrari

12 DAYS • 16 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,999

Small Group



Tuscany

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$7,999 (DOUBLE) or \$9,999 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on July 17, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – December 2026; March – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

*Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

HIGHLIGHTS

Rome, Assisi, Home-Hosted Lunch, Truffle Hunting, Olive Oil Tasting, Tuscan Villa Stay, Chianti Wine Tasting, Florence, Ferrari Museum, Pavarotti's Home, Parmesan Cheese Experience, Balsamic Vinegar Producer

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Hunt for truffles with a local expert and his truffle-sniffing dogs.
- Visit the Ferrari Museum, showcasing iconic design and innovation.
- Enjoy three nights in a restored Tuscan villa.
- Explore Assisi, the historic birthplace of St. Francis.
- Tour a traditional Parmigiano-Reggiano dairy and enjoy a tasting.
- Discover Florence, the "Cradle of the Renaissance."
- Enjoy a private opera concert in the home of the great opera singer Luciano Pavarotti.
- Experience a home-cooked meal in one of Umbria's country homes.
- Savour the famous Chianti red wine during a tasting at a winery in Tuscany's rolling hills.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Journey along Italy's roads less travelled and discover endless treasures of art, history, and tradition from Umbria to Tuscany and the Emilia Food Valley, along with the marvels of wine, cuisine, and culture in between.

Day 2: Rome, Italy Italy's dynamic capital city beckons. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring independently. As evening approaches, get a taste of local culture with an *aperitivo* — a relaxed tradition of small bites and drinks that offers an easy way to unwind at the hotel and get to know your fellow travellers.

Day 3: Rome - Narni - Umbria Region

This morning, transfer to Umbria. Visit the hill town of Narni and step into a long-forgotten world as you explore an archaeological site hidden beneath the village. Moving through atmospheric chambers, frescoed rooms, and historic passageways, uncover the stories behind this lost world. In the afternoon, continue through a landscape of olive groves and cypress trees on your way to your hotel. Enjoy the peaceful rhythm of country life in a pristine Umbrian town, your home for the next three nights. (B)

Day 4: Umbria Region Travel to Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis. Set out on

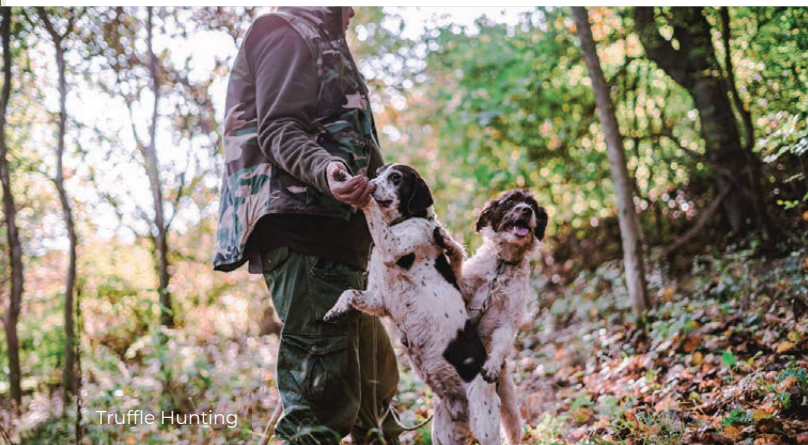
a walking tour of the old city with a local guide, learning about its history as you stroll the medieval streets. Visit the famous Basilica of St. Francis and admire Giotto's frescoes. Later, a local family welcomes you to their country home for lunch as their honoured guest. Share stories and make an Umbrian friend (or two). (B, L)

Day 5: Umbria Region In the shadow of the Apennines, discover the flavours of Umbria's renowned culinary heritage. During an **IMPACT MOMENT**, join a local truffle hunter in search of the elusive *fungi* in the company of his trained truffle-sniffing dogs. Sample the goods yourself during a rustic, home-cooked lunch before returning to your hotel in the late afternoon. (B, L)

Day 6: Umbria Region - Chianti Region, Tuscany Take in views of Lake Trasimeno and pause at a family-owned *frantoio* (olive press), where olives are pressed each November. After learning about the many varieties of trees and traditional oil-making methods, roll up your sleeves and join in for a cooking class of Umbrian specialties doused in their oil and accompanied by a hearty lunch. In the afternoon, drive through the Chianti countryside



Assisi



Truffle Hunting

to a restored Tuscan villa where your hotel is located. (B, L)

Day 7: Chianti Region, Tuscany Spend a quintessential Chianti day exploring the legendary rolling hills of Tuscany, covered in vineyards and olive groves. Countryside backroads lead you to an artisanal pasta factory, the village of Greve, as well as a family-owned winery producing Chianti Classico. Visit the historic cellars before sampling their wines during a tasting accompanied by local cheeses and charcuterie. Return to your hotel in the late afternoon. As the sun begins to set, gather with your fellow travellers for a dinner of Tuscan specialties. (B, D)

Day 8: Chianti Region - Florence Explore Florence, the "Cradle of the Renaissance." Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a local expert for an extensive walking tour of the city's highlights **-OR-** visit the Ferragamo Museum, celebrating Italy's enduring influence on global style. Take some time on your own to explore the city's seemingly endless treasures before returning to your Tuscan villa in the evening. (B)

Day 9: Chianti Region - Reggio Emilia Begin your day travelling through the Apennine Mountains, crossing into the Emilia region, a haven for food lovers and creatives. This afternoon, visit the

countryside home of the great opera singer Luciano Pavarotti. Tour the rooms that were once his residence, still filled with family heirlooms and mementos from his legendary career. Your visit concludes with a private opera concert where vocalists-in-training perform some of the Maestro's favourite arias. Afterwards, continue to Reggio Emilia, your home for the next three nights. (B, L)

Day 10: Reggio Emilia This morning, visit Modena, the hometown of Enzo Ferrari. Explore the Ferrari Museum showcasing vintage vehicles, several famous engines, and a multimedia presentation before spending some time in the old town. Return to Reggio Emilia mid-afternoon. Before settling in for an evening at leisure, explore the town and visit the historic hall where Italy's three-coloured national flag was created. (B)

Day 11: Reggio Emilia Early this morning, visit a local dairy producing *Parmigiano-Reggiano* cheese according to traditional codes dating back to the 1300s. Then, pause at an *agriturismo* where the owners still age their balsamic vinegar production in the attic as countless generations have done before them. After a tasting and light lunch, return to Reggio Emilia for an afternoon at leisure. This



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2	Kolbe Hotel, Rome
Days 3 – 5	Hotel Dei Duchi, Spoleto, Umbria
Days 6 – 8	Villa San Lucchese Hotel, Chianti Countryside, Tuscany
Days 9 – 11	Hotel Posta, Reggio Emilia

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

10 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Lunches (L) • 1 Dinner (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Rome • Pre-Night Stay

Emilia Region • Post-Night Stay

Rome • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$2,055 pp

Explore the Colosseum and Roman Forum, taste your way around Rome's favourite pizza parlours, and more.

This tour launches in July 2027. To see details for earlier departures, visit the **Tuscan & Umbrian Countryside** tour page on our website.



Reggio Emilia

evening, come together for a toast to the memorable journey you've shared. (B, L)

Day 12: Reggio Emilia - Tour Ends Your journey through the flavours of Italy comes to a close today. (B)

Italy's Treasures

Art, Food & Wine of Italy

12 DAYS • 19 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,849

Small Group



Portofino

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,849 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,899 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Stresa & Lake Maggiore, Italian Riviera, Lake Orta, Portofino, Carrara Marble Quarries Off-Road Excursion, Tuscan Countryside, Italian Cooking Class, San Gimignano, Florence, Balsamic Vinegar Tasting, Venice

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Experience a local's dedication to preserving traditions in their small mountain village.
- Off-road in the famous marble quarries of Carrara, exploring how the precious stone shaped this region.
- Journey by boat to Pescatori Island for a traditional Italian dinner.
- Discover glamorous Portofino, with its colourful harbour, waterfront cafés, and timeless seaside charm.
- Explore Lake Orta, one of Italy's hidden treasures.
- Learn from locals during a hands-on cooking class in the Chianti countryside.
- Traverse the Tuscan countryside, surrounded by vineyards and olive groves.
- Spend two nights in Venice, basking in the romantic atmosphere of this city.
- Taste traditionally made balsamic vinegar at a family-owned *acetaia*.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Italy. Ahead lies a journey that explores its food, history, and everyday life — from lakeside towns and working villages to iconic cities that have shaped culture for centuries. Tonight is about anticipation, as the flavours, stories, and rhythms of Italy start to come into focus.

Day 2: Stresa, Italy Welcome to Stresa, set along the shores of Lake Maggiore at the edge of Italy's Alpine lakes region. As arrival times vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing through the afternoon, giving you time to settle in and take in Stresa at your own pace. As evening falls, cruise to Isola Pescatori, gathering with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner that sets the tone for your journey. (D)

Day 3: Stresa An **IMPACT MOMENT** today brings you right into the mountains to an ancient village where locals dedicate their time to preserving historic buildings and long-held traditions. Walk the village with those keeping its story alive, then sample their artisanal cheeses paired with regional wines. Back in Stresa, the rest of your day is yours — wander piazzas and lakeside paths, or maybe you'll join an optional cruise to Isola Bella for a visit to the lakeside Borromeo Palace, a Baroque work of art. (B, L)

Day 4: Stresa - Lake Orta - Chiavari, Italian Riviera Set out for a glacial lake tucked into the foothills of the Alps: Lake Orta. Climb aboard a boat and set off for the island of San Giulio where a cloistered convent and a serene lakeside path set a contemplative tone. As afternoon rolls in, head south to the Ligurian coast where the Italian Riviera opens before you, revealing a different pace and personality of Italy. Arrive in Chiavari early this evening and settle in for a two-night stay. (B, D)

Day 5: Chiavari - Portofino The morning unfolds at an easy pace in Chiavari, with time to stroll along the sea or wander the town's portico-lined streets. Then, pause for lunch at a restaurant renowned among locals for its cheese-filled focaccia. The chef shares a few traditional techniques before you set off for Portofino, one of Italy's most iconic coastal towns. Spend time exploring at your own pace, whether that means walking the waterfront or slipping into narrow lanes above the marina. (B, L)

Day 6: Chiavari - Carrara Marble Quarries - Tuscany Veer off the beaten path to visit one of Italy's natural wonders: the Carrara marble quarries. An off-road drive through the Apuane Mountains traces the routes carved



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3 Regina Palace Hotel, Stresa ▲
Days 4, 5 Grand Hotel Torre Fara, Chiavari, Italian Riviera
Days 6 – 9 Villa Lecchi, Chianti Countryside, Tuscany
Days 10, 11 Hotel Ca' dei Conti, Venice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Stresa • Pre-Night Stay

Venice • Post-Night Stay

Turin & Piedmont Wine Country • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension
 2 Nights, Starting at \$2,055 pp*

Ease into Italy with elegant Turin, vineyard-strewn hills, Barolo tastings, and rich Piedmont flavours.

*Extension is only available on select dates

Venice • Post-Tour Hosted Extension
 2 Nights, Starting at \$960 pp

Extend your Italian adventure with two magical nights in Venice, exploring canals, culture, and hidden gems.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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by generations of quarrymen. Learn how this stone shaped Italian art and architecture, including Michelangelo's Statue of *David*. Leaving coast and quarries behind, this afternoon all roads lead to Tuscany. Deep in the countryside, settle in for your four-night stay in an historic Tuscan villa. (B, D)

Day 7: Tuscany - San Gimignano

Travel this morning through Tuscany's vineyard-lined hills toward San Gimignano, where medieval towers define the skyline of this hilltop town. After exploring the "Manhattan of the Middle Ages," head into the Chianti countryside and visit a family-owned villa. Tour the house and grounds, then roll up your sleeves for a hands-on cooking lesson rooted in regional tradition. Sit down together for a Tuscan dinner and, of course, local Chianti wine. *Salute!* (B, D)

Day 8: Tuscany - Florence

Florence – the city where the Medici shaped power, artists rewrote rules, and names like Galileo, Botticelli, and da Vinci still echo through daily life – is yours to explore in your own way.

IT'S YOUR CHOICE! Walk with a local guide, seeing the Piazza del Duomo, the Baptistry's Gates of Paradise, and historic squares like the Signoria and Santa Croce **-OR-** explore the Zeffirelli

Foundation Museum, dedicated to one of Italy's great storytellers of cinema and opera. Enjoy free time to explore Tuscany's stunning capital, returning to your villa by early evening. (B, D)

Day 9: Tuscany Today is a day of *dolce far-niente* (sweet do-nothing) at your Tuscan villa. Stroll the surrounding countryside or just take in the views from your favourite spot in the garden. This afternoon you may choose to embark on an optional truffle hunt, led by a local expert and trained truffle-sniffing dogs. As you wander along unpaved trails, learn about the fascinating world of truffles and the techniques used to forage them. A truffle-themed dinner hits the spot before returning to your villa in the evening. (B)

Day 10: Tuscany - Venice The Emilia region of Italy is considered "Food Valley" — and today, that's where you're headed as you travel north to visit a family-owned *acetaia*. Tour the attic where balsamic vinegar has aged for generations, learning how patience and tradition shape every barrel. After a light lunch featuring these flavours, continue to Venice, the city built on water. This slice of Italy hits differently as daily life unfolds along canals instead of streets. Settle in for your

final two-night stay in one of the most romantic places in the world. (B, L)

Day 11: Venice Spend the day in *Venezia*, a city shaped by water, art, and architecture. Walk the city with a local guide, seeing St. Mark's Square, the Bell Tower, and the Bridge of Sighs. Later, travel by boat to Murano as a local demonstrates the art of glass-blowing, carrying on a centuries-old island tradition. The afternoon is yours to explore Venice at your own pace.

Lose yourself along the canals, and experience first-hand the enchantment of this timeless city. Perhaps take an optional gondola cruise to partake in one of Venice's most famous pastimes. As evening falls, gather for a farewell dinner to toast new friends and say *arrivederci* to Italy. (B, D)

Day 12: Venice - Tour Ends Depart for home with stories and connections of *la dolce vita* in Italia. (B)

Italy: Amalfi Coast to Puglia

14 DAYS • 18 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,949

Small Group

Positano

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,949 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,999 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on December 2, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – December 2026; March – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Naples, Ercolano, Wine Tasting, Minori, Amalfi, Positano, Matera, Lecce, *Tarantella* Folk Music & Dance Performance, Castellana Stalactite Caves, Alberobello

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Impact Moment: Discover traditional Neapolitan songs and music during a private performance at a local social enterprise.
- Discover the secrets of making *limoncello* in the place where the liqueur originated.
- Explore a *sfusato* lemon grove and hike the Amalfi Coast's ancient Path of Lemons.
- Visit a pasta factory and taste an iconic Italian dish.
- Experience Italian landscape and culture like never before by staying in two unique accommodations - conical Trulli homes & boutique cave-dwelling accommodation.
- Sample the traditional food and robust wines of Puglia.

Day 1: Overnight Flight In a country of renowned cuisine, iconic coastlines, and ancient roots, stray off the beaten path and explore a new side of the Italy you know and love. Make your way through southern Italy and experience the Amalfi Coast and the Puglia region.

Day 2: Naples, Italy Arrive in Naples, a vibrant mecca for locals and travellers alike. Volcanic landscapes give way to medieval architecture and Grecian lanes, creating a unique culture exclusive to Naples. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Toast to the start of your Italian getaway, looking out over the deep blue Bay of Naples to Mt. Vesuvius looming in the distance.

Day 3: Naples Explore Naples' exuberant historic city centre (UNESCO) and underground ancient ruins with a local guide. During your afternoon at leisure, consider visiting the nearby National Archeological Museum and peruse relics from Pompeii and Ercolano. Tonight's **IMPACT MOMENT** comes in the form of a private concert, performed by the *Napulitanata* social enterprise, which supports Italian heritage and abates the city's high unemployment. And a perfect finale: our welcome dinner

gathered around a beautiful pizza, the iconic jewel of Neapolitan cuisine. (B, D)

Day 4: Naples - Optional Excursion to Isle of Capri Take the day to explore the lively city of Naples on your own. Perhaps you'll join an optional excursion and sail to the enchanting Isle of Capri, where you'll reach the world-famous *Piazzetta* and explore this island paradise of chic boutiques, lush vegetation, and outdoor cafés. Join your guide on a panoramic drive to Anacapri to sample local food and wine, then sail back to Naples in the afternoon. (B)

Day 5: Naples - Ercolano - Minori Begin your day exploring the archeological site of Herculaneum in Ercolano, at the western foot of Mount Vesuvius. Imagine Roman society of the past as you wander through the excavated ruins of Ercolano with a guide. Then, visit a pasta factory and taste an iconic Italian dish right where it is produced during a light lunch. Watch the sun fade along the horizon in coastal Minori, your new home for the next three nights. (B, L)

Day 6: Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Minori Journey by boat to Amalfi, the rocky coast's namesake town. Formerly a maritime republic, Amalfi puts a historic spin on the seaside hubs,



Alberobello

containing cobblestone piazzas and towering mosaicked cathedrals. Enjoy some time at leisure, then ferry past tumbling cliffs and pastel-coloured houses on your way to Positano. Enjoy a free afternoon in this resort town, perhaps browsing the posh boutiques or resting along the beach. Return to Minori by ferry. (B)

Day 7: Minori A fishing village of terraced lemon groves, Minori exudes the quintessential *Amalfitana* vibe. Start your morning in a garden and learn about *sfusato* lemons, used in *limoncello*. Sample this fragrant liqueur before hiking along the coast. You'll trek the rugged Path of Lemons — an ancient, hilly route that links Minori with the nearby town of Maiori. Explore on your own before returning by boat. This afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** You can enjoy the relaxed Mediterranean atmosphere of Minori like a local, sipping coffee and people watching **-OR-** explore the nearby village of Ravello and its amazing views from the picturesque gardens of Villa Rufolo. (B, D)

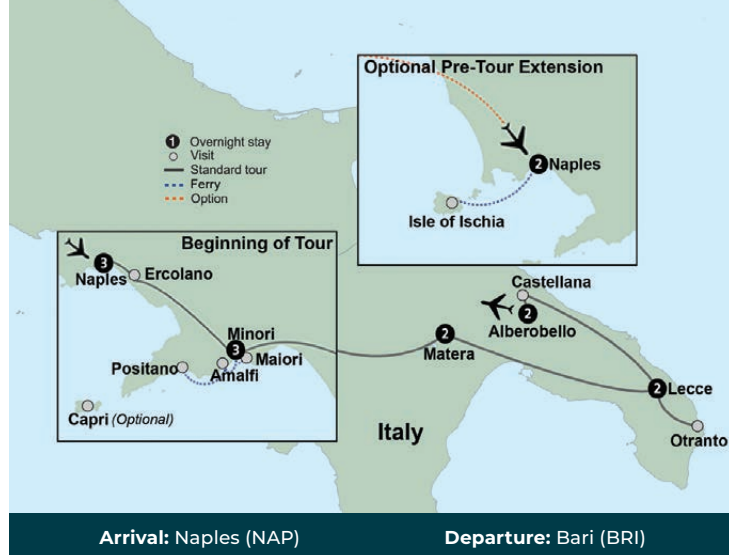
Day 8: Minori - Matera This morning, discover one of Italy's delectable cheese products during a visit to a dairy farm. Taste freshly made mozzarella for lunch before continuing south to Matera (UNESCO), whose inimitable scenery has been featured in blockbuster films. Experience the town's cave dwellings, your home for the next two nights. Each cave is unique, half-excavated and half-carved from the land. In these unparalleled accommodations, connect with the Italian landscape like never before. (B, L)

Day 9: Matera Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** You can hike into Matera's 9,000-year-old history on a guided hike along its hillside caves, narrow passages, and steep alleys known to locals as the *Sassi* **-OR-** discover local recipes during a cooking demonstration inside one of the rock dwellings. The afternoon is yours to explore more of Matera's heritage. Perhaps you'll visit the remarkable *Palombaro Lungo* underground water cistern or head out of town for a hike through the surrounding countryside dotted with prehistoric caves and medieval rock churches. (B)

Day 10: Matera - Lecce Cross into the Puglia region and pause at a wine museum to learn about the special wines produced in Puglia before continuing to Lecce, a Baroque powerhouse of limestone. Get to know the city with a local expert and take in its iconic architecture and papier-mâché craftsmanship. (B, L)

Day 11: Lecce - Otranto - Lecce Today, visit the picturesque village of Otranto and enjoy its characteristic winding lanes and hidden cafés. Take your time for a relaxing lunch along the sea and enjoy your time at leisure in one of the pearls of Salento. Reconvene in the evening for a private folk music and dance performance, highlighting the traditional *pizzica e taranta*. According to legend, spider bites cause the women to dance with feverish energy. (B)

Day 12: Lecce - Castellana - Alberobello Discover one of Puglia's most impressive natural landscapes: the underground complex of the



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Royal Continental Hotel, Naples ▲
Days 5 – 7	Hotel Villa Romana, Minori, Amalfi Coast
Days 8, 9	Locanda di San Martino Hotel, Matera
Days 10, 11	Santa Chiara Suite Hotel, Lecce, Puglia
Days 12, 13	Trulli Holiday Albergo Diffuso, Alberobello, Puglia

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Naples • Pre-Night Stay

Alberobello • Post-Night Stay

Naples • Pre-Tour Guided Extension
2 Nights, Starting at \$1,645 pp

Give yourself the luxury of extra time in Naples, including a day trip to the enchanted Isle of Ischia.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

Castellana Caves, a vast labyrinth of limestone chambers adorned by clusters of stalactites and stalagmites, formed over millennia. This afternoon, arrive in Alberobello (UNESCO), a whimsical city known for its *trulli*, stone huts with cone-shaped roofs. Meander with your guide through a labyrinth of these gnomish houses, some adorned with symbols carrying religious or astrological meanings. Make your way to your personal room in one of these peculiar houses that will be your home for the next two nights. (B)

Day 13: Alberobello Today, take a tour of an olive oil mill and taste a variety of extra virgin olive oils. Back in Alberobello, enjoy free time to further explore the city on your own. As the day draws to a close, gather to wish Italy goodbye at a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 14: Alberobello - Tour Ends
Depart for home with treasured memories of rocky shores and cobblestone streets. (B)

Sicily and Its Isles

14 DAYS • 19 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,199

Small Group



Taormina

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,199 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 19, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Palermo, Monreale, Cooking Class and Wine-Pairing Lunch, Marsala, Stagnone Salt Pans & Lagoon Sailing, Olive Oil Farm, Agrigento's Valley of the Temples, Cefalù, Isle of Salina, Caper Farm, Taormina, Mount Etna Off-Road Excursion

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Delve into the belly of Palermo on a walking food tour of the historic city center.
- Spend two nights in Taormina and tour its iconic Greek theatre.
- During an Impact Moment, visit an olive grove for a taste of sustainably produced oil and learn how their ethical farming methods help combat the Mafia.
- Ascend the sides of Mount Etna in off-road vehicles.
- Soak up the relaxed ambiance of the Aeolian Islands with a 2-night stay on the Isle of Salina.
- Meet a winemaker and engage in a hands-on cooking class in the countryside.
- Savour salty capers and sweet *Malvasia* wine at a local producer on the Isle of Salina.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Sicily — an island paradise nestled amongst the deep blue waves of the Mediterranean. Look past the Italy you think you know and see how this coastal farmland balances ancient traditions and modern comforts.

Day 2: Palermo, Italy Arrive in Palermo, Sicily's vibrant capital city. As travellers' arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing. Spend the day exploring independently, taking in Palermo's gritty, unshakable spirit and captivating energy. Late this afternoon, we meet for a briefing about the journey ahead. Tonight, come to know your fellow travellers over a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Palermo Begin your adventure tasting your way through Palermo's lively markets on a walking tour unveiling the city's historical centre and introducing you to traditional Sicilian street food. Palermo's culinary heritage layers Arab and Norman influences with local produce such as wild fennel, olives, and spices. This afternoon, head to Monreale Cathedral, ascending 92 steps on foot to see its majestic Byzantine mosaics. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Explore the cathedral's cloisters, taking in their serene atmosphere of the monastic complex **-OR-** ascend the southern tower's

narrow staircase to the panoramic terraces for a bird's-eye view over Palermo. (B, L)

Day 4: Palermo - Marsala Make your way to a family-owned winery deeply nestled in Sicily's largest wine-producing region. Venture off the beaten path and meet a local winemaker. Learn about the local types of grapes and production techniques, before joining a hands-on cooking class just for your group. Share the meal you prepared for lunch, paired with the farm's own wines. Late this afternoon, settle into your hotel in coastal Marsala for a three-night stay. Perhaps you'll take a sunset walk along the waterfront before heading out for an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 5: Marsala Discover the ancient craft of sea-salt harvesting during a guided visit to the salt pans of the Stagnone Lagoon, once at the confluence of Phoenician, Greek, and Roman civilizations. Hop on a local boat and take in the views of the lagoon and surrounding, low-lying islands before returning to Marsala for an afternoon at leisure. (B)

Day 6: Marsala The day is yours to explore Marsala as you please. Perhaps you'll visit one of the city's numerous wineries, noted for producing the eponymous fortified wine. Or, you may



Cefalù



Olive Grove

join a full-day optional excursion to Favignana. A short waterjet ride from Sicily's mainland, Favignana island is part of the Egadi archipelago. Once famous for its tuna fish production, this small island boasts crystal clear waters and enchanting gardens. (B)

Day 7: Marsala - Agrigento Begin the day with an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you visit an olive oil maker who champions ethical, sustainable farming. Hear his story and how he resists the pressures the Mafia tries imposing on local farmers. Stroll through the olive groves and pause for a rustic picnic-style lunch before continuing to Agrigento. This afternoon, explore the imposing Greek ruins of the Valley of the Temples, uncover the myths enshrouding the foundation of ancient Akragas, and watch history come alive. Then, settle in for a one-night stay and dinner at your hotel. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Agrigento - Cefalù Coast This morning, travel through rolling hills and peaceful farmland to a family-owned farmhouse, where you'll meet the owners and glimpse daily life on a Sicilian farm. Sit back and tuck into a hearty farm-to-table lunch, made from cherished family recipes. Then relax aboard your bus as you travel along Sicily's northern coast, en route for a relaxing 2-night stay. As the sun sets, acquaint yourself with the extensive grounds of your cliffside resort before an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 9: Cefalù Coast Today, set off for the seaside town of Cefalù. Stroll the medieval streets and enjoy ample free time to explore on your own. Perhaps you'll peek into the city's impressive cathedral showcasing Norman architecture or take in Sicilian medieval art at the Mandralisca museum. Return to your coastal resort mid-afternoon. You will have time to venture down to the resort's private beach and dip your feet in the Mediterranean, if you choose. (B)

Day 10: Cefalù Coast - Ferry to Aeolian Islands - Isle of Salina Grab your bags and hop on a ferry in Milazzo. Sail by Vulcano and Lipari on your way to Salina, a far-flung isle surrounded by vibrant blue waters and dark volcanic rock. Somewhat off the beaten path, Salina is one of the less-travelled Aeolian Islands, preserved as a vacation getaway for Italians. Upon arrival, take in the island's dramatic landscapes of rocky cliffs as vibrant vineyards pass you by on your way to Pollara, famous for its traditional caper cultivation. Wander through the fields and taste the salted flower buds accompanied by a glass of *Malvasia*, a locally produced dessert wine. Check into your hotel in the late afternoon and start your 2-night stay. (B)

Day 11: Isle of Salina The day is yours to do as you please. Perhaps you'll venture by ferry to a nearby island, settle into a café by the sea, and soak in local



Arrival: Palermo (PMO)

Departure: Catania (CTA)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Hotel Porta Felice, Palermo
Days 4 - 6	Hotel Stella d'Italia, Marsala, Sicily
Day 7	Hotel Foresteria Baglio della Luna, Agrigento
Days 8, 9	Mangia's Pollina Resort, Cefalù ▲
Days 10, 11	Hotel La Salina Borgo di Mare, Salina
Days 12, 13	Splendid Hotel, Taormina ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Palermo • Pre-Night Stay

Taormina • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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life while sampling their every flavour of granita ice-slush. Or stay local, slow your rhythm and simply bask in the gentle pace of this small island. (B)

Day 12: Isle of Salina - Ferry to Sicily - Taormina Early this morning, ferry back to mainland *Sicilia*. Journey along the Ionian Coast to Taormina, a seaside hub of ancient Greek theatres and hilly walkways. Discover its well-preserved Greek theatre in company of a local guide. Walk in the footsteps of ancient attendees and take in unparalleled views of the Mediterranean Sea. Spend the evening on your own. Perhaps you'll grab a bite to eat at a sidewalk café or peruse the local boutiques for handcrafted souvenirs. (B)

Day 13: Taormina - Mount Etna - Taormina See Sicily's wilder side on an off-road adventure to Mount Etna. Stare up at the iconic peak as your vehicle climbs along the sides of Europe's largest active volcano. Spend the morning exploring this legendary giant, passing by lava formations and basalt rocks before returning to Taormina for an afternoon at leisure. This evening, toast to your Sicilian sojourn at dinner, surrounded by local musicians. (B, D)

Day 14: Taormina - Tour Ends Your journey through Sicily comes to a close today. Return home with memories of Italy's favourite island. (B)

Old World Sicily & Malta

12 DAYS • 15 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,299

Small Group



Valletta

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$6,299 (DOUBLE) or \$7,849 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

September 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Malta, Grand Harbour Boat Ride, Valletta, Ferry to Sicily, Aromatic Herb Farm Tour, Ragusa-Ibla, Siracusa, Mount Etna Off-Road Excursion, Taormina's Greek Theatre

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Ascend the sides of Mount Etna (UNESCO) in off-road vehicles.
- Explore the flavours of Maltese cuisine during a typical dinner at a traditional band club.
- Soak up the island ambiance of Malta with a 4-night stay in Sliema.
- Pass by Baroque architecture and wrought iron balconies on a winding walking tour of Ragusa (UNESCO).
- Pause for a Sicilian home-hosted lunch on the slopes of Mount Etna.
- Spend 3 nights in Taormina (UNESCO) and explore its iconic Greek theatre.
- Explore Valletta (UNESCO), the capital of the Knights of Malta, a city "built by gentlemen for gentlemen."
- Visit a family-owned organic herb farm and enjoy a lunch flavoured with delicious aromatic plants.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Malta and Sicily — legendary isles nestled amongst the deep blue waves of the Mediterranean. Discover how ancient traditions blend into modern society as you travel along timeless Italian and Maltese towns.

Day 2: Sliema, Malta Start your journey with a 4-night stay in Sliema, a welcoming Maltese resort town with a lively waterfront promenade. As travellers' arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Stretch your legs and take in views of Marsamxett Harbour and Manoel Island. Uncover Malta's deeply rooted heritage, teeming with mysterious prehistoric temples and Renaissance architectural masterpieces. This evening, get to know your fellow travellers over a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Sliema - Valletta - Sliema Begin your adventure with a panoramic sailing of Valletta's (UNESCO) Grand Harbour aboard traditional *dghajsa* boats before exploring the Maltese capital during a walking tour led by a local expert. View the skyline of the Three Cities from the Upper Barrakka Gardens and take in the elegant profile of the Grand Master's Palace. Then, enjoy some free time to explore on your own. This afternoon, visit the private

home of a modern-day Knight of Malta before hopping on the local ferry back to Sliema for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Sliema - Maltese Village Experience Enjoy a morning at leisure. Perhaps you'll join a half-day optional tour to Mdina — the "Silent City" and Malta's ancient capital. This afternoon, immerse yourself in Maltese traditions as you board a retro bus for a village where daily life and customs remain unchanged. Experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** as you are hosted for dinner at a traditional band club. Band clubs have a special place in the community. A source of intense pride and with a solid place in Maltese social culture, the band club's premises are an ideal meeting point for locals to exchange gossip, play a game of pool, or engage in village *fešta* activities. (B, D)

Day 5: Sliema The entire day is yours. With free time, you might choose to relax in Sliema or venture back to Valletta for a visit to Caravaggio's masterpiece housed in Saint John's Co-Cathedral. Or, join an optional full-day exploration of the Isle of Gozo, the second-largest island of the Maltese archipelago and home to the Ggantija temple complex (UNESCO), which is older than Stonehenge. (B)

Day 6: Sliema - Ferry to Sicily - Ragusa, Italy Early this morning, grab



Taormina



Siracusa

your bags and hop on a ferry to Sicily. Pause in the seaside town of Pozzallo for a Sicilian breakfast. As in most of Italy, breakfast in Sicily is a simple but tasty affair, traditionally consisting of a pastry and cappuccino. Continue your culinary exploration of the Sicilian countryside with an **IMPACT MOMENT** at a visit to a family-owned herb farm to learn about their sustainable production of organic aromatic plants. Then, during lunch, enjoy dishes enlivened with herbs grown on the farm — a delightful way to experience the region's unique and delicious flavours. This afternoon, settle into your hotel for a leisurely 3-night stay in the heart of Ragusa. (B, L)

Day 7: Ragusa - Ragusa-Ibla - Ragusa Explore Ragusa-Ibla (UNESCO), a time-worn city perched upon a hill. Meander through its late-Baroque neighbourhood with an expert guide, passing by winding lanes, cobblestone streets, and wrought iron balconies. Make the most of a free afternoon to explore on your own. As the sun sets, linger in town for dinner on your own. (B)

Day 8: Ragusa The day is yours to do as you please. With free time, you might choose to relax in Ragusa. Perhaps you will join an optional tour to the picture-perfect towns of Scicli and Modica (UNESCO), where you'll enjoy a savoury brunch featuring fresh

ricotta at a countryside restaurant before venturing to an Aztec chocolate shop for some sweet samples. (B)

Day 9: Ragusa - Siracusa - Taormina Take in the rugged landscape of southeastern Sicily en route to Siracusa (UNESCO). Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Explore the fascinating streets of Ortigia and find out more about local culture and traditions in the company of a local expert **-OR-** take in the views of the old town during a panoramic boat ride. This afternoon, relax during a bus transfer to Taormina, a charming resort town perched high above the Mediterranean Sea. (B)

Day 10: Taormina - Mount Etna - Taormina See Sicily's wilder side on an off-road adventure to Mount Etna (UNESCO). Stare up at the iconic peak as your vehicle climbs along the sides of Europe's largest active volcano. Spend the day exploring this legendary giant, passing by lava formations and basalt rocks before pausing for lunch at a local home. Back in Taormina, enjoy an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 11: Taormina Discover Taormina with a local guide, leading you to the city's Duomo, public gardens, and the well-preserved Greek theatre. Walk in the footsteps of ancient attendees and take in an unparalleled viewpoint



Arrival: Sliema (MLA)

Departure: Catania (CTA)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 5 Land's End Boutique Hotel, Tas-Sliema ▲

Days 6 – 8 San Giorgio Palace Hotel, Ragusa

Days 9 – 11 Excelsior Palace Hotel, Taormina

On some dates alternate hotels may be used ▲ Room upgrade available.

10 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Sliema • Pre-Night Stay

Taormina • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Ragusa

of the adjacent ocean. Enjoy a free afternoon in town. Perhaps you'll grab a bite to eat at a sidewalk café or peruse the local boutiques for handcrafted souvenirs. In the evening, gather with your fellow travellers as you recount memories of the Mediterranean islands

accompanied by Sicilian food at dinner, surrounded by local musicians. (B, D)

Day 12: Taormina - Tour Ends

Say goodbye to Sicily and the Mediterranean as your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Tuscany, Lake Maggiore, and the Italian Riviera

9 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,799



Lake Maggiore

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,799 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,199 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 10, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

August – November 2027; March – June 2028

(featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for August 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Lake Maggiore, Isola Bella Palace & Garden, Stresa, Parma, Italian Riviera, Cinque Terre, Lucca, Tuscan Villa Stay, Florence, Chianti Countryside

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Journey by boat to Isola Pescatori for a welcome dinner featuring local cuisine.
- Taste different varietals of extra virgin olive oil from an olive oil mill in the Tuscan countryside.
- Partake in an interactive pasta-making demonstration.
- Explore the Chianti countryside to see how local heritage and vineyards intertwine.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Frantoio Doglia — providing local employment opportunities and upholding traditional hand-harvesting techniques. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Experience the romance of Italy's lakes region, the colourful coast of the Italian Riviera, and the rolling hills of Tuscany.

Day 2: Lake Maggiore, Italy Welcome to Italy. Your journey begins in Lake Maggiore, surrounded by the tranquil beauty of the Italian Lakes District, your home for the next two nights. As arrival times will vary, spend the day as you wish exploring independently and admiring the beautiful views of Lake Maggiore. This evening, get to know your fellow travellers as you cruise to picturesque Isola Pescatori for a welcome dinner featuring regional delicacies and local wines. (D)

Day 3: Lake Maggiore This morning, coast along the ethereal waters of Lake Maggiore before docking at Isola Bella, known as the “beautiful island.” Join an expert guide and venture into Borromeo Palace, a Baroque beauty with an enchanted garden. Back on the mainland, stroll the cobblestone streets of Stresa. Long-favoured by European aristocracy because of its blend of elegant belle-époque mansions, fragrant gardens, and charming views, Stresa has inspired artists and writers since the late 1800s. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Lake Maggiore - Parma - La Spezia Head to Italy's picturesque

Riviera, making your way through the plains of Northern Italy. Pause in Parma, home to famous foods such as prosciutto and parmigiano. Perhaps you'll taste some for yourself as you enjoy free time for lunch in this charming town. This afternoon, the day's drive continues through the Apennine Mountains and finishes in La Spezia, the large port city gateway to the Italian Riviera. (B)

Day 5: La Spezia - Cinque Terre - La Spezia Spend the day exploring the colourful cliff-side villages of Cinque Terre with a local guide. Take in the picturesque, rugged coastline dotted with terraced vineyards as you travel by rail. Make your way through this seemingly inaccessible string of fishing villages, nestled between the mountains and the Mediterranean Sea. (B)

Day 6: La Spezia - Lucca - Figline, Tuscany Discover the charming city of Lucca, encircled by 16th-century Renaissance walls. Accompanied by a local guide, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Experience a walk on top of the iconic walls **-OR-** a guided stroll through the medieval city centre, uncovering Lucca's Roman heritage and rich history. Afterward, enjoy some free time to explore Piazza Napoleone and the rest of the city on your own.



Creve



Florence



Lucca

Continue on through the rolling hills of Tuscany for a 3-night stay in the village of Figline. This evening, try your hand at a local culinary specialty with an interactive pasta-making demonstration by your hotel's on-site chef. (B, D)

Day 7: Figline - Florence - Figline

Explore Florence, the "Cradle of the Renaissance", during a locally guided walking tour of the city's iconic sites. View the Ponte Vecchio (Old Bridge), the only Florentine bridge to survive World War II. Admire the Gates of Paradise and the imposing dome of the cathedral. Wander past Piazza della Signoria and the ornate facade of Santa Croce. Enjoy time to explore more on your own before returning to your hotel in the evening. (B)

Day 8: Figline Journey through Tuscany's low-lying hills and dense olive groves to a traditional *frantoio* (olive mill), where olives are pressed each November. After learning about the many varieties of trees and oil-making methods, join a tasting of the different varieties of EVOO produced at the mill. Your exploration of the Chianti countryside wouldn't be complete without a visit to a local winery for a taste of the famous Chianti Classico wines. Then, continue to the village of Greve, surrounded by vineyard-carpeted hills. Cap off an unforgettable tour at a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 9: Figline - Tour Ends Say *arrivederci* to Italy as your tour comes to a close. (B)



Arrival: Milan (MXP)

Departure: Florence (FLR)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Zacchera Hotels, Lake Maggiore ▲
- Days 4, 5** NH La Spezia, Italian Riviera
- Days 6 – 8** Villa Casagrande, Figline, Tuscany

On some dates alternate hotels may be used ▲ Room upgrade available.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Milan • Pre-Night Stay

Figline • Post-Night Stay

Turin & Piedmont Wine Country • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension
2 Nights, Starting at \$2,190* pp

Explore elegant Turin and the scenic Piedmont region, where history, wine, and culture come together.

**Additional air segment purchase required*



Cinque Terre

Spotlight on Northern Italy featuring Venice, Verona & the Dolomites

9 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,199



Bassano del Grappa

SPOTLIGHTS • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,199 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,199 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 23, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Treviso, Verona, Glassblowing Demonstration, Venice, Asolo, Prosecco Winery, The Dolomites, Bassano del Grappa, Venetian Villa Visit

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Master a few tips from an Italian *nonna* (grandmother) and try your hand at making traditional pasta.
- Enjoy an up-close look at the Dolomites, one of the most beautiful mountain chains in the world.
- Tour a winery in the Prosecco hills and enjoy a sample.
- Marvel at the skill of the glassblowing artists in Venice, who still work the glass using century-old techniques.
- Experience local life in Bassano, the hometown of Italy's renowned schnapps called *grappa*.
- Get to know the romantic city of Verona.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Bar Bianco and Cantina Fasol Menin. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Venture to vineyards, Venice, and Verona. It's almost time to unpack once and journey among the jewels of Northern Italy.

Day 2: Treviso, Italy Arrive today in Treviso, hometown of Italy's most iconic dessert — tiramisù. Treviso has a long history tied to the nearby island city of Venice. Founded as a mainland (*terraferma*) settlement, Treviso was an early outpost with the look and feel of Venice. With your feet on "firm ground," settle into your home for the next seven nights — a modern and elegantly furnished hotel in the centre of Treviso. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Meet your fellow travellers for dinner while a local pastry chef shows you a few tricks for preparing some sweet tiramisù. (D)

Day 3: Treviso Start your day with a walking tour in the city commonly called "Venice on the Mainland." Take in the Old Town's gothic-style windows, marble latticework, and the Sile and Botteniga rivers — humble elements all reminiscent of its famous island neighbour. After your guided tour on foot, take some time to explore more of Treviso at your own pace. Maybe you'll wander through the weekly vegetable and housewares market. Or you can

check out the picturesque Canale dei Buranelli and nearby *pescheria*, where fishmongers have set up shop for centuries. When you stop for lunch on your own, consider noshing on *radicchio trevigiano*, an autumnal delicacy consisting of red chicory grilled with a generous helping of extra virgin olive oil. (B)

Day 4: Verona Verona (UNESCO) is for lovers. After a two-hour bus ride, find yourself in the romantic city of *Romeo & Juliet*. In Verona, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Explore Verona's painted houses during a walking tour of the Old Town **-OR-** stroll along the town's riverbanks in search of its bridges and lesser-known monuments. No matter what you choose, you'll catch a glimpse of the city's must-sees: Juliet's balcony and the impressive exterior of the Arena, the ancient Roman amphitheater. After, enjoy some free time to explore Verona how you'd like. Whether you're following in the footsteps of Shakespeare's most famous dramatic characters or retracing Italian history, savour time wandering in Verona's medieval city centre. After lunch on your own in the city, return to your hotel in the late afternoon to relax. (B)

Day 5: Asolo Get to know a hilltop haven for artists today in Asolo. After getting acquainted with the village



Lake Misurina, Dolomites



Venice

during an orientation walk, enjoy some free time. Find inspiration and trace the steps of author Ernest Hemingway, poet Robert Browning, composer Igor Stravinsky, and many other famous virtuosos throughout history. Later, continue your journey into the rolling hills of Italy's Prosecco region (UNESCO) for a visit to a local vineyard, where you'll taste the region's sparkling specialty. Roll up your sleeves and learn how to make a traditional pasta recipe under the expert guidance of a *bona fide* Italian *nonna* (grandmother). Enjoy your pasta dish with a tasting of wines, toasting to *la dolce vita* — the sweet life — in the Venetian countryside. Return to your hotel in the late evening. Rest well tonight; tomorrow is a full day exploring the Dolomites. (B, D)

Day 6: Venice Board the coach and head to Venice (UNESCO) and then trade wheels for a boat into the heart of the city. In Venice, renowned for its centuries-old glassmaking tradition, a local craftsman will demonstrate the intricacies of this artful trade during a glassblowing presentation. Explore the area surrounding St. Mark's Square, taking in the ornate Gothic facade of Doge's Palace and the Basilica. During your free time, consider an optional gondola cruise to experience Venice's most famous pastime. (B)

Day 7: The Dolomites Today will be your biggest trek yet. You're on your way to what UNESCO declares one of the world's most beautiful mountain chains: the Dolomites. Weave through the winding roads tucked within jagged rocks for a couple of hours en route to Cortina, the Pearl of the Dolomites, and enjoy some free time and, weather permitting, a cable-car ride to the top of impressive Mount Faloria, a favourite with hikers and bikers alike. Reminisce on your mountain adventure tonight on your way back to the hotel. (B)

Day 8: Bassano del Grappa Begin your day with a trip to the quaint town of Bassano del Grappa. The town's name is associated with the locally produced grape-based schnapps. Explore its cobblestoned piazzas and see the impact the beverage has had on the town, including the ancient distillery in one of the pillars of the historic Palladian Bridge. Take some time to wander around the town and grab a bite to eat for lunch (maybe paired with some *grappa*?). Tonight, step back in time at a classic Venetian villa. Tour the sprawling villa and its gardens, still owned by the descendants of a noble family of Venice. After you follow the family's history within the



Arrival: Venice (VCE)

Departure: Venice (VCE)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 8 Hotel Carlton, Treviso ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Treviso · Pre- or Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Verona

villa's walls, gather with your fellow travellers and savour Venetian dishes prepared with fresh local ingredients at this evening's farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Treviso - Tour Ends It's time to say *ciao, Italia*. Have a *buon viaggio* back home with fond memories of Northern Italy. (B)

Spotlight on Tuscany

9 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,549



San Gimignano

SPOTLIGHTS • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,549 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,799 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 18, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Montecatini Terme, Lucca, Family-Owned Winery Experience, Florence, Pisa, Cooking Class, Cheese Farm, San Gimignano

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Stay seven nights in the renowned spa resort town of Montecatini Terme & visit the historic Tettuccio Spa.
- Explore the medieval city of Lucca and join the locals for a walk along its 16th-century walls.
- Visit Pisa's *Piazza dei Miracoli* and marvel at its gravity-defying Leaning Tower.
- Admire the picturesque skyline of San Gimignano with its 14 towers.
- Tour Florence and experience its remarkable art and architecture.
- Sample delectable vintages during a wine tasting and dinner at a local farm.
- Learn about Tuscan cuisine during a cooking class.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 6 community tourism partners: Museum of Liberation of Borgo a Mozzano, Poggio di Camporbiano Biodynamic Farm, Fattoria Carmigniani Winery, Tenute di Badia Winery, Farmhouse le Baccane cooking class, and Wild Foods Truffle Hunt. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Rolling landscapes, savoury wines, authentic food and stunning architecture – find all of this and more in Tuscany. Unpack once on this journey among Italy's most charming towns.

Day 2: Montecatini Terme, Italy Your tour opens in the famous spa resort town of Montecatini Terme, nestled in the heart of the rolling hills of Tuscany. As travellers' arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the town independently. This evening, get to know your fellow travellers during an orientation briefing followed by a welcome drink.

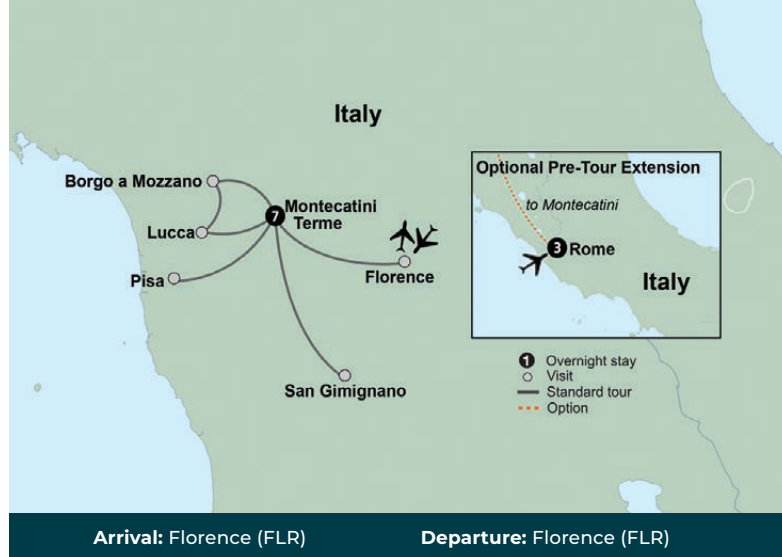
Day 3: Montecatini Terme Today, acquaint yourself with your new hometown during a half-day guided walking tour. Learn more about Montecatini's history and visit the historic Tettuccio Spa, known for the health benefits in its mineral drinking waters. This afternoon, make your way to a Tuscan winery and learn about the art of winemaking as you taste local varieties paired with regional foods. (B, D)

Day 4: Lucca - Borgo a Mozzano Enjoy a guided tour of Lucca, Tuscany's best-kept secret. Discover

Renaissance walls, Romanesque churches, and medieval streets flanked by towers. Explore the lively city centre on your own before setting off for Borgo a Mozzano. View the *Ponte del Diavolo* (Devil's Bridge) and the nearby remains of the Gothic Line – the Germans' last defense during WWII. Visit the Museum of Liberation and see authentic fortifications and bunkers before returning to Montecatini for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Florence Welcome to Florence, the "Cradle of the Renaissance." Join a local Florentine guide and embark on an extensive walking tour exploring the city's vast historical centre. At the Piazza del Duomo, marvel at the ornate façade of the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the gilded bronze doors of the Baptistery. Take in views of the Piazza della Signoria, the center of Medici power, and Santa Croce Square before enjoying the remainder of your time in Florence to explore this unparalleled open-air museum at your leisure. (B)

Day 6: Pisa Journey to the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa for a visit of its famous *Piazza dei Miracoli* (Field of Miracles). The moniker was coined to describe the magnificence



Arrival: Florence (FLR)

Departure: Florence (FLR)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 8 Grand Hotel Francia and Quirinale, Montecatini Terme ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Montecatini Terme • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Rome • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,330 pp

Begin your trip in the Eternal City — tour the Vatican Museums, Rome's iconic sights, plus free time.



and wonder of the architectural masterpieces within the square, which is uniquely paved in grass. Keep your camera handy to capture the gravity-defying inclination of the iconic Leaning Tower. This evening, travel to the quiet countryside to learn the secrets of traditional Tuscan cuisine. Partake in a cooking class, using local ingredients and culinary techniques that have been passed down for generations. Enjoy your freshly-prepared meal for dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Montecatini Terme Enjoy a day at leisure or embark on an optional truffle hunt, led by a local expert and their specially trained dogs. As you wander along unpaved trails, learn about the fascinating world of truffles and the techniques used to forage them. Indulge in a truffle-themed buffet lunch before

returning to Montecatini mid-afternoon. (B)

Day 8: San Gimignano Take in the rural atmosphere of a family-owned farm among the goats, cows, and organic gardens and sample their local products. Soak in the views, as you travel to hilltop San Gimignano, one of Tuscany's most picturesque villages. Explore this enchanting medieval centre, from its famous 14 towers to its magnificent vistas overlooking vineyards. And perhaps indulge in some gelato, before returning to Montecatini in the late afternoon. This evening, join your travel companions for a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Montecatini Terme - Tour Ends Your journey comes to a close today. Depart with many fond memories of Tuscany. (B)



Italian Vistas

13 DAYS • 16 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,499



CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 20, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – June 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

July – November 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Rome, Colosseum, Sorrento, Isle of Capri, Ruins of Pompeii, Florence, Leaning Tower of Pisa, Tuscan Winery, Venice, Murano Island, Verona, Lake Maggiore, Stresa

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.
- Experience the Colosseum during a tour of this colossal vestige of the Roman Empire.
- Visit a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and sample the local wines.
- Enjoy the magic of the Italian lakes in the captivating resort town of Stresa.
- Visit Florence, the veritable open-air museum of the Renaissance.
- Stroll the streets of Verona — the backdrop for *Romeo and Juliet*.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Tenute di Badia Winery and Il Re della Pasta — supporting artisanal production and preserving traditional Gragnano slow-drying methods. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Ciao, Italy!

Day 2: Rome, Italy Welcome to the “Eternal City” of Rome. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for an orientation briefing and welcome drink.

Day 3: Rome Today, discover Italy's capital city during an extensive walking tour. Visit the Colosseum, where your guide recounts its rich history. Meander through Rome's Renaissance district for a peek at the mythic Pantheon and the oval-shaped Piazza Navona, adorned with Baroque fountains. This evening, gather for a welcome dinner featuring regional delicacies and Italian wines. (B, D)

Day 4: Rome Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Rome's cultural treasures. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to offer suggestions. Consider an optional trip to Vatican City to tour the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica. The evening is yours. Perhaps you'll head to the medieval Monti neighbourhood where cobblestoned streets are lined with antique shops, independent boutiques, and local restaurants. (B)

Day 5: Rome - Sorrento Journey to the brilliant Bay of Naples, where charming

villages are built into hillsides above the blue sea. Along the way, pause in nearby Gragnano for lunch and a visit to a pasta factory. Continue to the scenic resort town of Sorrento, where you'll enjoy free time to explore before settling in for a two-night stay in a hotel located either in Sorrento or along its picturesque coast. (B, L)

Day 6: Sorrento Today, sail to the enchanting Isle of Capri. Upon arrival, admire the island's iconic scenery on a panoramic cruise, passing by the steep cliffs, endless small caves, and the famous Faraglioni rocks, jutting out of the water. Spend time in Capri town with its world-famous *piazzetta* and explore this island paradise of chic boutiques, lush vegetation, and outdoor cafés. Return to the mainland for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Sorrento - Pompeii - Florence Start your day in Pompeii, where **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Soak in 2,000 years of history at your own pace. Pick between a leisurely-paced tour of the highlights **-OR-** a faster-paced visit combining the highlights with Pompeii's farther-out gems. Spend the rest of the day relaxing on the coach while you head to Tuscany with its landscape of vineyards and olive groves. Late this afternoon, arrive in Florence, the “Cradle of the Renaissance.” Home to



Pompeii



Pisa

Italy's best art and architecture, begin your exploration with an evening stroll to acquaint yourself with your new neighbourhood. (B)

Day 8: Florence This morning, embark on a guided walking tour of Florence. Along the way, admire the cathedral's iconic dome and the Baptistery's famous Gates of Paradise. Stroll through the historic Piazza della Signoria and stand in awe before the imposing Palazzo Vecchio. The rest of the day is yours. Consider an optional excursion to the 14th-century *Certosa* monastery, featuring an after-hours tour and dinner in a popular Tuscan restaurant. (B)

Day 9: Florence - Pisa - Venice Visit the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa to discover the Piazza dei Miracoli and the famous Leaning Tower. A special stop is made at a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and sample local wines and specialties. Next, cross the Apennine Mountains en route to Venice, where 117 islands are connected by a latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. (B, L)

Day 10: Venice Embark on a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration. When you return, step off the beaten path and see for yourself how the locals live. Explore the *Castello* district with a local expert, walking

canal by canal through the narrow streets all the way to St. Mark's Square. Admire the stunning Basilica and the ornate façade of the Doge's Palace. The afternoon is at leisure. Consider an optional gondola cruise to experience Venice's most famous pastime. (B)

Day 11: Venice - Verona - Stresa, Lake Maggiore Depart Venice for Verona and stroll the streets that were the backdrop for Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. Arrive in the resort town of Stresa in the breathtaking Italian Lakes District, your home for the next two nights, and admire the beautiful views of Lake Maggiore. (B, D)

Day 12: Stresa Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take a boat across Lake Maggiore to Isola Bella, where you'll join an expert guide and venture into the Borromeo Palace and gardens **-OR-** cross into Switzerland as your motorcoach climbs up the Simplon Pass for a taste of the Swiss Alps. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure in Stresa, a town long-favoured by European aristocracy because of its blend of elegant belle-époque mansions, fragrant gardens, and charming views. Tonight, travel by boat to Isola dei Pescatori for a farewell dinner surrounded by beautiful scenery. (B, D)

Day 13: Stresa - Tour Ends Your Italian adventure comes to a close today. (B)



Arrival: Rome (FCO)

Departure: Milan (MXP)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 - 4** Grand Hotel Palatino, Rome ▲
- Days 5, 6** Hotel Michelangelo, Sorrento
- Days 7, 8** Grand Hotel Baglioni, Florence
- Days 9, 10** NH Venezia Santa Lucia, Venice
- Days 11, 12** Regina Palace Hotel, Stresa ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

11 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Rome • Pre-Night Stay

Stresa • Post-Night Stay

Sicily • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,740 pp

Begin your trip in Sicily! Stay in charming Giardini Naxos, explore historic Taormina, and venture up mighty Mount Etna.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Murano

Reflections of Italy

10 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,249



Florence

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,249 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on February 8, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

February – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Rome, Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, Orvieto, Assisi, Perugia, Cortona, Florence, Chianti Winery & Cooking Class, Venice, Murano Island

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Visit a historic winery in the heart of the Chianti region.
- Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.
- Enjoy a scenic journey through Tuscany's graceful low-lying hills.
- Dine on regional delicacies and fine Italian wines.
- Set out on a locally guided tour of the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica.
- Sample extra virgin olive oils at an olive mill in the Umbrian countryside.
- Enjoy a chef-led cooking class with lunch in a historic castle.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Frantoio Di Spello Uccd Societa' Cooperativa Agricola and Castello del Trebbio winery — producing food using organic methods and renewable energy. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Welcome to Italy, a land rich in history, culture, art, and romance. Your journey begins with an overnight flight.

Day 2: Rome, Italy Begin in Rome, the "Eternal City." As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, get to know your fellow travellers during a welcome dinner featuring regional specialties. (D)

Day 3: Rome On a guided tour of the Vatican Museums, explore the extensive Papal palace housing priceless artifacts from ancient Egypt, classical Greco-Roman statuary, and works by great Renaissance masters. In the Sistine Chapel, marvel at Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling and brilliant *Last Judgment*. Next, wander through the towering columns of St. Peter's Basilica, a daring feat of human artistry and engineering. Admire the baroque spirals of Bernini's altar canopy and gaze up at Michelangelo's dome, still the tallest in the world. Return to the hotel mid-afternoon. The evening is yours. Perhaps you'll join an optional dinner in a popular restaurant, indulging in a hearty meal accompanied by wine and local entertainment. (B)

Day 4: Rome - Orvieto - Perugia

Depart Rome today en route to the iconic hill town of Orvieto. As you approach, its distinctive profile rises on the horizon, crowned by the facade of its famous cathedral. Delve into the local scene, exploring Orvieto's rich history and Etruscan heritage. Perhaps you'll pause to savour a glass of its renowned *Orvieto Bianco*, a wine that has delighted popes and nobility since the Renaissance. Then, you're off to medieval Perugia, the historic capital of Umbria. With free time to explore, consider wandering along the *Corso*, Perugia's main street, where gothic facades are lined with shops and restaurants. (B)

Day 5: Perugia - Assisi - Perugia

This morning, travel to Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis. Take in the old-world atmosphere on a guided tour of the Basilica of St. Francis, a treasure trove of medieval and early Renaissance paintings. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Continue exploring the hometown of St. Francis during a guided walking tour of the city **-OR-** enjoy free time to wander among the rose-hued stone buildings of this medieval hill town. This afternoon, journey into the surrounding Umbrian countryside, where olive groves blanket the hillsides, and visit a traditional *frantoio* (olive mill) where



St. Peter's Basilica



Venice

olives are pressed each November. Learn about the region's trees and oil-making methods, sample a variety of extra virgin olive oils produced at the mill, and enjoy dinner in the serene setting of the grove. (B, D)

Day 6: Perugia - Cortona - Florence

Head through Tuscany's graceful low-lying hills to the Etruscan city of Cortona. Perched on the side of a hill, take in the ornate facades and gothic architecture. Peek at the adjacent Lake Trasimeno, situated off in the distance. You might recognize the city as the charming setting for the book and film *Under the Tuscan Sun*. End your day in Florence, the "Cradle of the Renaissance." (B)

Day 7: Florence This morning, experience Florence's cultural treasures on an extensive walking tour, passing by the Duomo, the Baptistery, the Palazzo Vecchio, and the Piazza della Signoria. The rest of the day is yours to explore this veritable open-air museum. Perhaps you'll join an after-hours tour of the 14th-century *Certosa* monastery, followed by dinner featuring local wines, Tuscan food, and live entertainment. (B)

Day 8: Florence - Venice Start your day with a visit to a historic winery in the heart of the Chianti region. In the shadow of a 12th-century castle,

learn about Tuscan wines and enjoy a chef-led cooking class. Next, sit back and savour regional delicacies during a delicious lunch. This afternoon, journey through central Italy, crossing the Apennine Mountains toward the Po River Valley. Enchanting Venice awaits with 117 tiny islands and its latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. (B, L)

Day 9: Venice See Venice from the water and take a boat to Murano Island. At a glass-blowing demonstration, discover the secrets of this ancient art up close and marvel at the one-of-a-kind designs. Make your way to the historic centre of Venice, then **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a guided walking tour of the city's most iconic monuments such as the Bridge of Sighs and St. Mark's Square **-OR-** explore the Arsenale district, discovering historic shipyards, grand churches, and quieter canals away from most crowds. The remainder of the day is yours. Consider an optional tour featuring Venice's most famous pastime, a serenaded gondola ride. This evening, celebrate the end of an unforgettable trip with a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 10: Venice - Tour Ends Your journey comes to a close in Venice this morning. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** UNA Hotels Deco Roma, Rome
- Days 4, 5** Sangallo Palace Hotel, Perugia
- Days 6, 7** Hotel Albani, Florence
- Days 8, 9** Avani Rio Novo Venice Hotel, Venice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Rome • Pre-Night Stay

Venice • Post-Night Stay

Rome • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$1,645 pp

Give yourself the luxury of more time exploring Rome's iconic sights on guided walking tours.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Perugia

Rome, Sorrento & the Amalfi Coast featuring Amalfi & Positano

9 DAYS • 11 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,299



Sorrento

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,299 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,349 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 6, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; March – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Rome, Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, Piazza Navona, Winery Visit and Lunch, Pompeii, Sorrento, Cooking Class & Lunch, Amalfi Coast, Positano, Amalfi

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Roll up your sleeves and join the fun during a hands-on cooking class and farm-to-table lunch.
- Savour a wine-paired lunch at a winery, steps away from the archeological site of Pompeii.
- Tour a family-run farm and learn how they grow their own vegetables high above the Amalfi Coast.
- Discover the excavated ruins of Pompeii with a local expert.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Sedi Dominova, Bosco de Medici, and Fattoria Terranova cooking class.

Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9

Day 1: Overnight Flight Your adventure begins with an overnight flight to Italy. Journey through southern Italy and experience its rich scenery, art, culture, food, and wine.

Day 2: Rome, Italy Your tour opens in the "Eternal City" of Rome! As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome drink celebrating the start of your Italian journey.

Day 3: Rome Begin your exploration of the Eternal City with an expert-guided tour of Rome's Renaissance and Baroque highlights. Climb to the top of the Spanish Steps for views of the city's skyline and down its famous 135 stairs. Stroll over cobblestone streets and weathered passageways to discover famous sights such as the Trevi Fountain and the Pantheon's imposing facade. Finish a full morning of exploration in the oval-shaped Piazza Navona. Then, make the most of a free afternoon in Italy's capital city before gathering for dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Rome - Pompeii - Sorrento Journey to the Sorrentine Peninsula, an iconic coastline of rocky beaches and towering cliffs. En route, pause

at a local winery to savour the area's famous *Lacryma Christi*. Enjoy a typical lunch before experiencing the eerily preserved ruins of Pompeii your way, because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Pick between a leisurely paced tour of the highlights **-OR-** a faster paced visit combining the highlights with Pompeii's farther-out gems. In the late afternoon, settle into your hotel in Sorrento. Take some time to explore the property, perched in a scenic location above town and sea. As dusk falls, the Bay of Naples lights up with the twinkling lights from the towns along its coast. As you settle into your home for the next five nights, you might even catch a glimpse of Mount Vesuvius in the distance, the volcano that famously erupted and buried Pompeii. (B, L)

Day 5: Sorrento This morning, head out to the countryside of Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi for a fun morning at an authentic terraced farmhouse, perched high and overlooking the Amalfi Coast. Visit their vegetable garden and join in a hands-on cooking class following family recipes. Then, dig into the lunch you helped make, a true taste of the traditional dishes of the region. Return to Sorrento for an afternoon and evening at leisure. Wander through its narrow streets, colourful boutiques, or perhaps sample some gelato made with local lemons. (B, L)



Pompeii



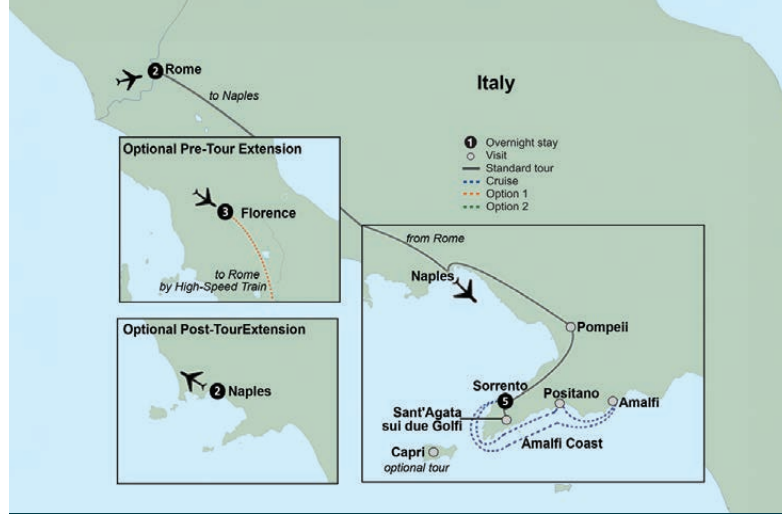
Positano

Day 6: Sorrento - Amalfi Coast - Sorrento Hop on a local ferry and sail along the stunning Amalfi Coast to Positano, with its pastel-coloured houses and pebbly beaches. Spend time in this legendary locale, browsing the posh boutiques or relaxing along the beach before continuing to Amalfi. A former trading hub, Amalfi is now a quiet coastal town of historic landmarks and a black-and-white marble cathedral. Explore on your own before returning to your hotel for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Sorrento Enjoy a day at leisure to take in the laid-back charm of Sorrento. Perhaps you will embark on an optional ferryboat trip to the Mediterranean isle of Capri. Upon arrival, admire the island's iconic scenery on a panoramic cruise, passing by steep cliffs, endless small caves, and the famous Faraglioni rocks, jutting out of the water. Spend time in Capri town with its world-famous *piazza* and explore this island paradise of chic boutiques, lush vegetation, and outdoor cafés. Return to Sorrento in the late afternoon for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 8: Sorrento This morning, explore another side of Sorrento during a locally guided walking tour, showing off its allure — legend has it that sirens once lured sailors to Sorrento's shores. See why Enrico Caruso, the famous tenor who sang "Torna a Surriento," was so captivated by Sorrento's beauty, he often made it his holiday retreat. Along the way, sample some local flavours and venture down to Marina Grande, Sorrento's old fishing village. Ending by the seaside, linger longer if you wish with time to find lunch on your own at the many restaurants specializing in fish, or dip your feet in the Mediterranean Sea at the small beach before heading back to the main part of town. Enjoy the relaxing beauty of Sorrento during an afternoon at leisure. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner and bid *salute* to the end of your Italian getaway. (B, D)

Day 9: Sorrento - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)



Arrival: Rome (FCO)

Departure: Naples (NAP)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Hotel Imperiale, Rome

Days 4 – 8 Hilton Sorrento Palace, Sorrento ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Rome • Pre-Night Stay

Sorrento • Post-Night Stay

Florence • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension
3 Nights, Starting at \$2,055 pp

Enjoy a guided walking tour of Florence's cultural treasures, explore the bohemian Oltrarno district, and more.

Naples • Post-Tour Guided Extension
2 Nights, Starting at \$1,645 pp

Explore Naples, tour the Archeological Museum with an expert guide, and enjoy free time on your own.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



Rome, Sorrento & the Amalfi Coast featuring Amalfi & Ravello

Take in the best of Southern Italy.

Dates Available:
November 2026; March 2027;
November 2027; March 2028



Rome & the Amalfi Coast: Christmas Season in Sorrento

Experience Italy's holiday spirit.

Dates Available:
November – December 2026;
November – December 2027

Southern Italy & Sicily featuring Taormina, Matera and the Amalfi Coast

13 DAYS • 17 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,899



Matera

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$6,899 (DOUBLE)** or **\$8,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on July 31, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July 2027 – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Giardini Naxos, Taormina, Savoca, Strait of Messina, Winery Tour & Tasting, Matera, Alberobello, Sorrento, Positano, Pompeii

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Wander through the streets of Alberobello, lined with whitewashed *trulli* adorned with traditional symbols.
- Journey to the Sassi di Matera, known for its cave dwellings.
- Savour freshly made mozzarella cheese during a visit to a buffalo dairy farm.
- Learn about the traditions and techniques behind Neapolitan-style pizza making.
- Experience the excavated ruins of Pompeii at the foothills of Mount Vesuvius.
- Indulge in a regional dinner at a winery's *agriturismo* restaurant.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Cantine Crocco, Tenuta Vannulo Mozzarella Farm, and Azienda Agricola La Sorgente — producing farm-to-table homemade products such as olive oil, limoncello, wine, and cheese. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight The hidden treasures of Southern Italy and Sicily are yours to explore, for it's here you'll find breathtaking scenery, historic cities, centuries-old hilltop villages, and iconic cuisine.

Day 2: Giardini Naxos, Sicily Your Italian journey begins in Giardini Naxos, a seaside resort on Sicily's eastern shores. Settle in and enjoy the relaxed coastal atmosphere with Mount Etna rising in the distance. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day at leisure, exploring independently or relaxing by the waterfront. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for an orientation briefing followed by an evening at leisure.

Day 3: Giardini Naxos This morning, explore beautiful Taormina, home to ancient relics, rocky hills, and charming gardens. With an expert local guide, you'll stroll the lively pedestrian main street and climb to the city's well-preserved Greek theatre. The afternoon is yours to explore more of Taormina or relax in Giardini Naxos — the "garden of Sicily." This evening, gather for a welcome dinner where traditional Sicilian melodies fill the air. (B, D)

Day 4: Giardini Naxos Today is yours to spend as you wish. Perhaps you'll

opt to experience Sicily's wilder side on an off-road adventure up Mount Etna, Europe's largest active volcano. Take in awe-inspiring views from a 4x4 vehicle and hop out to walk amid lava formations and basalt rocks. After a wine-paired lunch at a winery on the slopes of Mount Etna, return to your hotel in the late afternoon. (B)

Day 5: Giardini Naxos This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Linger in Giardini Naxos, enjoying a leisurely morning of *dolce far niente* (sweet do nothing): stroll along the beach, dip your toes in the Mediterranean Sea, perhaps treat yourself to some gelato **-OR-** take a walk in old-world Sicily as you visit the hilltop village of Savoca. Known to film lovers as a setting for *The Godfather*, Savoca captures a sense of quiet nostalgia and cinematic history. The afternoon is at leisure: remain in Giardini Naxos or head to nearby Taormina to wander its streets and browse local shops. (B)

Day 6: Giardini Naxos - Matera Take a short and scenic ferry ride across the narrow Strait of Messina, separating Sicily from Italy's mainland. During your full-day bus transfer, pass through the unspoiled region of Calabria and onto the Basilicata region. Wander through the twisting vines of a local winery before



Taormina & Mount Etna



Pompeii

touring the cellar for a tasting. Linger over regional cuisine at dinner in the winery's *agriturismo* restaurant. (B, D)

Day 7: Matera Explore the Sassi di Matera, an ancient settlement of carved cave dwellings that has been continuously inhabited for millennia. A local guide shares the history and explains why film producers are seeking out this unique landscape. The afternoon is at leisure. Perhaps you'll visit the Palombaro Lungo, an underground cistern once essential to the city's water storage system, or explore independently, discovering the surrounding countryside and rock churches that reflect Matera's prehistoric and medieval past. (B)

Day 8: Matera This morning, explore Alberobello in the nearby region of Puglia. During a walking tour, marvel at the town's whimsical *trulli* homes, known for their distinctive cone-shaped roofs. Then, explore another side of Puglia during a guided visit to the Castellana Caves, a vast underground system featuring dramatic chambers, towering stalactites, and striking rock formations shaped over millennia. Return to your hotel in the late afternoon. (B, D)

Day 9: Matera - Sorrento After a full morning's drive, stop at a sustainable

buffalo dairy farm for a taste of freshly made mozzarella and a peek into the history of this iconic cheese. After lunch at the dairy, continue to the Sorrentine Peninsula and settle in for a three-night stay. This evening, discover the allure of Sorrento during a walk around its charming old town. (B, L)

Day 10: Sorrento This morning, take in the sights and colours of the Mediterranean Sea as you sail along the initial stretch of the breathtaking Amalfi Coast. Gaze out over the deep blue hues of the sea paired with the bright citrus fruits lining the hillsides. Pause in Positano with its pastel-coloured houses and pebbly beaches. Spend time in this legendary locale browsing the posh boutiques or relaxing along the beach before returning to Sorrento mid-afternoon. This evening, learn a few tips and tricks behind authentic Neapolitan-style pizza making before a pizza dinner, capped with homemade limoncello. (B, D)

Day 11: Sorrento Enjoy a day at leisure to take in the laid-back charm of Sorrento. Perhaps you will embark on an optional ferryboat trip to the Mediterranean isle of Capri. Upon arrival, admire the island's iconic scenery on a panoramic cruise,



Arrival: Catania (CTA)

Departure: Rome (FCO)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 5** Una Hotel Naxos Beach Sicilia, Giardini Naxos
- Days 6 – 8** UNAHOTELS MH Matera Hotel, Matera
- Days 9 – 11** Hotel Michelangelo, Sorrento
- Day 12** Massimo D'Azeglio Hotel, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

11 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Giardini Naxos • Pre-Night Stay

Rome • Post-Night Stay

Rome • Post-Tour Guided Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$1,780 pp

Explore Rome's iconic sights, including the Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, St. Peter's Basilica and the Vatican Museums.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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passing by steep cliffs, endless small caves, and the famous Faraglioni rocks, jutting out of the water. Spend time in Capri town with its world-famous *piazzetta* and explore this island paradise of chic boutiques, lush vegetation, and outdoor cafés. Return to Sorrento in the late afternoon for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 12: Sorrento - Pompeii - Rome

Journey north to Rome. En route, experience the excavated ruins of Pompeii. Here, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Soak in the history of this 2,000-year-old Roman town at your own pace by picking between a leisurely-paced

walking tour of Pompeii's essential sights **-OR-** a faster-paced walk combining the highlights with Pompeii's farther-out gems. Step into another time as you explore the preserved buildings and imagine life in the 1st century. An afternoon-long transfer leads to Rome, where you arrive in the early evening. Celebrate the end of your journey with a delightful farewell dinner. (B, D)

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

Treasures of Türkiye Istanbul, Ancient Ephesus & Cappadocia

14 DAYS • 22 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,199

Small Group

Cappadocia

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$7,199 (DOUBLE) or \$8,999 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on October 30, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; March – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

August – November 2027; March – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for August 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Istanbul, Hagia Sophia, Ephesus, Cappadocia, Bosphorus Cruise, Topkapi Palace, Aegean Coast Boat Ride, Spice Market, Pamukkale Archeological Site, Grand Bazaar

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Experience a Whirling Dervishes ceremony.
- Cruise the Dalyan River to the Aegean coast.
- Explore the towering rock formations of Cappadocia and underground cities of past civilizations.
- Taste your way through Izmir's bazaar district, sampling several local specialties.
- Visit Hagia Sophia and Topkapi Palace in Istanbul's Sultanahmet district.
- Cruise the Bosphorus Strait between Europe and Asia.
- Walk the ruins of ancient Ephesus in the footsteps of Paul the Apostle.
- Learn family recipes during a home-hosted lunch in Cappadocia.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Türkiye, a country that bridges two continents, where Europe gives way to Asia, and thousands of years of history pulse through every city, coast, and valley. Ancient trade routes, living traditions, and a landscape unlike anywhere else await.

Day 2: Izmir, Türkiye Welcome to Izmir. Once the ancient city of Smyrna, today it's a lively Aegean port where centuries of civilization have left their mark on every café-lined street and sun-warmed promenade. Settle into your hotel for three nights. With no included activities today, the evening is yours to unwind or explore on your own.

Day 3: Izmir Start your day with a visit to Karsiyaka, a district translated literally as "the other side." Walk through its main street filled with shops and restaurants that have preserved their Turkish roots. Then, take a short public ferry to Konak Pier. You'll get a real feel for the city's rhythm and daily life as you explore and taste your way through the winding lanes of the Kemaralti Bazaar with your Tour Manager. Stop at several local market vendors for *simit*, *börek*, and more. The afternoon is yours and your hotel places you in the centre of it all. Explore the seafront promenade, browse the shops, and find a spot that feels like your own. Tonight, gather with

your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Izmir - Ephesus - Sirince - Izmir This morning, your in-depth tour of ancient Ephesus (UNESCO) takes you through the residential Terrace Houses, past the great Library of Celsus and the ruins of the Temple of Artemis, walking the same marble paths that Paul the Apostle once travelled. Visit the Archaeological Museum to round out the morning. This afternoon, the hilltop village of Sirince awaits — a rare, protected example of Ottoman Christian architecture, its streets lined with locally made olive oil, wine, and peaches. Settle into a café for an exclusive experience sipping *Türk kahvesi* and maybe even letting a local read your fortune from the grounds. (B)

Day 5: Izmir - Pamukkale - Dalyan Head inland this morning to Pamukkale (UNESCO), where the ruins of the Greco-Roman city of Hierapolis sit above one of nature's most unexpected sights — the "Cotton Castle," a cascade of white limestone terraces and thermal pools that must be seen to be believed. A private golf cart tour of the archaeological site brings the ancient world to life. With free time, wander the "Cotton Candy" pools at your own pace. By evening, you're in Dalyan, where you'll spend two nights at a family-run bed & breakfast, simple and welcoming



Whirling Dervishes

with a deck overlooking the water. The rest of the evening is yours to unwind in this riverbank town. (B)

Day 6: Dalyan - Kaunos - Dalyan

After a leisurely and traditional Turkish breakfast, tour the ruins of ancient Kaunos before stepping aboard a private boat for a trip along the river that winds from Dalyan out toward the Mediterranean. The marshland you pass through is alive — herons, fish, and sea turtles share these waters. Weather permitting, there are stops along the way for a swim. Return to Dalyan for an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 7: Dalyan - Burdur - Konya Today you follow one of history's great paths, the ancient Silk Road, which once carried goods, stories, and people from China all the way to Istanbul. It's a full day on the road, with a lunch stop in the city of Burdur, known for its simple yet delicious food. By early evening, you arrive in Konya, a deeply spiritual city with a remarkable past, where dinner at the hotel is included at your leisure. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Konya - Sultanhanı

Caravanserai - Cappadocia This morning, visit the Mevlâna Museum in Konya, the world centre of the Whirling Dervishes and one of the most visited pilgrimage sites in the world. The road then leads to a visit to Sultanhanı Caravanserai, one of the largest surviving Silk Road rest stops, where the soaring stone vaults give you a real sense of the scale of ancient trade. Arriving in Cappadocia in the early afternoon, you'll tour one of the region's extraordinary underground cities, some carved nearly 3,000 years ago as refuge from invasion. As you make your way to the hotel, the valley opens up around you: volcanic rock formations shaped over millennia into something that feels like another world. (B, D)

Day 9: Cappadocia Rise early for an optional hot air balloon ride above the fairy chimneys and ancient rock

dwelling of Cappadocia — few mornings will top this one. After regrouping with your fellow travellers, visit the Göreme Open Air Museum (UNESCO), where eleven rock-cut churches and monasteries hold centuries-old frescoes. Lunch is a home-cooked experience with a local family — vegetables from the garden, hands in the soil, stories across the table. A pottery workshop follows, where you'll see how Cappadocia's distinctive clay tradition has been shaped from the land itself. This evening, gather for a Whirling Dervishes ceremony. (B, L)

Day 10: Cappadocia This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join your Tour Manager for a leisurely walk through Love Valley among the fairy chimneys at ground level **-OR-** go off-road on a private 4x4 safari. After you've worked up an appetite, lunch is an **IMPACT MOMENT** at Tik Tik, a women's cooperative restaurant where your meal directly supports the women who made it. Afterwards, a carpet weaving demonstration follows, tracing the full journey from silkworm to finished pattern — a tradition as intricate as the rugs themselves. (B, L)

Day 11: Cappadocia - Istanbul A short flight this morning carries you from the valleys of Cappadocia back to Istanbul, where continents and centuries collide in the best possible way. Your first stop is the Grand Bazaar, a labyrinthine covered market that has been humming with trade for over 600 years. Browse, barter, and soak it all in before checking into the hotel. This evening, regroup with your fellow travellers for dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 12: Istanbul Today belongs to Istanbul's greatest landmarks, and they do not disappoint. Visit Hagia Sophia (UNESCO), a breathtaking structure that has served as cathedral, mosque, and museum over the course of its long life, before stepping inside Topkapı Palace and Harem, where the Ottoman



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	En Hotel, Izmir
Days 5, 6	Arp Hotel, Dalyan
Day 7	Bayir Diamond Hotel, Konya
Days 8 – 10	Barcelo Hotel, Cappadocia
Days 11 – 13	Burdock Hotel, Istanbul

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Izmir • Pre-Night Stay

Istanbul • Post-Night Stay

Çanakkale • Post-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$2,055[†] pp

Trace the footsteps of history from ancient Troy and Gallipoli to vibrant Istanbul, blending legendary ruins, poignant heritage sites, and a local wine tasting.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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Sultans once held court. Then, continue to the 17th-century Blue Mosque with its cascade of domes and slender minarets, followed by the Hippodrome, once the roaring heart of the Roman Empire. Istanbul's legendary traffic is very much part of the experience — patience is its own reward here. (B)

Day 13: Istanbul This morning, a Bosphorus cruise carries you between Europe and Asia as the city's skyline — minarets, bridges, and waterfront palaces — unfolds on either side. Spend some time in the city's Golden

Horn district, visiting the Spice Market for some free time. The rest of the afternoon is yours. Visit the Museum of Turkish and Islamic Art, with its extraordinary collection of woven carpets dating to the Ottoman Empire, or treat yourself to an optional *hammam*, an authentic Turkish scrub and foam bath in a historic bathhouse. This evening, the group gathers for a farewell dinner of Ottoman-inspired dishes. (B, D)

Day 14: Istanbul - Tour Ends Your journey comes to a close today. (B)

Gems of Greece: Athens, Naxos & Crete

14 DAYS • 21 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,999

Small Group



Naxos

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$11,399 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on July 17, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

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HIGHLIGHTS

Acropolis Site & Museum, Naxos & Lesser Cyclades Day Cruise, *Kitron* Distillery & Tasting, Knossos Palace, Cooking Class, Pottery Demonstration, Olive Oil Tour & Tasting, Cretan Folk Dancing & Dinner

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore the traditions of Naxos, the largest of the Cyclades islands, where families go back generations.
- Step inside Shedia Home, a café and artists' workshop in Athens that supports its community.
- Cook with locals in Archanes during a class at a co-op café.
- Cruise from Naxos and sail among the Small Cyclades islands.
- Go inside the Acropolis in Athens and the Acropolis Museum to experience history.
- Explore the ruins of Knossos Palace, a centre of Minoan civilization and legend.
- Experience Greek folk traditions during a Cretan *taverna* dinner with dancing.
- Taste the local *Kitron*, a liqueur only produced on the Greek island of Naxos.

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Greece. Anticipation builds for days shaped by sunlit seas, ancient stories, and the easy rhythm of Mediterranean life, unfolding from the historic capital to the islands scattered across the Aegean.

Day 2: Athens, Greece Arrive in Athens, Greece's sun-washed capital and the birthplace of democracy. As you settle in, the city begins to unfold around you — café tables buzzing, neighbourhood streets alive with daily rhythms, and the Acropolis rising steadily above it all. As arrival times will vary, no sightseeing is scheduled for the afternoon. Early this evening, gather for a briefing that sets the tone for the journey ahead. Then, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Athens This morning, take in Athens on a panoramic tour that weaves together centuries of history through the city's most iconic landmarks. Step inside the Acropolis Museum for a guided visit, where artifacts uncovered from the sacred hill offer powerful insight into ancient life, all with views of the Acropolis just beyond the glass. By afternoon, wander Plaka, the neighbourhood tucked beneath the Acropolis, where inviting cafés and shops line winding streets. Choose a spot for lunch on your own

and linger as the city hums around you. From 3:00 p.m. onward, the rest of the day is yours to explore. (B)

Day 4: Athens This morning, get an up-close look at the Acropolis, where monuments that shaped Western civilization still stand watch over Athens. Walk alongside the Parthenon on a guided tour of the archaeological complex, surrounded by layers of ancient history. Later, experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** at a community-minded café and workshop that supports individuals who have overcome homelessness and rebuilt their lives through meaningful work and creative expression. After lunch at the café, from 3:00 p.m. onward, the rest of the day is yours to explore Athens at your own pace. (B, L)

Day 5: Athens - Naxos Rise and shine! It's an early start today as you climb aboard a ferry, luggage in hand, en route for Naxos. The Aegean stretches endlessly around you as islands slip past along the way. Arrive on the largest of the Cyclades, known for its self-sustaining traditions and fertile landscapes. Upon arrival, see Naxos's emblem, the monumental marble Portara standing watch over the harbour. Enjoy free time for lunch on your own before settling into your hotel. This evening, gather for dinner at a nearby restaurant in Chora, Naxos Town. (B, D)



Arrival: Athens (ATH)

Departure: Athens (ATH)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 4** Holiday Suites Boutique Hotel, Athens
- Days 5 – 7** Galaxy Hotel, Naxos
- Days 8, 9** Olive Green Hotel, Heraklion
- Days 10 – 12** Samaria Hotel, Chania
- Day 13** Holiday Suites Boutique Hotel, Athens

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Lunches (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Athens • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Day 6: Naxos - Lesser Cyclades -

Naxos This morning, board a sailboat for a full-day cruise that reveals the coastline of Naxos and the neighbouring Lesser Cyclades. Glide along the island's eastern shore before arriving at Kato Koufonisi for a swim stop. Savour a Greek barbecue lunch onboard with local wines and cool off with a swim in the Aegean. Continue to Ano Koufonisi to wander its beaches and village paths, then sail toward Rina Cave for a final stop along the coast. By evening, return to your Naxos hotel to unwind after a windswept day at sea. (B, L)

Day 7: Naxos Leave the coast behind today and head into the mountain villages of Naxos. Visit Halki, the island's former capital, where stone mansions and quiet lanes reflect another era. Continue to Apiranthos, a hilltop village where daily life moves at an unhurried rhythm. After returning to your hotel for downtime, enjoy a private evening at a third-generation family-owned distillery, sampling local spirits including *Kitron*, a liqueur found only on Naxos, paired with small bites as you learn about the distillation process. (B)

Day 8: Naxos - Heraklion, Crete Enjoy a relaxing morning before leaving Naxos behind. Later this afternoon, with your suitcase in hand, board the ferry bound for Heraklion. Once

aboard, settle in for the crossing as Crete comes into view — Greece's largest island and a world unto itself. This evening, get your first taste of Cretan cooking with dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 9: Heraklion Walk through Lion's Square this morning, the beating heart of Heraklion, before heading to Knossos Palace for a guided visit. Among the ruins of this former Minoan centre, legends and daily life intertwine, including the myth of King Minos and the Minotaur's labyrinth. As you travel through the countryside, olive groves stretch across the landscape, a constant presence since Minoan times. In Archanes, visit a women's cooperative café for an exclusive hands-on cooking class rooted in traditional Cretan dishes followed by lunch. The afternoon and evening are at leisure. (B, L)

Day 10: Heraklion - Rethymnon - Chania Travel west toward Chania today, stopping along the way in Margarites, a village known for its long pottery tradition. Visit the only workshop that blends modern methods with wood-fired techniques and watch a demonstration before browsing handcrafted pieces. Continue to Rethymnon and enjoy free time for lunch in its old town. By evening, arrive

in Chania and gather for dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 11: Chania - Kolymvari - Vouves - Chania This morning, during a private tour, step into the heart of Cretan life at a family-run olive mill, where olives are more than a crop — they are history, identity, and daily sustenance. Learn how generations have cultivated, harvested, and pressed olives into oil that anchors Cretan cooking and culture. Taste several expressions of Crete's renowned olive oil before sitting down for a paired lunch prepared with seasonal, locally sourced ingredients that let the oil take centre stage. Continue to Vouves to see the world's oldest olive tree, a living monument estimated to be 2,000 to 4,000 years old. Back in Chania, the rest of the day is yours. Follow your curiosity to the old Venetian Harbor, built in the 14th century, or maybe linger over Greek coffee or a local pastry along its narrow streets. (B, L)

Day 12: Chania Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the Archaeological Museum of Chania to explore its collections on your own **-OR-** join a guided tour of the archaeological site of Aptera. The afternoon is yours to enjoy Chania at your own pace. This evening, tap into the rhythm of Chania when you attend a traditional Cretan folk dance performance during dinner with your fellow travellers. To top it all off, enjoy a lively dance lesson so you can really move to the Cretan beat. (B, D)

Day 13: Chania - Athens A short flight brings you back to Athens this morning. Spend the afternoon soaking up the city's energy or fitting in last-minute shopping. This evening, gather for drinks and light fare as you toast to the journey, taking in one final view of the Acropolis glowing against the night sky. (B)

Day 14: Athens - Tour Ends Your tour of Greece's gems ends today. (B)

Wonders of Ancient Greece

featuring Athens, Metéora & Aegina Island

11 DAYS • 16 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,999



Metéora

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,199 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 9, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – March 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

October 2027 – March 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for October 2027 - March 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Acropolis, Metéora Monasteries, Aegina Island, Olive Farm Visit, Cooking Class, Greek Dance Class

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Join a local expert to explore Athens and its famed sites.
- Broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek music with an exclusive Greek dance class.
- Taste olive oil and homemade jams at a local farm in the Peloponnese countryside.
- Explore the grandeur of Olympia, birthplace of the Olympic Games.
- Take the ferry to Aegina Island to explore the town or nearby sites however you wish.
- Visit a family-owned distillery producing ouzo since 1869.
- Experience the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artifacts.

Day 1: Overnight Flight Discover the beauty and timeless wonder found only in Greece. This fascinating tour of Greece begins with an overnight flight.

Day 2: Athens, Greece Arrive in Athens, cradle of Democracy and capital city of Greece. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, celebrate the beginning of your Greek experience with a delightful welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Athens Enjoy a panoramic tour of the highlights in Athens showcasing the city's ancient and glorious monuments, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Parliament, and the Olympic Stadium. Next, ascend the steep hill of the Acropolis. Greek for "highest city," the Acropolis was the religious centre of ancient Athens and is crowned by the Parthenon, considered the pinnacle of classical Greek architecture. This evening, perhaps you'll choose to join an optional local food tour of Athens. (B)

Day 4: Athens - Thermopylae - Kalambaka Travel north through central Greece to Thermopylae. Stop to see a monument dedicated to Leonidas who died defending Greece against the Persians. End your day at

a family-owned *taverna* and savour a delicious meal with recipes passed down from generations. (B, D)

Day 5: Kalambaka - Metéora - Arachova This morning, visit Metéora and enjoy guided tours of two remote monasteries situated in a unique landscape of limestone rock "towers" that extend nearly 900 feet into the air. Over 600 years ago, Byzantine monks chose to build their monastic community perched atop these virtually inaccessible rocks. Continue on to charming Arachova, a popular ski resort town with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. (B, D)

Day 6: Arachova - Delphi - Olympia This morning, explore the ancient city of Delphi, one of Greece's most significant religious centres during Classical times. A local expert leads you through the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple, the ancient theatre, and the Delphi Museum, home to an extraordinary collection of artifacts. It was here that the famed Oracle once offered prophecies that shaped the course of history. Continue your journey along the Gulf of Corinth and cross into the Peloponnese, arriving in the historic city of Olympia, a lasting symbol of ancient Greek



Dancers



Delphi

achievement. This evening, broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek musical instruments and folkloric dances during an exclusive Greek dance class. (B, D)

Day 7: Olympia Begin your day with a guided visit to ancient Olympia, including the sanctuary of Zeus, the Olympic Stadium — site of the first Olympic Games in 776 B.C. — and the museum. Next, visit a local farm in the countryside and meet the owners to gain insight into everyday rural life. Following your tour, enjoy a lunchtime tasting of local wines, olive oil, homemade jams, marmalades, and traditional sweets. Later, learn to prepare some of the region's finest dishes as you take part in a private Mediterranean cooking experience, followed by a traditional Greek dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Olympia - Tolo Enjoy spectacular scenery as you cross the Arkadian Mountains en route to the picturesque seaside hotel in Tolo. En route, stop at a family-owned ouzo distillery producing Greece's signature anise-flavoured aperitif since 1869. (B)

Day 9: Tolo - Nafplio - Tolo Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Journey to ancient Mycenae, once ruled by

mythological King Agamemnon, commander-in-chief of the Greeks during the Trojan War. Explore the excavations during a guided visit featuring the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate **-OR-** linger in Nafplio and join a walking tour of Greece's first capital city. Nafplio's mix of Venetian and Neo-classical architectural influences make it Greece's most elegant city. (B)

Day 10: Tolo - Piraeus Port - Aegina Island - Athens This morning, make your way to Piraeus Port in Athens, getting a view of the Corinth Canal along the way. Then, board a quick hour-long ferry to Aegina Island. One of the Saronic Islands, Aegina is inhabited year-round, offering a glimpse into Greek island life. Spend your afternoon on this island, famed for its pistachios and fresh seafood, however you wish. Perhaps you'll soak up Aegina Town with its shops and local markets, or venture a little farther on your own by taxi to nearby archaeological sites. Gather with your fellow travellers to celebrate the end of a memorable trip over a farewell lunch before returning to Athens by ferry. (B, L)

Day 11: Athens - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Crowne Plaza City Center, Athens
Day 4	Grand Metéora Hotel, Kalambaka
Day 5	Anemolia Mountain Resort, Arachova
Days 6, 7	Europa Hotel, Olympia
Days 8, 9	King Minos Hotel, Tolo ▲
Day 10	Crowne Plaza City Center, Athens

On some dates alternate hotels may be used ▲ Room upgrade available.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Athens • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Istanbul • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,780[†] pp

Discover Istanbul, where East meets West — from the Blue Mosque and Hagia Sophia to the Grand Bazaar.

[†]Additional air segment purchase required.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Aegina Island

Greece Island Hopper featuring Athens, Mykonos, and Santorini

11 DAYS • 14 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,249

Santorini

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,249 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,349 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on July 23, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Acropolis of Athens & The Parthenon, *Taverna* Dinner Show, Mykonos Old Town, Santorini Island, Oia Village, Ancient Akrotiri, Wine Tasting

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Join a local expert in Athens and explore the city's world-renowned sites.
- Discover the picture-perfect village of Oia on Santorini.
- Enjoy three days at leisure in Mykonos, the whitewashed island in the Aegean Sea.
- Take a peek into the 15th century BC at the excavation site of Akrotiri.
- Admire the view from the Acropolis, home to the legendary Parthenon.
- Sample the finest wines in Greece during a private winery tour and light lunch in Santorini.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Lena's House & Mykonos Folklore Museum and Mykonos Farmers — using locally sourced milk while minimizing waste and respecting seasonal rhythms. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight You're on your way to Greece — where Mediterranean sunshine and bright blue waters meet eons of creative ingenuity and an everlasting legacy. Feel the energy of the past and allow the ocean breeze to ruffle your hair — this is the picture-perfect getaway you've always dreamt of.

Day 2: Athens, Greece Begin your journey in Athens, the immortalized capital of Greece. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner of local cuisine and wine. (D)

Day 3: Athens See the best of Athens with a local expert who highlights the city's ancient roots on a comprehensive panoramic tour. Make your way along the world-renowned monuments, including the Temple of Zeus, the Parliament, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and the Olympic Stadium. Step into the past on a tour of the legendary Acropolis, an ancient complex housing a collection of temples. Admire the breathtaking view of the city below and discover the country's beloved icon: the illustrious Parthenon. Make the most of an afternoon and evening at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Athens - Mykonos Start your day aboard a sleek, high-speed boat ride to Mykonos, an island paradise surrounded by the crystal-clear Aegean Sea. Start your island stay with an exploration of Chora, Mykonos' Old Town, where you discover its winding lanes independently. In the afternoon, check in to your hotel for a relaxing 3-night stay. From sandy beaches and seaside cafes to street musicians and a never-ending nightlife scene, Mykonos offers limitless opportunities to kick back and enjoy the island's irresistible lifestyle. (B, D)

Day 5: Mykonos The day is yours! Perhaps you will head down to the beach to soak up some sun, sip a cup of coffee on the waterfront promenade, or explore the town's winding streets as you weave in and out of whitewashed buildings. Or, you may join an optional excursion to the colourful village of Ano Mera, followed by a cheese tasting experience with a local farmer, exploring the true flavours of Mykonos. (B)

Day 6: Mykonos This morning, step into the past on a half-day optional excursion to the isle of Delos taking you to the fabled birthplace of the Greek Gods Apollo and Artemis. After, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Relax on one of the island's pristine beaches, perfect



Arrival: Athens (ATH)

Departure: Athens (ATH)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Crowne Plaza Hotel, Athens
- Days 4 – 6** San Marco Hotel, Mykonos
- Days 7 – 9** El Greco Resort & Spa, Santorini
- Day 10** Crowne Plaza Hotel, Athens

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Athens • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Istanbul • Post-Tour Guided Extension
3 Nights, Starting at \$1,780* pp

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OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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for sunbathing, swimming, and enjoying the beach bars **-OR-** explore Lena's House Museum, a 19th-century home filled with authentic furnishings and artifacts that showcase the rich Cycladic culture and history. Enjoy the evening on your own. (B)

Day 7: Mykonos - Oia - Santorini Your journey continues to Santorini, the Eden-like island where blue-domed rooftops and gentle ocean waves complement the bright white buildings and rocky hillsides. On arrival, head through a landscape of vineyards and volcanic cliffs to Oia, a seaside village with the island's best viewpoints. A picturesque landscape and iconic destination, Santorini's charms reveal themselves during your 3-night stay. (B, D)

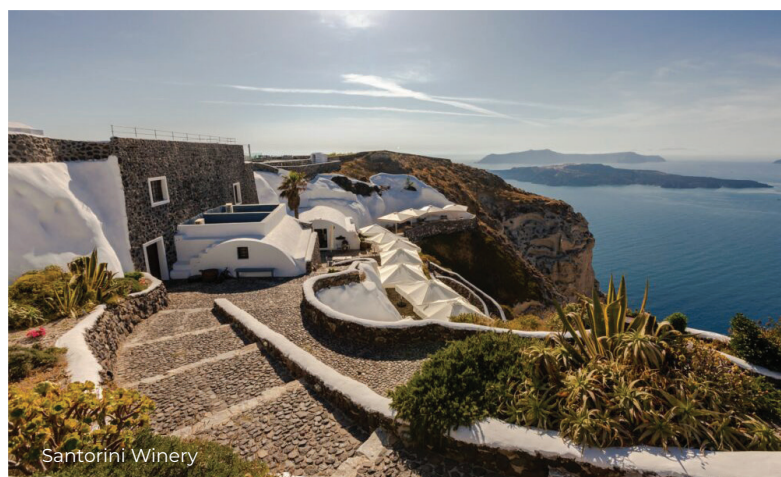
Day 8: Santorini - Akrotiri - Santorini Uncover the past at Akrotiri, an ancient city buried and preserved in volcanic ash that is commonly referred to as the "Minoan Pompeii." Take a peek into the 15th century BC and explore the town.

Next, enjoy a private visit to a local winery and taste the famous wines of Santorini along with a light lunch of local snacks. The rest of the afternoon is yours to relax and explore more of this Mediterranean gem. (B, L)

Day 9: Santorini Make the most of a day at leisure. Relax, shop in the island's charming town centre, or even visit a local museum. Or, join our full-day Island Hopping and Cruise optional excursion for a visit to some of the magical islets that surround Santorini before enjoying dinner on board. (B)

Day 10: Santorini - Athens Depart the islands and fly back to Athens for your final night in Greece. Toast to the end of your sun-filled getaway at a local *taverna* in the city's historic district with traditional Greek entertainment. (B, D)

Day 11: Athens - Tour Ends Wish the Mediterranean goodbye as your tour draws to a close today. (B)



Greece and Its Islands

featuring Classical Greece, Mykonos & Santorini

16 DAYS • 25 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,299



CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,299 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,299 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on October 14, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

The Acropolis, Parthenon, Metéora Monasteries, Olive Farm Visit, Cooking Class, Greek Dance Class, Mykonos, Santorini, Ancient Akrotiri

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Come to know two breathtaking Byzantine monasteries in Metéora, built over 600 years ago.
- Broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek music with an exclusive Greek dance class.
- Join a local expert to explore Athens and its famed sites.
- Explore the grandeur of Olympia, birthplace of the Olympic Games.
- Explore Mykonos, the whitewashed jewel of the Cyclades Islands.
- Partake in a private Mediterranean cooking experience followed by a traditional Greek lunch.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Agriturismo Magna Grecia — promoting employment opportunities for locals and supporting livelihood through agritourism. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Discover the beauty and timeless wonder found only in Greece. Begin with an overnight flight.

Day 2: Athens, Greece Arrive in the capital city of Athens. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner featuring Greek specialties at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Athens Enjoy a panoramic tour of the highlights in Athens showcasing the city's ancient and glorious monuments, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Parliament, and the Olympic Stadium. Next, ascend the steep hill of the Acropolis. Greek for "highest city," the Acropolis was the religious centre of ancient Athens and is crowned by the Parthenon, considered the pinnacle of classical Greek architecture. The rest of the afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure. This evening, perhaps you'll choose to join an optional local food tour of Athens. (B)

Day 4: Athens - Thermopylae - Metéora - Kalambaka Travel north through central Greece to Thermopylae. Stop to see a monument dedicated to Leonidas who died defending the city against the Persians. Arrive in Metéora and visit two remote monasteries situated in a unique landscape of

limestone rock "towers" that extend nearly 275 metres into the air. Over 600 years ago, Byzantine monks chose to build their monastic community perched atop these virtually inaccessible rocks. End your day at a family-owned *taverna* where you will savour a delicious meal with recipes passed down through generations. (B, D)

Day 5: Kalambaka - Delphi - Arachova This morning, continue to the ancient city of Delphi, one of Greece's most important religious centres during Classical times. A local expert guides you on a visit to the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple, the ancient theatre, and the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artifacts. It was here that the famous Oracle was consulted to foretell the destiny of Man. Continue on to charming Arachova, a popular ski resort town with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. (B, D)

Day 6: Arachova - Olympia Travel along the Gulf of Corinth, crossing into the Peloponnese to the historic city of Olympia, a testament to the grandeur of ancient Greek civilization. Visit a local farm in the countryside and meet with the owners to learn about everyday life in rural Peloponnese. Then, enjoy a light lunch including a tasting of local wines, olive oil, homemade jams, marmalades, and sweets. (B, L, D)



Mykonos



Meteora

Day 7: Olympia Your guided visit to ancient Olympia includes a tour of the sanctuary of Zeus, the Olympic Stadium — where the first Olympic Games were held in 776 B.C. — and the museum. Next, learn how to cook some of the region's best dishes as you partake in a private Mediterranean cooking experience followed by a traditional Greek lunch. This evening, broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek musical instruments and folkloric dances with an exclusive Greek dance class. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Olympia - Tolo Enjoy spectacular scenery as you cross the Arkadian Mountains on your way to the picturesque seaside village of Tolo. En route, stop at a family-owned *ouzo* distillery producing Greece's signature anise-flavoured aperitif since 1869. (B)

Day 9: Tolo - Nafplio - Tolo Today, head to the coastal city of Nafplio, where **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Journey to ancient Mycenae, once ruled by mythological King Agamemnon, commander-in-chief of the Greeks during the Trojan War. Explore the excavations during a guided visit featuring the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate **-OR-** linger in Nafplio and join a walking tour of Greece's first capital city. Nafplio's mix of Venetian and neo-classical architectural influences make it Greece's most elegant city. The

remainder of the day is free to explore on your own. (B)

Day 10: Tolo - Athens - Mykonos - Chora Early this morning, transfer to the port of Athens for a high-speed ferry ride to Mykonos. Enjoy magnificent views as you cruise across the brilliant Aegean Sea to this island paradise. Spend time in Chora (Mykonos Old Town), where mazes of narrow streets link the whitewashed buildings and traditional life continues amidst the bustling activity. (B, D)

Day 11: Mykonos Enjoy a relaxing day to independently explore the charms of Mykonos. Or join an optional excursion to the nearby island of Delos, the fabled birthplace of Apollo and Artemis. (B)

Day 12: Mykonos - Santorini - Oia Cruise to the most spectacular destination in the Mediterranean, the fabled island of Santorini. Next, travel through a fascinating landscape of vineyards, whitewashed chapels, and volcanic cliffs to the spectacular town of Oia, where the best views of the crater are found. (B, D)

Day 13: Santorini - Akrotiri - Wine Tasting Begin your day with a visit to the excavation site of ancient Akrotiri, the most important prehistoric settlement found anywhere in the Eastern Mediterranean. Known as the "Minoan Pompeii," the flourishing town



Arrival: Athens (ATH)

Departure: Athens (ATH)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Golden Age Hotel, Athens
Day 4	Grand Hotel Metéora, Kalambaka
Day 5	Anemolia Mountain Resort, Arachova
Days 6, 7	Europa Hotel, Olympia
Days 8, 9	King Minos Hotel, Tolo ▲
Days 10, 11	Porto Mykonos Hotel, Mykonos
Days 12 – 14	El Greco Resort, Santorini
Day 15	Golden Age Hotel, Athens

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

14 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 8 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Athens • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Istanbul • Post-Tour Guided Extension

3 Nights, Starting at \$1,780[†] pp

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OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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was at once destroyed and preserved by a volcanic eruption around 1450 B.C. End your morning with a tasting and light lunch at a local winery that produces the unique and famous wines of Santorini. (B, L)

Day 14: Santorini Your day is at leisure to relax or independently explore Santorini. Shop in Thira's charming town centre, visit a local museum, or simply enjoy the amenities of your hotel. Perhaps you'll join an optional

afternoon tour of Megalochori, one of the most picturesque villages on the island, followed by a dinner of flavourful regional cuisine. (B)

Day 15: Santorini - Athens Bid farewell to the Greek Islands and fly back to Athens for your overnight stay. Celebrate the end of your trip with a delightful farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 16: Athens - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)

Croatia & Its Islands

Small Ship Cruising on the Adriatic Coast

12 DAYS • 20 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,499

Korkula

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: 29 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$12,449 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Zagreb, Šibenik, Cathedral of St. James, Krka National Park, 7-Night Adriatic Cruise, Split, Trogir, Brac, Stari Grad, Hvar, Biševo Blue Cave, Vis, Korcula, Mljet National Park, Dubrovnik

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Enjoy Dalmatian delicacies prepared according to traditional recipes.
- Stand before the breathtaking waterfalls and travertine cascades in Krka National Park.
- Tour the capital city of Zagreb with a local guide.
- Admire the stunning St. James Cathedral in Šibenik, a UNESCO World Heritage masterpiece of Renaissance architecture.
- Explore Diocletian's Palace, once a Roman emperor's retirement home, now a living city in Split.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Krka National Park, Seosko domaćinstvo Roca, and ECOSUSTAIN — supporting conservation through protected waterways. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Wander along medieval walls, marvel at enchanting waterfalls, and relax on sunny islands. From Zagreb to Dubrovnik, set out to experience the best of Croatia and the Adriatic Coast.

Day 2: Zagreb, Croatia Welcome to Zagreb, the capital of Croatia! Settle into your hotel not far from the city centre's vibrant cafés and cobblestone streets. As arrival times may vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers over dinner at one of Zagreb's premier restaurants, where classic Croatian flavours meet contemporary artistry. (D)

Day 3: Zagreb - Vodic Dive into the heart of Zagreb on a guided tour, passing the historic Stone Gate and the Croatian Parliament. After free time for lunch in the capital, journey towards the Adriatic coast. Your introduction to this region starts with a visit to a family-run farm for a Dalmatian dinner, where you'll learn the secrets of prosciutto production — a taste of authentic, rural Croatia. (B, D)

Day 4: Vodic - Krka National Park - Vodic This morning, venture to the breathtaking Krka National Park, where waterfalls tumble through dramatic gorges, and enjoy its natural splendour. Follow wooden walkways over turquoise waters to the base of the

magnificent Skradinski Buk waterfalls. A scenic boat ride along the Krka River to the town of Skradin offers a different perspective of this lush paradise. This afternoon is yours to enjoy the beautiful coastal town of Vodic. (B)

Day 5: Vodic - Šibenik - Trogir - Board Ship Today, your seafaring journey begins! Travel to Šibenik to set off on a walking tour through the city's ancient alleyways and streets, where you'll get a chance to see the Cathedral of St. James, a UNESCO World Heritage site. After free time for lunch, travel to the island-town of Trogir, an open-air museum of Romanesque and Renaissance architecture. Settle in aboard your private premium small ship, your home for the next seven nights. Later this afternoon, admire the striking stone houses and towering cathedral as you tour the city with a guide. Celebrate your first night at sea with a Captain's Welcome Dinner. (B, D)

Day 6: Trogir - Split After an overnight in Trogir, enjoy a morning at leisure and a swim stop along the way before arriving in Split. Here, history is woven into the fabric of the city. Your guided tour takes you through the incredible Diocletian's Palace, one of Croatia's UNESCO World Heritage sites, now buzzing with shops and cafés. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the



Arrival: Zagreb (ZAG)

Departure: Dubrovnik (DBV)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
Day 2 The Westin, Zagreb
Days 3, 4 Hotel Olympia Sky, Vodice
Days 5 – 11 MS *Desire*

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

10 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Lunches (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Zagreb • Pre-Night Stay

Dubrovnik • Post-Tour Guided Extension
 2 Nights, Starting at \$1,370 pp

Explore Dubrovnik's Old Town and medieval walls, and Cavtat's coastal and architectural beauty.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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Ethnographic Museum of Split, located in the former residential complex of Diocletian's Palace, showcasing the traditional costumes, crafts, and culture of Split -OR- explore more of Diocletian's Palace during a visit to its substructure. Set below the imperial apartments, this is one of the best-preserved ancient complexes of its kind in the world. The evening is yours to enjoy the town. (B, L)

Day 7: Split - Brac - Stari Grad - Hvar - Stari Grad Today is a celebration of island life. Start with sailing towards Brac Island, enjoying the sun, breeze, and the stunning Dalmatian coastline along the way. Enjoy your lunch on board the ship and continue cruising to the sunny island of Hvar. Along the way, you'll coast by quaint coves and bays tucked along the Adriatic Sea. Arrive in Stari Grad, the oldest port town on Hvar, and join a scenic bus tour to Hvar Town, enjoying spectacular views of the island and the Adriatic Sea. Explore Hvar's historic marble streets and squares on a guided tour. Enjoy free time to discover its chic harbour, hidden alleys, or a family-owned restaurant for dinner on your own before returning to the ship. (B, L)

Day 8: Hvar - Biševo - Vis Embark on a morning cruise to the island of Biševo. This island is home to the Blue Cave, a

stunning grotto with a luminous blue glow. Cruise on to Vis, a small island overflowing with architecture that reflects its long history and beautiful beaches. With free time this afternoon, relax onboard and enjoy a leisurely evening or consider an optional excursion to experience more of this breathtaking island. (B, L)

Day 9: Vis - Korcula This morning, it's on to Korcula, the debated home of one of the world's most famous explorers: Marco Polo. With a local guide, wind through its herringbone-patterned streets, admiring the medieval buildings and vibrant houses in this town known as "Little Dubrovnik." The afternoon is yours to enjoy the charms of this age-old island town and perhaps find a quiet spot to savour a glass of local *Pošip* wine. (B, L)

Day 10: Korcula - Mljet National Park - Slano - Ljubac - Slano This morning, immerse yourself in the serene beauty of Mljet National Park. Stroll beside its two saltwater lakes, Big Lake and Small Lake, before exploring the Islet of St. Mary, home to a 12th-century Benedictine monastery. Here, be prepared to climb stairs and walk on uneven ground. After your visit, sail toward Slano, taking in the breathtaking views of the Adriatic coastline. Upon arrival, board a coach

for a scenic drive into the countryside toward the charming village of Ljubac. Here, enjoy an unforgettable evening featuring traditional Dalmatian folk entertainment, local music, and a warm, rustic atmosphere. A traditional Dalmatian dinner will be served, showcasing regional dishes prepared according to long-standing culinary traditions. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Slano - Dubrovnik This morning, cruise past the Elafiti Islands and be welcomed into the legendary city of Dubrovnik. You'll see why it's called the "Pearl of the Adriatic" when you take in the medieval stone walls, iconic Baroque rooftops, and winding cobblestone streets. Embrace the feeling that you've stepped into

another time as you explore the Old City with a local guide. During this walk, be prepared to navigate stairs and trek carefully across slippery limestone pavement. The rest of the day is yours to create your own perfect Dubrovnik moment — walk the walls, take a cable car to the top of Mount Srd for awe-inspiring views of Dubrovnik, or simply enjoy the day on the *Stradun* (main street). This evening, toast to an incredible journey at your farewell dinner on board, with a stunning view of the illuminated harbour. (B, D)

Day 12: Dubrovnik - Disembark Ship - Tour Ends Say goodbye to Croatia as your tour of the Adriatic Coast comes to a close today. (B)

Discover Croatia, Slovenia & the Adriatic Coast

12 DAYS • 17 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,499



Dubrovnik

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,149 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 1, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April – June 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

July – October 2027; April – June 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for July 2027 – June 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Dubrovnik, Plitvice Lakes National Park, Ljubljana, Lake Bled, Opatija, Istrian Peninsula, Farm-to-Table Dinner, Split, Diocletian's Palace

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Stroll through Split and explore UNESCO-listed Diocletian's Palace.
- Experience the cascading lakes and waterfalls of Plitvice Lakes National Park.
- Drift to Lake Bled by traditional wooden boat.
- Taste traditional Croatian prosciutto during a visit to a family-owned producer.
- Discover Dubrovnik's Old Town and its historic Franciscan Monastery.
- Savour farm-to-table cuisine and regional wines.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Matjaž's Homestead — preserving rural Slovene heritage through restored historic buildings and traditional winemaking education.

Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9

Day 1: Overnight Flight Explore Croatia and the countries of the Adriatic, a region filled with ancient cities, medieval architecture, intriguing cultures with a complex history, rolling hills, and stunning coastal scenery.

Day 2: Ljubljana, Slovenia Arrive in Ljubljana, the capital city and cultural heart of Slovenia. As arrival times vary, there is no included sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner in this fairy-tale city. (D)

Day 3: Ljubljana - Lake Bled - Ljubljana This morning, a local expert introduces you to beautiful Ljubljana, set along the Ljubljanica River and known for its green spaces, picturesque bridges, sidewalk cafés, and a lively central market. See Prešeren Square, City Hall, Ljubljana University, and the city's renowned bridges, including the famous Dragon Bridge, a proud symbol of the city. After free time for lunch, travel to Lake Bled, nestled in the Julian Alps. Reach Bled Island by a traditional wooden boat and spend an afternoon in one of the most picturesque places in Slovenia. Perhaps you'll try the legendary Bled cream cake before returning to Ljubljana. (B)

Day 4: Ljubljana - Paha - Opatija, Croatia This morning, depart Ljubljana and learn about life in the Slovenian countryside, past and present. Visit a 150-year-old house, part of Slovenia's *Houses with Tradition*, and discover the region's local heritage. Continue into Croatia and the lovely seaside town of Opatija, known as "Croatia's Riviera." Get acquainted with this elegant coastal town during an orientation walk with your Tour Manager. Spend the evening at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Opatija - Grožnjan - Opatija Enjoy a relaxed morning and explore Opatija on your own. The afternoon is dedicated to discovering the cultural richness of the Istrian Peninsula with its Italian and Croatian influences. Visit Grožnjan, a small Istrian town of great cultural significance. A drive up to the hilltop town perched above the Mirna River will provide you with gorgeous views of rolling Istrian hills. Later, savour a delightful farm-to-table dinner featuring regional wines and Istrian culinary specialties. (B, D)

Day 6: Opatija - Plitvice Lakes This morning, depart for Plitvice Lakes, one of the oldest, largest, and most beautiful national parks in Croatia. Inspiring scenery is one of the wonders you'll experience at this designated UNESCO World Heritage site, famed



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2, 3** Grand Plaza Hotel, Ljubljana
- Days 4, 5** Grand Hotel 4 Opatijska Cvijeta, Opatija
- Day 6** Lyra Hotel, Plitvice Lakes
- Days 7, 8** Hotel Corner, Split
- Days 9 – 11** Hotel Adriatic, Dubrovnik

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Dubrovnik • Post-Night Stay

Zagreb • Pre-Tour Guided Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$1,370 pp

Experience Zagreb's charm with a walking tour, funicular ride, free time, and local cuisine.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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for its terraced lakes, dense forests, and cascading waterfalls. Explore this breathtaking natural wonder and enjoy a short cruise within the park. Overnight at a hotel in the small village near the park. (B, D)

Day 7: Plitvice Lakes - Split From the forest landscapes of Plitvice Lakes, travel through the Croatian countryside and stop in a traditional small village known for its family-owned artisanal prosciutto production. Learn about the craft before enjoying a light lunch of homemade specialties. Arrive in Split, a seaside city full of Roman ruins and natural beauty. This afternoon, set out on a walking tour featuring the impressive Diocletian's Palace (UNESCO), one of the most significant late Roman historical monuments built by Emperor Diocletian when he left Rome at the turn of the 4th century. Explore its Peristyle and the Cathedral of St. Dominus. This evening is yours to dine independently. (B, L)

Day 8: Split Enjoy a full day at leisure and explore Split's coastal charms on your own, or consider an optional trip to Trogir (UNESCO). This coastal gem is renowned for its picturesque Venetian architecture, medieval walls, towering cathedrals, prominent stone houses, and scenic charm. This evening, dine at a cozy local restaurant and enjoy traditional Dalmatian cuisine. (B, D)

Day 9: Split - Dubrovnik Savour stunning sea views as you travel the winding coastal road, hugging the sheer cliffs that drop dramatically into the aquamarine of the Adriatic Sea. Stop in a quaint village in the Dalmatian countryside where a local family restaurant hosts you for a delicious lunch made with locally sourced ingredients. Continue to Dubrovnik, a city of twisting cobblestone streets, terracotta rooftops, and timeless beauty. (B, L)

Day 10: Dubrovnik Join a local guide on a walking tour of "Old Dubrovnik," a UNESCO World Heritage site. Visit the Franciscan Monastery, home to Europe's oldest pharmacy, and see Dubrovnik's landmarks, such as the Rector's Palace, Sponza Palace, Dubrovnik Cathedral, and Old Town's famous main street, Stradun. You're free to explore the city on your own for the remainder of the afternoon and evening. (B)

Day 11: Dubrovnik This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take a harbour cruise for magnificent views of Dubrovnik's medieval city walls and visit Lokrum

Island **-OR-** get a bird's-eye view of the city by cable car, riding up to Srd Hill, a breathtaking vantage point to look over the Old Town below and the Adriatic Sea. Your Choice on Tour will conclude by 1:00 p.m. Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure, relaxing or independently exploring the marble streets and beautiful baroque buildings of Dubrovnik's breathtaking Old Town. This evening at 6:00 p.m., we'll depart for a farewell dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 12: Dubrovnik - Tour Ends Your tour comes to an end in Dubrovnik this morning. (B)

NEW TOUR

Timeless Croatia featuring Plitvice Lakes and the Adriatic Coast

10 DAYS • 13 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,149



CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,149 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,249 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on December 4, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2027 – March 2028

HIGHLIGHTS

Opatija, Pula Amphitheater, Zadar, *Sea Organ* and *Greeting to the Sun*, Split, Traditions of a Dalmatian Village, Plitvice Lakes National Park, Zagreb

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Experience the wonder of cascading lakes at Croatia's Plitvice Lakes National Park.
- Commune with sound and light at Zadar's popular *Sea Organ* and *Greeting to the Sun* art installations.
- Sample local specialties during a countryside family-hosted lunch.
- Step back to ancient times in the famous Pula Arena.
- Stroll through Split and explore Diocletian's Palace.
- Discover the heritage and traditions of a Dalmatian village.
- Enjoy an Istrian dinner prepared according to traditional recipes.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Ethno Village Škopljanici Radošić — preserving local cultural heritage and traditional architecture. *Learn more about responsible travel,* pg 9

Day 1: Overnight Flight Get ready to savour the sights, sounds, and flavours of beautiful Croatia and its stunning Adriatic coast. Shoulder-season travel means fewer crowds and more opportunities to explore.

Day 2: Opatija, Croatia Your journey begins in Opatija, a fashionable resort town on the Adriatic coast. As travellers' arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. If time allows, stroll along Opatija's scenic Lungomare, a seaside promenade lined with Habsburg-era villas and sweeping Adriatic views. This evening, gather at a local restaurant and toast the beginning of a memorable journey. (D)

Day 3: Opatija - Pula - Opatija This morning, discover the beauty of the Istrian peninsula as you journey to Pula, a seafront city rich in Roman heritage. Join a local guide and explore the UNESCO-listed Pula Arena, one of the world's best-preserved Roman amphitheatres. Continue to the Arch of Sergius, then walk to the main Roman square to admire the Augustan Temple and medieval city hall. Enjoy free time for lunch before returning to Opatija. This afternoon, enjoy your time at leisure in this beautiful coastal gem. (B)

Day 4: Opatija Take advantage of a day at leisure to explore Opatija and its beautiful views of the Adriatic coast. Or perhaps you'll join an optional tour of Slovenia, featuring the stunning Postojna caves and the vibrant capital city of Ljubljana. (B)

Day 5: Opatija - Zadar - Split Today, travel south to Zadar, where history and modern architecture meet. Enjoy lunch in a local restaurant before joining a guided city tour. Admire Roman ruins, Byzantine architecture, and the magnificent Cathedral of St. Anastasia. Interact with Zadar's two most famous modern installations — the musical *Sea Organ* and the mesmerizing *Greeting to the Sun*. Later this afternoon, arrive in Split, a seaside city full of ancient heritage and scenic wonders. Settle in and enjoy an evening stroll with your Tour Manager. (B, L)

Day 6: Split This morning, explore Split on a guided walking tour featuring UNESCO-listed Diocletian's Palace, built when Emperor Diocletian retired from Rome at the turn of the fourth century. Walk through the palace's Peristyle and the Cathedral of St. Domnius, guarded by the Egyptian sphinxes. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the Ethnographic Museum



Pula



Plitvice Lakes

of Split, located within the former residential complex of Diocletian's Palace, showcasing the traditional costumes, crafts, and culture of Split **-OR-** continue exploring more of Diocletian's Palace on a visit to its substructures. Set below the imperial apartments, they represent some of the best-preserved ancient complexes in the world. As your city tour will end by 1:00 p.m., the rest of the day is yours to explore the city's coastal charms on your own. (B)

Day 7: Split - Ethno Village of Radošić - Plitvice Lakes Depart Split and venture into the Dalmatian countryside to the Ethno Village of Radošić, a protected cultural monument on a family-owned estate. Experience a warm welcome as you learn about village traditions, rural heritage, and daily life. Enjoy a freshly prepared lunch made from homegrown ingredients and regional recipes. Continue north to legendary Plitvice Lakes National Park, one of Croatia's most extraordinary natural treasures. Settle into your hotel near the national park and relax for the evening surrounded by nature. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Plitvice Lakes - Zagreb This morning, explore the breathtaking beauty of Plitvice Lakes National Park (UNESCO). Walk along wooden boardwalks and footpaths, surrounded by forest and terraced turquoise lakes connected by waterfalls and cascades. Enjoy a short boat ride within the park as you soak in the scenery of one of Europe's most spectacular natural landscapes. Later, continue to Zagreb, Croatia's lively capital. Join your Tour Manager for an evening stroll and orientation. (B)

Day 9: Zagreb Step right into the history and culture of Zagreb on a city tour with a local guide. Explore the charming Upper Town and Lower Town neighbourhoods on foot. Learn about the city's centuries-old history, café culture, and vibrant everyday life. Our city tour will conclude around noon, and you are free to explore the city for the afternoon. This evening, we will celebrate the end of an unforgettable trip with dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 10: Zagreb - Tour Ends Your tour comes to an end this morning. (B)



Arrival: Zagreb (ZAG)

Departure: Zagreb (ZAG)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 4** Grand Hotel 4 Opatijska Cvijeta, Opatija
- Days 5, 6** Hotel Corner, Split
- Day 7** Hotel Lyra, Ličko Petrovo Selo, Plitvice Lakes
- Days 8, 9** The Westin, Zagreb

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Zagreb • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

This tour launches in June 2027. To see details for earlier departures, visit the **Winter in Croatia** tour page on our website.



Zadar

NEW TOUR

Christmas Markets and Castles of Europe with Germany and France

9 DAYS • 11 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,799



Heidelberg

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,799 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,899 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on December 13, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

November – December 2027

HIGHLIGHTS

Christmas Markets, Heidelberg (UNESCO), Heidelberg Castle, “Petite France” of Strasbourg, Ulm Minster, Ludwigsburg, Nymphenburg Palace, Munich

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Enjoy a guided walking tour of Heidelberg’s Old Town and explore Heidelberg Castle.
- Visit Ludwigsburg Baroque Palace.
- Tour Nymphenburg Palace, the former summer residence of Bavarian royalty.
- Discover Strasbourg’s “Petite France” district and cathedral.
- Experience a traditional Swabian dinner in Ulm’s historic centre.
- Discover the Gothic splendour of Ulm Minster, home to the tallest church steeple in the world.
- Celebrate your journey at a farewell dinner featuring Bavarian regional specialties.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Tourism Ulm/Neu Ulm — interpreting historic districts while promoting low impact, community-balanced tourism. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Overnight Flight Your journey begins as you step into the magic of Europe’s most enchanting Christmas markets, where medieval castles, twinkling lights, and centuries-old traditions await.

Day 2: Heidelberg, Germany Arrive in Heidelberg, one of Germany’s most picturesque towns, set along the Neckar River and crowned by a hilltop castle. As arrival times will vary, there is no included sightseeing today. Spend your time as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome briefing and cocktail reception before enjoying dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Heidelberg This morning, discover the storybook charm of Heidelberg on a guided walking tour. Visit the iconic Heidelberg Castle, offering sweeping views of the river and red-roofed city below, and stroll through the Old Town to learn about local Christmas traditions. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure — perhaps wander the Christmas markets, browse festive stalls, or enjoy lunch at a cozy café. If available, you may choose to explore the Christmas markets in Schwetzingen independently;

they’re known for their intimate atmosphere and seasonal charm. (B)

Day 4: Heidelberg - Strasbourg, France - Heidelberg Travel to Strasbourg, where French elegance meets German tradition. Enjoy a Tour Manager-led walk as you leisurely explore the historic Old Quarter, “Petite France,” and admire the magnificent cathedral that anchors the city, followed by free time to soak in the festive atmosphere of one of Europe’s most celebrated Christmas market cities. Later, return to Heidelberg for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Heidelberg - Ludwigsburg - Ulm Depart Heidelberg and travel toward Ulm, with a stop along the way to experience the Baroque splendour of Ludwigsburg. Enjoy time exploring the Ludwigsburg Baroque Christmas Market, where grand architecture provides a dramatic backdrop to festive stalls. Continue onward to Ulm, your home for the next two nights. This evening, join your Tour Manager for a leisurely-paced stroll in the historic centre and enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 6: Ulm This morning, with a local guide, discover Ulm, a city



Ulm



Strasbourg

known for its impressive Gothic cathedral and medieval roots, and the birthplace of Albert Einstein. The remainder of the afternoon is yours to explore Ulm at your own pace, perhaps enjoying seasonal treats at local markets and cafés or visiting "The Einsteins — Museum of an Ulm Family," which tells the story of the 19th-century Jewish community into which Albert Einstein was born. (B)

Day 7: Ulm - Munich Travel to Munich, Bavaria's lively capital, with a visit to Nymphenburg Palace, the former summer residence of Bavarian royalty. Explore its elegant halls with a local guide before continuing to Munich city centre. After settling into your hotel, enjoy time on your own or join your Tour Manager to experience Munich's festive atmosphere, including its Christmas markets. (B, L)

Day 8: Munich Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** You may step into royal history with a visit to the Treasury

of the Munich Residence, where centuries of Bavarian splendour are displayed in dazzling crowns and priceless artifacts. Then, wander through the festive courtyards of the Munich Royal Palace Christmas markets, browsing handcrafted treasures and enjoying seasonal local specialties amid twinkling lights and holiday cheer **-OR-** savour Munich through its flavours on a guided food experience. Discover beloved Bavarian specialties while exploring local markets and traditional eateries. Continue to *Marienplatz*, the city's vibrant central square, and witness the charming Rathaus-Glockenspiel performance as its colourful figures reenact historic Bavarian events. Enjoy lunch on your own and spend the afternoon discovering Munich at your own pace. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers to enjoy dinner featuring regional cuisine. (B, D)

Day 9: Munich - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Overnight Flight
- Days 2 – 4** NH Collection Heidelberg, Heidelberg
- Days 5, 6** Maritim Hotel, Ulm
- Days 7, 8** Eurostars Grand Central Hotel, Munich

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Heidelberg • Pre-Night Stay

Munich • Post-Night Stay



Traditional Cookies

More Ways to Experience



European Christmas Markets

featuring Prague, Vienna & Budapest

9 DAYS • STARTING AT \$4,999* PP

Price based on December 10, 2027 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Bask in the holiday spirit across five different European countries.
- Explore the beautifully preserved medieval town of Český Krumlov.
- Tour the majestic Prague Castle.

STAYS

3 Nights Prague
2 Nights Vienna
2 Nights Budapest

Visit gocollette.com/697 for more details.



Magical Christmas Markets of Austria and Germany

8 DAYS • STARTING AT \$4,699* PP

Price based on December 11, 2027 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Embrace the 600-year-old holiday tradition of the Christkindlesmarkt.
- Venture by train to Seefeld for a horse-drawn carriage ride and a taste of schnapps.
- Visit the picture-perfect Bavarian Alpine village of Oberammergau.

STAYS

5 Nights Innsbruck
1 Night Munich

Visit gocollette.com/559 for more details.



NEW

Enchanting Christmas Markets of Germany, Switzerland & France

9 DAYS • STARTING AT \$4,999* PP

Price based on December 9, 2027 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Hear stories of Lucerne's Christmas traditions while exploring the Old Town.
- Be immersed in tradition with a visit to the German Christmas Museum in Rothenburg ob der Tauber.
- Experience the magical atmosphere of Strasbourg, the "Capital of Christmas."

STAYS

2 Nights Regensburg
3 Nights Freiburg
2 Nights Lucerne

Visit gocollette.com/731 for more details.



Christmas on the Danube

featuring a 6-Night Danube River Cruise

9 DAYS • STARTING AT \$6,599* PP

Price based on December 13, 2027 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the 900-year-old Benedictine Melk Abbey.
- Join local experts as you discover Würzburg, Nuremberg, Regensburg, and Vienna.
- Experience the picturesque region of the Wachau Valley.

STAYS

1 Night Würzburg
6 Nights MS *The Gentleman*

Visit gocollette.com/211 for more details.



Magical Rhine & Moselle Rivers

9 DAYS • STARTING AT \$7,399* PP

Price based on May 9, 2028 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover lovely Strasbourg on a guided tour and cruise its canals.
- Experience Speyer, one of Germany's oldest cities.
- Explore the picturesque town of Cochem and Reichsburg Castle.

STAYS

7 Nights MS *The Nobleman*

Visit gocollette.com/569 for more details.



Holland and Belgium Springtime River Cruise

9 DAYS • STARTING AT \$7,399* PP

Price based on March 30, 2027 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Step back in time on a guided walking tour of medieval Bruges.
- Explore the world-famous Keukenhof Gardens, spanning 70 acres.

STAYS

7 Nights MS *The Nobleman*

Visit gocollette.com/209 for more details.

Specially Designed



NEW

Shrines of France

10 DAYS • STARTING AT \$4,949* PP

Price based on June 14, 2027 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Celebrate Mass at Notre-Dame Cathedral, where centuries of faith meet breathtaking architecture.
- Kneel in prayer at the Lourdes Grotto, where St. Bernadette encountered the Virgin Mary.
- Worship at the Chapel of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, a revered pilgrimage site.

STAYS

3 Nights Lourdes
3 Nights Lisieux
2 Nights Paris

Visit gocollette.com/656 for more details.



NEW

Shrines of Ireland

10 DAYS • STARTING AT \$4,499* PP

Price based on November 5, 2027 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Connect with Ireland's rich traditions at the Marian Shrine Knock, a revered place of pilgrimage, faith, and devotion.
- Travel back in time at Glendalough, where ancient monastic ruins meet lakes and mountains.
- Experience the quiet spirituality of Clonmacnoise, where centuries of prayer, stone crosses, and sacred silence rest beside the River Shannon.

STAYS

2 Nights Dublin
1 Night Waterford
2 Nights Killarney
2 Nights Limerick
1 Night Kingscourt

Visit gocollette.com/474 for more details.



Shrines of Italy

11 DAYS • STARTING AT \$4,799* PP

Price based on February 21, 2028 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit the Porziuncola Chapel and witness the humble beginnings of the Franciscan Order.
- Stroll the serene Rose Garden at the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels.
- Pause for a moment of devotion at the shrine of St. Carlo Acutis — the first millennial saint.

STAYS

2 Nights Rome
4 Nights Assisi
3 Nights Rome

Visit gocollette.com/24 for more details.

Faith Tours



Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle

11 DAYS • STARTING AT \$6,899* PP

Price based on August 3, 2027 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Pause for a moment of devotion in the Cave of the Apocalypse, where John the Evangelist wrote the Book of Revelation.
- In Athens, see Mars Hill where Paul delivered his "Men of Athens" speech.
- See the Bema where Paul was brought before the tribunal in Corinth, as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles.

STAYS

2 Nights Athens
3 Nights *Discovery*, Celestyal Cruises
1 Night Kalambaka
2 Nights Thessaloniki
1 Night Athens

Visit gocollette.com/346 for more details.



Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes with Barcelona

10 DAYS • STARTING AT \$3,849* PP

Price based on November 28, 2027 departure

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit sites associated with the revered Saint Bernadette, including her birthplace and baptismal font.
- Celebrate Mass during your journey.
- Connect with your faith on a candlelight procession in Fatima and Lourdes.

STAYS

2 Nights Fatima
2 Nights Burgos
2 Nights Lourdes
2 Nights Barcelona

Visit gocollette.com/53 for more details.

NORTH AMERICA



📍 Peggy's Cove, Canada



The Basque Heart of Boise

A great trip offers surprises at every turn — not just in the landscapes you encounter, but in the stories that reshape your understanding of a place. On **Northwest Uncovered: Sun Valley & Yellowstone**, connect with the rich heritage of the Nez Perce

people during a meaningful Impact Moment that brings centuries of history and culture into focus. Through personal perspectives and cultural insights, you'll gain a deeper appreciation for the enduring connection between the Nez Perce and the lands of the American Northwest.

Turn to page 234 to read more.



More Than a Witness

A guidebook can take you through a city's main attractions. But it can't tell you what it was like to be at the crossroads of history. "Fear did not enter my mind. I felt that if we were on the side of right, right would win," recalls Elaine Lee Turner of her years marching alongside

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and protesting during the Civil Rights Movement. On **America's Music Cities**, she shares her story on her Heritage Tour through Memphis, offering a perspective that lingers long after the landmarks.

See more on page 272, or scan the QR code to gain access to more of Elaine's incredible insight.

NEW TOUR

Northwest Uncovered: Sun Valley & Yellowstone featuring Bozeman, Boise & Hells Canyon

10 DAYS • 16 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,249

Small Group

Sun Valley

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,249 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,449 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on May 20, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

May – October 2027

HIGHLIGHTS

Yellowstone National Park, Old Faithful, Sun Valley Resort, Basque Dinner, Hells Canyon Jetboat Ride, Nez Perce Cultural Experience, Vineyard Dinner & Wine Tasting

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore Boise's Basque community with a visit to a historic boarding house and museum.
- Enjoy a wine tasting and dinner in the Walla Walla Valley.
- Immerse yourself in the Nimiipuu Culture with a Nez Perce cultural experience.
- Visit Yellowstone National Park, home to the famous Old Faithful Geyser.
- Marvel at the dazzling scenery of Hells Canyon, America's deepest canyon.
- Spend two nights at the historic Sun Valley Resort.
- Experience an authentic Basque dinner in Boise.

Day 1: Bozeman, Montana - Tour Begins

Welcome to Big Sky Country. Your adventure kicks off in Bozeman, Montana — a vibrant mountain town nestled beneath expansive skies and rugged peaks. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel and take some time to unwind or start exploring this charming Western gateway at your own pace. Wander through downtown Bozeman, where historic storefronts, craft breweries, and mountain-inspired dining create the perfect introduction to the region's unique character. As traveller arrival times vary, no group activities or meals are planned. Tonight, settle in and get ready for an unforgettable adventure into the heart of America's first national park.

Day 2: Bozeman - Yellowstone

National Park Today, immerse yourself in the iconic wonders of Yellowstone. Discover its legendary scenery, from forested valleys and roaming wildlife to mesmerizing geothermal marvels. As evening approaches, head to Roosevelt Corral for an authentic Old West Dinner Cookout, where hearty fare and western hospitality await. Under a canopy of stars with echoes of frontier history, this evening captures the spirit of the American West. (B, D)

Day 3: Yellowstone National Park

Wake up to the unparalleled experience

of staying within Yellowstone National Park, where the natural world sets the pace. Stand in awe before the vivid colors of Grand Prismatic Spring, the largest hot spring in the United States, where steam and mineral-rich waters paint a surreal landscape. Later, feel the thrill as Old Faithful erupts, a breathtaking display of nature's power and precision. This afternoon enjoy a scenic drive and wildlife viewing opportunities in this geothermal wonderland. (B)

Day 4: Yellowstone National Park - Sun Valley, Idaho

Bid farewell to Yellowstone as the journey winds through sweeping western scenery en route to Sun Valley, Idaho, a mountain resort with a storied past. Since its founding in the 1930s, the Sun Valley Resort has set the standard for alpine elegance, evolving into a legendary resort favoured by generations of cultural icons and winter sport champions. This evening, gather for dinner at Sun Valley Resort, overlooking the famous outdoor ice rink once graced by Olympic legends. Surrounded by alpine elegance and fresh mountain air, the evening sets the tone for your stay in this legendary destination. (B, D)

Day 5: Sun Valley Discover the charm and heritage of Sun Valley during a



Hells Canyon



Nez Perce

locally guided history tour, learning how this mountain retreat became a playground for artists, athletes, and celebrities. In the afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** — pick one activity or choose them all! Design your day at this iconic resort — lace up your skates at the historic ice rink **-OR-** enjoy a round of bowling **-OR-** catch a film at the Opera House **-OR-** or unwind with a game at the Sawtooth Putting Course. It's a delightful mix of leisure, history, and personal discovery. (B)

Day 6: Sun Valley - Boise Travel from the mountains to Idaho's capital city, stopping at breathtaking Shoshone Falls, often called the "Niagara of the West." In Boise, explore a distinctive cultural legacy shaped by immigrants from the Pyrenees region of northern Spain and southern France with a visit to the Basque Museum, home to one of the largest Basque communities in the United States. This evening, enjoy a traditional Basque dinner that reflects the culture's deep emphasis on shared meals, hospitality, and time-honored customs. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Boise - Lewiston Journey north through changing terrain with a stop in the charming lakeside town of McCall, nestled along Payette

Lake. Enjoy time to explore, relax, or take in the fresh mountain air before continuing to Lewiston, located at the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater Rivers. The evening is yours to unwind after a scenic day of travel. (B)

Day 8: Lewiston Experience the thrill of a private Hells Canyon jetboat tour, cruising through North America's deepest river gorge while learning about its geology, wildlife, and frontier history. Later, deepen your understanding of the region during an **IMPACT MOMENT** with a Nez Perce Cultural Experience that offers insight into the traditions and resilience of the Nez Perce people. Conclude your day in memorable fashion with a private dinner at a vineyard, featuring a wine tasting amid rolling vineyards and river views. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Lewiston - Spokane, Washington Travel into Washington State en route to Spokane, where a guided city tour reveals historic districts, riverfront scenery, and architectural gems. Tonight, stay at the legendary Davenport Hotel, where timeless elegance and modern luxury define Spokane hospitality. Gather for a farewell dinner at the hotel's elegant restaurant as you reflect on



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** AC Hotel Bozeman Downtown, Bozeman, MT
- Days 2, 3** Yellowstone National Park Lodges, Yellowstone National Park
- Days 4, 5** Sun Valley Inn, Sun Valley, ID
- Day 6** The Grove Hotel, Boise, ID
- Days 7, 8** Hells Canyon Grand Hotel, Lewiston, ID
- Day 9** Davenport Hotel, Autograph Collection, Spokane, WA

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

- Bozeman** • Pre-Night Stay
- Spokane** • Post-Night Stay



the remarkable country and cultures explored along the way. (B, D)

Day 10: Spokane - Tour Ends Your journey through the American West comes to a close today as you depart Spokane. Reflect on the scenery,

people, and unforgettable moments that defined this adventure — from geothermal wonders and canyon rivers to mountain towns and living traditions. Depart for home with lasting memories and stories to share. (B)

Montana: Exploring Big Sky Country featuring Yellowstone & Glacier National Parks

10 DAYS • 14 MEALS • STARTING AT \$9,349

Small Group



Glacier National Park

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$9,349 (DOUBLE)** or **\$11,799 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on September 9, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

June – September 2027 (featured itinerary – see note*)

**Itinerary featured is for June – September 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Yellowstone, Old Faithful, Mammoth Hot Springs, Yellowstone Grand Canyon, Gates of the Mountains, Glacier National Park, Going-to-the-Sun Road

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore both the Northern and Southern Loops of Yellowstone National Park.
- Sample traditional food of the Kootenai people.
- Learn about Native American culture on the Flathead Reservation.
- Cruise along Lewis and Clark's famous trail through the Gates of the Mountains.
- Explore the wild beauty of Glacier National Park.
- Take a horsedrawn wagon to a cowboy cookout.
- Spend time in the picturesque town of Whitefish.
- Dig into a mouth-watering barbecue dinner.

Day 1: Bozeman, Montana Step outside, take a deep breath in, and look around you — you're in big sky country. Montana is wilderness, adventure, and beauty, and you're about to see what makes it unique. Today, arrive in Bozeman, the jumping off point to explore the northern and southern loops of Yellowstone, America's first national park. As travellers' arrival times vary, there is no included sightseeing today. Tonight enjoy Bozeman's western charm and dinner on your own.

Day 2: Bozeman - Yellowstone Southern Loop - Pray This morning, pass through Yellowstone's northern gate and venture into the Lower Loop, the road that encircles the entire lower half of the National Park. Your first stop will be at the Grand Prismatic Spring, where steaming azure-blue waters clash brilliantly with the bright orange of the clay earth surrounding it. You'll quickly learn why this is one of the most photographed spots in the entire park — its unearthly beauty is something to behold. The best spot to take it all in is at the overlook, and you'll have enough time to take the 20-minute hike up if you choose. Afterwards, head to Old Faithful, the legendary geyser that you can "set your watch to." Enjoy lunch on your own, walk the boardwalk trails

surrounding Old Faithful, and check the time on the next eruption. No drive through Yellowstone is that quiet, though — you'll want to gaze out your window at the mountains, plains, cliffs, and forests. Bison, elk, bears, eagles, wolves, and antelope call this incredible slice of wilderness their home, and you might spot them at any time. (B, D)

Day 3: Pray - Yellowstone Northern Loop - Pray Today, explore Yellowstone's northern loop. Your first stop will be Mammoth Hot Springs. Here, bubbling pots of geothermal water trickle down the step-like terraces, creating incredible shapes and colours. Explore the boardwalks that wind through the steaming landscape. Next, head to the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone lookout, where you'll find yourself standing over the massive, 20-mile-long canyon. Its craggy walls are streaked with brilliant whites, pinks, and oranges from the volcanic minerals contained in the rocks. The Yellowstone River roars along at the bottom over three different waterfalls. Later today, return to your hotel for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Pray - Paradise Valley - Helena This morning, head through the sweeping vistas of Montana's Paradise Valley. In the distance, you'll



Mammoth Hot Springs

see the Absaroka Beartooth Mountains to the east, and the Gallatin Range of the Rocky Mountains to your west. You'll arrive in the capital of Montana, Helena, a city with rich gold rush history and beautiful Victorian era architecture. These days, the "Queen City of the Rockies" is less known for gold and more known for its great local restaurants and microbreweries, as well as a stunning trail system in the surrounding landscape. Tonight we head into the backcountry in horsedrawn wagons for a cowboy cookout and some local entertainment. (B, D)

Day 5: Helena - Gates of the Mountains - Helena Start your day with a local guide showing you around the beautiful and welcoming mountain city of Helena on a narrated, train trolley tour. See the opulent mansion district, marvel at the Cathedral of St. Helena, and roll by governor's homes. Pass by a restored miners' village, enjoy the unique architecture along Last Chance Gulch, and catch a glimpse of the Old Fire Tower. After exploring the city a bit, you'll have time on your own to enjoy the charm of downtown Helena before heading to the Gates of the Mountains. Here, on the shores of the Missouri River, you'll follow in the footsteps of the most renowned explorers in American history — Lewis and Clark. Climb aboard a boat and cruise these storied waters, follow the path Lewis and Clark took on their legendary journey across this vast wilderness, and take in the natural beauty. Meriwether Lewis himself named this stunning canyon the Gates of the Mountains, and you'll discover just how it must have felt to come across this awe-inspiring sight. Tonight, return to Helena for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 6: Helena - Great Falls - St. Mary Today, venture to Great Falls, where the mighty Missouri River thunders down from the Rocky Mountains over five waterfalls to the great plains below. This was a massive obstacle for Lewis and

Clark's expedition in 1805. They had to carry their boats over land for a month to make it from the lower falls to the upper falls. You will not have to work that hard, because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Center where you can learn about the trials of the legendary expedition **-OR-** explore the exhibits at the C.M. Russell Art Museum during a self-guided tour, where you'll see the art of Charles Russell, a cowboy-turned-artist from the turn of the century, as well as his original home and log studio. Afterwards, continue to St. Mary, the eastern entryway to Glacier National Park. (B)

Day 7: Glacier National Park - Going-to-the-Sun Road - Whitefish Head into Glacier National Park to board one of the 1930s vintage red buses and venture down one of the most breathtaking roads in North America, Going-to-the-Sun Road. Sit back and admire the views of the valley as your "jammer," one of the experienced guides, drives you through this natural landscape. Relax and take in all the majestic sights before heading to the town of Whitefish where forests, lakes, rivers, and mountains unfold in every direction. (B, L)

Day 8: Whitefish This morning, enjoy some leisure time in the quaint, picturesque town of Whitefish. Always listed as one of America's 25 prettiest towns, indulge yourself with time to stroll around, do some shopping, or just relax. Perhaps you'll stop for lunch at one of the great restaurants found along Central Avenue or buy some Huckleberry jam from a local shop. A true favourite in Montana, huckleberries can be found in snacks, drinks, candy, and more. Your morning leads into an adventurous afternoon, because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Grab a paddle and get ready for a white-water rafting adventure **-OR-** take the calmer, scenic route on a float down the Flathead River. No matter which style river journey you choose, the awe-inspiring views of Glacier National Park await. Tonight,



Arrival: Bozeman (BZN)

Departure: Missoula (MSO)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	AC Hotel Downtown, Bozeman
Days 2, 3	Chico Hot Springs Resort, Pray
Days 4, 5	Best Western Premier Helena Great Northern Hotel, Helena
Day 6	Great Bear Lodge at St. Mary Village, St. Mary
Days 7, 8	Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish
Day 9	Holiday Inn Missoula Downtown, Missoula

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Bozeman • Pre-Night Stay

Missoula • Post-Night Stay

tell tales about your river escapades while sitting down for a mouth-watering barbeque dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Whitefish - Flathead Lake - Missoula Depart Whitefish and drive south, journeying along the western edge of beautiful Flathead Lake. Carved by the ancient glaciers that give Glacier National Park its name, Flathead Lake stretches almost 200 square miles. Quaint, small towns dot the shores here, built with the beautiful backdrop of nature behind them. You might even spot some orchards growing Flathead cherries. Encompassing most of the lake is the Flathead Reservation, home to the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Nation. At one point, these tribes had territories that stretched out of Montana and into Idaho, British Columbia, and Wyoming. The Hellgate Treaty of 1855 set aside Flathead Lake for the tribes, reducing

their lands to a fraction of what it once was. Tribal land was once again shrunk in 1904 by over half a million acres. Despite all of this, the Tribal way of life continues on to this day, passed down from elders to children through a rich oral and spiritual tradition. Get a glimpse into these traditions when you meet a descendant of the last Kootenai chief, and learn about the importance of the land in native life. Then, experience an **IMPACT MOMENT** at the Smokejumper Visitor Center to learn about the heroes who fight fires in North America. This evening, enjoy a memorable farewell dinner with your fellow travellers, where you can raise a glass and toast to a wildly fun Montana adventure. (B, D)

Day 10: Missoula - Tour Ends Say goodbye to Big Sky Country and its beautiful sights as you head home. (B)

Roaming Coastal Maine featuring Portland, Acadia & Penobscot Bay

7 DAYS • 9 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,249

Small Group



Bar Harbor

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 2 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,249 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,599 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on June 20, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Portland Head Lighthouse, Portland Harbor Cruise, Oyster Farm, Acadia National Park, Lobster Boat Cruise, Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Hop on a trolley tour of Portland and see the picturesque Portland Head Light, Maine's oldest lighthouse.
- Visit the quaint town of Camden and admire the quintessential New England harbour.
- Learn about the people behind some of Maine's specialties during a fun and informative tasting.
- Stroll through stunning nature at Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens.
- View Portland's Old Port and iconic lighthouses from the sea on a harbour cruise.
- Tour an oyster farm before digging into the local delicacies.
- Enjoy a rustic New England lunch at a traditional Maine lobster shack.
- Lose yourself in the natural beauty of Acadia National Park.
- Watch as traps are hauled from the ocean onto a working lobster boat.

Day 1: Portland, Maine Welcome to Maine, a "Vacationland" of intricate coastlines and all-encompassing natural beauty that serves as the perfect getaway. From charming towns and scenic ocean overlooks to oyster shucking and lobster hauling, experience the best of this New England retreat. Due to varied arrival times, there are no scheduled activities today and dinner will be on your own.

Day 2: Portland Discover the essence of this vibrant harbour city by means of a true New England classic — a trolley. From the opulent Victoria Mansion to the hum of the Old Port, your guide will introduce you to Portland's hidden gems. Trade in the charming streets of the city for the rugged coastline, stopping at the picturesque Portland Head Light. After some free time for lunch, experience the view from the sea of the iconic lighthouses and sights of the harbour on a scenic cruise. Tonight, dine at a local restaurant with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 3: Portland - Camden - Bar Harbor This morning, get an intimate look with an exclusive visit to a working oyster farm and learn how to dig into these local delicacies with an oyster shucking demonstration. Then, head to Camden for some time at leisure and lunch on your own. This

quintessential Maine town is home to the annual National Toboggan Championships and boasts many storefronts and 19th-century homes. Later, arrive in Bar Harbor, an iconic vacation spot featuring rich blue waters and home to Acadia National Park. With an evening at leisure, explore the bustling downtown full of cozy cafes and indulgent ice cream shops just steps from your hotel. (B)

Day 4: Bar Harbor - Acadia National Park - Bar Harbor This is Acadia National Park. Breathe in the crisp, fresh air and allow the nature around you to captivate your senses on a privately guided tour. Admire the striking mountains, towering forests, and rocky shorelines as you drive along scenic Park Loop Road with a local guide. Take in the sweeping views from the summit of Cadillac Mountain. Then, dive into the cuisine and culture of Maine when you join a local lobsterman on a lobster boat. See how lobster traps are retrieved from the ocean and watch the cages get pulled to the surface. Tonight is yours to explore Bar Harbor on your own. (B)

Day 5: Bar Harbor - Freeport Today, your scenic journey takes you back down the Maine coast. Stop at a lobster shack for a casual New England lunch featuring a must-try local favourite,



Acadia National Park



Portland Head Lighthouse



Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens

the Maine lobster roll. Next, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** between two local museums. Explore Maine's role in American art at the Farnsworth Art Museum **-OR-** discover antique automobiles and more at the Owls Head Transportation Museum. Then, treat your palate again during an **IMPACT MOMENT** at the Maine Tasting Center. Here, try a variety of Maine's iconic foods such as blueberries, seaweed, potatoes, and more during a private, guided tasting, and learn about the hardworking locals behind these specialties. Later, arrive in Freeport, your home for the next two nights. Enjoy an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 6: Freeport - Boothbay - Freeport
This morning, enter the natural

wonderland of Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, nearly 300 acres of grassy fields and woodland trails overflowing with floral hues. Join a local expert for an informative walk-through or perhaps, if you're feeling more active, go on a self-guided hike to find the giant hidden trolls in the garden's wooded trails. These magical trolls stand up to 9 metres tall and were constructed using recycled wood. This afternoon, enjoy some free time in Boothbay browsing this quaint, seaside town's cute shops and restaurants. Tonight, toast to the end of your trip and bid Maine farewell over dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Freeport - Tour Ends Your tour of coastal Maine comes to a close today. (B)



Arrival: Portland (PWM)

Departure: Portland (PWM)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2 Hyatt Place Portland Old Port, Portland

Days 3, 4 Bar Harbor Grand Hotel, Bar Harbor

Days 5, 6 Harraseeket Inn, Freeport

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Portland • Pre-Night Stay

Freeport • Post-Night Stay



Oyster Farmer

Alaska's Northern Lights

7 DAYS • 11 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,299

Small Group

Northern Lights

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$6,299 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,549 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 20, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

February – March 2027 (featured itinerary)

Itinerary featured is for February – March 2027. Departures after this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

HIGHLIGHTS

Northern Lights Excursions, Winter Glacier Cruise, Prince William Sound, Alaska Railroad, Dog Mushing

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Hop in a sled and experience dog mushing like a local.
- Search for the northern lights in Fairbanks' star-filled sky.
- Visit Musk Ox Farm and learn about the sustainable domestication project.
- Peruse antique cars and glamorous fashions of the past at the Antique Auto Museum.
- Pass by floating glaciers and playful otters on a winter glacier cruise in Prince William Sound.
- Enjoy a scenic ride from Talkeetna to Fairbanks via Alaska Railroad.
- Enjoy a taste of wild Alaskan salmon.
- Learn all about the Iditarod as you dine on the property of a legendary racing kennel.

Day 1: Anchorage, Alaska Your journey starts in Anchorage, a city on the edge of the snowcapped Chugach Mountains and 60 sparkling glaciers. This is your gateway to wilderness and adventure. Due to varied arrivals, there are no group activities planned for today, so enjoy a chance to explore and have dinner on your own.

Day 2: Anchorage - Winter Glacier Cruise - Anchorage Head to Whittier and embark on an incomparable glacier cruise of Prince William Sound, narrated by an expert guide. Blue skies collide with stark white glaciers, and playful otters dip in and out of the calm waters. Embrace the sheer magnitude of Alaska's natural beauty as you venture through a geological wonderland. Feel like a true explorer during a beach landing. In the evening, gather with new friends for a welcome dinner in a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Anchorage - Palmer - Talkeetna Take a step into the past when you visit Musk Ox Farm. Learn about the Musk Ox project – a sustainable domestication effort that has worked to preserve, protect, and increase awareness for these wooly creatures since 1954. Continue on to Talkeetna as Denali, North

America's tallest mountain, looms large over the landscape. Perhaps you will take an optional flightseeing tour and experience a breathtaking perspective of Denali (weather permitting). Check into the iconic Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, perched on a ridge offering unforgettable views of Denali (when conditions allow). Later, perhaps you will spend some time on the lodge's expansive deck, a great place to search for the northern lights, or just enjoy some hot cocoa by the roaring fireplace in the great room. (B, D)

Day 4: Talkeetna - Alaska Railroad - Fairbanks Begin your day with a lecture on the down-to-earth Alaskan lifestyle before hopping on Alaska Railroad's Aurora Winter Train for a full-day journey to Fairbanks. Sit back and relax as you are whisked away through snow-covered mountains and striking valleys. Have your cameras ready – the train conductor will point out wildlife as you pass by. Dinner is included in the train's dining car. This evening you arrive in Fairbanks, your home for the next three nights and one of the best places in Alaska to see the northern lights. (B, D)

Day 5: Fairbanks Enjoy a full day at leisure in the city of Fairbanks.



Dog Mushing



Prince William Sound Glacier Cruise



Denali Flightseeing

Take this opportunity to relax or flex your sense of adventure with optional excursions: consider flightseeing to the Arctic Circle. Late this evening, chase the legendary northern lights, considered to be one of the most amazing natural spectacles in the world. Walk out in the snow under an unspoiled bed of stars and search for the shimmering hues of green. (B)

Day 6: Fairbanks Feel the brisk air and discover Fairbanks, the perfect combination of nature and civilization. Look into the past at the Antique Auto Museum, where vintage cars sit between timely artifacts and fashionable designer dresses from times gone by. Hop in a car and pose for a perfect souvenir snapshot. In the

afternoon, embrace the Iditarod spirit as you step into a sled with an expert guide and glide over the snow with a pack of sled dogs. Stay for dinner at the kennel owner's home and learn more about what the life of a musher is like. Later in the evening, enjoy a final chance to spot the northern lights. (B, D)

Day 7: Fairbanks - Tour Ends Enjoy a relaxing morning before heading to the Museum of the North, the University of Alaska's collection featuring 2.2 million years of biodiversity and thousands of years of human history. The remainder of your day is at leisure. Your hotel room is available for your use whether your flight is today, tonight, or tomorrow morning. (B)



Arrival: Anchorage (ANC)

Departure: Fairbanks (FAI)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2 Hilton Anchorage, Anchorage

Day 3 Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, Talkeetna

Days 4 – 6 Pikes Waterfront Lodge, Fairbanks

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Anchorage • Pre-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Alaska Railroad

Coastal California & Sequoia National Park featuring San Diego, Los Angeles & Pismo Beach

10 DAYS • 16 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,799

Sequoia National Park

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,799 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,299 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on October 6, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

San Diego Harbor Cruise, Carlsbad Private Food Tour, Los Angeles City Tour, Old Mission Santa Barbara, Pismo Beach, Paso Robles Wine Country Lunch, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Learn about the “birthplace of California” during a tour of San Diego’s old town.
- Enjoy the many facets of Los Angeles, including Hollywood and the multicultural fabric of this amazing city.
- Learn about the largest trees on the planet from a local guide at Sequoia and Kings National Parks.
- Try some locally produced wine during lunch at a Paso Robles vineyard and winery.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Old Mission Santa Barbara and Visalia Heritage Museum — preserving local history through community-led exhibitions. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: San Diego, California From the cosmopolitan, cultural cities of San Diego and Los Angeles to the laid-back, beachy vibes of California’s Central Coast and the awe-inspiring scenery of Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, this journey has it all. Your tour opens in San Diego, known for its seaside location and idyllic climate. As travellers’ arrival times vary greatly, we have no group activities planned during the day. Dinner is on your own this evening.

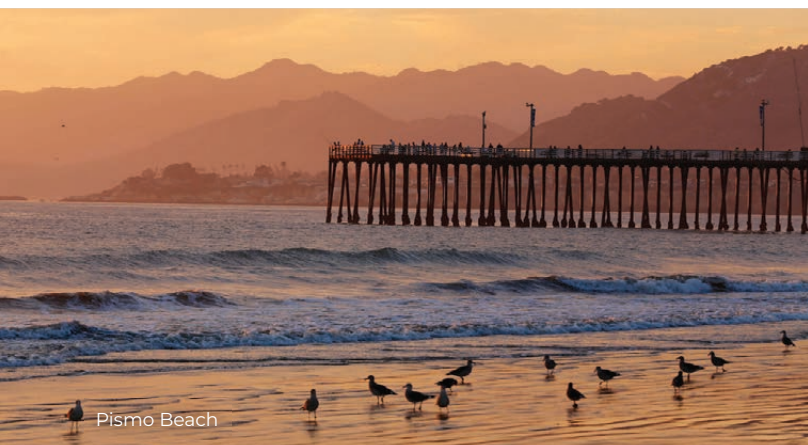
Day 2: San Diego This morning, join a local guide for a tour through the city’s diverse neighbourhoods, including downtown, Balboa Park, Coronado Island, and Old Town San Diego. Your tour ends around noon, and the afternoon is yours to experience San Diego at your leisure. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: San Diego - Carlsbad - Los Angeles Start the day on a harbour cruise of San Diego Bay. Cruise beside playful sea lions, Navy ships, and beautiful architecture while hearing fascinating stories that link the city’s past and present. Later, head north to the coastal town of Carlsbad, where you’ll explore the town centre on a private food tour for lunch. This afternoon, arrive in Los Angeles, the

entertainment capital of the world. Tonight, join your Tour Manager and walk to the bustling Grand Central Market – a favourite with locals looking for a casual meal. (B, L)

Day 4: Los Angeles Today, explore the City of Angels on a combination bus/walking tour. Stop for photos at Frank Gehry’s Walt Disney Concert Hall and the famed Bradbury Building, an ornate architectural landmark featured in several films. Then, admire the mansions on our way to Griffith Observatory to take in panoramic views of the city and the famed Hollywood sign. Stroll along the Walk of Fame to Grauman’s Chinese Theatre and the Dolby, home of the Academy Awards. Get a close-up look at the iconic Beverly Hills sign and soak in the glitz and glamour of Rodeo Drive. After lunch on your own at the Original Farmers Market, we’ll pass by other landmarks as we make our way back to the hotel. (B, D)

Day 5: Los Angeles - Santa Barbara - Pismo Beach Today, head to California’s Central Coast. Enjoy free time in Santa Barbara, admiring its Spanish colonial architecture and small-town atmosphere. Stop for a self-guided tour of the Old Mission of Santa Barbara, the tenth of 21 Spanish missions founded by the Franciscans



and the only one the friars still occupy. Enjoy the gorgeous grounds of the "Queen of the Missions," the gardens, cemetery, and chapel. Arrive this afternoon in Pismo Beach, another Central Coast gem, and your home for two nights. (B, D)

Day 6: Pismo Beach Enjoy a day at leisure at your seaside hotel. Or continue your exploration by joining an optional excursion to Hearst Castle, the historic estate built by publishing tycoon William Randall Hearst and his architect, Julia Morgan. Enjoy a tour of the opulent Grand Rooms, imagining what it must have been like to be a guest here during the Roaring Twenties. Before lunch, visit an elephant seal rookery and see a colony of seals at the beach. Don't miss the spectacular sunset back in Pismo Beach this evening! (B)

Day 7: Pismo Beach - Paso Robles - Visalia Today, travel inland to the Paso Robles wine region, home to more than 200 family-run wineries. This Central Coast wine region is less known than Napa, but no less beautiful. Stop for lunch here and later arrive in the charming town of Visalia, gateway to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks. (B, L)

Day 8: Visalia Today, head to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks in the

southern Sierra Nevada, where a local guide will join you. See the General Grant tree on a guided walking tour. On the way to your picnic lunch spot, learn about the park's ecology, flora, fauna, and history, including Native American history. This afternoon, visit the largest tree in the world, the General Sherman tree, on a half-mile walking tour. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Continue with your local guide **-OR-** take a brisk hike with your Tour Manager along the Congress Trail. Back in Visalia, join your travel companions for a celebration dinner at a local restaurant. This day is sure to be the highlight of your California adventure! (B, L, D)

Day 9: Visalia - Santa Monica - Los Angeles This morning, bid farewell to the foothills of the Sierra Nevada range and head south to Los Angeles for a final night. Along the way, enjoy time in Santa Monica, one of Southern California's most iconic seaside destinations. Take in the lively atmosphere near the Santa Monica Pier, where the Pacific Ocean meets classic beachfront charm, and enjoy free time to stroll the pier, relax along the beach, or explore the nearby Third Street Promenade. Later, continue to Los Angeles. You are free this evening to relax before your flight home. (B)

Day 10: Los Angeles - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** Embassy Suites by Hilton San Diego Bay Downtown, San Diego
- Days 3, 4** Omni Los Angeles Hotel at California Plaza, Los Angeles
- Days 5, 6** Vespera Resort on Pismo Beach, Pismo Beach ▲
- Days 7, 8** Visalia Marriott, Visalia
- Day 9** Hyatt Regency Los Angeles International Airport, Los Angeles

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Los Angeles • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Painted Canyons of the West featuring Utah's Five National Parks

9 DAYS • 11 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,199

Canyonlands National Park

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,199 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,899 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 15, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027; April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Colorado National Monument, Moab, Arches National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Dead Horse Point State Park, Capitol Reef National Park, Bryce Canyon National Park, Zion National Park, Las Vegas

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Spend two nights in Moab with time to explore Arches and Canyonlands National Parks.
- Climb aboard Zion's open-air tram and learn about the Native Americans who existed here from an expert guide.
- Meet the owners of a family-owned vineyard in Grand Junction.
- Explore the amazing spires of Bryce Canyon National Park, known as hoodoos.
- Marvel at the sleek white formations at Capitol Reef National Park.

Day 1: Denver, Colorado Trek across the Southwest as you take in the sienna-coloured canyons, towering spires, and desert landscapes found in Utah's five national parks. Your journey begins in the mile-high city of Denver — an urban gateway to America's natural beauty. As travellers' arrival times vary greatly, there are no scheduled activities today. Following a welcome briefing, you'll have the evening free to enjoy dinner on your own and explore at your leisure.

Day 2: Denver - Grand Junction The Rocky Mountains are your travelling companions on the drive to Grand Junction. Look out at the natural scenery as you pass by Glenwood Canyon, a product of the Colorado River, carved more than 3 million years ago. Dine together at a family-owned vineyard and enjoy a wine tasting in the midst of Colorado wine country. (B, D)

Day 3: Grand Junction - Colorado National Monument - Moab, Utah Set out to explore the Colorado National Monument this morning along Rim Rock Drive. Make your way to Utah on the Upper Colorado Byway, known by the locals as "River Road." As the iconic Fisher Towers loom over breathtaking mesas, make

your way to Moab, Utah's outdoor adventure centre. (B, D)

Day 4: Moab - Arches - Canyonlands - Dead Horse Point - Moab Journey through the otherworldly oases of two national parks. Hike along red rock features as you make your way through Arches National Park. Continue to Canyonlands National Park, resting in the heart of the Colorado Plateau, and discover a world of mesas and canyons. Close by, at the Island in the Sky, look out over a landscape of ethereal valleys and dreamy horizons. Today's park pilgrimage ends atop the sheer sandstone cliffs of Dead Horse Point State Park. (B)

Day 5: Moab - Capitol Reef National Park - Bryce Travel through the dramatic Utah desert on Scenic Byway 24. Visit Capitol Reef National Park, named for the curved white walls that resemble the U.S. Capitol building. On the Million Dollar Road, take in views of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, where layers of warm reds and oranges melt into smooth-sided peaks. Spend the night in Bryce, your jumping-off point to Bryce Canyon National Park. (B, L)

Day 6: Bryce Canyon National Park - Springdale (Zion) Spend the morning in Bryce Canyon National Park and see



Grand Junction



Dead Horse Point



Zion National Park

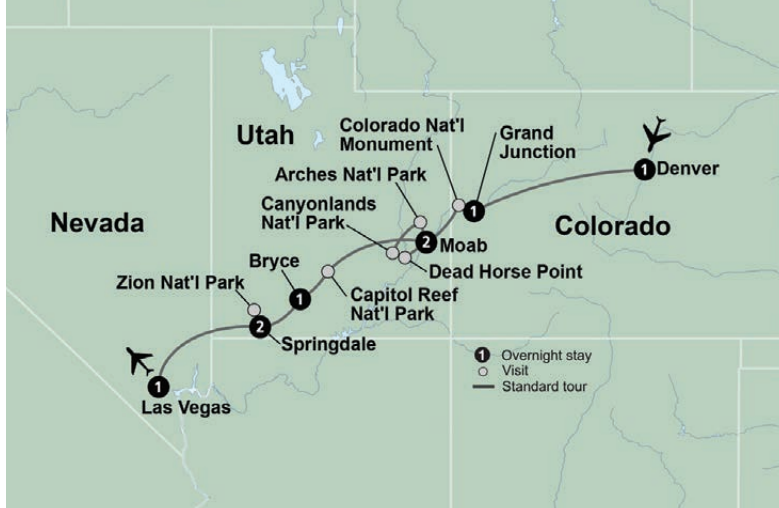
the famous hoodoos — vibrant rock formations likened to fairy chimneys. Perhaps you'll start your morning with a hike, getting up close and personal with the graceful geology. Take in the sprawling vistas as you walk along Sunset Point, leading into Sunrise Point Rim Trail. As the day draws to a close, settle into Springdale, a small town perched just outside of Zion National Park. (B)

Day 7: Springdale - Zion National Park - Springdale There are few places on earth that match the beauty of the red and white sandstone cliffs of Zion. Make the most of an entire day exploring this rock-ridden paradise. On Zion's open-air tram, wind along the Virgin River

through the approximately 800-metre, half-mile wide Zion Canyon. This afternoon, continue to enjoy time in the great outdoors, exploring the park independently. (B)

Day 8: Springdale - Las Vegas, Nevada Age-old nature is replaced with captivating energy, vibrant lights, and endless excitement in Las Vegas. Toast with your travel companions at a farewell lunch. Then, the evening is yours — spend your time along the neon-lit strip however you please. (B, L)

Day 9: Las Vegas - Tour Ends Say goodbye to Las Vegas and the painted canyons of the west as you depart for home.



Arrival: Denver (DEN)

Departure: Las Vegas (LAS)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Grand Hyatt, Denver, CO
- Day 2** Hampton Inn Grand Junction Downtown/ Historic Main Street, Grand Junction, CO
- Days 3, 4** Homewood Suites by Hilton, Moab, UT
- Day 5** Best Western Plus Bryce Canyon Grand Hotel, Bryce, UT
- Days 6, 7** Hyatt Place Springdale/Zion National Park, Springdale, UT
- Day 8** Planet Hollywood, Las Vegas, NV

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Denver • Pre-Night Stay

Las Vegas • Post-Night Stay



Capitol Reef National Park

Utah's Mighty Five and The Rockies featuring 2 days aboard the Canyon Spirit train

9 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$8,849

Photo Courtesy of Canyon Spirit

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$8,849 (DOUBLE)** or **\$11,249 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 17, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027; April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Canyon Spirit Train, Glenwood Springs, Moab, Arches National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Dead Horse Point State Park, Capitol Reef National Park, Bryce Canyon National Park, Zion National Park, Las Vegas

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Spend two nights in Moab with time to explore Arches and Canyonlands National Parks.
- Spend two days onboard Canyon Spirit enjoying panoramic views of the American Southwest.
- Climb aboard Zion's open-air tram and learn about the Native Americans who existed here from an expert guide.
- Marvel at the sleek white formations at Capitol Reef National Park.
- Behold incredible views at Dead Horse Point State Park in Moab.
- Explore the amazing spires of Bryce Canyon National Park, known as hoodoos.
- Enjoy elegant dining and unlimited complimentary drinks while riding aboard Canyon Spirit.

Day 1: Denver, Colorado Set out for an awe-inspiring train trip from Denver to Moab aboard Canyon Spirit and trek across the Southwest as you take in the sienna-coloured canyons, towering spires, and desert landscapes found in Utah's five national parks. Your journey begins in the mile-high city of Denver – an urban gateway to America's natural beauty. As travellers' arrival times vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Denver - Canyon Spirit - Glenwood Springs, Colorado It's all aboard for a two-day train journey on the luxurious Canyon Spirit! Take in spectacular views of rugged canyons and valleys, cross the Continental Divide, and pass the Colorado River before arriving at the resort town of Glenwood Springs. Located at the confluence of the Colorado and Roaring Fork Rivers, this historic town is famous for the hot springs at its centre. (B, L)

Day 3: Glenwood Springs - Canyon Spirit - Moab, Utah Back onboard Canyon Spirit, continue your scenic train ride enjoying stunning mountain

views as you cross the Colorado-Utah border. Red rock sandstone landscapes emerge as you make your way to Moab, Utah's outdoor adventure centre and the gateway to Arches and Canyonlands National Parks. (B)

Day 4: Moab - Arches - Canyonlands - Dead Horse Point - Moab Journey through the otherworldly oases of two national parks. Hike along red rock features as you make your way through Arches National Park. Continue to Canyonlands National Park, resting in the heart of the Colorado Plateau, and discover a world of mesas and canyons. Close by, at the Island in the Sky, look out over a landscape of ethereal valleys and dreamy horizons. Today's park pilgrimage ends atop the sheer sandstone cliffs of Dead Horse Point State Park. (B, D)

Day 5: Moab - Capitol Reef National Park - Bryce Travel through the dramatic Utah desert on Scenic Byway 24. Visit Capitol Reef National Park, named for the curved white walls that resemble the U.S. Capitol building. On the Million Dollar Road, take in views of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, where layers of warm reds and oranges melt into smooth-sided peaks. Spend



Arches National Park



Bryce Canyon National Park

the night in Bryce Canyon City, your jumping-off point to Bryce Canyon National Park. (B, L)

Day 6: Bryce Canyon National Park - Springdale (Zion) Spend the day in Bryce Canyon National Park and see the famous hoodoos — vibrant rock formations likened to fairy chimneys. Perhaps you'll start your morning with a hike, getting up close and personal with the graceful geology. Take in the sprawling vistas as you walk along Sunset Point, leading into Sunrise Point Rim Trail. As the day draws to a close, settle into Springdale, a small town perched just outside of Zion National Park. (B)

Day 7: Springdale - Zion National Park - Springdale There are few places on Earth that match the beauty of the red and white sandstone

cliffs of Zion. Make the most of an entire day exploring this rock-ridden paradise. On Zion's open-air tram, wind along the Virgin River through the 732-metre-deep, half-mile wide Zion Canyon. This afternoon, continue to enjoy time in the great outdoors exploring the park independently. (B)

Day 8: Springdale - Las Vegas, Nevada Age-old nature is replaced with captivating energy, vibrant lights, and endless excitement in Las Vegas. Toast with your travel companions at a farewell lunch. Then, the evening is yours — spend your time along the neon-lit strip however you please. (B, L)

Day 9: Las Vegas - Tour Ends Say goodbye to Las Vegas and the painted canyons of the West as you depart for home.



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Grand Hyatt, Denver, CO
Day 2	Glenwood Springs hotel, Glenwood Springs, CO
Days 3, 4	Homewood Suites by Hilton, Moab, UT
Day 5	Best Western Plus Bryce Canyon Grand Hotel, Bryce, UT
Days 6, 7	SpringHill Suites by Marriott Springdale Zion National Park, Springdale, UT
Day 8	Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino, Las Vegas, NV

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Denver • Pre-Night Stay

Las Vegas • Post-Night Stay

DON'T MISS OUT ON CANYON SPIRIT TRAIN PREMIER UPGRADE

Most travellers choose to elevate their journey aboard the Canyon Spirit train with a Premier upgrade offering exclusive access to a private lounge car, small outdoor viewing areas, and an elevated dining experience featuring wine pairings and handcrafted cocktails as you traverse the American Southwest.



National Parks of America

12 DAYS • 17 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,849

Yellowstone National Park

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,849 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,699 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 21, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Grand Canyon, Zion, Bryce Canyon National Park, Jackson Hole, Grand Teton & Yellowstone National Parks, Old Faithful, Buffalo Bill Center of the West, Crazy Horse Memorial, Mount Rushmore

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, a tribute to Buffalo Bill Cody.
- Meet Native Americans and discuss their unique and colourful culture.
- See one of the country's most famous landmarks, Mount Rushmore.
- Spend a night at the spectacular Grand Canyon.
- Visit Yellowstone National Park, home to the famous Old Faithful Geyser.
- Experience a chuck wagon dinner and cowboy entertainment.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Lakota Cultural Performance — sharing Indigenous history through artist-led cultural storytelling. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Scottsdale, Arizona Journey through 5 of America's most incredible national parks. Arrive today in Arizona and enjoy the old west charm of Scottsdale. This evening, join your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Scottsdale - Sedona - Grand Canyon Begin the day with a visit to the artists' colony of Sedona and see the amazing rock formations that change hue with each turn in the road. Afterward, travel through the beautiful scenery before arriving at one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World – the spectacular Grand Canyon. Upon arrival, relax at one of the many public seating areas overlooking the immense and colourful canyon. Take a moment to reflect as you stand in awe of this iconic natural treasure. This evening, you're free to explore Grand Canyon Village and the South Rim on your own. (B)

Day 3: Grand Canyon - Bryce Canyon National Park This morning, enjoy time exploring the South Rim of the Grand Canyon before heading north towards Bryce Canyon National Park. En route you'll enjoy a stop at the famous Cameron Trading Post as well as the Glen Canyon Dam overlooking Lake Powell. (B, D)

Day 4: Bryce Canyon National Park - Springdale, Utah Today, explore Bryce Canyon National Park, truly

one of the most spectacular scenic wonders of the world. The formations within the park, called hoodoos, are the creation of wind and water erosion. Iron oxidizing within the rock gives the formations their striking orange and red hues. Enjoy a walk along the Rim Trail, looking into the expansive Bryce Amphitheater from overlooks at Sunrise and Sunset Points. This afternoon, travel west through Red Canyon and Dixie National Forest towards Zion National Park. Arrive in Springdale, gateway to Zion National Park and your home for 2 nights. (B)

Day 5: Springdale - Zion National Park - Springdale Today's destination is Zion National Park, very likely one of the most awe-inspiring national parks in the world, just in sheer magnitude and colour. Climb aboard Zion's open-air tram and wind your way alongside the Virgin River and through the 2,400-foot deep, half-mile wide Zion Canyon. This afternoon, continue to enjoy time in the great outdoors exploring the park independently. (B)

Day 6: Springdale - Salt Lake City This morning, enjoy free time in Springdale or in Zion National Park before we depart for Salt Lake City at noon. A drive north takes you to Salt Lake City, the "City of the Saints," for a 1-night stay. (B, D)



Jackson Hole



Grand Teton

Day 7: Salt Lake City - Jackson Hole, Wyoming En route to Wyoming, see the majestic Bear Lake Summit. Later, arrive in the cowboy town of Jackson and experience a fun-filled evening of cowboy entertainment and a traditional chuck wagon dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Jackson Hole The day is yours to enjoy Jackson Hole. From hiking and river-rafting to shopping and dining, there are endless activities to make the most of your day. (B)

Day 9: Jackson Hole - Grand Teton & Yellowstone National Parks From Jackson Hole, pass through Grand Teton National Park. Towering more than a mile above the valley of Jackson Hole, the Grand Teton rises to 13,770 feet. Twelve Teton peaks reach above 12,000 feet and support a dozen mountain glaciers. The Teton Range is the youngest range in the Rockies and displays some of North America's oldest rocks. Later, arrive at the amazing Yellowstone National Park and explore the park's incredible sights. Experience the world-famous Old Faithful Geyser, a fountain of steam that rises more than 130 feet in the air. (B, L)

Day 10: Yellowstone - Cody - Sheridan A delightful day of sightseeing begins with a trip along Yellowstone Lake and over Sylvan Pass. As you pass

through Cody, stop at the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, a tribute to one of the most well-known figures of the Old West, where **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take your time to explore at your own pace **-OR-** join a private guided tour through the Draper Natural History Museum & Plains Indian Museum **-OR-** join a private guided tour through the Buffalo Bill Museum & Cody Firearms Museum. Before turning in for the night in Sheridan, drive through the incredible Bighorn Mountains and journey through the territory of the Great Sioux Nation. (B)

Day 11: Sheridan - Rapid City, South Dakota Visit Crazy Horse Memorial, a monument dedicated to Native Americans. Visit the Native American Cultural Center to learn more about local customs, when Native Americans discuss the movements of their dances and the significance of different clothes. Later, see one of the country's most famous landmarks, Mount Rushmore, whose 4 figures carved in stone represent the first 150 years of American history. At tonight's dinner you will meet a local Lakota Native American and learn all about their fascinating way of life, past and present. (B, D)

Day 12: Rapid City - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)



Arrival: Phoenix (PHX)

Departure: Rapid City (RAP)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Courtyard by Marriott, Scottsdale, AZ
- Day 2** Yavapai East at South Rim, Grand Canyon, AZ
- Day 3** Best Western Plus Bryce Canyon Grand, Bryce, UT
- Days 4, 5** Hyatt Place Zion, Springdale, UT
- Day 6** Hyatt Regency, Salt Lake City, UT
- Days 7, 8** The Lodge at Jackson Hole, Jackson Hole, WY
- Day 9** Yellowstone Lodges, Yellowstone National Park
- Day 10** Best Western Sheridan Center, Sheridan, WY
- Day 11** ClubHouse Hotel & Suites, Rapid City, SD

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

11 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Scottsdale • Pre-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

RUSTIC ACCOMMODATIONS & A FASTER PACE

On this tour you'll stay overnight right in or near the stunning national parks, which necessitates lodging in more rustic accommodations. Though the quality is not at our usual standards, the setting is incomparable. Also, to see five national parks in 12 days, there will be some longer drives.

ALSO AVAILABLE

America's National Parks & Denver

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

Dates Available:
October 2026; May - October 2027



The Colorado Rockies featuring National Parks and Historic Trains

9 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,499

Durango Silverton Rail

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,149 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 14, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

May – September 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – September 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado National Monument, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park, Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, Mesa Verde National Park (UNESCO), Pikes Peak Cog Railway

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Spend 2 nights in Durango, a fun-filled cowboy town where you can relive the excitement of the Old West.
- Journey aboard the Pikes Peak Cog Railway to the top of Pikes Peak.
- Explore the massive and rugged Rocky Mountain National Park.
- Travel to a vertical wilderness at Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park.
- Ride a historic, narrow-gauge train from Silverton to Durango.
- Enjoy an authentic farm-to-table dinner on a 450-acre, family-owned ranch.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Billy Goat Hop Farm, James Ranch Grill, and Museum of the Mountain West — supporting locally rooted agriculture and heritage preservation. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Denver, Colorado Adventure awaits as you explore the towering peaks and rolling meadows of Colorado. As travellers' arrival times vary greatly, we have no group activities planned during the day. This tour (which features 3 national parks) opens in the "Mile High City" of Denver where you will gather for a welcome dinner with your fellow travellers. (D)

Day 2: Denver - Rocky Mountain National Park - Denver Travel through Estes Park, a mountain resort town and home of the Stanley Hotel, the inspiration for Stephen King's *The Shining*. Your adventure in Rocky Mountain National Park starts on the Trail Ridge Road, the highest paved, continuous highway in North America. It's a drive that should be on everybody's bucket list. At Rainbow Curve, marvel at the majestic mountains that stand in contrast to deep, rugged canyons. Later, return to Denver for a free evening in this dynamic city. (B)

Day 3: Denver - Colorado National Monument - Grand Junction The spectacular Rocky Mountains are your travelling companion. Make a scenic drive from Denver to Grand Junction, passing through some of Colorado's famous ski resorts. This

journey also takes you to one of the grand landscapes of the American West, Colorado National Monument. Continue along the monument's historic Rim Rock Drive to see a colourful panorama of deep, sheer-sided canyons and high rock towers. Settle into Grand Junction for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park - Grand Junction

Today, venture to another amazing national park, Colorado's own "Grand Canyon!" Marvel at the steep-walled gorge and dramatic views of Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park while travelling along its South Rim. Pause at one of the scenic viewpoints to soak in this stunning wilderness of rock, water, and sky. Enjoy a picnic lunch overlooking some of the steepest and oldest rock walls in North America, carved over 2 million years by the Gunnison River. Perhaps you'll even spot a peregrine falcon. This afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Immerse yourself in the stories of the American West during a tour of the Museum of the Mountain West, a preserved and re-created pioneer town that captures life as it was over a century ago **-OR-** visit a small-scale hop farm where you learn about Colorado grown hops and taste local beers made from their hops. Gather



Mesa Verde National Park



Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park

for dinner at a favourite local hangout in Grand Junction, a town that attracts outdoorsmen, foodies, and all manner of free spirits. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Grand Junction - Silverton - Durango Head south to Silverton, a former silver mining town and now a National Historic Landmark. Hidden high in the San Juan Mountains, this town blends spectacular scenery, Victorian charm, and historic architecture. Then, it's "all aboard" the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad. This 1881 coal-fired, steam-powered locomotive made its name hauling silver and gold ore from the San Juan Mountains, but you will soon realize it is the view that is its most precious asset. Tonight, enjoy leisure time in the quaint downtown of Durango. (B)

Day 6: Durango - Mesa Verde National Park - Durango An incredible day awaits in Mesa Verde National Park (UNESCO), home of the ancient Ancestral Puebloan civilization. Join a local guide on a drive through the park, making several photo stops, including views of the famous Spruce Tree House, one of Mesa Verde's best-preserved

cliff dwellings, and Cliff Palace, the largest in the park. This evening, experience a farm-to-table dinner on a family-owned ranch surrounded by red mountain peaks and lush green pastures. (B, D)

Day 7: Durango - Colorado Springs Sit back and relax during a scenic ride to Colorado Springs. En route, marvel at the landscape as you make your way from the San Juan National Forest and across Wolf Creek Pass, a section of the Continental Divide that would take pioneers 2 to 3 weeks to cross. Continue on through the Rio Grande National Forest, a vast expanse of wilderness named for the 1,800 miles of Rio Grande River that cuts through the forest. Your day concludes with a free evening in Colorado Springs, an artistic and cultural hub. (B)

Day 8: Colorado Springs - Pikes Peak - Colorado Springs Depart for Manitou Springs, home of Pikes Peak, the legendary symbol of the 1859 Gold Rush. Embark on a journey aboard the Pikes Peak Cog Railway, the world's highest cog railroad, for an 8.9-mile trip to the top of Pikes Peak. During the journey, you will



Arrival: Denver (DEN)

Departure: Denver (DEN)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** Grand Hyatt, Denver
- Days 3, 4** SpringHill Suites Downtown, Grand Junction
- Days 5, 6** Strater Hotel, Durango
- Days 7, 8** SpringHill Suites Downtown, Colorado Springs

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Denver • Pre-Night Stay

A FASTER PACE

On this tour, see three incredible national parks, a national monument, and travel on two scenic train trips. To experience it all, we must cover a lot of ground, but the natural, awe-inspiring beauty is well worth the travels.



Garden of the Gods

see magnificent views and perhaps animals in their native habitat. Later, travel to the Garden of the Gods to take in the view of towering sandstone formations that dot the landscape set in the backdrop of majestic Pikes Peak. Tonight, join your

fellow travellers for a farewell dinner and celebrate your adventure. (B, D)

Day 9: Colorado Springs - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close in Colorado Springs.

Canyon Country featuring Arizona & Utah

8 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,249

Grand Canyon

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,249 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,749 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 20, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; March – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027; March – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Grand Canyon, Lake Powell, Rafting on Horseshoe Bend, Bryce Canyon National Park, Zion National Park, Las Vegas

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Climb aboard Zion's open-air tram and learn about the Native Americans who existed here from an expert guide.
- Behold breathtaking views of the Grand Canyon.
- Explore the amazing spires of Bryce Canyon National Park.
- Marvel at the red and white sandstone cliffs of Zion National Park.
- Enjoy time in Sedona, a cultural mecca for artisans of all kinds.
- Dine at a Navajo-owned and operated Native American dinner theatre showcasing powwow dancing.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Red Heritage Native American Dinner Show — presenting intertribal dance, music, and storytelling led by Navajo artists. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Scottsdale, Arizona Explore the famous canyons of the American West on a journey featuring 3 national parks. Start your journey in Scottsdale and join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Scottsdale - Sedona - Grand Canyon Start your day in Sedona, where the sun shines on stunning sandstone formations. Soak in the inviting atmosphere and colourful vistas while browsing the many arts-and-crafts shops. Make your way through Kaibab National Forest before reaching the South Rim of the Grand Canyon. This evening, enjoy dinner on your own and time to explore Grand Canyon National Park. (B)

Day 3: Grand Canyon Area - Lake Powell Follow the winding landscape along East Rim Drive, bringing you to Cameron Trading Post. For nearly a century, the post has acted as a haven for travellers, traders, and explorers. Continue north through the mesa-studded desert before arriving at your home for the next 2 evenings, overlooking the stunning blue waters of Lake Powell. This evening, we journey into the town of Page for an authentic Navajo meal and show. (B, D)

Day 4: Lake Powell This morning, embark on a guided scenic rafting

adventure to iconic Horseshoe Bend and experience the peaceful grandeur of the Colorado River. As you glide between towering canyon walls, you'll witness one of the Southwest's most awe-inspiring landscapes from a perspective few ever get to see. After lunch at the resort, continue your exploration of the region's waterways with a scenic lake cruise, gliding toward panoramic vistas of the towering Glen Canyon Dam. This evening, take time to enjoy Lake Powell Resort on your own. (B, L)

Day 5: Lake Powell - Bryce Canyon National Park - Springdale, Utah (Zion) Your journey continues at Bryce Canyon National Park, famous for its ethereal spires known as *hoodoos*. These rock formations, created over thousands of years by wind and water, display natural orange and red hues that contrast with the deep green forests of the park. Take in the wide vistas as you wander along Sunset Point, leading into Sunrise Point Rim Trail. Your day ends in Springdale, gateway to Zion National Park. (B)

Day 6: Zion National Park In sheer magnitude and colour, few places on earth match the beauty of Zion National Park. Marvel at red



Lake Powell



Zion National Park



Bryce Canyon

and white sandstone cliffs as you take a full day to explore Utah's first national park. Climb aboard Zion's open-air tram and wind your way alongside the Virgin River and through the 800-metre-deep, half-mile wide Zion Canyon. This afternoon, continue to enjoy time in the great outdoors, exploring the park independently. (B)

Day 7: Springdale - Las Vegas, Nevada Trade nature's beauty for the

lights of the Vegas strip. This 4-mile stretch of road features neon-lit resorts and around-the-clock action. This afternoon, toast to the end of your journey at a farewell lunch with your fellow travellers. Make the most of your free time this evening to experience the best that Vegas has to offer. (B, L)

Day 8: Las Vegas - Tour Ends Depart for home with memories of colourful canyons and winding valleys.



Arrival: Phoenix (PHX)

Departure: Las Vegas (LAS)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Courtyard by Marriott, Scottsdale, AZ
- Day 2** Yavapai Lodge, Grand Canyon, AZ
- Days 3, 4** Lake Powell Resort, Page, AZ
- Days 5, 6** Hyatt Place Zion, Springdale, UT
- Day 7** Planet Hollywood Hotel, Las Vegas, NV

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Scottsdale • Pre-Night Stay

Las Vegas • Post-Night Stay

REMOTE & RUSTIC ACCOMMODATIONS

During this tour, you'll stay overnight right in or near the stunning national parks, which necessitates lodging in more rustic accommodations. Though the quality is not at our usual standards, the setting is incomparable.



Las Vegas

America's Cowboy Country

8 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,999



Badlands National Park

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on October 9, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Badlands National Park, Custer State Park, Crazy Horse Memorial, Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone National Park, Jackson Hole, Grand Teton National Park

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore Yellowstone National Park, the first national park in the world.
- The Wild West comes to life during a traditional chuckwagon dinner.
- Marvel at the scale and patriotic energy of Mount Rushmore.
- Learn about Lakota Native Americans at Crazy Horse and *Tatanka: Story of the Bison*.
- Explore Deadwood, a National Historic Landmark that pays tribute to the Wild West.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Heart Mountain Interpretive Center, Story of the Bison Interpretive Center, and Black Hills Adventure Tours — sharing the land's history through Indigenous-led storytelling. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Rapid City, South Dakota

Welcome to Rapid City, long known as the gateway to the Black Hills, and your home for three nights. As travellers' arrival times vary greatly, you have no group activities planned during the day. Your Tour Manager will hold a welcome briefing in the early evening. Dinner is on your own tonight.

Day 2: Rapid City - Badlands - Wall - Rapid City

Embrace the vast beauty of Badlands National Park with a Native American Guide. Your guide will share their personal perspective on the land, weaving stories of heritage, culture, and their way of life into the journey. Follow the Badlands Loop Road, a wonder of rock formations and vibrant colours formed by mineral deposits. Stop at Wall Drug, a classic store from 1936, where there is time for lunch and browsing. This evening, enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 3: Rapid City - Custer State Park - Crazy Horse - Mt. Rushmore

Travel to Custer State Park and search for a herd of over 1,000 roaming bison and the famous Begging Burros. Your guide will fill you in on the park's wildlife history and facts. Next, prepare to be amazed by the Crazy Horse Memorial, the world's largest mountain sculpture still in progress. The memorial includes

the Indian Museum of North America, Native American Cultural Center, the sculptor's studio, an orientation centre, and theatres. Many Native American artists and craftspeople practice their art at the memorial and are on hand to discuss the influence their culture has on their work. Later, see Mount Rushmore, one of the country's most famous landmarks. (B)

Day 4: Rapid City - Deadwood - Buffalo, Wyoming

Stop in Deadwood, a rambling Western town and a National Historic Landmark. Recreations of turn-of-the-century streetlamps light the way through the restored architecture. A local guide introduces you to the history of the city, where gold, gambling, and gunpowder were once the order of the day. Visit Mount Moriah Cemetery, final resting place of Wild Bill Hickok, Calamity Jane, and other figures from the Wild West. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take a guided tour of the Adams Museum and explore dynamic exhibits that shine a light on Deadwood's legends and outlaws **-OR-** visit Kevin Costner's *Tatanka: Story of the Bison*. This interpretive centre features large, awe-inspiring sculptures depicting the relationship of bison and the Lakota Native Americans. Your day ends in Buffalo, Wyoming. (B, D)



Old Faithful



Chuckwagon Dinner

Day 5: Buffalo - Cody This morning, make your way through the Bighorn Mountains and cross through the territory of the Great Sioux Nation. This afternoon, visit the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, a tribute to one of the most well-known figures of the Old West. (B)

Day 6: Cody - Yellowstone National Park - Jackson, Wyoming Visit Yellowstone National Park, the world's first national park. Famous for its geysers, hot springs, and incredible wildlife — including free-ranging herds of bison — Yellowstone lives up to its reputation. No visit to the park would be complete without seeing its most renowned attraction: Old Faithful. Watch in awe as the geyser sends a fountain of steam more than 40 metres in the air. Travel over the Sylvan Pass and see Yellowstone Lake on the way

to Jackson, your home for the next two nights. (B)

Day 7: Jackson - Grand Teton National Park - Jackson Wind through Grand Teton National Park, home to the youngest peaks in the Rockies. Keep your camera handy, as there are plenty of opportunities to take photos. Afterwards, enjoy free time to explore trendy downtown Jackson. Look for the Antler Arch at the entrance to the historic town square. Get a taste of the Old West at your farewell dinner where your ride in a covered wagon takes you past the Cache Creek for a night of Western hospitality at a chuckwagon dinner with entertainment. (B, D)

Day 8: Jackson - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories. (B)



Arrival: Rapid City (RAP)

Departure: Jackson Hole (JAC)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1 – 3 Alex Johnson Hotel, Rapid City, SD

Day 4 Hampton Inn & Suites, Buffalo, WY

Day 5 Holiday Inn at the Buffalo Bill Village Resort, Cody, WY

Days 6, 7 The Lodge at Jackson Hole, Jackson, WY

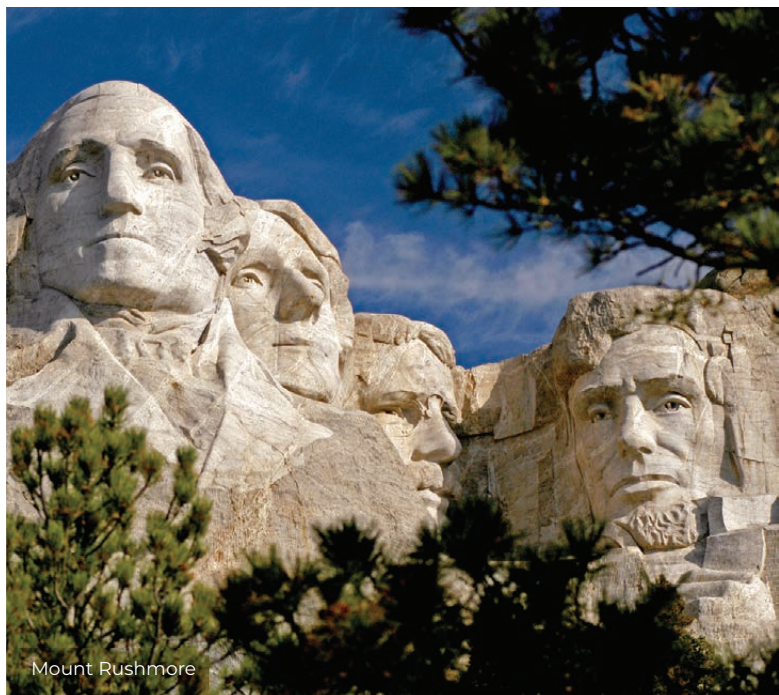
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Rapid City • Pre-Night Stay

Jackson Hole • Post-Night Stay



Mount Rushmore

NEW TOUR

New England Holiday featuring the historic Omni Mount Washington Resort

7 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,999



Omni Mount Washington Hotel

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **1** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,199 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on December 7, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

December 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

December 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for December 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Boston Symphony Orchestra Performance, Omni Mount Washington Resort, The Breakers Mansion, Boston's Snowport Holiday Market, Christmas Tree Farm Visit with Horse & Carriage Ride, Cookie Decorating Class

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Visit a New Hampshire Christmas tree farm and bundle up for a cozy horsedrawn carriage ride.
- Get into the holiday spirit at Snowport, a European-style Christmas market in Boston's bustling Seaport District.
- Enjoy breathtaking views of the snowcapped White Mountains during a 2-night stay at the historic Omni Mount Washington Resort.
- Visit the Vanderbilt family's Newport mansion, The Breakers, in all its holiday splendour.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Snowport and The Rocks Estate — preserving forest land through conservation and education initiatives. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Boston, Massachusetts

Bundle up for a festive journey through charming, historic locales of New England. Get ready to stroll through Boston's old, winding city streets, strewn with sparkling lights, and feel the cheer in the chilly New England air. With no scheduled activities today due to varied arrivals, spend the day exploring Boston as you wish. Dinner is on your own tonight.

Day 2: Boston This morning, take a panoramic tour of Boston to see the historic city's Old South Meeting House, Boston Common, and the quaint cobblestone streets and Federal-style rowhouses of Beacon Hill. Then, step out to explore Faneuil Hall, the true heart of Boston, with free time for lunch — maybe try a local favourite like clam *chowdah* as you admire the dazzling lights of its towering Christmas tree. Later, soak in the festive atmosphere of Snowport, a European-style outdoor Christmas market in Boston's Seaport District. Shop for one-of-a-kind goods as you meander through rows of local vendors and sip mulled wine. This evening, gather for a welcome reception at a local restaurant and then take your seat at the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Enjoy a special performance by the Grammy-

nominated Boston Pops, featuring holiday classics, singalongs, and even an appearance by the big man in red. (B, D)

Day 3: Boston - Bretton Woods, New Hampshire

After a relaxed morning, set out for New Hampshire's White Mountains. Arrive at the historic Omni Mount Washington Resort. Discover this iconic hotel, all decked out for the holidays, where world-class amenities and grand architecture await. This evening, join a private history tour of the property, which has hosted the likes of Thomas Edison, Winston Churchill, and several U.S. presidents. After, enjoy dinner at your leisure in the hotel's elegant dining room. (B, D)

Day 4: Bretton Woods - Bethlehem - Littleton - Bretton Woods

This morning, visit a Christmas tree farm in the appropriately named town of Bethlehem. Discover the farm's contributions to forest conservation and live out your Hallmark movie fantasies as you take a scenic horsedrawn carriage ride while staying warm and cozy with a blanket and hot chocolate. After, enjoy free time for lunch and shopping in the picturesque town of Littleton. Back at the Omni, the afternoon is yours to soak up your



Arrival: Boston (BOS)

Departure: Boston (BOS)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2 Hyatt Regency, Boston, MA

Days 3, 4 Omni Mount Washington Resort, Bretton Woods, NH

Days 5, 6 Newport Harbor Island Resort, Newport, RI

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Boston • Pre-Night Stay

Newport • Post-Night Stay

surroundings, perhaps taking time for breathtaking mountain views from the wraparound porch or staying snug by the roaring fireplace. This evening, join a festive cookie-decorating class with tips and tricks from one of the resort's chefs. (B, D)

Day 5: Bretton Woods - Newport, Rhode Island Say goodbye to the snowcapped White Mountains and discover a coastal holiday scene — you're on your way to Newport, famous for its Gilded Age mansions and ocean scenery. Arriving in the area this afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit Blithewold Manor to explore the historic estate, beautifully decorated for the holiday season -**OR-** take a spin around the fascinating Newport Car Museum, where over 100 automobiles on display double as works of art. This evening, settle in at your waterfront hotel on Newport's Goat Island. The night is yours to

explore Newport and its many eateries at your leisure. (B)

Day 6: Newport Discover Newport on a panoramic tour, following Ocean Drive for stunning coastal views and glimpses into the area's rich history. Step inside The Breakers, the grand mansion built by the Vanderbilt family. Immerse yourself in the mansion's holiday magic, with its opulent rooms adorned with Christmas trees and a 15-foot poinsettia tree in the Great Hall. After, head to Newport's charming downtown and enjoy the rest of the afternoon as you please, perhaps doing some last-minute holiday shopping at the many boutiques along the waterfront. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a cheerful farewell dinner at a popular local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 7: Newport - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. May the memories of your holiday adventure be joyful! (B)



Islands of New England

8 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,999



Cape Cod Beach

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,299 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on May 7, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Newport, Lobster Trap Pull Demonstration & Cruise, Plymouth Rock, Cape Cod, Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, Lobster Dinner

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Enjoy an informative talk from a passionate local at your welcome dinner in Rhode Island.
- Travel Newport's breathtaking Ocean Drive past the sprawling mansions of Bellevue Avenue.
- Learn Massachusetts' history as the former whaling capital of the world at the Nantucket Whaling Museum.
- Cruise Plymouth Harbor and watch your boat's captain pull lobster traps from the water.
- Tour the Breakers Mansion and get an up-close look at life as a Vanderbilt.
- Visit "The Vineyard" and see its famous gingerbread-style houses.
- Celebrate the taste of Cape Cod with a traditional New England lobster dinner.

Day 1: Providence, Rhode Island

Discover the natural beauty that lies along the shores of New England. Come to know its coastal charm, friendly people, and fresh-from-the-sea cuisine. Your tour opens in Providence, the capital of Rhode Island. As arrival flights vary greatly, there are no included activities today. Dinner will be on your own.

Day 2: Providence This morning, enjoy a panoramic city tour with your Tour Manager on your coach and see highlights including the Brown University Campus and Waterplace Park. Later, get to know the self-proclaimed "Creative Capital" of Providence where **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Learn all about Providence's stunning architecture, iconic landmarks, and hidden gems on a walking tour through the city with a local guide **-OR-** spend part of your afternoon wandering through the RISD Museum where more than 2,000 pieces of art and design are displayed. Tonight, celebrate the beginning of your journey with your fellow travellers at a lively, Colonial-themed welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Providence - Newport - Providence Head to Newport, a colonial port city that later turned into a summer home to America's

wealthiest industrialists. On your way, look to the calm water and see why the city has earned the moniker of the "Sailing Capital of the World" and was home to the America's Cup sailing competition for more than 50 years. In Newport, travel along Bellevue Avenue. Lined with extraordinary 19th-century summer "cottages," this road is home to 7 mansions designated National Historic Landmarks. These extravagant homes were used by affluent families like the Astors and Morgans for fewer than two months each year. Step back in time and get a taste of the Gilded Age at The Breakers, the most opulent of the Newport Mansions and 70-room summer getaway of the Vanderbilt family. (B)

Day 4: Providence - Plymouth, Massachusetts - Cape Cod This morning, venture to the home of the first permanent colonial settlement in the country: Plymouth. Here, board a boat and cruise Plymouth Harbor. Your captain will share the importance of lobstering to New England culture and demonstrate how lobsters are pulled from the water. After returning to land, stop in the town of Plymouth to see where the Pilgrims disembarked the Mayflower in 1620: Plymouth Rock. Later, arrive at your beachfront hotel for a 4-night stay on the Cape. (B)



Providence



Martha's Vineyard

Day 5: Cape Cod - Nantucket - Hyannis - Cape Cod Today, set off via ferry to explore the idyllic island of Nantucket. From its cobblestone Main Street to its beaches and lighthouses, this place lives up to its reputation. During time at leisure, meander the waterfront where sailboats and yachts sway in the harbour or shop for a famous Nantucket basket. Next, head to the Nantucket Whaling Museum and learn about this island's history as the former whaling capital of the world. Peruse exhibits about the danger of this industry in the 18th century and even see the skeleton of a 46-foot-long whale. Return to the mainland and catch a glimpse of the Camelot era in Hyannis Port, home of the Kennedy compound, and visit the poignant Kennedy Memorial. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a popular local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 6: Cape Cod - Sandwich - Cape Cod Take in Cape Cod your way because today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take advantage of the amenities at your waterfront hotel, perhaps sitting by the pool or visiting the private beach on the resort's property

-OR- join your Tour Manager for a trip to Sandwich where you'll visit the Heritage Museums & Gardens with 100 beautiful acres to explore followed by a visit to the Sandwich Glass Museum for a glimpse into the delicate artform of glassblowing. No matter which choice you choose, your evening is at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Cape Cod - Martha's Vineyard - Cape Cod A ferry ride transports you to beautiful Martha's Vineyard. Known for visits by presidents and royalty, this summer home of many artists, writers, and celebrities is full of surprises. You'll see all the highlights of "the Vineyard" (as the locals call it), including quaint gingerbread-styled cottages and a once-famous whaling port resplendent with sea captains' homes and widows' walks. Later, depart the island and cruise back to Cape Cod. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner and traditional New England experience as you indulge in a lobster feast. (B, D)

Day 8: Cape Cod - Boston - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close, leaving you with many fond memories. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1 – 3 Aloft Providence Downtown, Providence, RI

Days 4 – 7 Sea Crest Beach Hotel, Falmouth, MA ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Providence • Pre-Night Stay

Boston • Post-Tour Independent Extension

2 Nights, Starting at \$960 pp

Extend your trip to explore Boston independently. Perhaps you'll stroll the Freedom Trail, visit a museum, shop at Faneuil Hall or taste some of Boston's renowned seafood.



Nantucket

Colours of New England

8 DAYS • 13 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,849



CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **1** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$6,849 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,199 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on October 5, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

September – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for September – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Boston, Lunch at Simon Pearce, Woodstock, Shelburne Museum, Maple Sugar Tour, Kancamagus Highway, Mount Washington, Lake Winnepesaukee Cruise, Portland

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Travel along the historic Auto Toll Road and enjoy views from the summit of Mount Washington.
- Drive the Kancamagus highway, known to have some of the best foliage views.
- Explore the Rocks Estate and learn about maple sugaring on a farm tour.
- View the most photographed lighthouse in America, the Portland Head Light.
- Savour a beloved New England fall staple, the apple cider donut.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: The Rocks Estate — preserving and restoring a sustainably managed forest reservation. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Boston, Massachusetts

Welcome to Massachusetts, where your journey through charming and vibrant New England begins. Due to varied arrival times, you have no scheduled activities today. Discover Boston as you wish.

Day 2: Boston - Woodstock, Vermont - Essex Junction

This morning, set out for Vermont where tree-covered mountainsides dot a charming landscape of quaint villages with traditional, white steeple churches. Visit Quechee Gorge — known as Vermont's Little Grand Canyon. This afternoon, watch glassblowing artisans craft unique art at the Simon Pearce flagship store. Savour a private lunch prepared with fresh, local ingredients served on Simon Pearce dinnerware. After lunch, arrive in Woodstock, "the quintessential New England village," with its beautifully restored Georgian homes, a covered bridge, and even a town green. This evening, settle in at your comfortable Vermont resort, a property with a rich culinary heritage, and once home to a renowned cooking school. Before gathering for a welcome dinner, enjoy a chef-led culinary demonstration that introduces the resort's food-focused roots and celebrates the flavours of the region. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Essex Junction - Shelburne - Burlington - Essex Junction

Begin your day with a guided tour of the Shelburne Museum, founded by visionary collector Electra Havemeyer Webb, whose passion for American art and design shaped this remarkable institution. Discover an eclectic range of exhibits, including folk art, quilts, historic carriages, and landmark structures such as a light house and vintage steamboat. After learning the story behind the museum's collections and historic buildings, enjoy free time to explore the galleries that most interest you. Continue to Burlington's vibrant Church Street Marketplace, where you'll enjoy free time for lunch on your own and the opportunity to explore local shops, cafés, and street performers in this lively pedestrian district. Tonight, dine at a local eatery known for its farm-to-table philosophy, where a seasonal menu highlights locally sourced ingredients. (B, D)

Day 4: Essex Junction - North Conway, New Hampshire

Today you will be New Hampshire bound! Soak in the lovely New England countryside as you journey east to the White Mountains. Along the way, sample a fall favourite — an apple cider donut — while passing through the charming village of Stowe. Stop to explore the Rocks Estate, home



Mount Washington Summit



Portland Wharf

to the North Country Conservation & Education Center. On a tour of the farm, learn about the history and importance of maple sugaring in the region and visit a virtual tap room. Later, continue to North Conway via the Kancamagus Highway, a scenic byway offering spectacular views of the White Mountains region. (B, D)

Day 5: North Conway After breakfast, make your way to Mount Washington — the highest peak in the Northeastern United States. Break into smaller groups and enjoy an exclusive tour up the twisting Auto Road. Take in the sight of the peaks jutting into the sky alongside a local expert who will teach you about the unique history, plant, and animal life you may see along the way. Once you reach the summit, take time to appreciate the fantastic view and spend some time inside the museum to learn about the extreme, rapid changing weather conditions that impact the mountain's peak. Later, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Spend some time appreciating the great outdoors alongside your Tour Manager during a nature walk **-OR-** sit down comfortably at your hotel for a lecture with a local naturalist to learn all about the ecology of the North Woods. (B, D)

Day 6: North Conway - Lake Winnepesaukee - Portland, Maine

Journey to New Hampshire's picturesque lakes region, a popular vacation spot for visitors year-round. Cruise across Lake Winnepesaukee as fiery autumn colours reflect off the water, creating a classic New England panorama. Then, visit the charming town of Wolfeboro, the "oldest summer resort in America." Later, travel to Maine's seacoast. Drive through the seaside community of Kennebunkport. See Walker's Point, the home on a rocky promontory that's a summer residence to the family of the late President George H.W. Bush. This evening, arrive in Portland, once home to sea captains and now known as one of "America's coolest cities." (B)

Day 7: Portland This morning, a locally guided tour includes Fort Williams Park to view the Portland Head Light, the most photographed lighthouse in America and the oldest in Maine. As you take in the views of Portland Harbor and Casco Bay, four more lighthouses can be seen. Enjoy some free time this afternoon in beautiful Portland to stroll the historic Old Port neighbourhood's many shops and restaurants. Or perhaps check out one of the city's many museums



Arrival: Boston (BOS)

Departure: Boston (BOS)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Battery Wharf Hotel, Boston, MA
Days 2, 3 The Essex Resort & Spa, Essex Junction, VT
Days 4, 5 White Mountain Hotel & Resort, North Conway, NH
Days 6, 7 Courtyard Portland Downtown, Portland, ME

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Boston • Pre-Night Stay

Boston • Post-Tour Independent Extension*

2 Nights, Starting at \$960 pp

Extend your trip to explore Boston — Massachusetts's historic capital city. Consider walking along the harbour or try some famous clam chowder.

*Boston post-tour extension is not available on all departures. Please see our website for details.



Glassblowing

or historical sites. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a very special farewell dinner celebrating the flavours of coastal Maine, where lobster is a regional highlight. (B, D)

Day 8: Portland - Boston, Massachusetts - Tour Ends Today, return to the Boston airport with the many wonderful memories of your adventure. (B)

Mackinac Island

9 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,799



Grand Hotel

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **1** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,799 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,149 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on October 7, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

HIGHLIGHTS

Mackinac Island, Grand Hotel, Chicago's Millennium Park, Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park, Henry Ford Museum, Detroit Mobster & Prohibition Tour

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Enjoy two nights including dinner at the Victorian-era resort, the Grand Hotel.
- Climb aboard your horse-drawn carriage, Mackinac Island's local transportation, for a tour of the island.
- Connect with agriculture and art while you explore the many gardens of the Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park.
- Enjoy the sounds of Detroit's musical history over dinner at a local restaurant.
- Explore generations of innovation during a visit to the Henry Ford Museum.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Detroit Musix, Frederik Meijer Gardens, and The Henry Ford Museum — representing regional cultural heritage through education and performance. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Chicago, Illinois Get ready for a relaxing journey through the tranquil beauty of Mackinac Island and the Great Lakes region. This stunning landscape comes alive amid old-fashioned traditions. No activities are included today as flight arrival times will be scattered through the afternoon and evening.

Day 2: Chicago Begin your day with a locally guided tour of Chicago's remarkable and impressive architecture. This dynamic city goes by many names including "Second City" and "The Windy City," but no matter what you call it, you're sure to fall in love. Highlights of your tour include famous Michigan Avenue, the "Magnificent Mile," the Wrigley Building, the Loop, the Lakefront, and a walking tour through Millennium Park. Arriving back to the hotel around 1 p.m., the remainder of your afternoon is at leisure. You may want to visit one of Chicago's many museums, relax during a scenic boat ride along the Chicago River, or visit the Chicago Cultural Center. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at the legendary Harry Caray's Italian Steakhouse. The historic landmark building, which houses the restaurant, has a storied past including ties to notorious gangster, Al Capone. (B, D)

Day 3: Chicago - Grand Rapids, Michigan Travel north as we make our way to the city of Grand Rapids. This afternoon, take some time to explore the many gardens, greenhouses, and art exhibits of the Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park. (B)

Day 4: Grand Rapids - Mackinac Island This morning, enjoy a scenic drive before arriving in Mackinaw City at the tip of Michigan's lower peninsula. You will have some time to explore this coastal vacation town and grab lunch before boarding the ferry that will take you back to a simpler time on Mackinac Island. Upon arrival, listen for how the neighs of horses replace the roar of engines. Your home for the next two nights is the glorious Victorian-era resort, the Grand Hotel. Both your hotel and the island itself are National Historic Landmarks. The island is a natural gem with over eighty percent of its land preserved by Mackinac State Park, a woodland paradise accented with limestone formations and ringed by Lake Huron. After dinner at your hotel, the evening is yours to enjoy. Perhaps you'll take a leisurely stroll through the quaint village or relax on the Grand Hotel's famous porch. (B, D)

Day 5: Mackinac Island Climb aboard your horse-drawn carriage for an island tour that includes stops at the Surrey



Chicago



Mackinac Island Harbor

Hills Carriage Museum and Arch Rock. Following your tour, savour some time to enjoy all of Mackinac Island's quiet pleasures. Enjoy brilliant views while sitting on the front porch of the Grand Hotel or take a walk downtown to visit the shops and buy some fudge, a favourite item on the island. Later, choose from a menu of tasty delicacies when you dine at the elegant Salle à Manger. After dinner, enjoy a cup of coffee while listening to the refined sounds of the Grand Hotel's orchestra. If you crave a secluded hideaway, retreat to the charming Cupola Bar. (B, D)

Day 6: Mackinac Island - Bay City Enjoy some leisure time at the Grand Hotel and in town before departing this afternoon for your riverfront accommodations in Bay City. This evening is at leisure. Perhaps you will head to the river walk where you can explore downtown on your own. (B)

Day 7: Bay City - Detroit Today, explore the architectural artistry of Alden B. Dow's home and studio during a guided tour. This legendary 20th-century architect designed his home to be the peak of Mid-Twentieth Century Modern Architecture, and it's since been declared a National Historic Landmark. Continue your journey to Detroit, a city with a soul as deep as its history — where roaring

engines, Motown melodies, and bold architecture tell stories of resilience and reinvention. This afternoon, step into a fascinating chapter of the city's past as you explore Detroit's colourful history. From Prohibition-era speakeasies to legendary mob families and the lawmen who chased them, you'll uncover tales woven into the fabric of Detroit's streets and landmarks. This evening, enjoy dinner on your own. (B)

Day 8: Detroit - Dearborn - Detroit Today we visit Dearborn, hometown of Henry Ford and the Ford Motor Company. At the Henry Ford Museum, learn how the automobile forever changed American life and society. Then take in the historic homes at Greenfield Village, and see the workshops where famous American icons like the Wright Brothers, Thomas Edison, Henry Ford, and Robert Frost were once inspired. During your farewell dinner this evening, get ready to be immersed in Detroit's musical legacy as a passionate local musician shares sounds and stories of Motown legends, jazz greats, and the creative forces that shaped the city. (B, D)

Day 9: Detroit - Tour Ends Your tour ends today, leaving you with a bounty of happy memories from your visit to America's heartland. (B)



Arrival: Chicago (ORD)

Departure: Detroit (DTW)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** Hyatt Regency, Chicago, IL
- Day 3** Courtyard Grand Rapids Downtown, Grand Rapids, MI
- Days 4, 5** Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI ▲
- Day 6** DoubleTree by Hilton Bay City - Riverfront, Bay City, MI
- Days 7, 8** Hilton Garden Inn Detroit Downtown, Detroit, MI

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Chicago • Pre-Night Stay

ALSO AVAILABLE



Mackinac Island featuring the Tulip Time Festival Discover the Midwest and all its charm on this delightful journey from idyllic Mackinac Island to the extraordinary Tulip Time Festival.

Dates Available: April - May 2027

Spotlight on New York City

5 DAYS • 5 MEALS • STARTING AT \$3,699



SPOTLIGHTS • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$3,699 (DOUBLE)** or **\$4,799 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 19, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – November 2027; April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Two Broadway Shows, Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, 9/11 Memorial & Museum

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Join a local guide for a tour of New York City's time-honoured landmarks.
- Pay tribute to the lives lost during a visit to the 9/11 Memorial and the 9/11 Museum.
- Experience two Broadway shows of your choice.
- Embark on a voyage to see "Lady Liberty" up-close.
- Experience breakfast and a taste of NYC diner culture in the city's staple eateries.

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1 – 4 Sheraton New York Times Square, New York, NY

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

3 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

New York City • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Ellis Island and the 9/11 Memorial and Museum. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR FREE TIME WITH A COMPLIMENTARY \$20 UBER CREDIT.

Day 1: New York City, New York "Start spreading the news," because today you arrive in America's most exciting metropolis for a getaway filled with shopping, sightseeing, and endless entertainment. Relax as you enjoy a single-hotel stay in the heart of the city. There are no included activities today.

Day 2: New York City An exciting day begins with breakfast at a local eatery before embracing the city's energy on a locally guided tour of the "Big Apple." Find yourself in Central Park, on Fifth Avenue, in Greenwich Village, and Chinatown. See St. Patrick's Cathedral, Rockefeller Center, and many other time-honoured landmarks. Starting at 1:00 p.m., you'll have three hours of free time this afternoon to discover the city at your own pace. Your Tour Manager has countless suggestions on how to spend your time. Maybe you are up for a shopping spree at some of the world's most legendary department stores, including Macy's, Bloomingdale's, and Saks Fifth Avenue. Later, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. Then, take your seat at a Broadway show! (B, D)

Day 3: New York City Enjoy breakfast at a local diner, then board a ferry for a cruise of New York Harbor. Take in the incredible views of the towering Statue of Liberty. Dock and get up-close to "Lady Liberty."

She has welcomed immigrants and visitors to New York Harbor since 1886. Created as a token of friendship between the U.S. and France, the Statue of Liberty has become a global symbol of freedom. Then, it's on to Ellis Island. Step back in time on a self-guided tour of the museum. Come to know the personal stories of the immigration boom of 1892-1924 when 12 million people passed through this station on their journey to America. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore "the city that never sleeps." Tonight, choose to join an optional walking tour of Greenwich Village including dinner. (B)

Day 4: New York City This morning, drive through the Wall Street district on your way downtown. Reflect at the 9/11 Memorial and take a self-guided tour at the 9/11 Museum, two poignant tributes to the lives lost. This afternoon, the curtains rise for your second Broadway show. You'll choose from a selection of Broadway's biggest hits. Say farewell to this extraordinary city tonight as we gather for your final taste of New York with dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 5: New York City - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close with many pleasant memories of your exciting tour of fabulous "New York, New York."

ALSO AVAILABLE

Spotlight on New York City: Beyond the Bridges

Dates Available: October 2026; April 2027 & May – November 2027; April 2028

Spotlight on New York City featuring Hamilton

Dates Available: February – March 2027; February – March 2028

Spotlight on New York City Holiday

5 DAYS • 5 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,699

SPOTLIGHTS • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,699 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,999 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on December 18, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

November – December 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

November – December 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for November – December 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Greenwich Village, Wall Street, Christmas Spectacular at Radio City Music Hall, Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, 9/11 Memorial & Museum, Broadway Show

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Experience the incredible Christmas Spectacular at Radio City Music Hall.
- Venture out to Times Square to experience a Broadway show.
- Embark on a voyage to experience “Lady Liberty” up close.
- Visit the 9/11 Memorial and the 9/11 Museum.

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1-4 Sheraton New York Times Square, New York, NY

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

3 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

New York City • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Ellis Island and the 9/11 Memorial and Museum. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR FREE TIME WITH A COMPLIMENTARY \$20 UBER CREDIT.

Day 1: New York City, New York

“Start spreading the news,” because today you arrive in America’s most exciting metropolis as it shines during the holiday season. Your New York City getaway is filled with shopping, sightseeing, endless entertainment, and holiday cheer. There are no included activities today.

Day 2: New York City This morning, the day begins with breakfast at a local eatery before setting out to embrace the energy of this fascinating city on a locally guided tour of the “Big Apple.” Find yourself in Central Park, on Fifth Avenue, in Greenwich Village, and Chinatown. See St. Patrick’s Cathedral, Rockefeller Center, and many other time-honoured landmarks decorated for the season. Starting at 1:00 p.m., you’ll have three hours of free time this afternoon to discover the city at your own pace. Maybe you are up for skating at Rockefeller Center or Central Park. Be sure to take a picture in front of the colossal Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center and gaze at the elaborate 5th Avenue holiday window displays. After dinner at a local restaurant, you’re in for the sweetest holiday treat — Radio City Music Hall and the incredible Christmas Spectacular featuring the high-kicking Rockettes — a short walk from your hotel! (B, D)

Day 3: New York City Enjoy breakfast at a local diner, then board a ferry for a cruise of New York Harbor. Take in the incredible views of the towering Statue of Liberty. Dock and get up

close to “Lady Liberty.” She has welcomed immigrants and visitors to New York Harbor since 1886. Created as a token of friendship between the U.S. and France, the Statue of Liberty has become a global symbol of freedom. Then, it’s on to Ellis Island. Step back in time on a self-guided tour of the museum. Come to know the personal stories of the immigration boom of 1892-1924 when 12 million people passed through this station on their journey to America. Enjoy some time at leisure to partake in New York’s fabulous holiday shopping at the world’s most famous department stores including Macy’s, Bloomingdale’s, and Saks Fifth Avenue, all dressed up in their holiday best, or choose to join an optional walking tour of Greenwich Village including dinner. (B)

Day 4: New York City This morning, drive through the Wall Street district on your way downtown. Reflect at the 9/11 Memorial and take a self-guided tour at the 9/11 Museum, two poignant tributes to the lives lost. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a final toast as we gather for dinner at a local restaurant. Then, it’s off to exhilarating Times Square to take your seat at an included Broadway show! You’ll choose from a selection of Broadway’s biggest hits. (B, D)

Day 5: New York City - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close with many pleasant memories of your exciting tour of fabulous “New York, New York” during the holiday season.

Spotlight on Washington, D.C.

6 DAYS • 8 MEALS • STARTING AT \$3,699



SPOTLIGHTS • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$3,699 (DOUBLE)** or **\$4,899 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 19, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

March – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027; March – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

U.S. Capitol Building Tour, World War II Memorial, Washington National Cathedral, Arlington National Cemetery, Mount Vernon, Old Town Alexandria, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, White House Visitor Center, Smithsonian Institution

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Experience D.C. your way by visiting a Smithsonian Museum of your choice.
- Peek into the life of America's first president at Mount Vernon.
- Behold the Washington National Cathedral.
- Experience international cuisine in local restaurants throughout the city.
- Tour the U.S. Capitol building.

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1 – 5 Viceroy, Washington, D.C.

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

5 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Washington, D.C. • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Dog Tag Bakery.

Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9

MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR FREE TIME WITH A COMPLIMENTARY \$20 UBER CREDIT.

Day 1: Washington, D.C. Explore America's heritage and history during your stay in the capital city of the United States — Washington, D.C. There are no included activities today and dinner is on your own. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently.

Day 2: Washington, D.C. Your day begins at the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center with a guided tour of this historic and storied building. Discover the celebrated history of America's capital on a city tour. Take in views of the White House, National Mall, and other monuments and museums. Pause to reflect at the poignant World War II Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and the Korean War Memorial. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Washington, D.C. Tour the Washington National Cathedral, which hosted state funerals, Presidential inaugural masses, and MLK's last sermon. Decide how you want to see more of D.C. today — **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join an exclusive walking tour retracing the plots and events leading to the Lincoln Assassination **-OR-** explore the life of espionage with a visit to the International Spy Museum. This evening after an included dinner, enjoy a private, illuminated twilight tour of the Jefferson, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Lincoln Memorials before returning to the hotel. (B, D)

Day 4: Arlington National Cemetery - Mount Vernon, Virginia - Alexandria Visit Arlington National Cemetery for

a narrated tour that takes you to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Kennedy gravesites. Head to Old Town Alexandria, nestled along the Potomac, and enjoy time to stroll the cobblestone streets on your own during a break for lunch. Continue to Mount Vernon, the beloved home of George Washington. After a tour of the home, spend time wandering through the gardens and grounds before visiting the tomb of General Washington and his wife, Martha. This evening is yours. Perhaps you'll use your included Uber voucher to explore the district's culinary scene. (B)

Day 5: Washington, D.C. Today, visit a local bakery and non-profit to learn about their mission offering veterans and their families support and advancement opportunities upon their return from service. Then, spend time in the White House Visitor Center and see artifacts from the White House collection. Later, uncover some of the treasures of the Smithsonian Institution with free time to visit any of the more than 10 museums surrounding the National Mall. This afternoon, you can choose to live like a local and take the metro with your Tour Manager to return to the hotel. Gather in the evening for a farewell dinner commemorating the end of your historical journey. (B, D)

Day 6: Washington, D.C. - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close in Washington, D.C. this morning. (B)

Spotlight on South Dakota featuring Mount Rushmore & The Badlands

7 DAYS • 9 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,299



SPOTLIGHTS • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,299 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on May 14, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Mount Rushmore, Badlands National Park, Wall Drug, Deadwood, Off-Road Jeep Safari at Custer State Park, Crazy Horse Memorial, Devils Tower National Monument

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Learn about the history of the Sioux Nation at the Oglala Lakota Living History Village.
- Marvel at the iconic Mount Rushmore.
- Travel to the otherworldly Badlands National Park with an Indigenous guide.
- Search for buffalo and other wildlife in Custer State Park on an off-road Jeep safari.

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1 – 6 Hyatt Place, Rapid City, SD

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Rapid City • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Oglala Lakota Living History Village. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

**MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR FREE TIME WITH
A COMPLIMENTARY \$20 UBER CREDIT.**

Day 1: Rapid City, South Dakota Your tour opens in Rapid City, the gateway to the Black Hills. As travellers' arrival times vary greatly, there are no group activities planned during the day. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 2: Rapid City - Mt. Rushmore - Rapid City Learn the history of enterprising Westerners at the Chapel in the Hills. Continue to Mount Rushmore and view the towering figures of Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt, and Lincoln as you stroll along the Presidential Trail. This evening, return to Mount Rushmore for the night-time lighting ceremony. (B)

Day 3: Rapid City - Badlands - Wall - Rapid City Today, visit the Oglala Lakota Living History Village. Hear about their history, relationship to the land, and modern-day culture. Then, venture into Badlands National Park with a Native American guide. At the visitor centre, view informative exhibits, displays, and videos. Travel the Badlands Loop Road, home to vibrant colours and rock formations created by mineral deposits. Visit the legendary Wall Drug, a store barely changed since 1936. Enjoy the evening at leisure. Perhaps you'll use your included Uber voucher and dine at one of Rapid City's breweries or steakhouses. (B)

Day 4: Rapid City - Deadwood - Rapid City Get ready for Deadwood, where gold, gambling, and gunpowder were once the order of the day. This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take a guided tour of the Adams Museum and explore dynamic exhibits that shine a light on Deadwood's

legends and outlaws **-OR-** visit Kevin Costner's *Tatanka: Story of the Bison* sculptures depicting the relationship between bison and the Lakota. This afternoon, Deadwood comes alive as if you've stepped onto the set of an old-fashioned Western. A local guide shows you the town, including where Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane are buried. This evening, enjoy a dinner and Western show at the High Plains Heritage Center. (B, D)

Day 5: Rapid City - Custer - Crazy Horse - Rapid City Head to Custer State Park and keep your eyes peeled for bighorn sheep or wandering elk. Venture off-road with an exciting buffalo safari, cruising deep into the park in an open-air Jeep and searching for herds of roaming buffalo. This afternoon, visit Crazy Horse Memorial and learn about this still-in-progress sculpture. Explore the Indian Museum of North America, the Native American Cultural Center, the sculptor's studio, and more. (B)

Day 6: Rapid City - Devils Tower National Monument, Wyoming - Rapid City Visit the Geographic Center of the Nation, marking the middle of the U.S. Cross into Wyoming and view the first national monument, Devils Tower. Stand in awe before this lofty monolith, perhaps hiking the 1.3-mile Tower Trail around the base. Although famous as the backdrop in *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, the tower is also sacred to many local tribes. This evening, join your fellow travellers for dinner as the end of your South Dakota adventure draws near. (B, D)

Day 7: Rapid City - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

American Heritage featuring The Greenbrier Resort

8 DAYS • 11 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,699



The Greenbrier Resort

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,699 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 7, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – April 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

May – November 2027; March – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Twilight Monument Tour, Arlington National Cemetery, Greenbrier History Tour, Monticello, Colonial Williamsburg, Smithsonian Museums, Mount Vernon, Tavern Dinner

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Spend two nights at The Greenbrier, America's Resort, and enjoy a guided tour.
- Stroll the grounds of historic Colonial Williamsburg.
- Visit a Smithsonian Museum of your choice in Washington, D.C.
- Enjoy day and twilight tours of D.C.'s iconic monuments and memorials.
- Enjoy a farewell dinner, colonial-style, at a traditional Williamsburg tavern.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Arlington National Cemetery and Indigenous Tour of Colonial Williamsburg — exploring Indigenous history through guided interpretation. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Washington, D.C. Set forth on a grand historical tour featuring the timeless elegance and heritage of The Greenbrier. Experience this jewel of classic American resorts and come to understand its draw of over 200 years. A journey brimming with the history of America begins in Washington, D.C. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently.

Day 2: Washington, D.C. A picture-perfect day in D.C. starts at the White House Visitor Center, seeing artifacts from the White House collection. Take a tour of D.C.'s world-famous memorials and monuments, including the National World War II Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Korean War Veterans Memorial, and Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Uncover treasures of the Smithsonian Institution with free time to visit any of the museums surrounding the National Mall — perhaps you'll take one small step into space exploration at the National Air and Space Museum, or explore facets of the nation's story at the National Museum of American History. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant followed by a twilight tour to see more of the capital's iconic marble and granite monuments. (B, D)

Day 3: Washington, D.C. - Arlington, VA - White Sulphur Springs, WV

This morning, visit Arlington National Cemetery. A narrated tour takes you to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Kennedy gravesites. This afternoon, make a stop at historic Front Royal for some free time before travelling through the beautiful mountains of West Virginia to White Sulphur Springs, arriving at The Greenbrier, the world-class resort that's been welcoming guests since 1778. This evening, dine amid the grandeur of this historic resort. (B, D)

Day 4: The Greenbrier Resort With a storied past to explore and every resort luxury available to you, it's time to enjoy all The Greenbrier has to offer. This is a place steeped in history, from its earliest days when its natural mineral springs drew guests to "take the waters," to its long-established status as an elite retreat, where five sitting presidents had already stayed before the Civil War. Imagine these same grounds, repurposed by the U.S. government as well as the army during periods of war over the centuries. Get to know this vast property on a guided tour. The rest of the day is yours to spend as you please throughout the resort. Fill it with relaxing pastimes such as croquet, horseback riding, swimming, or shopping; enjoy a



Colonial Williamsburg



Lincoln Memorial

traditional afternoon tea; or try your luck at the Greenbrier Casino Club. Enjoy dining at the resort once again this evening. (B, D)

Day 5: White Sulphur Springs - Charlottesville - Williamsburg, VA

Feeling restored, bid farewell to The Greenbrier. Today, visit Monticello, the beautiful home and gardens of Thomas Jefferson, the third president of the United States and author of the Declaration of Independence. Tour the main house and take time to explore the area. Continue on to Williamsburg, then settle into your hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure with rich historical surroundings and local dining to explore nearby. (B)

Day 6: Williamsburg Start your day with a step back in time. Explore

Colonial Williamsburg, where historical reenactors and artisans populate the streets and buildings, bringing 1770 to life. Enjoy time to tour this iconic site independently: wander the cobblestone streets, explore the historic buildings, and enjoy lunch on your own on the grounds and nearby Merchant's Square. In the afternoon, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a historical interpreter for a glimpse into the past's Revolutionary politics **-OR-** take a guided tour exploring the contributions of Native American tribes in 18th-century Williamsburg. Then, gather for a Colonial-style dinner at a historic tavern. (B, D)

Day 7: Williamsburg - Washington, D.C. Depart Williamsburg today heading toward Washington, D.C. Stop in Old Town Alexandria with some free



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.
Days 3, 4 The Greenbrier Resort, White Sulphur Springs, WV
Days 5, 6 Williamsburg Lodge, Williamsburg, VA ▲
Day 7 Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.
On some dates alternate hotels may be used ▲ Room upgrade available.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Washington, D.C. • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

ALSO AVAILABLE



American Heritage Holiday featuring The Greenbrier Resort

Enjoy the holiday grandeur of The Greenbrier amid the West Virginia mountains and explore American history throughout Washington, D.C. and Virginia on a fascinating journey.

Dates Available:

November – December 2026; November – December 2027

time to explore and enjoy lunch on your own. Then, visit Mount Vernon, the beloved home of George Washington. After a tour of the home, spend time wandering through the gardens and grounds before visiting the tomb of General Washington and his wife,

Martha. Continue to your hotel for the evening and join a final toast to this historic journey. (B)

Day 8: Washington, D.C. - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close this morning. (B)

NEW TOUR

The American Story From Historic Boston to the Gateway of Ellis Island

8 DAYS • 11 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,899



Statue of Liberty

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **3** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,899 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,549 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 24, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

May – November 2027; March – April 2028

(featured itinerary)

HIGHLIGHTS

Boston's Freedom Trail, Tenement Museum, Lower East Side Food Tour, Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island, Liberty Bell, Eastern State Penitentiary

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Tour the historic city of Boston, tracing the city's most iconic sites tied to the birth of American independence.
- Visit the Tenement Museum, uncovering the everyday stories of newcomers who helped lay the cultural foundation of the nation.
- Enjoy an Italian meal in Boston's famed North End.
- Embark on a voyage to "Lady Liberty" and experience this iconic statue up close.
- Docked in Penn's Landing, dine on the tall ship *Moshulu*, the world's oldest and largest square-rigged sailing vessel still afloat.
- Taste your way through NYC's Lower East Side, learning about the immigrants who made this neighbourhood home.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Ellis Island - preserving and sharing the cultural heritage of millions of immigrants. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Boston, Massachusetts

Celebrate the nation's origins with a journey that begins in the "Cradle of the American Revolution" and continues through the historic centres of New York and Philadelphia, exploring stories of the country, old and new. Arrive in Boston, a city bursting with character and history. As arrival times will be scattered through the afternoon and evening, there are no scheduled activities today.

Day 2: Boston - Freedom Trail

- Boston Experience Boston's revolutionary history on a privately guided tour, travelling through the North End, along parts of the Freedom Trail, and visiting landmarks such as Copley Square and the Boston Public Library. Spend some free time exploring Faneuil Hall for lunch before returning to your hotel. This evening, celebrate the start of your journey with a welcome dinner in Boston's famed North End. (B, D)

Day 3: Boston - Hartford, Connecticut - New York City You're off to New York City today. But first, a visit to The Mark Twain House offers a window into the roots of American storytelling and the life of one of the world's most influential authors. Get a glimpse into his personal life and

stories and learn how his travels and life at home shaped the voice that would come to define a distinctly American literary tradition. Later, arrive in New York, New York! Check into your Times Square hotel and feel the bustle of the city all around you. This evening, dive into bold new flavours at a local restaurant and experience the diverse culinary traditions that have shaped New York City. (B, D)

Day 4: New York City Start your morning like a New Yorker with breakfast at a local diner. Then, head to the Lower East Side, an eclectic neighbourhood whose layered history and vibrant streets once welcomed waves of newcomers and helped shape the city's cultural identity. A visit to the Tenement Museum offers an eye-opening look into the daily lives of families who arrived seeking opportunity and community. This afternoon, explore the neighbourhood on a privately guided walking food tour, tasting a range of cuisines from all over the world. Along the way, hear stories and histories of the neighbourhood's residents and learn how this famed melting pot came to be. En route to the hotel, delve into historic New York on a panoramic tour where you'll see Central Park, Rockefeller Center, and



Quincy Market, Boston



Liberty Bell, Philadelphia

Fifth Avenue. Arriving back to the hotel by approximately 4:00 p.m., the rest of the day is yours to spend as you wish. (B, L)

Day 5: New York City Enjoy breakfast at a local diner, then board a ferry for a cruise of New York Harbor. Take in the incredible views of the towering Statue of Liberty. Dock and get up close to "Lady Liberty," a symbol of freedom that has welcomed immigrants and visitors to New York Harbor since 1886. Then, it's on to Ellis Island. Step back in time on a self-guided tour of the museum. Come to know the personal stories of the immigration boom of 1892-1924, when 12 million people passed through this station on their journey to America. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore the city that never sleeps. Tonight, you may choose to join an optional dinner and show, taking a seat at one of Broadway's biggest hits: *Hamilton!* Experience the revolutionary musical that shines a spotlight on Founding Father, Alexander Hamilton. (B)

Day 6: New York City - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania On to Philadelphia! Continue to the "birthplace of America." Step inside Independence Hall, where the Declaration of Independence was signed and the Constitution was drafted. See an iconic symbol of

freedom, the Liberty Bell. Then, after an introductory tour through Reading Terminal Market, enjoy free time for lunch at the stalls full of delicious food options, perhaps seeking out a local favourite like the Philly cheesesteak. Later this afternoon, check into your hotel for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Philadelphia This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Choose between two exclusive, before-hours experiences. Explore the Penn Museum, spending time in the Native North American Gallery and hearing insights from an expert **-OR-** visit the Museum of the American Revolution, where stories of the nation's beginnings come together. Walk through the interactive exhibits imagining what it felt like to be part of the Revolution. Gather in the afternoon for a tour of Eastern State Penitentiary, an institution that shaped early American ideas about justice and reform. Tonight, dinner is on board the legendary *Moshulu*, the world's oldest and largest square-rigged sailing vessel still afloat. Docked at Penn's Landing, experience a piece of maritime history on this tall ship turned restaurant. (B, D)

Day 8: Philadelphia - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)



Arrival: Boston (BOS)

Departure: Philadelphia (PHL)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2 The Dagny Hotel, Boston, MA

Days 3 - 5 Sheraton New York Times Square Hotel, New York, NY

Days 6, 7 Hyatt Centric Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia, PA

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Boston • Pre-Night Stay

Philadelphia • Post-Night Stay

Washington, D.C. • Post-Tour Independent Extension
2 Nights, Starting at \$960 pp

Extend your journey in the nation's capital, where museums and iconic landmarks bring America's story to life.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



The American Story Holiday

Walk in the footsteps of revolutionaries, immigrants, and storytellers on a journey through the cities that shaped America, all dressed up for the holidays.

Dates Available: December 2027

America's Music Cities featuring New Orleans, Memphis & Nashville

8 DAYS • 11 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,499



New Orleans

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,849 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on March 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; March – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027; March – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Grand Ole Opry Performance, Historic RCA Studio B, Civil Rights Tour, Graceland, Ryman Auditorium, Country Music Hall of Fame, Barbecue Lunch, Jazz Revue, French Quarter

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Take your seat at the Grand Ole Opry, the “home of American music.”
- Explore the Country Music Hall of Fame, the largest museum of popular music in the world.
- Tour RCA Studio B for an up-close look at Nashville’s oldest remaining recording studio.
- Trace ties to the Civil Rights Movement in Memphis on a one-of-a-kind tour.
- Discover historic Ryman Auditorium, the original home of the Grand Ole Opry.
- Get a true taste of Southern barbecue tradition with a down-home lunch in Memphis.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Heritage Tours and National Civil Rights Museum — educating visitors on the American Civil Rights Movement. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: New Orleans, Louisiana

Step back in time on a cultural getaway that opens in the “Jazz Capital of the World,” New Orleans! This soulful city abounds with rich history, mouthwatering Cajun and Creole cuisine, and of course, an incomparable soundtrack. There are no included features today, so take in the sights, flavours, and sounds of New Orleans on your own today before meeting your group in the morning.

Day 2: New Orleans Explore the many sides of New Orleans and how jazz began and thrives here. Join a local guide for a panoramic city tour, seeing the famous St. Louis Cemetery #3 and Esplanade. Then, it’s on to a walking tour of the French Quarter viewing St. Louis Cathedral, Pirates Alley, and more. Tonight, get to know your travel companions at a New Orleans-style dinner before continuing on to Maison Bourbon, a live jazz club in the French Quarter. (B, D)

Day 3: New Orleans - Oxford, Mississippi Leave New Orleans on a high note and head to the charming college town of Oxford. This evening on a brief orientation walk, pass through Ole Miss and The Square before having dinner on your own at one of the city’s many restaurants. (B)

Day 4: Oxford - Memphis, Tennessee

Travel north to Memphis, the birthplace of the Blues, Rock ‘n’ Roll, and Soul. Enjoy Southern hospitality at your hotel before jiving along to “Jailhouse Rock” as you visit Graceland, the stately mansion of the “King” himself, and tour Elvis’s 14-acre estate, including his home, private jets, and Meditation Garden. This evening, savour dinner in a beautifully restored 1913 movie palace where the historic architecture tells the story of Memphis’s early cultural and civil rights legacy. (B, D)

Day 5: Memphis This morning, embark on an exclusive civil rights history tour via coach and follow the route of Martin Luther King Jr.’s last march, stopping at Mason Temple where he gave his famous “I’ve Been to the Mountaintop” speech the night before he was assassinated. Take time to explore how the era continues to shape equality and freedom to this day during a visit to the National Civil Rights Museum. Next, savour a lunch of down-home barbecue done Memphis-style: dry-rubbed and slow-smoked with sauce on the side! Get a taste of the Southern barbecue tradition and its deeply rooted spirit of community. Later, get acquainted with the musical history of Memphis with a private visit to Sun Studio,



Arrival: New Orleans (MSY)

Departure: Nashville (BNA)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2 Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, New Orleans, LA

Day 3 The Inn at Ole Miss, Oxford, MS

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

Days 6, 7 Gaylord Opryland Resort, Nashville, TN ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

New Orleans • Pre-Night Stay

Nashville • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



America's Music Cities Holiday

Discover America's musical legacy wrapped in dazzling lights and seasonal décor.

Dates Available:

November – December 2026; November – December 2027

perhaps the most famous recording studio in the world, before continuing on to the Memphis Rock 'n' Soul Museum, highlighting the musical journey of this popular city. (B, L)

Day 6: Memphis - Nashville Roll along Music Highway to Nashville — the "Music Capital of the World." Arrive in Nashville and tour the historic Ryman Auditorium, the original home of the Grand Ole Opry. What began as a building where a local radio broadcast show aired once a week in 1925 has grown to become an entertainment complex that attracts music fans from all over the world. After some free time for lunch, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a hands-on chocolate-making lesson at the iconic Goo Goo Candy Shop **-OR-** visit the Johnny Cash Museum where you'll be immersed in the life and legacy of Johnny Cash, a "100 Greatest Artists of All Time" honoree. This evening, take your reserved seat at the renowned Grand Ole Opry. (B)

Day 7: Nashville This morning, on a private tour of RCA Studio B, gain an insider's look at Nashville's oldest remaining recording studio, where Elvis Presley, Dolly Parton, and Charley Pride once recorded classic hits. You may even have the opportunity to record your own hit! Then, visit historic Belle Meade, the first and oldest winery in Nashville, for a tour of the Greek Revival mansion and wine tasting followed by a farewell lunch on this fascinating property. Round out your musical journey at the Country Music Hall of Fame, the world's largest museum of popular music, and check out the vast collections of memorabilia, costumes, recordings, and instruments. (B, L)

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

Bluegrass Country & the Smoky Mountains featuring Louisville, Lexington, Gatlinburg & Asheville

9 DAYS • 13 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,999

Great Smoky Mountains National Park

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,399 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 12, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; March – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027; March – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Churchill Downs & Kentucky Derby Museum, Biltmore Estate, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Jim Beam Bourbon Distillery Tour & Tasting, Horse Farm Tour, Museum of Appalachia

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Visit private horse farms in Lexington, joined by a passionate local, as you connect with Horse Country's pride and traditions.
- At Ole Smoky Moonshine Distillery, enjoy a sample while exploring its Prohibition history.
- Visit Louisville, Kentucky and the mecca of horse racing, Churchill Downs.
- Dig into a Southern-style lunch with a side of live bluegrass music and Appalachian culture.
- Walk the stunning grounds of the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, North Carolina.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Museum of Appalachia — preserving Appalachian buildings, tools, and traditions through a living history museum. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Louisville, Kentucky Welcome to Louisville, Kentucky, famous for Thoroughbreds, world-class bourbon, and baseball heritage. Settle in for a 2-night stay at your downtown hotel. Today, there are no included activities, so the day is yours to enjoy at leisure. Perhaps you'll take a stroll down Louisville's historic Main Street, famously known as Whisky Row and Museum Row, lined with a variety of museums, bourbon distilleries, and tasting rooms.

Day 2: Louisville - Bardstown - Louisville Kick off your adventure at Churchill Downs, home of the legendary Kentucky Derby. Take an exclusive opportunity to meet with a retired jockey to learn about life on the track. Feel the thrill of the "Sport of Kings" as you delve into the racetrack's storied past at the Kentucky Derby Museum. Continue to Bardstown, where history and heritage come alive at My Old Kentucky Home, an estate named for the song it inspired American composer Stephen Foster to write. Tour the stately mansion and walk the plantation grounds, gaining insight into both the family who lived there and the lives of the enslaved people who shaped its story. Later, immerse yourself in the art of bourbon-making with a behind-the-scenes tour at Jim Beam Distillery. Watch

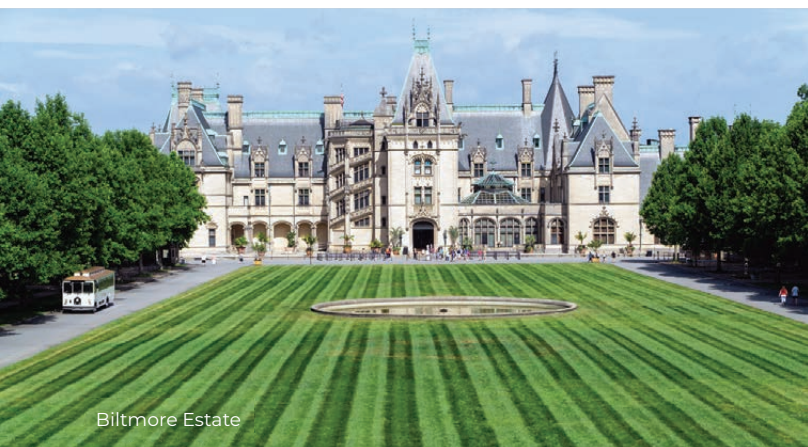
the distillation process in action and savour a tasting of this signature spirit. Tonight, join your fellow travellers at a local restaurant for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Louisville - Lexington Before departing your hotel, start with a tour of the Seelbach's haunted history, secret passageways, and scenes from *The Great Gatsby*. Then, head to Museum Row, where **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Step up to the plate at the Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory for an All-Star baseball experience **-OR-** explore the Frazier Kentucky History Museum and its "Spirit of Kentucky" exhibit, the official starting point of the Bourbon Trail™. Then, journey toward Lexington, pausing in the quaint, historic town of Midway. Approaching Lexington, the landscape transforms into a patchwork of rolling bluegrass hills and white-fenced horse farms. A local guide brings Kentucky's equestrian heritage to life as you enjoy private farm visits, hearing stories of the region's most celebrated residents — its horses. Settle in for a 2-night stay in Lexington and enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Lexington - Berea - Lexington Travel to Berea, the historic college town known as the Folk Arts and Crafts Capital of Kentucky. Meet some



Horse Farm



Biltmore Estate

local artisans while they demonstrate their crafts. Then, explore Kentucky's musical legacy at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame. Explore exhibits filled with instruments, memorabilia, and stories that celebrate the state's deep roots in bluegrass, country, and beyond. Tonight, take in the tastes of Kentucky at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 5: Lexington - Gatlinburg, Tennessee Travel through Daniel Boone National Forest, named for the legendary frontiersman who once carved paths through these wild Appalachian lands. Step into the soul of Appalachia during an exclusive experience at a living history village that brings the region's culture to life. Begin with a hearty Southern-style lunch, served with a side of live bluegrass music. Then, take time to explore the museum's cabins, barns, and artifacts and hear from a local about the resilient people who've called these mountains home for generations. By late afternoon, arrive in Gatlinburg, gateway to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and your home for a 2-night stay. The evening is yours to explore. Perhaps stroll through downtown or take advantage of provided transportation to Dollywood, Dolly Parton's Smoky Mountains theme park (reservations and admission are on your own). (B, L)

Day 6: Gatlinburg - Great Smoky Mountains National Park - Gatlinburg

With a local guide, explore Great Smoky Mountains National Park (UNESCO), the United States' most visited national park. During today's drive, stop at various lookouts on the way to Newfound Gap, which boasts views of both Tennessee and North Carolina. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the park before continuing to the town of Cherokee. Enjoy some time to browse Native American art and souvenir shops or perhaps visit the Museum of the Cherokee. Later, return to Gatlinburg for a visit to the Ole Smoky Moonshine Distillery. Sample a variety of moonshine flavours — once an illicit Appalachian tradition, now a celebrated craft. Spend the evening as you wish. (B, L)

Day 7: Gatlinburg - Asheville, North Carolina

Say goodbye to the Smokies and set your sights on Asheville, North Carolina, a city nestled in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The afternoon and evening are yours to explore a city known for craft breweries, chocolate, and farm-to-table cuisine. This evening, you may choose to join an optional tasting tour that introduces you to Asheville's food scene, sampling local specialties and meeting the makers behind them. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** The Seelbach Hilton, Louisville, KY
- Days 3, 4** Hilton Downtown, Lexington, KY
- Days 5, 6** Hilton Garden Inn, Gatlinburg, TN
- Days 7, 8** Cambria Hotel Downtown, Asheville, NC

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

- Louisville** • Pre-Night Stay
- Asheville** • Post-Night Stay

ALSO AVAILABLE



Nashville & the Smoky Mountains Holiday

Take in the sights and sounds of the holidays in Nashville, Gatlinburg, and Asheville.

Dates Available:

November - December 2026; November - December 2027

Day 8: Asheville Back in 1895, George Vanderbilt II decided to build himself a "little mountain escape" in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. The result was the impressive and decadent grandeur of the Biltmore Estate. Step into a world of elegance as you tour the sprawling mansion and manicured

grounds. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant and toast to an unforgettable journey. (B, D)

Day 9: Asheville - Tour Ends Your tour concludes in Asheville. Proceed to Charlotte, about a 2-hour drive, for your flight home. (B)

Southern Charm featuring Charleston, Savannah, and Jekyll Island

7 DAYS • 9 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,249



Charleston

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,249 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,849 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 25, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – April 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

May 2027, September – November 2027, February – April 2028

(featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Boone Hall Plantation & Gardens, Historic Charleston, Pin Point Heritage Museum, St. Simons Island, Jekyll Island Tram Tour

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Step back in time at the luxurious Jekyll Island Club and savour an elegant dinner.
- Explore Boone Hall Plantation & Gardens, one of the country's oldest working plantations, and visit the historical slave cabins.
- Learn about the life and history of the Gullah Geechee people during a visit to Pin Point Heritage Museum.
- Visit the intriguing Mercer Williams House, one of Savannah's renowned historic homes.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Pin Point Heritage Museum — sharing Gullah/Geechee culture through resident-led interpretation. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Charleston, South Carolina

Experience warm Southern hospitality in America's southeast. Come to know its rich history and deep traditions on this tour highlighted by stays in Charleston, Savannah, and Jekyll Island. Arrive in Charleston, a city that has defied all odds. Charleston has survived the Civil War, major fires, an earthquake, and hurricanes – and still exudes elegance, charm, and grace. If arriving early in the day, perhaps you'll venture out on your own to Patriot's Point Naval Museum or the Aiken-Rhett House before settling into your accommodations in the Historic District. There are no scheduled activities today. Following a welcome briefing, you'll have the evening free to enjoy dinner on your own and explore at your leisure.

Day 2: Charleston

Decide how to see the city because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Stroll through Charleston's historic centre with a local guide, exploring hidden alleys and quaint areas that are only accessible by foot **-OR-** take a harbour cruise to Fort Sumter, where the first fired shots of the Civil War were fired, and chat with a ranger before exploring on your own. Later, make your way to bustling City Market, one of the country's oldest public markets and the central hub for Gullah sweetgrass

basketry – an intricate handicraft of African origin. Explore Boone Hall Plantation and Gardens, one of America's oldest working plantations, and get a historical look inside the original cabins that once housed the enslaved. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 3: Charleston - Savannah, Georgia

Enjoy a morning at leisure to explore Charleston on your own. Perhaps you will join an optional horse-and-carriage tour with lunch. Then, travel down the coast through South Carolina's Low Country to historic Savannah. This evening, spend some time exploring Factors Walk and River Street, where old cotton warehouses have been converted into trendy shops, taverns, and restaurants. Tonight, gather at a local restaurant for dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Savannah This morning, take in the southern charm on a private tour through Savannah's Historic District. The city comes to life as you travel both by trolley and by foot along the cobblestone-paved streets and beneath the moss-draped oaks. Allow the stately mansions, beautiful squares, and romantic riverfront promenades to capture your heart. Your tour ends at the Mercer Williams



Jekyll Island Club



Savannah

House, where you will receive a guided tour of the famed home from *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*. Return to the hotel in time for a late lunch on your own and the afternoon and evening to spend as you wish. (B)

Day 5: Savannah - St. Simons Island - Jekyll Island Before saying so long to Savannah, stop at the Pin Point Heritage Museum to learn about the Gullah Geechee people. Then journey to Georgia's legendary Gold Coast and visit the quaint St. Simons Island. Enjoy time to explore the area on your own, meandering along the unique shops and restaurants in the village. Continue on to the exclusive Jekyll Island Club hotel, your home for the next two nights. (B)

Day 6: Jekyll Island Situated grandly in the middle of the Golden Isles, Jekyll Island was once the

beloved vacation spot for prominent families, including the Rockefellers, Vanderbilts and J.P. Morgan. With a morning at leisure, enjoy the old-world atmosphere of this iconic resort. Gather for a tram ride that brings you on a tour of the island and the Jekyll Island Historic Landmark District – one of the nation's largest restoration projects. The rest of the day is yours to spend as you please throughout the resort. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner at the Jekyll Island Club hotel. (B, D)

Day 7: Jekyll Island - Jacksonville, Florida - Tour Ends As your tour draws to a close, leave for home with memories of a trip well-travelled. Your days spent experiencing true southern charm and gracious hospitality will stay dear to your heart for years to come. (B)



Arrival: Charleston (CHS)

Departure: Jacksonville (JAX)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2 Emeline Hotel, Charleston, SC

Days 3, 4 Tempo by Hilton, Savannah, GA

Days 5, 6 Jekyll Island Club, Jekyll Island, GA

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Charleston • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

Jekyll Island • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



Southern Charm Holiday

In South Carolina and Georgia, experience the unique charm of America's "Low Country" decked out for the holiday season.

Dates Available:

November – December 2026 & November – December 2027.

Pacific Northwest & California

featuring Washington, Oregon and California

8 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,499



Bandon Beach

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$6,849 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on June 14, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May 2027 – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Mount St. Helens Visitor Center, Columbia River Gorge, Hood River, Yaquina Head Lighthouse, Bandon State Natural Area, Rogue River Cruise, Redwood National Park, Avenue of the Giants, San Francisco Bay Cruise

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Behold the majestic beauty of the Redwood Forest's "Avenue of the Giants."
- Venture to Mount St. Helens Visitor Center to learn about its volcanic activity.
- Visit lively Pike Place Market, Seattle's famous fish and vegetable market.
- Visit Columbia River Gorge and Multnomah Falls.
- Enjoy lavender-flavoured ice cream while you learn about the many benefits of lavender and how it's grown.
- Explore Oregon's diverse coast featuring sea stacks and rock formations.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Hood River Lavender Farm and Pike Place Market — supporting local producers and providing essential community services.

Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9

Day 1: Seattle, Washington Your tour opens with an overnight stay in Seattle, dubbed the "Emerald City" for its lush green surroundings. As travellers' arrival times vary greatly, we have no group activities planned during the day. Get to know your fellow travellers at tonight's welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Seattle - Mt. St. Helens - Portland, Oregon Explore Seattle's colourful waterfront area and historic Pioneer Square with a local guide. Mingle with artisans at the lively Pike Place Market, a famous fish and vegetable market dotted with restaurants and shops. Travel by Washington State Ferry across Puget Sound to Bremerton — Seattle's skyline is spectacular from the water! Back on land, travel south through Olympia, stopping at the Mount St. Helens Visitor Center. Learn about its 1980 volcanic eruption as well as the history and geology of the state park. Continue to Portland, Oregon for a two-night stay in the picturesque "City of Roses." (B)

Day 3: Portland - Columbia River Gorge - Portland Drive along the Mt. Hood route to the lush Columbia River Gorge. Take in the unforgettable views of Mt. Hood as you leave the valley and enter the

Cascade Mountains. Discover the awe-inspiring landscapes of the magnificent Columbia River and Multnomah Falls, a 189-metre tall roaring cascade. Later, learn about the lavender growing process during a walking tour of the farm where this beneficial perennial herb is grown. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Portland - Willamette Valley - Newport - North Bend (Oregon Coast) On the way to the Oregon coast, journey through the Willamette Valley. Today known for its wine that rivals that of Napa, this was once the "Promised Land" for the pioneers who followed the Oregon Trail. On the coast, stop at the Yaquina Head Lighthouse, a 28-metre tower buffeted by wind and rain since 1872. Enjoy time at the interpretive centre or make your way down to Cobble Beach to explore the tide pools of colourful sea anemones and starfish. Stop in the seaside town of Newport before travelling further along the coast. End your day strolling North Bend's lively boardwalk, perched along scenic Coos Bay. (B, D)

Day 5: North Bend - Bandon Natural Area - Redwood National Park - Eureka, CA Drive to Bandon State Natural Area. Take in the breathtaking



Seattle



Redwood National Park

scenery as we travel along the striking Beach Loop. See Bandon Rocks and Face Rock, famous for their American Indian legends. Stop to enjoy a cruise up the spectacular Rogue River, taking you into Oregon's rugged wilderness for a chance to see bald eagles, cormorants, seals, and blue heron. Continuing south to California's redwood country, travel through Redwood National Park, home to trees that can reach nearly 91 metres. See for yourself why the sun seldom hits the ground. (B, L)

Day 6: Eureka - San Francisco

Return to the majestic beauty and splendid grandeur of the redwood forest as you traverse the "Avenue of the Giants," a scenic highway loaded with towering redwoods. Next, drive over the legendary Golden Gate

Bridge and arrive in "the City by the Bay," San Francisco. Tonight, enjoy dinner on your own at one of the many restaurants in this eclectic city. (B)

Day 7: San Francisco Today, join a local guide on a city tour of San Francisco's iconic landmarks and neighbourhoods including Chinatown, North Beach, Portsmouth Square, "the birthplace of San Francisco", Haight-Ashbury, and Alamo Square. After a farewell lunch, enjoy a cruise on San Francisco Bay where the highlight is a sail under the majestic Golden Gate Bridge with a close-up look at Alcatraz Island. (B, L)

Day 8: San Francisco - Tour Ends

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



Arrival: Seattle (SEA)

Departure: San Francisco (SFO)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Warwick Hotel, Seattle, WA
- Days 2, 3** Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront, Portland, OR
- Day 4** Ko-Kwel Casino Resort, North Bend, OR
- Day 5** Best Western Plus Bayshore Inn, Eureka, CA
- Days 6, 7** Westin St. Francis, San Francisco, CA

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Seattle • Pre-Night Stay

San Francisco • Post-Night Stay

Seattle • Pre-Tour Hosted Extension

1 Night, Starting at \$685 pp

Get an insider's tour of Pike Place Market — plus, visit the Space Needle and Chihuly Garden and Glass.



San Francisco

California Dreamin' Monterey, Yosemite and Napa

8 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,249

Yosemite National Park

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **1** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,249(DOUBLE)** or **\$6,449 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 24, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026; April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027; March – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Monterey, Scenic 17-Mile Drive, Yosemite National Park, Lake Tahoe Scenic Cruise, Napa Valley Vineyard Tour and Wine Tasting, San Francisco

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Marvel at the views along scenic 17-Mile Drive from Monterey to Carmel.
- Meet a local farmer and visit an almond orchard in Central Valley.
- Enjoy a scenic cruise to the green and blue waters of Emerald Bay on Lake Tahoe.
- Take a coach tour through awe-inspiring Yosemite National Park.
- Visit a family-owned olive oil producer for lunch and a tasting.
- Sample local vintages during a winery tour and tasting in Napa Valley.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Brix Restaurant and Gardens, and Roberts Ferry Gourmet - Almond Orchard Tour. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Monterey, California From the rugged coastline of the Pacific Ocean to Yosemite National Park, Lake Tahoe to Napa Valley, the scenery, history, and culture of northern California is unparalleled. Your tour opens today in Monterey, a seaside city with a rich history and gorgeous scenery. As travellers' arrival times vary greatly, we have no group activities planned. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Dinner is on your own this evening.

Day 2: Monterey The morning is yours to relax or explore this charming city independently. Perhaps you'll visit the renowned Monterey Bay Aquarium or walk along Monterey's Path of History – a self-guided tour of the city's historic landmarks. This afternoon, the scenery of your dreams comes alive as you travel along the famed 17-Mile Drive to Carmel. See the Lone Cypress Tree, Seal Rock, and prestigious Pebble Beach Golf Course before relaxing over dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 3: Monterey - Modesto Travel northeast toward California's Central Valley to Modesto, your base for visiting Yosemite and home for two nights. While Modesto is a city, it

has a small-town atmosphere. Once you get there, visit a family-owned olive oil producer for an informative presentation, olive oil tasting, and lunch. Afterwards, meet a local farmer and visit an almond orchard. Tonight, sit down with your fellow travellers for dinner and continue to savour those local flavours. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Modesto - Yosemite National Park - Modesto Dramatic waterfalls to soaring granite peaks, Yosemite will leave you in awe. Enjoy a scenic drive to the gates of the national park, where you'll travel by coach through Yosemite's unrivalled landscapes with an expert guide. Natural wonders abound as you stand before El Capitan and take in breathtaking vistas including Half Dome, Tunnel View, and Yosemite Falls. (B)

Day 5: Modesto - Sacramento Arrive in Sacramento, enjoying time on your own for lunch in Old Sacramento – a historic Gold Rush-era neighbourhood filled with over 60 restored buildings, wooden sidewalks, and antique gas lamps. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the California State Railroad Museum and explore the detailed exhibits with a guide **-OR-** peruse a collection of Californian art and European



Lake Tahoe



Napa Valley

master drawings on a guided tour of the Crocker Art Museum. Dinner is included tonight at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 6: Sacramento - Lake Tahoe - Sacramento Travel over the Sierra Nevada Mountains to the resort town of Lake Tahoe. Board a classic yacht-style vessel for a narrated cruise of Lake Tahoe's pristine waters. Discover the history of the area and explore the enclosed and open-air decks for ideal places to snap photos of the dynamic landscape and breathe in the fresh air. (B)

Day 7: Sacramento - Napa Valley - San Francisco The iconic rolling vineyards of Napa Valley welcome you today. Tour the grounds of a vineyard while learning about the wine-making process before enjoying a private tasting and a delicious farewell lunch. Raise a glass of locally produced wine and toast to your California adventure. Tonight, enjoy an evening to explore San Francisco as you please. (B, L)

Day 8: San Francisco - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel & Spa, Monterey, CA
- Days 3, 4** DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Modesto, CA
- Days 5, 6** Hyatt Regency, Sacramento, CA
- Day 7** Hotel Zoe Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco, CA
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.*

7 Breakfasts (B) • 2 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Monterey • Pre-Night Stay

San Francisco • Post-Night Stay

San Francisco • Post-Tour Independent Extension
2 Nights, Starting at \$685 pp

Explore San Francisco your way — Fisherman's Wharf, Chinatown, Alcatraz, cable cars, and more await!



Golden Gate Bridge

NEW TOUR

Spirit of the American Southwest Landscapes & Cultures of New Mexico & Arizona

10 DAYS • 14 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,849

Monument Valley

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: 27 • Tour Activity Level: 3 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$6,849 (DOUBLE)** or **\$8,799 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 24, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October – November 2026; March – April 2027

(different itinerary – see note*)

May – November 2027; March – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Historic Downtown of Santa Fe, Bandelier National Monument, Acoma Pueblo, Jeep Tour of Canyon de Chelly, Monument Valley Tribal Park, Scenic Outdoor BBQ & Live Navajo Music, Sedona's Red Rock Vistas

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Step inside Acoma Pueblo Sky City for a rare window into North America's oldest continually inhabited community.
- Venture into Canyon de Chelly by open-air Jeep as your Navajo guide shares stories and history of the land they call home.
- Savour a BBQ dinner as Navajo musicians perform beside a campfire amid red sandstone scenery.
- Marvel at Monument Valley, one of the most photographed places on Earth.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Acoma Pueblo and Sky Culture Center — learning about Acoma lifeways and art while supporting cultural preservation. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Santa Fe, New Mexico Delve into the spirit of America's Southwest, where striking desert landscapes are interwoven with the rich cultures and histories of Indigenous peoples. Arrive in New Mexico, the "Land of Enchantment," and begin your journey in Santa Fe — the multicultural state capital. With arrival times varying, there are no scheduled activities or included meals today. If time allows, you might acquaint yourself with this historically layered city shaped by Indigenous, Spanish, Mexican, and other influences.

Day 2: Santa Fe Start your day with a locally guided walking tour of the Santa Fe Plaza area, the historic heart of the city where over 400 years of history set the stage for deeper insights into the Native cultures of the Southwest. As you meander through the plaza, stop at some of the city's landmark sites like the Santa Fe Indian Market, the Palace of the Governors, and Palace Avenue. Continue with a visit to the Loretto Chapel, a former Roman Catholic church turned wedding chapel and museum. Here, you'll find the "miraculous staircase," a structure with origins as legendary as its spiral shape. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure. Perhaps you'll visit some of the colourful art galleries and world-renowned museums sprinkled throughout the

downtown area. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner with your fellow travellers at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 3: Santa Fe - Bandelier National Monument - Santa Fe Venture to Bandelier National Monument, a landscape of canyons and mesas that exists as part of a volcanic complex. It was in this sculpted landscape that Ancestral Puebloans lived between 1150 and 1550 CE, and today, the monument protects numerous cliff dwellings and village ruins. Explore this fascinating site your way because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a local guide on a hike to the Alcove House, an archeological site nestled about 43 metres above the canyon floor. At the base of the Alcove House, you have the option to get even closer by climbing a series of wooden ladders **-OR-** walk along the paved paths for an up-close look at the cliff dwellings and ruins of Bandelier National Monument. Return to Santa Fe for lunch on your own before a free afternoon and evening in the city. Enjoy Santa Fe however you wish, soaking in the small-town feel of the oldest capital city in the United States. (B)

Day 4: Santa Fe - Chinle, Arizona This morning, depart Santa Fe and make your way to the Sky City Cultural Center and the Acoma Pueblo — the oldest continuously inhabited settlement



Bandelier National Monument

in North America. Perched atop a mesa, the village known as "Sky City" remains home to a vibrant community of Acoma people. Take a shuttle to the pueblo, where an Acoma community member will guide your walking tour. Wind through narrow streets lined with homes and centuries-old structures, where generations of Acoma people continue to live and gather today. Step inside the Spanish mission church, the oldest surviving European church in New Mexico. At the Cultural Center, you'll have the chance to browse intricate Acoma pottery sold by artisans. After your visit, continue to Chinle for an evening on your own. (B)

Day 5: Chinle - Monument

Valley Wake up in Chinle, a town encompassed within Navajo Nation, the largest Native American reservation in the United States. Set off to explore Canyon de Chelly National Monument, where dramatic canyon walls and red sandstone cliffs frame a current-day community of Navajo families and the remains of ancient cliff dwellings. Embark on a guided open-air Jeep tour led by a local Navajo guide, taking in the canyon that has been continuously inhabited for over 5,000 years as your guide shares personal histories and connections to the land. This afternoon, continue your journey through Navajo Nation as you make your way to Monument Valley, another beautiful desert landscape with deep cultural, spiritual, and historical importance. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Monument Valley This morning, you may choose to join your Navajo guide for a meaningful experience that begins inside a traditional hogan, where the scent of burning herbs and the soft crackle of the fire set the stage for a spiritual sunrise experience. Continue with a hike into the canyon as the first light of day illuminates the landscape — a moment for renewal and reflection. Later, head into Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park for a guided tour of one of the most photographed places on Earth. The site's natural wonder comes not from canyons, but from towering red rock formations that stand like giants above the vast desert, rising 122 to 305 metres above the valley floor. Take in this ancient, sacred land that is still inhabited today. End your day with an exclusive BBQ dinner set against your own private backdrop of red sandstone, as Navajo musicians fill the air with music. (B, D)

Day 7: Monument Valley - Sedona

Bid farewell to Monument Valley as you journey south to Sedona. Before departing Navajo Nation, stop at Navajo National Monument, a land occupied for centuries by the Hopi, San Juan Southern Paiute, Zuni, and Navajo people. Later in the day, arrive in Sedona, a vibrant city nestled among red rock formations. Full of restaurants and unique shops, the city is known for its outdoor recreation and striking scenery. Sedona is widely considered a place of spirituality and renewal. Settle in and enjoy a free evening, perhaps



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1 – 3** Hilton Santa Fe Historic Plaza, Santa Fe, NM
- Day 4** Holiday Inn Canyon de Chelly, Chinle, AZ
- Days 5, 6** Goulding's Lodge, Monument Valley, AZ
- Days 7, 8** Courtyard by Marriott, Sedona, AZ
- Day 9** Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains, Scottsdale, AZ

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Santa Fe • Pre-Night Stay

Scottsdale • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

finding a spot to watch the sunset. (B)

Day 8: Sedona Make the most of a day at leisure in Sedona, maybe going for a hike, perusing one of the numerous art galleries, or visiting the sites that many consider to be energy vortexes. Or, join a local guide for an optional full-day excursion to the South Rim of the Grand Canyon. Witness one of the natural wonders of the world, taking in the might and painted hues of those dramatic canyon walls as your sprinter van brings you to scenic viewpoints. Spend more time soaking in the breathtaking scenery as you sit down for a picnic lunch overlooking the canyon. After marvelling at the canyon's grandeur, return to Sedona and explore the city's charm with an evening to yourself. (B)

Day 9: Sedona - Scottsdale This morning, make your way south to Scottsdale, a city known for its thriving arts scene, upscale shopping, and desert scenery. Step into a symphony of cultures when you visit the Musical Instrument Museum, which showcases thousands of instruments from around the world. Discover the sounds and stories of global music traditions as you explore the galleries and interactive exhibits. Tonight, toast to your travel companions and the adventures you've shared at a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 10: Scottsdale - Tour Ends Say goodbye to the landscapes and cultures of New Mexico and Arizona as you depart for home. (B)

NEW TOUR

Aloha Hawaii Discovering Kauai and Maui

9 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,149



Waimea Canyon

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,149 (DOUBLE)** or **\$9,649 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on November 3, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May 2027 – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Waimea Canyon, Wailua River Cruise & Fern Grotto, Haleakala National Park, Polynesian Luau, Sustainable Farm Tour & Lunch, Iao Valley

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Visit a grand and historic Kauai plantation house for a welcome dinner.
- Drift down the tranquil Wailua River to the Fern Grotto and hear stories of Kauai's past.
- Learn about sustainable farming practices and sample fresh fruits at a macadamia nut farm.
- Connect with Hawaiian traditions during a local lei making or hula class.
- Discover Waimea Canyon, a geological marvel on the island of Kauai.
- Embrace the "Aloha Spirit" of the Hawaiian Islands during a luau featuring traditional food, music, and dance.

Day 1: Lihue, Kauai Welcome to the "Garden Isle," rich in natural Polynesian beauty. You're on a relaxing journey through the Hawaiian Islands of Kauai and Maui. With no scheduled tour activities today, you are free to explore your surroundings as you please.

Day 2: Kauai - Wailua River Kick off your adventure with a cruise along the tranquil Wailua River. Take in the jungle landscapes from an open-air boat as your captain shares stories of Kauai's past. A short walk brings you to the Fern Grotto, where ancient Hawaiians once left offerings to the gods, and today is a popular wedding spot. After the boat ride, immerse yourself in the Hawaiian spirit as hula dancers demonstrate this ancient art form, traditionally performed in honour of Pele, the goddess of volcanoes and fire. From approximately 12:00 p.m., enjoy free time until we gather for dinner. This evening, toast to the start of your journey during a welcome dinner at the historic Kilohana Plantation House, restored to its 1930s elegance. (B, D)

Day 3: Kauai Enjoy a leisurely morning to spend as you wish, perhaps strolling along the beach or taking advantage of resort activities. This afternoon, venture over to nearby

Coconut Marketplace, where **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Connect with locals sharing authentic Hawaiian traditions during a private lei making class **-OR-** discover the rich tradition of hula, Hawaii's sacred storytelling dance, with a lesson from a local. (B)

Day 4: Kauai - Waimea Canyon & Waimea Town This morning, discover the breathtaking Waimea Canyon. Often called the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific," the canyon stretches approximately 14 miles long and over 1,097 metres deep with vibrant red and green cliffs. Visit Waimea Town, a seaport town known for the Cook Landing Site, where Europeans first came to the Hawaiian Islands. Take the afternoon back at the resort to relax as you please, then gather for a laid-back, local-style Hawaiian barbecue. (B, D)

Day 5: Kauai - Maui Board an inter-island flight to the "Valley Isle" of Maui, one of the most beautiful and popular outer islands. Immerse yourself in the lush beauty of Iao Valley and marvel at the towering Iao Needle, one of Maui's famous natural landforms. Continue your journey to the sun-kissed shores of Ka'anapali, a premier resort area known for its pristine beaches. Check into your deluxe beachfront hotel, where you can unwind and soak in the ocean views. (B)



Fern Crotto



Ka'anapali

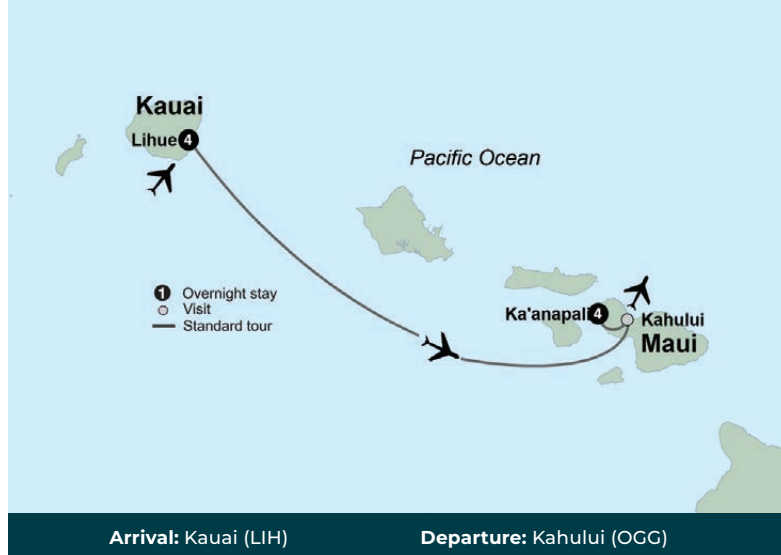
Day 6: Maui The day is yours to soak in paradise. Discover for yourself why locals say *Maui no ka oi* (Maui is the best)! Spend the day at leisure with time to wander along the beach, shop for souvenirs, or simply relax at your luxurious Maui resort. Perhaps you'll choose an early-morning start and join an optional full-day cliffside drive on the legendary Road to Hana. (B)

Day 7: Maui - Central Maui & Haleakala National Park Experience the beauty of Central Maui today, starting with a visit to a sugar museum. Learn about the sugarcane industry within Maui's unique cultural and geographical landscape. Then, continue through a residential town with stunning mountain views to explore a macadamia nut farm that champions local food production and sustainability. Get an exclusive tour of the farm's hydroponic greenhouses, a fruit forest, and a macadamia orchard, and sample seasonal farm-fresh Hawaiian fruits. Then it's a casual, farm-to-table lunch, dining food-truck

style on picnic benches, a true taste of Hawaiian culture. The afternoon is filled with unforgettable vistas in Haleakala, the scenic national park known as the "house of the sun." Soak in the island beauty from viewpoints throughout Haleakala, its rare and sacred landscapes ranging from volcanic desert near the summit to lush, coastal rainforest. (B, L)

Day 8: Maui Maui is yours to explore for one more day, so spend it as you please. Perhaps you'll choose to join an optional sailing tour to the secluded island of Lanai, or simply take the time to relax in paradise. This evening, toast to the end of your journey as you embrace the "Aloha Spirit" during a luau. Featuring traditional Polynesian music, dance, and cuisine, this quintessential experience offers a connection to the rich heritage of the Hawaiian Islands. (B, D)

Day 9: Maui - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1 – 4 Outrigger Kauai Beach Resort & Spa, Kauai ▲

Days 5 – 8 Sheraton Maui Resort and Spa, Maui ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Kauai • Pre-Night Stay

Maui • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Outrigger Resort

Grand Hawaiian Adventure

Four Islands featuring O'ahu, Big Island, Maui and Kauai

13 DAYS • 17 MEALS • STARTING AT \$9,599

Kauai

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **1** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$9,599 (DOUBLE)** or **\$12,749 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on December 9, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 – April 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

May 2027 – April 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May 2027 – April 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Pearl Harbor, Polynesian Luau, Waimea Canyon, Iolani Palace, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park, Iao Valley, Kailua Kona, Lei-Making Class

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Remember Pearl Harbor as you visit the USS *Arizona* Memorial.
- Create your own lei as part of a cultural demonstration on Big Island.
- Savour a Polynesian luau featuring tropical drinks and a sumptuous feast.
- Behold the breathtaking Waimea Canyon, the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific."
- Enjoy a cruise on tranquil Wailua River in Kauai.
- Spend time at a Kona coffee farm and learn how coffee is grown.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 5 community tourism partners: Kona Sea Salt Farm, The Vanillerie, Iolani Palace, Pearl Harbor, and Pu'uhonua o Hōnaunau — preserving Native Hawaiian cultural sites. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Honolulu, O'ahu *Aloha!* Your adventure begins on the sun-drenched beaches of Waikiki. Relax and "hang loose" before meeting your group tomorrow, there are no inclusions today.

Day 2: Honolulu This morning, take a city tour of Honolulu, highlighting the historic Iolani Palace, the impressive state capitol building, King Kamehameha's statue, and the National Cemetery of the Pacific. Then, remember Pearl Harbor with a visit to the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument, viewing artifacts from the attack and a short documentary on the "Day of Infamy." Travel by naval launch to view the white marble-clad USS *Arizona* Memorial, honouring those who lost their lives in the Pearl Harbor attack. (B, D)

Day 3: Honolulu - Waikiki Dive further into Hawaiian history with a visit to Iolani Palace to learn about the Hawaiian monarchs and the takeover of Hawaii by the United States. Then enjoy free time for lunch with recommendations from your Tour Manager for the best spots for a traditional plated lunch. Later stop at the Pali lookout in O'ahu's rainforest before returning to Waikiki for an evening at your leisure. (B)

Day 4: Honolulu - Hilo, Big Island - Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park - Kona Board your flight to the volcanic "Big Island" of Hawaii and leave cosmopolitan O'ahu behind. True to its name, the island itself is larger than all the other Hawaiian Islands combined. Although the island's official name is the archipelago's namesake, the Big Island is also famous for its volcanoes creating black, rocky landscapes. Upon arrival, pause at the iridescent mist of Rainbow Falls before having time to explore Hilo on your own for lunch. Then set out for a tour of the South Coast including a visit to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park to learn about Kilauea – the world's most active volcano. Make your way along the steam bluffs to get a view of the impressive caldera. On the way to the hotel, take in views of the crystal-clear waters of Kealahou Bay and visit one of the iconic black sand beaches where you may luck out in spotting a green turtle soaking up the sun. (B)

Day 5: Kona- Honaunau Bay - Kona Start the day at Pu'uhonua o Honaunau National Historical Park on the rugged coast, once the place of refuge for those that broke the *Kapu* (sacred law) in old Hawaii. Then, visit St. Benedict's Painted Church, built in the 1800s and adorned with vibrant frescos. Continue to a coffee farm,



Lei Making

which has been harvesting coffee beans since 1984. Tour the farm with a local before enjoying a tasting of the local brew. Return to the hotel for a private lei-making class taught by a local expert. Learn about its cultural significance and create one of your own to bring home. This evening, enjoy dinner Hawaiian-style at a traditional Polynesian luau featuring endless tropical drinks and a sumptuous feast. (B, D)

Day 6: Kona This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Enjoy an exclusive guided tour of the Kona Sea Salt Farm to learn about traditional Hawaiian salt harvesting **-OR-** a private guided visit to the Vanillierie to explore the history of vanilla beans and enjoy a sweet treat **-OR-** unwind at the hotel and relax at your own pace looking out over Big Island's rocky coastline. On the way back to the hotel, stop for lunch on your own in Kailua Kona — a town established by King Kamehameha I before he unified the Kingdom of Hawaii. (B, D)

Day 7: Kona - Kahului, Maui - Ka'anapali Board an inter-island flight to the "Valley Isle" of Maui, one of the most beautiful and popular outer islands. Visit the stunning Iao Valley and view the 2,000-foot-high Iao Needle, one of Maui's famous natural landforms. Travel to the resort area of Ka'anapali and arrive at your deluxe beachfront hotel. (B)

Day 8: Maui Spend a day at leisure to see for yourself why locals say *Maui no ka oi* (Maui is the best). Perhaps you will take an optional full-day cliff-side drive on the legendary Road to Hana. Or you may choose to take a stroll along the beach, shop

for souvenirs, or simply relax at your luxurious Maui resort. There is no limit to the adventures you can have on this gorgeous island! (B)

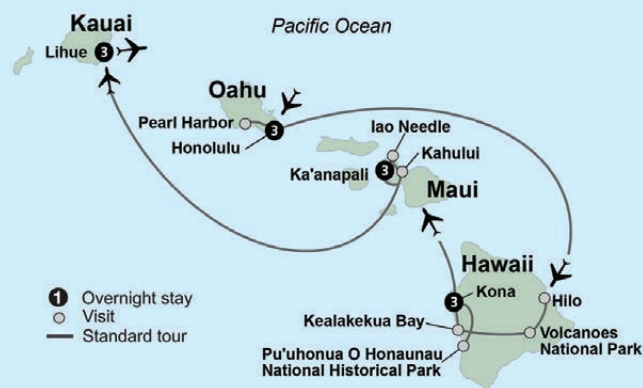
Day 9: Maui Enjoy another day in paradise. Take a swim in one of the many beaches along the coast or visit a nearby restaurant. (B, D)

Day 10: Kahului - Lihue, Kauai A short flight takes you to the "Garden Isle" of Kauai, where you'll uncover the world of ancient Polynesia on the oldest island in the chain. Upon arrival, travel to the breathtaking Waimea Canyon, carved thousands of years ago by rivers and floods. At 10 miles long, 1 mile wide, and more than 1,100 metres deep, it is considered the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific." (B)

Day 11: Kauai The day is yours to enjoy this beautiful island at leisure. Stroll along the beach or take advantage of your resort's activities. (B)

Day 12: Wailua River - Lihue Step aboard an open-air boat for a cruise along the tranquil Wailua River. Your captain will tell stories of days gone by before making a stop at the lush Fern Grotto. Embark on a short guided walk before your return boat ride. Feel the Hawaiian spirit as hula dancers join you to demonstrate this ancient art form, originally performed for the volcano goddess, Pele. Tonight, complete your wonderful trip with a farewell dinner at the first plantation house on the island. (B, D)

Day 13: Lihue - Tour Ends Bid *Aloha* to Hawaii as your memorable tour ends in Kauai. Now, wherever your home is, you'll always be part of the Hawaiian *ohana* (family). (B)



Arrival: Honolulu (HNL)

Departure: Kauai (LIH)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1 – 3 Prince Waikiki, Oahu ▲

Days 4 – 6 Outrigger Kona Resort & Spa, Kona ▲

Days 7 – 9 Sheraton Maui Resort & Spa, Maui ▲

Days 10 – 12 Outrigger Kaua'i Beach Resort & Spa, Kauai ▲

On some dates alternate hotels may be used. ▲ Room upgrade available.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Honolulu • Pre-Night Stay

Kauai • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

ALSO AVAILABLE



Hawaiian Adventure

Embrace the spirit of "Aloha" on a leisurely 3-island tour of Hawaii featuring 3-night stays each in O'ahu, Big Island (Kona), and Maui.

Dates Available:
October 2026 – April 2028

Alaska: America's Last Frontier

9 DAYS • 14 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,999

Denali National Park

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$10,299 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on September 9, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

May – September 2027 (featured itinerary – see note*)

**Itinerary featured is for May – September 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Gold Mining, Museum of the North, Trans-Alaska Pipeline, Dog Mushing, Denali National Park, Tundra Wilderness Tour, Musk Ox Farm, Anchorage, Prince William Sound Glacier Cruise

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Visit Musk Ox Farm and learn about the sustainable domestication project.
- Learn about Alaska's gold mining past through the voices of 2 local sisters and try your hand at panning for pay dirt.
- Enjoy a scenic glacier cruise of Prince William Sound.
- View the scenery from Fairbanks to Denali aboard a deluxe domed railcar.
- Embark on a Tundra Wilderness Tour with an expert in Denali National Park.
- Dine on the grounds of the champion-owned Trail Breaker Kennel.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Lazy Otter Charters — operating a women-owned, family-run marine business focused on environmental stewardship and responsible whale-watching. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Fairbanks, Alaska Your Alaskan adventure begins with a 3-night stay in Fairbanks, the “golden heart city.” Discover this gold rush boomtown's unique mix of contemporary culture and rich history. As travellers' arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Dinner tonight is on your own.

Day 2: Fairbanks Tap into Alaska's “golden heart” with a visit to a locally owned gold-panning experience, where you'll learn about the region's gold mining past and try your hand at panning for some pay dirt yourself. Get to know Fairbanks on a city tour, including a stop at the Trans-Alaska Pipeline, an engineering marvel that delivers oil across the state to the port city of Valdez. After some free time this afternoon, you'll visit legendary Trail Breaker Kennel where you'll meet mushers and their happy pups. Witness the dogs in their element on a training run before enjoying dinner on the kennel's scenic property. (B, D)

Day 3: Fairbanks This morning is at leisure, or take a cruise on the Riverboat Discovery to get a glimpse into everyday life along Alaska's rivers. This afternoon, visit the Museum of the North at the University of Alaska, where

light-filled spaces and expansive windows highlight the spectacular views of the Alaskan range. Inside, the museum tells the state's rich history through art, artifacts, and film. (B)

Day 4: Fairbanks - Denali Behold beautiful scenery as you relax and have breakfast in a deluxe domed railcar on your way to Denali National Park. Upon arrival in Denali, enjoy an included lunch and some free time. After, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join your Tour Manager on an easy hike and discover wildflowers and gorgeous views in every direction -**OR**- take a bus into the park where a ranger will introduce you to the park's sled dogs, the traditional mode of Alaskan wilderness transportation. The evening is yours to discover Denali as you please. (B, L)

Day 5: Denali National Park Bring your binoculars and camera as you head into Denali National Park on a full-day Tundra Wilderness Tour. Travel over 40 miles into the park and enjoy a wide range of incredible scenery, narrated history, and some of the best opportunities to view the park's abundant wildlife. (B, L)

Day 6: Denali - Talkeetna Leave Denali National Park behind and step into small-town life in Talkeetna. Check



Musk Ox Farm



Riverboat Discovery

into the iconic Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, perched on a ridge offering unforgettable views of Denali. Perhaps you will take an optional flightseeing tour and witness the park's breathtaking beauty from the air before landing on a glacier for incomparable views of the Alaskan Range. Later, meet up with a local for a discussion on the down-to-earth Alaskan lifestyle. (B, D)

Day 7: Talkeetna - Anchorage On your way to Anchorage, discover the pastoral charm of Matanuska Valley. Enjoy free time in Palmer for lunch before you take a step into the past with a visit to Musk Ox Farm. Learn about the Musk Ox project — a sustainable domestication effort that has worked to preserve, protect, and increase awareness for these wooly creatures since 1954. Get acquainted with Anchorage on a panoramic city tour before enjoying an evening at

leisure to discover what Alaska's largest city has to offer. (B)

Day 8: Anchorage Delve into the area's Indigenous culture this morning at the Alaska Native Heritage Center where you'll learn about Alaska Native customs, dances, songs, and local crafts. Head to Whittier and embrace the sheer magnitude of Alaska's natural beauty on a glacier cruise through Prince William Sound. Listen to an expert narrate your journey through a geological wonderland as blue skies collide with stark white glaciers and playful otters dip in and out of the calm waters. Tonight, gather at a local restaurant and toast to your journey through America's last great frontier. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Anchorage - Tour Ends Your Alaskan adventure comes to a close today. (B)



Arrival: Fairbanks (FAI)

Departure: Anchorage (ANC)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1 – 3 Pikes Waterfront Lodge, Fairbanks

Days 4, 5 Denali Bluffs Hotel, Denali

Day 6 Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, Talkeetna

Days 7, 8 Hilton Anchorage, Anchorage

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

8 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Fairbanks • Pre-Night Stay

Anchorage • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Prince William Sound

Alaska Discovery Land & Cruise featuring a 7-night Holland America Cruise

13 DAYS • 28 MEALS • STARTING AT \$7,399



Holland America Cruise Ship, Glacier Bay

CLASSIC / CRUISING • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **1** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$7,399 (DOUBLE)** or **\$11,149 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on May 12, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

May – September 2027 (featured itinerary— see note*)

**Itinerary featured is for May – September 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Sternwheeler Discovery, Music of Denali Dinner Theater, Denali National Park, Luxury Domed Rail, Hubbard Glacier, Glacier Bay - AK, Skagway, Juneau, Ketchikan, Inside Passage - BC

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Relive Alaska's Gold Rush days in historic Skagway.
- Enjoy an unforgettable rail journey from Denali to Talkeetna in a luxury domed railcar.
- Cruise past Hubbard Glacier, one of Alaska's largest glaciers.
- Relax aboard a 7-night Holland America cruise — your fabulous floating resort.
- Enjoy an expert-guided tour in Denali National Park.
- Sail through Glacier Bay, a treasure trove of glaciers and coastal islands.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 1 community tourism partner: Grouse Mountain Refuge for Endangered Wildlife — learning about rescued wildlife through ranger-led educational talks. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Fairbanks, Alaska Arrive today in Fairbanks, in the great state of Alaska, on an adventure that brings together the best of both land and sea. As travellers' arrival times vary greatly, we have no group activities planned during the day. Enjoy dinner on your own tonight.

Day 2: Fairbanks - Denali National Park Step aboard the popular Sternwheeler Discovery, an unforgettable journey showcasing Alaska's diverse culture and rich history. Make stops along the way to meet the people and get a taste of local life. Take a scenic motor coach ride to Denali National Park. Tonight, enjoy a musical performance that tells the story of the first brave men to summit Denali, followed by dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Denali National Park This morning, travel deep into Denali National Park on the Tundra Wilderness Tour, which affords the best opportunities to view the region's wildlife. Learn about the history of the park and see why Denali is one of the top three reasons that people visit Alaska. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Denali National Park - Talkeetna Your day begins with a scenic train ride to Talkeetna. Savour

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

Day 5: Talkeetna - Anchorage - Whittier - Board Cruise Ship Depart for your ship, stopping en route in Anchorage, Alaska's largest city. Continue with a scenic drive along the Chugach Mountains. Drive along the Turnagain Arm to the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center. Discover where orphaned or injured bears, wolves, porcupines, and moose are cared for in a 200-acre rehabilitation site. Arrive in the port of Whittier where you'll embark on your 7-night Holland America cruise aboard a fabulous floating resort designed to make your stay on board truly memorable. You will be dazzled by the entertainment in the state-of-the-art lounges and a myriad of dining options. While on board, breakfast, lunch, dinner and nightly entertainment are included. (B, D)

Day 6: Cruising - Hubbard Glacier When conditions allow, your ship cruises up to the mammoth Hubbard Glacier, one of Alaska's largest glaciers. Have your camera ready and take



Denali National Park



Ketchikan

in the natural beauty of the glacier's stunning surface. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Cruising - Glacier Bay Cruise into Glacier Bay, a spectacular national park and preserve that is a treasure trove of tidewater glaciers and scenic coastal islands. Its rich world of marine life and large concentration of tidewater glaciers is Alaska at its best. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Cruising - Skagway Skagway is your first port of call where you have the entire day to explore its gold rush history and see why it is called the "Garden City of Alaska." The town is small but big on adventure with many things to see and do! (B, L, D)

Day 9: Cruising - Juneau From massive scenic mountains to historic buildings, there is so much to explore in Alaska's capital city of Juneau. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Cruising - Ketchikan Your port of call today is Ketchikan, known as the "Salmon Capital of the World" and the "City of Totems." Located on the tranquil

Revillagigedo Island, Ketchikan is home to the world's largest collection of totem poles. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Cruising - Inside Passage A wonderful day of sightseeing awaits as your ship sails along the amazing Inside Passage. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Vancouver, B.C. - Disembark Cruise Your cruise ends this morning in the vibrant Canadian city of Vancouver. Ascend Grouse Mountain on an enclosed gondola and take in panoramic views while you enjoy lunch on the peak of Vancouver. Join a private ranger-led tour to meet two grizzly bears that were rescued in 2001. Later, stop at beautiful Stanley Park, Canada's renowned urban rainforest. Follow the park's famous seawall and encounter mountain views along trails, beaches, historical landmarks, and colourful gardens. (B, L)

Day 13: Vancouver, BC - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close, leaving you with many wonderful memories of your tour to the last of the great frontiers. (B)



Arrival: Fairbanks (FAI)

Departure: Vancouver (YVR)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Day 1** Westmark Hotel, Fairbanks, AK
Days 2, 3 Holland America Denali Lodge, Denali National Park, AK
Day 4 Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, Talkeetna, AK
Days 5 - 11 Holland America Cruises' *Westerdam* or *Nieuw Amsterdam*
Day 12 Westin Wall Centre, Vancouver, BC

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

12 Breakfasts (B) • 8 Lunches (L) • 8 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Fairbanks • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Domed Railcar

NEW TOUR

Small Group

Aurora Adventure Winter in the Canadian Rockies & the Yukon

10 DAYS • 14 MEALS • STARTING AT \$9,349

Northern Lights

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 4 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$9,349 (DOUBLE)** or **\$11,549 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, varies by departure date, and includes on-tour air. Prices based on March 19, 2028 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

November 2026 – March 2027 (different itinerary – see note*)

November 2027 – March 2028 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for November 2027 – March 2028 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Yamnuska Wolfdog Sanctuary, Lake Louise, Banff National Park, Banff Gondola, Northern Lights Searches in Whitehorse, Yukon Wildlife Preserve, Eclipse Nordic Hot Springs, Dog Mushing Excursion, Vancouver

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Relax in the therapeutic hot springs of Whitehorse, surrounded by the Boreal Forest.
- Learn about rescued wolfdogs at a sanctuary devoted to their well-being.
- Experience the thrill of dogsledding in the Yukon and the life of a musher.
- Enjoy a 2-night stay at the legendary Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, Canada's "Castle in the Rockies."
- Admire the grandeur of Lake Louise surrounded by snowcapped peaks.
- Search for the northern lights in the Yukon's star-filled sky.
- Enjoy a private dinner at Sky High Wilderness Ranch on First Nation land.
- Dine under the moon and stars atop Sulphur Mountain, overlooking Banff.

Day 1: Calgary, Alberta A winter adventure spanning the soaring majesty of the Canadian Rockies and the brilliance of the Yukon sets the stage for unforgettable encounters with local cultures and the beauty of nature. As you arrive in Calgary, in the province of Alberta, take time to settle in and explore at your own pace. There are no scheduled activities or included meals today, giving you time to unwind and get ready for the breathtaking days ahead.

Day 2: Calgary - Canmore - Lake Louise Your journey into the heart of the Canadian Rockies begins with an **IMPACT MOMENT** at the Yamnuska Wolfdog Sanctuary. Here, rescued wolfdogs find safety, care, and fulfilling lives. Learn about the sanctuary's mission to promote understanding of wolfdogs and wild wolf conservation during an up-close experience and viewing of these animals guided by passionate experts. Enjoy time in the quaint mountain town of Canmore exploring its shops and restaurants. This afternoon, arrive at the famous Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, a stunning retreat nestled beside the frozen lake and surrounded by towering mountains. The scenery is nothing short of magical, and perhaps the elusive auroras will even make an

appearance after dark. Tonight, enjoy the company of your fellow travellers as you dine at one of the chateau's acclaimed restaurants. (B, D)

Day 3: Lake Louise - Banff Wake up to a postcard-perfect morning in Lake Louise, where the stillness of winter wraps the landscape in quiet beauty. With free time this morning, perhaps take a walk along the scenic lakeshore. Mid-morning, set off for the charming alpine town of Banff. Enjoy some time in the cozy downtown before learning about a uniquely Albertan treasure. Meet a local ammolite specialist to discover the story behind this rare gemstone found only in Alberta. Later, check into the legendary Fairmont Banff Springs hotel, affectionately known as Canada's "Castle in the Rockies." With its grand architecture and storied past, it's more than a hotel, it's a destination in itself. (B)

Day 4: Banff This morning, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Lace up your boots for a guided hike through Johnston Canyon, where steel catwalks hug the canyon walls and lead you to frozen waterfalls and dramatic views **-OR-** uncover the secrets of Banff with a local guide on the Discover Banff & Its Wildlife tour. Enjoy free time on your own surrounded by the snow globe atmosphere of charming Banff. Later



Johnston Canyon



Dogsledding

today, soar above it all on the Banff Gondola, ascending Sulphur Mountain for panoramic views of snow-covered peaks and valleys. At the summit, enjoy walking trails and a memorable dinner surrounded by alpine beauty. (B, D)

Day 5: Banff - Calgary Back in Calgary after a late morning departure from Banff, dive into the city's vibrant food scene with a guided tasting tour of Calgary Farmers' Market West. With your local foodie guide leading the way, sample regional flavours and discover stories behind the ingredients. It's a delicious way to connect with Alberta's culture, one bite at a time. Enjoy a free evening as you wish. (B, L)

Day 6: Calgary - Whitehorse, the Yukon Today, take a flight to Whitehorse, the capital of the Yukon — a land of vast wilderness, rich Indigenous heritage, and gold rush legends. Though it's Canada's smallest territory by population, the Yukon's spirit is anything but small. Larger than many countries, it's a place where nature reigns and stories run deep. Whitehorse sits directly beneath the aurora oval, making it one of the best places on Earth to witness the northern lights, and tonight, you'll have your first chance to see them dance across the sky.

Bundle up, step outside, and look up. (B)

Day 7: Whitehorse Today, discover the heart and soul of Whitehorse, a small city with a big personality. Join a local guide for a tour that brings the town's frontier spirit to life. See the SS *Klondike*, a grand paddle-wheeler that once ruled the Yukon River, and see the Old Log Church, the city's oldest building. Along the way, hear stories of "sourdoughs" — those hardy souls who've braved a Yukon winter and wear it like a badge of honour. This afternoon, get closer to the wild at the Yukon Wildlife Preserve, where you'll have the chance to spot native species like muskox, elk, and Dall sheep in their natural habitat. Then, unwind in the steamy, mineral-rich waters of the Eclipse Nordic Hot Springs, surrounded by snow-covered forest. It's a moment of pure Yukon serenity. As night falls, head out once again in search of the aurora borealis. With luck, the sky will come alive in waves of green — an unforgettable spectacle in this land of endless wonder. (B)

Day 8: Whitehorse After a late night seeking the aurora, enjoy a leisurely morning to rest or explore Whitehorse at your own pace, perhaps sipping coffee in a cozy café or strolling



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1	Calgary Marriott Downtown Hotel, Calgary, AB
Day 2	Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, Lake Louise, AB
Days 3, 4	Fairmont Banff Springs, Banff, AB
Day 5	Calgary Marriott Downtown Hotel, Calgary, AB
Days 6 – 8	Hyatt Place, Whitehorse, YT
Day 9	Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre, Vancouver, BC

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 1 Lunch (L) • 4 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Calgary • Pre-Night Stay

Vancouver • Post-Night Stay

Victoria & Vancouver Island • Post-Tour Hosted Extension
3 Nights, Starting at \$1,920 pp
Uncover the charm and history of Victoria and the vibrant city of Vancouver.

along the Yukon River. This afternoon, embrace the spirit of the north with a thrilling dogsledding adventure. Led by an expert musher, glide through the snow-covered backcountry behind a team of eager huskies. It's an exhilarating, unforgettable way to experience the Yukon wilderness, just as early explorers once did. Tonight, gather for a private dinner catered by a First Nation chef where you'll enjoy traditional foods and reflect on the day's activities. Later, return to the aurora viewing site for one last chance to witness the northern lights. (B, D)

Day 9: Whitehorse - Vancouver, British Columbia Say farewell to the wild beauty of the Yukon as

you fly south to the vibrant, coastal city of Vancouver. Nestled between mountains and ocean, Vancouver is a cosmopolitan hub with a laid-back West Coast vibe. This evening, gather with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 10: Vancouver - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. As you return home, reflect on your favourite moments — from the icy stillness of Lake Louise to the electric skies of the Yukon. (B)

Charms of Québec

A Journey through Montreal, Charlevoix & Québec City

8 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,199

Small Group

Québec City

EXPLORATIONS

Average Group Size: 19 • Tour Activity Level: 2 (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at \$6,199 (DOUBLE) or \$7,749 (SOLO)

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on August 13, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu, First Nations Breakfast & Discussion, Whale-Watching Zodiac Expedition, Montmorency Falls, Tasting Tour of Île de Orléans

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- At the family-run Albert Gilles Copper Art Studio and Museum, encounter stunning works of hand-embossed copper.
- Learn about the ancestral tradition of maple syrup-making and the stories of a First Nation during an Indigenous-inspired breakfast.
- Set out on a Zodiac whale-watching expedition in the Saguenay-St. Lawrence Marine Park.
- Taste your way through the terroir of Île d'Orléans on a progressive culinary adventure.
- Learn about the production of lavender, an emblem of French culture, and savour some lavender-infused delights.
- Soak in Québec City's charms and the unmissable sight of Château Frontenac.

Day 1: Montreal, Québec Welcome to Montreal. This lively multicultural city is rich in history and European charm. An in-depth exploration of the vibrant, French-speaking province of Québec kicks off in this exciting, modern hub. As flights arrive throughout the afternoon and evening, there will be no inclusions, so you can take time to explore Montreal on your own.

Day 2: Montreal Start your day with a panoramic tour of Montreal. Take in the sights of the city, including Jacques Cartier Square, McGill University and some of the city's unique neighbourhoods, old and new. Top it off with spectacular views from "the mountain" as it's called by locals, named Mount Royal by Jacques Cartier in 1535. The afternoon is yours. Sit in a sidewalk café, visit a museum, or browse some of the city's many famous shops. This evening, experience a taste of Montreal during dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 3: Montreal - La Malbaie, Charlevoix Region This morning, head to First Nations reserve, Kahnawà:ke. Enjoy a simple, Indigenous-inspired breakfast complete with fresh maple syrup! The practice of tapping maple trees has ancient roots from the Indigenous peoples of North America and has resurged as an important

connection to nature and ancestral traditions. Get a glimpse into the resilience and traditions of this Mohawk Nation over an exclusive discussion with a community member. Next, visit the only studio in North America still producing embossed copper art by hand. During a visit to the family-run Albert Gilles Copper Art Studio and Museum, learn about this disappearing artform, see a demonstration of the detailed work, and enjoy a treat cooked in unique copper molds. Next, it's on to Sanctuaire Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré, the oldest pilgrimage site in North America. Set off for Charlevoix, a picturesque region sculpted between the sea and mountains. Arrive at Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu, a serene and historic castle-like hotel overlooking the St. Lawrence River – and your home for two nights. (B)

Day 4: La Malbaie - Baie Sainte Catherine - La Malbaie Today, take to the water aboard a large Zodiac boat for an exhilarating whale-watching expedition. Embrace nature all around you in the Saguenay-St. Lawrence Marine Park and set out to encounter the fascinating and majestic creatures here. A naturalist guide will introduce you to the many species that reside in this marine protected area, like minke whales, fin whales, humpback whales,



porpoises, and belugas. Then, the remainder of the day is at leisure to take advantage of your resort's many amenities. Maybe you'll relax at the spa, hit the golf course, or hike along the property's trails. This evening, enjoy an included dinner. (B, D)

Day 5: Charlevoix Region - Baie-Saint-Paul - Québec City Begin the day with a private visit to Papeterie Saint-Gilles, a workshop and economuseum where craftsmen make paper as they did in the 17th century. During this **IMPACT MOMENT**, connect with artisans who preserve this piece of heritage through the craft of pressing paper made from cotton. Next, head to a family-owned lavender farm to learn about the production of the cherished herbal plant and enjoy a taste of some lavender treats. Finally, around 4:00 p.m., arrive in historic Québec City, the cradle of French America and North America's only fortified city. (B)

Day 6: Québec City This morning, set out to explore the city your way, because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Join a local guide for a walking tour and stroll the history-filled streets of Old Québec, hearing stories of days gone by **-OR-** embark on a panoramic coach tour to experience the beauty and history of both Old and New Québec, seeing the provincial Parliament, the

Saint-Louis Gate, and the site of the original settlement of the city. Then, the afternoon is yours to explore however you wish. Old Québec's winding streets and old-world European ambiance call. Maybe you'll meander beside the fabulous Château Frontenac and descend to Lower Town to visit the boutiques and cafés in Petit-Champlain. Or choose to join an optional tour to explore Indigenous history and culture at the Huron Wendat First Nations Museum and sample First Nations flavours over lunch. (B)

Day 7: Québec City - Île d'Orléans - Québec City Today, at Montmorency Falls, stand in awe of the river plunging 272 feet off the Canadian Shield (approximately 100 feet higher than Niagara Falls), taking in stunning views from the many lookout points. Then, you're off for a culinary adventure to taste your way through Île d'Orléans. One of the first areas of the province to be colonized by the French, the island is known for its ancestral homes, agriculture, and breathtaking scenery. Stop to sample a variety of regional products and seasonal delights, with chances to meet local producers along the way. Travel down the island's coast to a vineyard to enjoy a winery tour and wine tasting paired with beautiful views of the island's greenery.



Arrival: Montreal (YUL)

Departure: Québec (YQB)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2 Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Montreal

Days 3, 4 Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu, Charlevoix

Days 5 - 7 Hôtel Clarendon, Québec City

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

7 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Montreal • Pre-Night Stay

Québec City • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.



Return to Québec City for a little bit of down time before gathering to say *au revoir* to your time in Québec during a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Québec City - Tour Ends

Your tour of the charming Canadian province of Québec comes to a close today. (B)

Christmas Markets of Montreal & Quebec City

7 DAYS • 9 MEALS • STARTING AT \$4,449



Quebec City

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **1** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$4,449 (DOUBLE)** or **\$5,699 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on December 16, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

November – December 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

November – December 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for November – December 2027 departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Quebec City's German Christmas Markets, Montreal's Christmas Markets, Montmorency Falls, Maple Sugar Shack, *Bûche de Noël* Workshop

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- During a private workshop, learn the art of making a traditional *Bûche de Noël* and explore the cake's history.
- Explore Quebec City's German Christmas Market.
- See Montmorency Falls, a natural wonder plunging 83 metres off the Canadian Shield.
- Enjoy a festive city tour of Montreal including the city's haven during winter months — the Underground City.
- Join a local guide on a tour of Quebec City's historic sites and holiday traditions.
- Savour breakfast at a local sugar shack nestled in the Quebec countryside.

Day 1: Montreal Inviting winter cityscapes await on a sojourn through the dazzling French-Canadian cities of Montreal and Quebec City. Arriving in Montreal, discover a blend of all things old and new. As travellers' arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Throughout this festive adventure, you'll get to experience the wonderful Christmas markets in Montreal and Quebec City, which run Thursday to Sunday throughout the holiday season.

Day 2: Montreal Today, set out on a sightseeing tour of Montreal in all its holiday splendour, featuring Jacques Cartier Square, McGill University, and the Underground City — a haven for Montrealers during the long and cold winters. Make a stop high atop Mount Royal and take in the spectacular surrounding view! Christened by Jacques Cartier in 1535, Mount Royal is the small, emblematic mountain in the city and Montreal's namesake. Enjoy some free time for lunch in Old Montreal (maybe warming up with a cup of hot chocolate) and soak in more of the joyful holiday atmosphere. Get ready to experience the Christmas market of Montreal, meandering

through the rows of local vendors and holiday stalls. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Montreal - Quebec City

Leaving Montreal this morning, travel northeast to say *bonjour* to Quebec City, the heart of Canada's French heritage. Every winter, the city lights up with the magic of the holiday season. Upon arriving, enjoy free time for a bite to eat and to explore the Old Town (UNESCO), strolling along picturesque cobblestone streets and beside 17th-century buildings. After checking into your hotel later this afternoon, stroll through the Old Town some more and gather at a restaurant for dinner amid this holiday fairy-tale setting. (B, D)

Day 4: Quebec City Join your local guide for a city tour, learning about Quebecois holiday traditions while viewing the city's historic sites. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Craft your own copper Christmas ornament in a hands-on workshop at the family-run Albert Gilles Copper Studio **-OR-** enjoy a guided tour of the decorated Château Frontenac, where history, architecture, and elegance come to life. Spend the evening exploring as you wish, where you can stroll



Montmorency Falls



Arrival: Montreal (YUL)

Departure: Montreal (YUL)



Christmas Markets

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Days 1, 2 Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Montreal

Days 3 – 5 Hotel Chateau Laurier, Quebec City

Day 6 Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Montreal

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

6 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Montreal • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

among the wooden stalls in Quebec City's German Christmas markets. (B)

Day 5: Quebec City This morning, roll up your sleeves for a private workshop in how to create a beloved holiday cake, the *Bûche de Noël*. A culinary take on the ancient practice of burning a Yule log at Christmastime, the *Bûche de Noël*, indeed resembling a log, has a special place on the holiday table. Practice your hand at the elaborate process of rolling the delicate chocolate sponge with a rich mousse filling and decorating with a buttercream made to look like tree bark and meringue mushrooms. Today is yours to surround yourself in the holiday spirit of Quebec City. Wander through the enchanting streets of Old Quebec, adorned with lights and festive decorations. Stroll through Christmas markets, sipping hot chocolate or mulled wine and tasting other seasonal treats. Throughout the city, experience the

essence of a traditional Quebecois Christmas. (B)

Day 6: Quebec City - Montreal

Begin your day with breakfast at a local sugar shack, situated in the heart of the Quebec countryside. Learn about the traditions of maple syrup-making and enjoy samples of delicious traditional foods. Before leaving, try a favourite regional treat — maple taffy on the snow! Next, enjoy a visit to the impressive Montmorency Falls and marvel at this natural wonder plunging 83 metres off the Canadian Shield (approximately 30 metres higher than Niagara Falls). Arrive back in Montreal this afternoon and enjoy some free time, perhaps to visit the holiday markets for some more shopping. Tonight, gather to toast to your festive adventure during a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Montreal - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. May your memories be full of cheer! (B)



Montreal

NEW TOUR

Canadian Rockies & Jasper featuring Rocky Mountaineer

10 DAYS • 17 MEALS • STARTING AT \$10,499

Rocky Mountaineer

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$10,499 (DOUBLE)** or **\$12,749 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on April 28, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

April – October 2027

HIGHLIGHTS

Stanley Park, Rocky Mountaineer, Ranch Visit & Albertan Barbecue, Icefields Parkway, Peyto Lake, Athabasca Glacier, Lake Louise, Banff

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Gaze upon the awe-inspiring Valley of the Ten Peaks.
- See Maligne Lake, one of the area's most spectacular landmarks.
- Experience the beautiful city of Vancouver with a sightseeing tour.
- Travel by train and journey alongside Kicking Horse River while enjoying the beautiful scenery.
- Marvel at the power of Bow Falls in Banff.
- Delight in a traditional Albertan barbecue.

Day 1: Vancouver, British Columbia

Take a remarkable journey through the stunning landscapes, charming towns, and beautiful lakes of the Canadian Rockies. As arrival times will vary, today is yours to settle in and soak up the city at your own pace. Take a walk, find a café, and let the anticipation build.

Day 2: Vancouver This morning, follow Stanley Park's seawall during your Vancouver sightseeing tour. Take in views of the mountains alongside trails, beaches, historical landmarks, and gardens in full colour from within this urban rainforest. This afternoon, make your way to Granville Island Public Market, where local artisan food producers and handmade craft makers fill every stall. As evening falls, enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 3: Vancouver - Rocky Mountaineer - Kamloops All aboard Rocky Mountaineer — and your single-level dome coach is the best seat in the house. Beyond the glass, coastal forests open up to river canyons and snowcapped peaks as you move through the Fraser Valley and the Coast Mountains. Keep your eyes on the Fraser River and look down at the churning white water of Hell's Gate far below. The

scenery shifts one more time — from mountain drama to open, semi-arid desert — as you arrive in Kamloops for the night. (B, L)

Day 4: Kamloops - Rocky Mountaineer - Jasper, Alberta

Heading east this morning, the Canadian Rockies take full shape around you. This is the legendary rail route that helped unite Canada as a nation — and passing through the century-old Spiral Tunnels along the Kicking Horse River, the history of it is tangible. Cross the Continental Divide with your eyes on the tree line: moose, elk, bighorn sheep, osprey, eagles, and the occasional bear all call this corridor home. Raise a glass for a final toast before pulling into the alpine town of Jasper as evening falls. (B, L)

Day 5: Jasper This morning, travel to Maligne Lake — the largest natural lake in the Canadian Rockies — and enjoy breakfast right at the water's edge. Afterward, perhaps choose an optional cruise out to Spirit Island, one of the most photographed places in the Rockies. Back in Jasper, the rest of the day is yours to explore at your own pace — or join an optional rafting tour on the Athabasca River for a little adventure in the Rockies. (B, D)



Maligne Lake



Wagon Ride

Day 6: Jasper - Icefields Parkway - Lake Louise Today's drive along the Icefields Parkway delivers all day — keep a camera close. Waterfalls, rushing rivers, glacial peaks, and imposing cliffs line the route at every turn. Stop at Athabasca Falls, where the sheer volume and force of the water is something to stand in front of. Then, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Visit the Athabasca Glacier and ride across more than 300 metres of ancient ice — the largest accumulation south of the Arctic Circle -**OR-** walk the glass-floored Columbia Icefield Skywalk and experience the sweeping views across the Sunwapta Valley and the dramatic landscape below. Watch for bears, marmots, and elk as you continue down the parkway, and stop at glacier-fed Bow Lake before arriving at the iconic Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, your home for the night. This evening, experience world-class dining at one of the great restaurants at the Chateau. (B, D)

Day 7: Lake Louise - Banff This morning, enjoy a leisurely departure from Lake Louise, allowing time to take in the serene beauty of its turquoise waters and surrounding peaks. Continue on to view the Valley of the Ten Peaks — a ridge of summits that sets the tone for the day ahead. A scenic drive through

Banff follows with stops to witness the powerful drop of Bow Falls and the wide panoramas of Surprise Corner. Arrive in the mountain town of Banff for a two-night stay. (B, D)

Day 8: Banff Start your day at Cave and Basin National Historic Site, where the conservation story that gave birth to Canada's first national park began. After, meet a local ammolite specialist and learn what makes this gemstone — found only in Alberta — so remarkable. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure; Banff's downtown rewards a good wander. (B)

Day 9: Banff - Calgary The mountains ease into open Alberta prairie as you head toward Kananaskis Valley. Visit a local ranch for a line dance lesson, a wagon ride in search of buffalo, and a traditional Albertan barbecue with the Rockies still painted on the horizon. As the prairies roll by on the way to Calgary, let the day sink in — then gather one last time with your fellow travellers for a private farewell dinner worth raising a glass to. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Calgary - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today in Calgary — with the Rockies, the rails, and a whole lot of memories to take home. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre, Vancouver, BC
- Day 3** Kamloops hotel, Kamloops, BC
- Days 4, 5** Chateau Jasper, Jasper, AB
- Day 6** The Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, Lake Louise, AB
- Days 7, 8** The Fairmont Banff Springs, Banff, AB
- Day 9** Calgary Marriott Downtown, Calgary, AB

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

9 Breakfasts (B) • 3 Lunches (L) • 5 Dinners (D)

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Vancouver • Pre-Night Stay

Calgary • Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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DON'T MISS OUT ON ROCKY MOUNTAINEER GOLDLEAF UPGRADE

Most travellers choose to elevate their journey aboard the Rocky Mountaineer by upgrading to GoldLeaf Service, which offers panoramic views from a bi-level glass-domed coach, gourmet à la carte dining in a private dining car, access to an exclusive outdoor viewing platform, and premium complimentary beverages for an unparalleled experience through the Canadian Rockies.



Vancouver

Canadian Rockies featuring Rocky Mountaineer Eastbound

8 DAYS • 13 MEALS • STARTING AT \$9,799

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CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$9,799 (DOUBLE)** or **\$11,999 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on May 2, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

April – October 2027 (featured itinerary - see note*)

**Itinerary featured is for April – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Grouse Mountain, Stanley Park, Rocky Mountaineer, Lake Louise, Banff, Icefields Parkway, Athabasca Glacier, Peyto Lake

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Spend 2 days onboard Rocky Mountaineer viewing coastal forests, roaring river canyons, and lofty mountain peaks.
- Travel by train and journey alongside Kicking Horse River while enjoying the beautiful scenery.
- Take in picture-perfect snowcapped mountains as you explore the Icefields Parkway.
- Enjoy an overnight in Lake Louise.
- Take a scenic drive through Banff featuring the powerful Bow Falls.
- Savour elegant dining aboard the Rocky Mountaineer, as well as unlimited alcohol.
- Enjoy breakfast atop Grouse Mountain - the Peak of Vancouver!

Day 1: Vancouver, British Columbia

Set out to explore the beautiful Canadian Rockies by train. Arrive today in the city of Vancouver. With arrival times varying, there are no scheduled activities today and dinner is on your own tonight.

Day 2: Vancouver This morning, ascend Grouse Mountain on an enclosed gondola and enjoy views in every direction while you enjoy breakfast on the peak of Vancouver. Then, join a ranger to meet 2 grizzly bears that were rescued in 2001. Later, begin your Vancouver sightseeing tour at beautiful Stanley Park, Canada's renowned urban rainforest. Follow the park's famous seawall and discover views of the mountains along trails, beaches, historical landmarks, and colourful gardens. Make your way to picturesque Granville Island Public Market to stroll through its fascinating stalls of handmade crafts and artisan food producers. This evening, enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers at a local restaurant. (B, D)

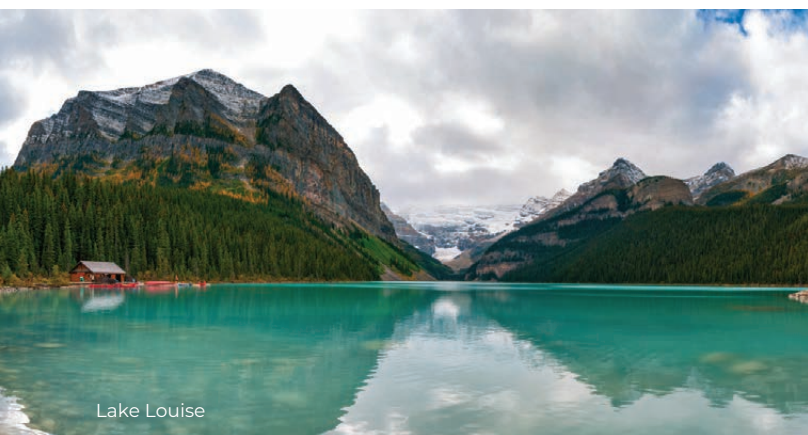
Day 3: Vancouver - Rocky Mountaineer - Kamloops Onboard Rocky Mountaineer, embark on an awe-inspiring rail journey as you travel through some of the world's most majestic scenery. Beyond your sparkling glass window,

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

Day 4: Kamloops - Rocky Mountaineer - Lake Louise, Alberta Continue east this morning to the spectacular Canadian Rocky Mountains. History comes alive as you travel this legendary rail route that united Canada as a nation, through the century-old Spiral Tunnels and along the powerful Kicking Horse River. Traverse the Continental Divide and keep an eye out for moose, elk, and bighorn sheep — not to mention osprey, soaring eagles and even the occasional bear. After another beautiful day onboard Rocky Mountaineer, raise a glass for a final toast. Arrive this evening in the picturesque village of Lake Louise and settle into the famous Fairmont



Athabasca Falls



Lake Louise



Stanley Park

Chateau Lake Louise, a stunning property nestled along the banks of the lake. This evening, dine at one of the great restaurants at Fairmont Chateau. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Lake Louise - Banff Enjoy a leisurely morning and admire the enchanting turquoise waters of the lake. Set off for a scenic drive through Banff featuring the powerful Bow Falls and Surprise Corner, known for its picture-perfect panoramic views. Next, meet a local ammolite specialist to learn about this rare gemstone found only in Alberta. During an afternoon at leisure, perhaps you will take a stroll through Banff's charming downtown. This evening, settle into the legendary castle in the heart of Banff National Park, the Fairmont Banff Springs. (B)

Day 6: Banff - Icefields Parkway - Banff A wonderful day of sightseeing awaits as you set out along the unforgettable Icefields Parkway. Marvel at impressive waterfalls, rushing rivers, glacial peaks, imposing cliffs, and the picture-perfect snowcapped mountain ranges. Stop at the Athabasca Glacier where **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Take a fun ride across this 305-metre-thick mass of glacial ice, the largest accumulation of ice south of the Arctic Circle **-OR-** take a walk on the Columbia Icefield Skywalk to experience the breathtaking views of the Sunwapta Valley and witness the dramatic landscape from the glass-floored platform. This afternoon, stop at Bow Lake — a beautiful crystal-clear lake fed by Bow Glacier



Arrival: Vancouver (YVR)

Departure: Calgary (YYC)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre, Vancouver, BC
- Day 3** Kamloops hotel
- Day 4** Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, Lake Louise, AB
- Days 5, 6** Fairmont Banff Springs, Banff, AB
- Day 7** Calgary Marriott Downtown, Calgary, AB

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Vancouver • Pre-Night Stay

Calgary • Post-Night Stay

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— for photographs and a walk along its shore. We'll also make a stop at Peyto Lake on our return to Banff. (B, D)

Day 7: Banff - Calgary Enjoy a morning at leisure in Banff before heading to Calgary, where the wild West meets industrial skyscrapers. Stop at Cave and Basin National Historic Site, whose protected land led

to the birth of Canada's first national park. Tonight, join in a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. (B, D)

Day 8: Calgary - Tour Ends Your adventure comes to a close today, leaving you with many memories of your extraordinary journey through the awe-inspiring Canadian Rockies. (B)

Canadian Rockies & Glacier National Park

7 DAYS • 10 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,749

Going-to-the-Sun Road

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,749 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,349 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on June 15, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

June – September 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for June – September 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, Waterton Lakes National Park, Glacier National Park, Going-to-the-Sun Road, Banff, Athabasca Glacier, Lake Louise, Heritage Park Historic Village

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Experience the past at Heritage Park Historic Village in Calgary.
- Bear witness to the incredible views of Glacier National Park as you drive along the Going-to-the-Sun Road in an open-air touring car.
- Visit Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, one of the world's oldest buffalo jumps.
- Spend time discovering Lake Louise.
- Drive the unforgettable Icefields Parkway.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump and Heritage Park — composting food waste and growing produce on-site to support sustainable operations. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Calgary, Alberta, Canada Get ready for an adventure that brings together the beautiful expanse of the prairies, the soaring majesty of the Canadian Rockies, and the brilliance of Montana's Glacier National Park. Arrive today in the province of Alberta. As travellers' arrival times vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. Following a welcome briefing, you'll have the evening free to enjoy dinner on your own and explore at your leisure.

Day 2: Calgary - Waterton Lakes National Park This morning, journey south to the prairie lands while enjoying the distant views of the spectacular Rockies. Visit Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the world's oldest, best preserved buffalo jumps. Head-Smashed-In, in the foothills of the Rockies, has been used continuously by Aboriginal people for over 5,500 years. A Blackfoot guide brings to life the culture of the Plains people, the buffalo hunt, and many secrets uncovered in archaeological digs. Continue travelling south to Waterton Lakes National Park. En route, pass through quaint villages and travel along roads sometimes traversed by grizzly bears, black bears, mountain goats, cougars, wolves, moose,

and elk. You'll even get to view and photograph the famous Prince of Wales Hotel. Tonight, enjoy dinner overlooking Waterton Lake. (B, D)

Day 3: Waterton Lakes - Glacier Natl. Park, Montana, USA - Waterton Lakes, AB Today, experience Glacier National Park, a naturalist's paradise. Glacier preserves over one million acres of forests, Alpine meadows, and lakes, and is home to over 70 species of mammals and 270 species of birds. Enjoy a ride aboard one of its famous Jammer cars, built in the 1930s, along one of the most breathtaking roads in North America. Going-to-the-Sun Road stretches across the Continental Divide and offers incredible views of the valley and Glacier National Park. (B)

Day 4: Waterton Lakes National Park - Banff Relax during your journey to Banff and soak in a backdrop of wonderful wildlife and the majestic Canadian Rockies. This afternoon, arrive in Banff and enjoy stops at the powerful Bow Falls and Surprise Corner, known for its picture-perfect panoramic views. (B, D)

Day 5: Banff - Icefields Parkway - Banff Set out along the unforgettable Icefields Parkway and behold lofty waterfalls, rushing rivers,



Columbia Icefield Skywalk



Lake Louise

glacial peaks, imposing cliffs, and snowcapped mountain ranges. Stop at the Athabasca Glacier where **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Choose a fun ride across this mass of glacial ice approximately 304 metres thick, the largest accumulation of ice south of the Arctic Circle **-OR-** take a walk onto a glass-bottom platform at the Columbia Icefield Skywalk to experience the breathtaking views of the Sunwapta Valley and witness the dramatic landscape. This afternoon, stop at stunning Peyto Lake, a glacier-fed lake that evokes pure serenity. Be on the lookout for bears and stately elk on your return to Banff. (B)

Day 6: Banff - Lake Louise - Calgary

The famous glacier-fed, turquoise waters of Lake Louise are yours

for admiring this morning. Perhaps you will choose to hike along the lakeshore or simply relax in the majesty of your surroundings. Enjoy lunch at the Ski Lake Louise Lodge before boarding the gondola, which ascends the mountain in fourteen minutes to a height of 2,101 metres above sea level. Later, enjoy views of the prairies while en route to Calgary. Join your fellow travellers at Heritage Park for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Calgary - Tour Ends Your adventure comes to a close today, leaving you with a wealth of memories from your outstanding journey to two of the world's most beautiful areas, the incomparable Canadian Rockies and Glacier National Park. (B)



Arrival: Calgary (YYC)

Departure: Calgary (YYC)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

Day 1 Marriott Downtown, Calgary, AB

Days 2, 3 Bayshore Inn Resort and Spa, Waterton Lakes National Park, AB

Days 4, 5 Banff Inn, Banff, AB

Day 6 Marriott Downtown, Calgary, AB

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Calgary • Pre- or Post-Night Stay



Calgary

Best of Eastern Canadian Cities

9 DAYS • 12 MEALS • STARTING AT \$5,899



Quebec City

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$5,899 (DOUBLE)** or **\$7,499 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on May 7, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Niagara Falls, Château Frontenac, Old Quebec City, Montmorency Falls, Indigenous Heritage Farm Dinner Celebration, Thousand Islands Boat Tour, Maple Sugar Shack

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Explore the iconic Château Frontenac, then step outside to discover the charm of Old Québec City on a walking tour.
- On an Ottawa farm, learn about Indigenous traditions during a Pow Wow dance performance and dinner.
- Admire some of the 1864 islands of the Thousand Islands with a boat tour along the St. Lawrence River.
- Witness the incredible power of Mother Nature at breathtaking Niagara Falls.
- Savour breakfast at a local sugar shack nestled in the Quebec countryside.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 3 community tourism partners: Indigenous and Canadian Art Tour, Canadian War Museum, and Madahoki Farm — engaging with Indigenous culture through guided experiences. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Toronto, Ontario Arrive in cosmopolitan Toronto, capital of Ontario and Canada's largest city. As many flights arrive in the late afternoon and evening, your only scheduled activity is a welcome briefing tonight. Afterwards, take time to settle in or check out a local restaurant for dinner on your own.

Day 2: Toronto - Niagara Falls - Toronto This morning, travel to Niagara Falls, home to the awe-inspiring set of waterfalls nestled along the border between the United States and Canada. Embark on a boat cruise to the base of the falls and witness the thundering water from up close. Continue on to Niagara-on-the-Lake and take advantage of some free time to discover the "loveliest town in Canada." Get a glimpse into the region's 300-year-old winemaking history with a welcome lunch at a local winery. (B, L)

Day 3: Toronto - Rockport - Ottawa This morning, prepare for a long driving day, taking in the surrounding landscape of Ontario as you travel to Rockport, gateway to the spectacular Thousand Islands. Enjoy a memorable cruise through this unspoiled region, located along the St. Lawrence River. Then, set off for Ottawa, Canada's capital city, offering a blend of history,

culture, and natural beauty. Take the evening to explore and have dinner on your own in nearby ByWard Market. (B)

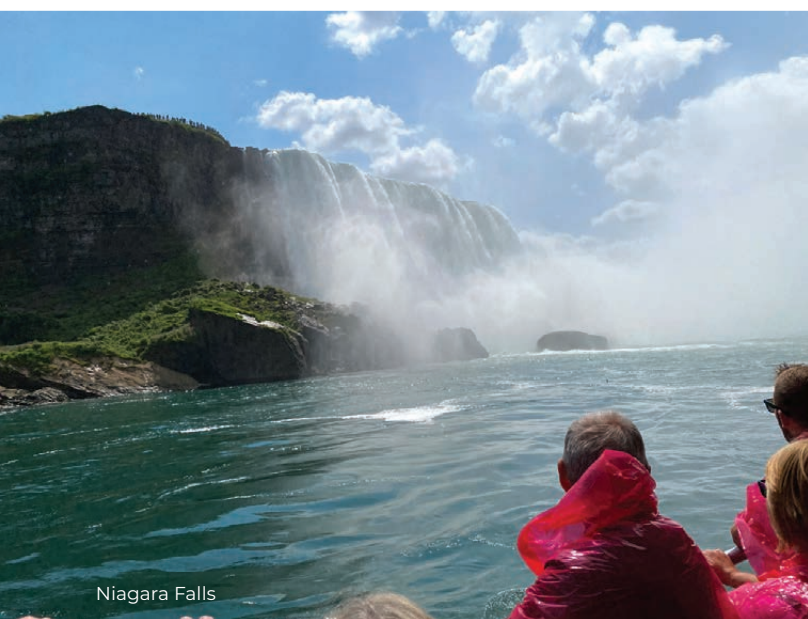
Day 4: Ottawa Today, **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Get to know Ottawa through the lens of one of its renowned museums. Dive into Canada's military past at the War Museum with a veteran's personal story -**OR**- explore the National Gallery's celebrated art collection and create your own masterpiece in a hands-on workshop. During a visit to an Indigenous heritage farm later this afternoon, discover the vibrancy of Indigenous traditions as you experience a Pow Wow dance performance and dinner. (B, D)

Day 5: Ottawa - Quebec City, Quebec After a full day's drive, say *bonjour* to Quebec City, the heart of Canada's French heritage. Briefly settle into your hotel before heading to Ile d'Orleans, a farmland island on the St. Lawrence River where you'll sample local cuisine for dinner. (B, D)

Day 6: Quebec City This morning, enjoy a privately guided tour of the famed Château Frontenac, where history, architecture, and elegance come to life. Then, continue your tour strolling the streets of Old Quebec



Thousand Islands



Niagara Falls

City (UNESCO) on foot. See the Place Royale and 17th-century buildings, listening to stories of days gone by in historic settings. Your tour ends around noon and the rest of the day is yours to explore the city at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Quebec City - Montreal Leave Quebec City early this morning for the countryside, where breakfast is served at a local sugar shack. Learn about the traditions of maple syrup-making and enjoy a "lumberjack breakfast" complete with pancakes, baked beans, meat pie, and of course, maple syrup. Before leaving, try a favourite regional treat — maple taffy on the snow! Next, visit the impressive Montmorency Falls and marvel at this natural wonder plunging 83 metres off the Canadian Shield, approximately 30 metres higher than Niagara Falls. Then, sit back and enjoy the ride this afternoon as the journey continues to Montreal.

From skyscrapers and cathedrals to rushing waterways and lush gardens, Montreal is a blend of all things old and new. The evening is yours to explore the city independently. (B)

Day 8: Montreal Today, enjoy a panoramic tour of Montreal. Take in the sights of the city, including Jacques Cartier Square and McGill University. Top it off with spectacular views from "the mountain" as it's called by locals, named Mount Royal by Jacques Cartier in 1535. After your guided visit to the renowned Notre-Dame Basilica of Montreal, your tour will end in Old Montreal around lunchtime. The rest of the afternoon is yours to explore the city at leisure. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable tour. (B, D)

Day 9: Montreal - Tour Ends Your tour draws to a close today. (B)



ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1, 2** Sheraton Centre, Toronto, ON
- Days 3, 4** Lord Elgin, Ottawa, ON
- Days 5, 6** Hilton Quebec, Quebec City, QC
- Days 7, 8** DoubleTree by Hilton, Montreal, QC

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

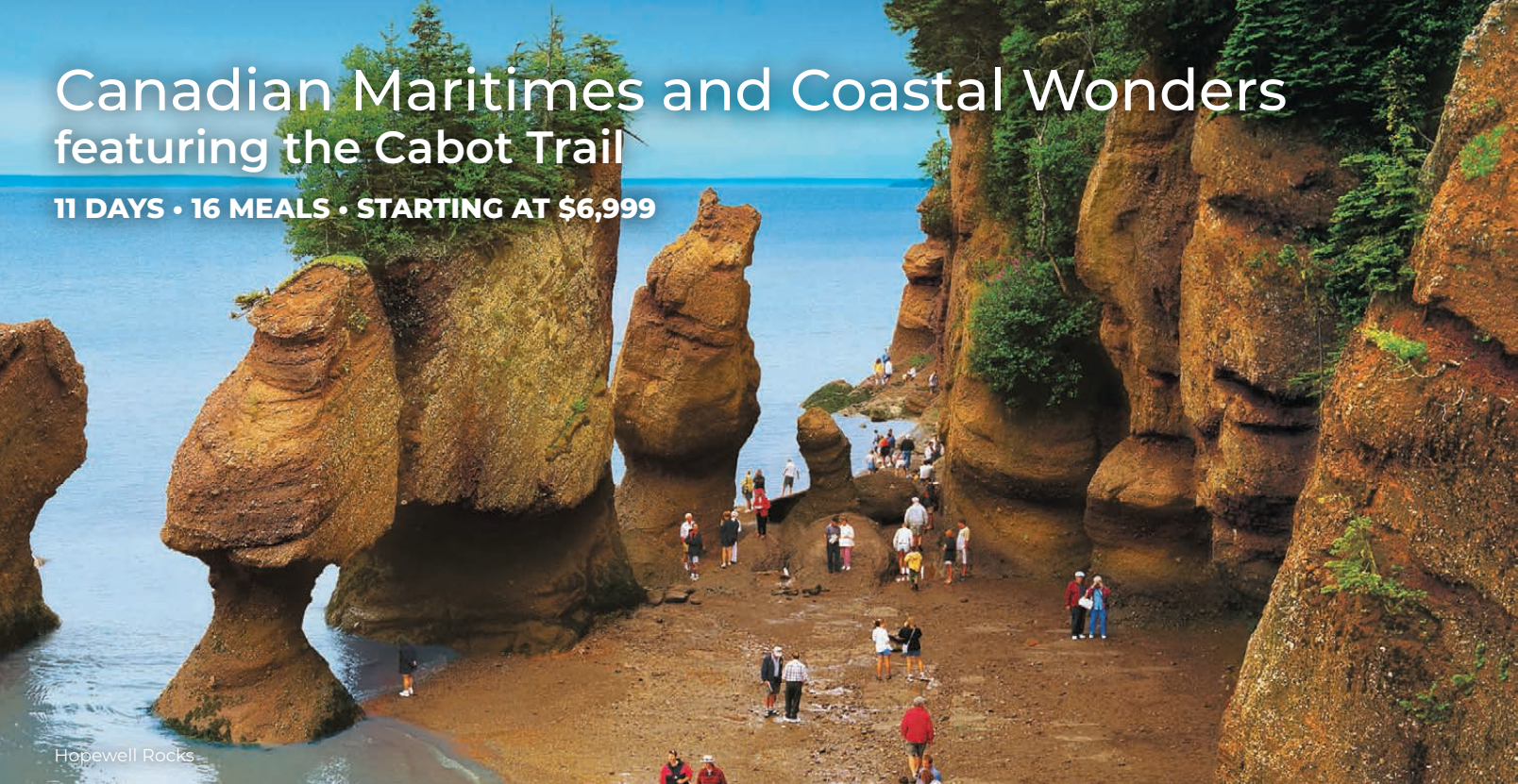
- Toronto** • Pre-Night Stay
- Montreal** • Post-Night Stay



Pow Wow Dance Performance

Canadian Maritimes and Coastal Wonders featuring the Cabot Trail

11 DAYS • 16 MEALS • STARTING AT \$6,999



Hopewell Rocks

CLASSIC • Average Group Size: **37** • Tour Activity Level: **2** (see page 312 for details)

PRICING

Starting at **\$6,999 (DOUBLE)** or **\$8,799 (SOLO)**

Pricing is per person, land only, and varies by departure date. Prices based on May 30, 2027 departure. All rates in Canadian dollars.

TOUR DATES

October 2026 (different itinerary – see note*)

May – October 2027 (featured itinerary)

**Itinerary featured is for May – October 2027 tour departures. Departures prior to this date may vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.*

HIGHLIGHTS

Cabot Trail, Peggy's Cove, Fundy Trail, Hopewell Rocks, Mahone Bay, Lunenburg, Cape Breton Island, Prince Edward Island, Anne of Green Gables Museum, Grand-Pré National Historic Site

FEATURED EXPERIENCES

- Journey to the amazing Hopewell Rocks.
- Crack into an essential Maritimes feast of fresh lobster and PEI mussels.
- Learn a few handy Gaelic phrases and join in the fun of a "milling frolic."
- Take a ferry ride to Prince Edward Island, the "Land Cradled on the Waves."
- Explore Cabot Trail and fall in love with its rugged terrain.
- Savour tastes of traditional Maritimes foods and dine beside the Bay of Fundy.

RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Features 2 community tourism partners: Gaelic College and Millbrook Cultural & Heritage Centre — preserving regional and Indigenous cultural traditions. *Learn more about responsible travel, pg 9*

Day 1: Halifax, Nova Scotia Explore the picture-perfect region known as Canada's Maritime Provinces. Venture along its rugged and pristine beauty, all while getting to know its Acadian, Mi'kmaq, and Gaelic cultures. As flight arrival times into Halifax will vary throughout the day, there are no scheduled activities today.

Day 2: Halifax - Peggy's Cove - Halifax Stunning landscapes await. Head to one of the most picturesque spots in all of Canada — Peggy's Cove. Set along the Atlantic coast, the cove is home to a historic lighthouse that offers incredible views of the surrounding area. Continue to Halifax, exploring its charming downtown on a tour highlighting the waterfront, Public Gardens, Spring Garden Road, and the famous Citadel. (B, D)

Day 3: Halifax - Mahone Bay - Lunenburg - Halifax Experience the small fishing village of Mahone Bay before travelling along the beautiful Lighthouse Route towards Lunenburg. Choose how you explore this town because **IT'S YOUR CHOICE!** Delve into the local heritage at the Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic **-OR-** embark on a locally guided walking tour to discover Lunenburg's unique architecture. End your day back in Halifax for an evening on your own. (B)

Day 4: Halifax - Cape Breton Island - Baddeck Start your morning at the Millbrook Cultural and Heritage Centre to learn about the Mi'kmaq lineage and Glooscap legends. Travel the Canso Causeway on the way to stunning Cape Breton Island. You'll spend time at Gaelic College, where you'll see a brief kilt-making demonstration and learn a few handy Gaelic phrases. Join in the fun of a "milling frolic," singing a Gaelic song and tapping to the rhythm. This evening, enjoy a dinner of local flavours. (B, D)

Day 5: Baddeck - Cabot Trail - Baddeck Set off for a full-day exploration of Cabot Trail. Fall in love with its rugged terrain and spectacular views of the Atlantic Ocean. Visit the famed St. Peter's Church in Cheticamp. Enjoy a picnic lunch in Cape Breton Highlands National Park. Take in the quaint charms of nearby fishing communities along the coast, including the lovely Pleasant Bay. (B, L)

Day 6: Baddeck - Prince Edward Island Explore the amazing range of inventions on display at the Alexander Graham Bell Museum. Afterward, take a short ferry ride to Prince Edward Island, the "Land Cradled on the Waves." Arrive in Charlottetown with time to explore this fascinating city on your own. (B)



Cabot Trail



Peggy's Cove

Day 7: Prince Edward Island Get to know the rolling landscapes of Prince Edward Island, the backdrop of the acclaimed novel, *Anne of Green Gables*. Arrive in Cavendish and view Prince Edward Island National Park's pristine beaches. Visit the Anne of Green Gables Museum to learn the craft of potato farming from a farmer, with a first-hand lesson on the island's leading agricultural industry. This evening, pick up your shell crackers for an essential lobster supper including PEI mussels. Hone your technique with a lesson on how to crack and eat lobster. (B, D)

Day 8: Prince Edward Island - Saint John, New Brunswick Leave Prince Edward Island behind as you cross the Confederation Bridge. Travel along the shoreline to the amazing Hopewell Rocks. A New Brunswick icon, these flowerpot-shaped rocks were carved by the Fundy tides and rise 4-stories high at low tide, only to disappear into tiny islands after the tide rolls back

in. Continue to the city of Saint John where you'll enjoy a 2-night stay in the bustling waterfront area. (B)

Day 9: Saint John Greet the awe-inspiring Fundy Trail early this morning. Stop along the way to take in an endless stretch of breathtaking vistas on an exclusive tour through the park with a local expert. On your way back, gaze out your window at St. Martin's covered bridges. The rest of the day is yours back in Saint John. (B, L)

Day 10: Saint John - Halifax, Nova Scotia Onboard a ferry for Nova Scotia, make a stop at the Grand-Pré National Historic Site. Uncover the complex history of the Acadian people. Continue on to Halifax and enjoy time for yourself before a farewell dinner, toasting to the end of your Maritimes journey. (B, D)

Day 11: Halifax - Tour Ends Today you depart the Maritimes, taking home countless memories of this coastal wonderland. (B)



Arrival: Halifax (YHZ)

Departure: Halifax (YHZ)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- Days 1 – 3** The Westin Nova Scotian, Halifax, NS
- Days 4, 5** Inverary Resort, Baddeck, NS
- Days 6, 7** The Holman Grand Hotel, Charlottetown, PEI
- Days 8, 9** Hilton Saint John, Saint John, NB
- Day 10** The Westin Nova Scotian, Halifax, NS

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

ENHANCE YOUR TOUR

Halifax • Pre- or Post-Night Stay

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Visit our website to learn more about the available optional excursions for this tour.

REMOTE & RUSTIC ACCOMMODATIONS

In Baddeck, you'll stay in a remote locale which necessitates lodging in more rustic accommodations. Though the quality is not at our usual standards, the location allows you to experience the rugged beaches and charming villages that truly reflect the Canadian Maritimes.



Anne of Green Gables Museum

AIR INFORMATION

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three great air options

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



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TERMS & CONDITIONS

Important Reservation Information

Land Rates

Land rates are per person, double occupancy unless otherwise noted. Availability of departures at the prices noted in the brochure is limited. Government taxes and fees are additional. For current prices, please see our website. Rates are guaranteed once deposit is received and booking is confirmed by Collette except for charges resulting from increases in Government taxes and fees. 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 \$349 non-refundable deposit is due with your land only reservation.
- For Antarctica and Cruises only reservations, a non-refundable \$549 deposit is required. An additional \$1,000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.

Air Inclusive Package Deposit

- A \$698 non-refundable deposit is due with your air inclusive reservation.
- Antarctica and Cruise air inclusive reservations, a non-refundable \$898 deposit is required. An additional \$1,000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.

Instant Purchase Air

- If you have selected Instant Purchase air, the deposit required is the full cost of the airfare plus the land package deposits noted above; 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 90 days before departure on all tours, except cruises, Antarctica and Galapagos of which the balance is due 120 days before departure. Payment may be made by charging to clients' Mastercard, Visa or American Express (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>

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reservations@gocollette.com

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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 cancelled prior to being paid in full, the following cancellation fees will also apply to air.

- More than 90 days prior to departure: a nonrefundable deposit will be retained.
- 90 - 16 days prior to departure: 40% of total price
- 15 - 1 day prior to departure: 75% 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: 40% 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:

- 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

* 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 (including 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 \$300 deposit at time of booking (all of which is nonrefundable). 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 Requiring Accommodations or Special Assistance

Guests must advise Collette, at the time of booking, of any physical, medical, or other special needs that require an accommodation or special assistance. If and when necessary, Collette will make reasonable modifications to its policies, practices, and procedures unless doing so will fundamentally alter the nature of the tour or services.* Such participants, however, should be aware that the Americans with Disabilities Act is inapplicable outside of the United States and facilities outside the United States for disabled individuals are limited. It is strongly recommended that persons requiring assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the assistance. None of Collette, personnel, suppliers, or its other guests, may physically lift or assist other guests 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 and motorized scooters are not permitted. Collette may exclude an individual from participating in a tour or an activity if the individual's participation poses a threat to the health or safety of the individual or others or causes an unacceptable disruption to the tour. This decision to exclude an individual, made by Collette in its sole discretion, will be based on an individualized assessment using reasonable judgment that relies on current medical evidence or on the best available objective evidence to determine the nature, duration and severity of the risk, the probability that potential injury will occur, and whether reasonable modifications of policies, practices, or procedures will mitigate the risk or will cause an unacceptable disruption of the tour. No refunds will be given if the decision is made to exclude a guest. In purchasing your tour, you attest that you are physically fit to participate on it. If you have concerns, please request additional details about your trip from your travel agent or Collette.

*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.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

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 baggage fees may apply on most trans-border flights. 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 travelling 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 accepts the condition that Collette reserves to itself the exclusive right to cancel, re-schedule or make other adjustments to any guided vacation departure in any circumstances deemed necessary, including in accordance with operating requirements or circumstances beyond its control, including for tours designated as "guaranteed departures." If cancellation is made by Collette any time prior to the departure date of the guided vacation, except when a customer fails to pay the final balance on time, Collette, at its sole discretion, will offer a comparable vacation on an alternate departure date, or reserves the right to offer a future travel credit. Collette will refund any difference in price if the alternative date is of a lower price, however the guest will be responsible for additional costs if the alternative is priced higher. Collette will not be liable for cancellation, delay, rescheduling or other adjustment or impact to a departure or itinerary or other aspect of the vacation brought about due to force majeure or other circumstance beyond its control that prevents or interferes with any aspect of the tour, also including governmental and administrative actions. Collette is not responsible for other travel arrangements affected due to our cancellations or change costs or penalties incurred on other travel arrangements, including air tickets.

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. Discounted Child land rates are available and are valid for ages 5-17, sharing a room with one full-paying adult. For Tour Products that include Safari or Game Drive components, the minimum age for travellers to participate is 13.

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 311 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 travelling 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 travelling 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 travelling with children, you are solely responsible for their behaviour 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.

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.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEO

Collette reserves the right to take photographs and videos during your trip and to use photographs and videos submitted to Collette by others that contain your image or likeness. By traveling with Collette, you grant to Collette the absolute and irrevocable right and unrestricted permission to use and publish your image, likeness, name, or biographical information, without compensation, for commercial, advertising, editorial, or any other purpose; and in any manner and medium, whether now known or hereafter devised; and to alter and composite the same without restriction and without your inspection or approval.

You hereby release and discharge Collette from and against any and all claims, liabilities, costs, damages and expenses of any kind and nature arising out of or relating to the use by Collette of your image, likeness, name, and/or biographical information. If you prefer that your image, likeness, name or biological information not be used, you must advise Collette in writing, no later than 30 days prior to your departure date.

Photographs and video of your trip may be submitted to Collette by you or by third parties such as (but not limited to) other travellers, tour guides, crew, or staff members.

By submitting such photographs or videos, you (a) represent and warrant that the photograph and/or video is your original work created solely by you and that it does not infringe the intellectual property rights of any person, entity or other party; (b) represent and warrant that you have obtained any and all releases from subjects depicted in said original work necessary to grant Collette the rights and licenses to such original works you grant herein; (c) grant to Collette a worldwide, royalty-free, perpetual, transferable, irrevocable, non-exclusive and fully sublicensable right and license to use the original work, in any and all media whether now known or hereafter devised, in perpetuity, anywhere in the world, with the right to make any and all commercial or other uses thereof, including, without limitation, reproducing, editing, modifying, adapting, publishing, displaying publicly, creating derivative works from, incorporating into other works and/or modifying the original work, and (d) you hereby release and discharge Collette from and against any and all claims, liabilities, costs, damages and expenses of any kind and nature arising out of or relating to the use by Collette of any such photographs and/or videos you have submitted.

FORUM SELECTION AND CHOICE OF LAW

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED AND INTERPRETED PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES HERETO AND THE FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL COURTS IN ONTARIO SHALL HAVE EXCLUSIVE AND SOLE JURISDICTION OVER ANY DISPUTE, CONTROVERSY OR SUIT ARISING RELATIVE TO THIS AGREEMENT.

DISPUTES/CLASS ACTION WAIVER

YOU AGREE THAT YOU WILL ONLY BRING CLAIMS AGAINST COLLETTE IN YOUR INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY AND NOT AS A PLAINTIFF OR CLASS MEMBER IN ANY PURPORTED CLASS ACTION OR REPRESENTATIVE

PROCEEDING. COLLETTE SHALL NOT IN ANY CASE BE LIABLE FOR OTHER THAN COMPENSATORY DAMAGES, AND YOUR PAYMENT OF A DEPOSIT ON A TOUR MEANS THAT YOU AGREE TO THESE CONDITIONS OF SALE AND EXPRESSLY WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO PUNITIVE DAMAGES.

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

While every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of information in our brochures, on our website or communicated by our reservation staff, errors or omissions are possible and Collette is not responsible for such error. If a mistake is made in billing, we reserve the right to correct the invoice and you will be responsible for proper payment.

SEVERABILITY

In the event that any clause in this agreement is determined to be invalid, the remaining provisions are valid and enforceable. The invalid provision shall be replaced by Collette by a clause as similar as practicable.

Consumer Protection Plans

Collette is a member of the following organizations: the National Tour Association, the United States Tour Operators Association, and the Travel Industry Council of Ontario. 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*)

For all Canadian Residents who purchased a Travel Protection Plan, the Post Departure coverage and benefits are administered by TuGo and underwritten by Industrial Alliance. TuGo will provide your specific policy document and an individual policy number that will be sent directly to you as confirmation of your enrollment. The policy will be emailed from: donotreply@tugo.com. If you have further questions about your policy, please call TuGo at 1-855-929-8846 or email info@tugo.com.

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 Industrial Alliance of Canada. 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 Instant Purchase 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.

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. The individual travelling will be required to pay the single supplement to Collette and any eligible claims will be through TuGo.

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 Industrial Alliance of Canada.

Part B Insurance Benefits is administered by North American Air Travel Insurance Agents Ltd. doing business as TuGo®. **(*NOT AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS OF QUEBEC).**

Please Note: Trip Cancellation insurance day of departure maximum limit per insured \$2,500. Trip Interruption insurance after departure maximum limit per insured \$5,000.

TuGo will provide your specific policy form and an individual policy number that will be sent directly to you as confirmation of your enrollment. The policy will be emailed from: donotreply@tugo.com. If you have further questions about your policy, please call TuGo at 1-855-929-8846 or email info@tugo.com.

Schedule of Benefits

The following plans are included in your insurance package:

COVERAGE	MAXIMUM LIMITS PER INSURED
Emergency Medical	\$1,000,000*
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	\$25,000
Baggage -Baggage & Personal Effects	\$2,000
-Baggage Delay	\$500**

*Some benefits within this coverage have their own limits. Refer to the policy wording for details.

** This limit is subject to the overall maximum limit for baggage coverage.

Non-Insurance Services

OneWorld Assist Inc. doing business as Claims at TuGo is our claims and assistance provider and performs all assistance services and administers claims on our behalf under this policy. Claims at TuGo provides ISO 9001:2015 certified service.

For Emergency hospitalizations, contact Claims at TuGo immediately:

- (must include "+" sign by holding down "0" on mobile) +1-800-533-8718
- Global toll-free (must include "+" sign by holding down "0" on mobile) +1-800-663-0399
- From Mexico (Mexican landlines only)
- 001-800-514-9976 / 800-681-8070
- Worldwide (collect) 604-278-4108

When you call, please be ready to provide:

- The partner code listed on your policy declaration

Generali Global Assistance Concierge Services

To speak with Generali Global Assistance (GGA) for concierge services only, simply call:

From Canada & USA.....1-833-430-3653

Worldwide (collect).....954-308-3925

ops@gga-usa.com

When you call, please be ready to provide:

- The partner code listed on your policy declaration
- A phone number where Generali Global Assistance may reach you

Please Note: Plan cost is based upon the cost of your trip. Benefits are described on a general basis only. The information noted here is only an outline of the coverage available, and is subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of the policy. Please refer to the individual policy documents for complete details. Plan benefits, limits and provisions may vary by province jurisdiction. You will receive a policy and a Description of 24-Hour Emergency Assistance Services which describe the benefits and limitations in detail.

Payment for the plan(s) is required at time of purchase and is non-refundable outside of the 10-day free look period. Prices and coverage are subject to change. For full plan details, please call TuGo at 1-855-929-8846 or email info@tugo.com (except for the Part A: Cancel for Any Reason Waiver).

Any notices of claim or correspondence concerning a claim should be promptly sent to:

Claims Contact Information

For hospitalizations, contact Claims at TuGo immediately:

From Canada & USA.....1-800-663-0399

From Mexico.....001-800-514-9976 or 800-681-8070

Outside North America & Mexico (global toll-free)*800-663-0399

Worldwide (collect).....604-278-4108

*Visit tugo.com/claims for international access codes.

Email claims@tugo.com

When you call, please be ready to provide:

- The partner code listed on your policy declaration

Collette's Travel Protection Plan Pricing (per person)

The Cost of the Travel Protection Plan includes both the optional Part A Pre-Departure Cancellation Fee Waiver Provided By Collette Travel Service, Inc. and the Part B insurance benefits underwritten by TuGo, as well as non-insurance assistance services. Pricing is available for either Part A or Part B on a stand alone basis, please contact Collette for more information.

Pricing varies by tour and will be quoted upon booking either online or through our reservations team.

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

Collette's Travel Protection Plan only provides air inclusive travel protection for 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. 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.

To review full plan details, see our travel protection plan info on the terms and conditions pages of our website.

Activity Levels

1 2 3 4 *Level 1* LIGHT & LEISURELY

You're a leisurely traveller. You typically take it easy and discover the energy of a new place by people-watching or soaking in the atmosphere at a local café. You can climb at least one flight of stairs, board a coach, and walk unassisted at a relaxed pace for up to 60 minutes without difficulty. You can easily handle altitudes up to 1524 metres.

1 2 3 4 *Level 2* MODERATE

You like a balanced approach to travel. Walking 3 to 5 kilometres over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to 3.2 kilometres (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover four to seven kilometres over uneven terrain. You can handle altitudes up to 1828 metres.



Tour Activity Levels help to set expectations on tour.

See the levels below and look for them throughout the itinerary pages.

1 2 3 4 **Level 3** ACTIVE

You're an on-the-go traveller. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking six kilometres over the course of a day is doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 1828 and 2743 metres. Expect some longer days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travellers who require mobility assistance devices.

1 2 3 4 **Level 4** VERY ACTIVE

You're ready to seize the day, whatever it may bring.

You lead an active life at home (walking, biking, and half or full day hikes are things you may enjoy) and 10,000 steps a day is normal for you. You can handle longer walking tours (more than 3 hours covering five kilometres at a steady pace) and activities that involve uneven terrain, steep slopes, standing for periods of time, and varying altitudes and temperatures. You don't mind being on the go with some early starts, late-nights, and full days. You can handle altitudes of 2743 metres or higher with little to no issue. This level is not appropriate for travellers who use wheelchairs, walkers, and other mobility assistance devices.



Scan to watch
our Activity Level
videos detailing
what to expect
on tour.

Your Stories, Shared

The hidden gem you didn't expect. The conversation you'll never forget. The moment that changed the way you see a place. The best parts of a journey aren't always found on the itinerary. Here are a few stories from Collette travellers that prove the best memories are often the ones you never planned for.



"One unforgettable night, the northern lights danced across the sky in waves of green turning the moment into something truly magical. Surrounded by glaciers, volcanic rock, and endless open skies, I felt completely present — humbled, energized, and deeply connected to the power and beauty of nature."

– DEBRA P. ON ICELAND'S MAGICAL
NORTHERN LIGHTS, PG. 110





“Every place we visited was remarkable — from the volcanic

majesty of Arenal to the beautiful beach of Playa Carillo. But the most magical experience was at Evergreen Lodge in Tortuguero, where we fell asleep to the sounds of rain and the wildlife that inhabits the rainforest.”

– CAROLYN B. ON TROPICAL COSTA RICA
AND PRE-TOUR EXTENSION, PG. 92

“The vespa tour in Saigon was a thrill ride and allowed us to see sites through a local lens

we would have never seen before.”

– ARMANDO R. ON KINGDOMS OF SOUTHEAST
ASIA, PG. 56

“The most enjoyable part of my tour of France was the perfect mix of history and everyday beauty,

from the grandeur of Versailles to the peaceful charm of places like Giverny and Normandy. But honestly, it was the simple moments — walking through small towns, enjoying long meals, and taking it all in — that made it unforgettable.”

– MELISSA B. ON FRANCE MAGNIFIQUE, PG. 170

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Calling All Adventurers & Explorers:

The Collette Passport Club rewards you for every trip you take. And the best part? The more you travel, the more benefits you'll receive. It's our way of saying thanks for sharing your journey with us.



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loyalty program.



LEVEL ONE: ADVENTURER

(1 - 2 completed tours)

- ✓ Travellers receive a **5% Loyalty Credit** on their next Collette tour when it's completed within 24 months of the most recent tour departure date.
- ✓ Travellers receive a **3% Loyalty Credit** on tours completed within 25-36 months of the most recent tour departure date.



LEVEL TWO: EXPLORER

(3+ completed tours)

In addition to the perks of Level One, after travellers return from their third tour and all subsequent tours, they'll receive the following **additional benefit**:

- ✓ **\$100 of credit** towards purchasing optional tour components or upgrades when travel is completed within 36 months of the most recent tour departure date.