

# LUXURY GOLD

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BRINGING BACK THE GOLDEN ERA OF TRAVEL

# WORLDWIDE



2021 - 2022

LUXURY GUIDED JOURNEYS

BRITAIN, EUROPE, EGYPT, CANADA, USA, PERU, ARGENTINA,  
CHILE, BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, SOUTH AFRICA, JAPAN, INDIA,  
VIETNAM, CAMBODIA, LAOS, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND

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# *Turning your travels* INTO GOLD

Thank you for considering Luxury Gold for your future travels.

As a passionate traveller myself, I believe that although the world has changed, our desire to explore and connect remains.

I am confident that we can navigate this new world together, and you can rest assured that as our guest, your well-being always has been, and always will be, our top priority.

By nature, travel is dynamic, ever-changing and evolving. I can attest to that personally, having worked in travel for over 20 years, and I take great pride in being part of a family-run company that has been in business for over 100 years.

We attribute our success and longevity to our financial stability (we're completely debt-free) and to our commitment to innovation (knowing when to change our practices to keep up with the world around us).

In addition to the benefits of travelling with Luxury Gold that our guests have come to love, we're taking new steps to enhance our hygiene protocols and improve physical distancing to give you peace of mind during your travels. You can read more about these developments at [luxurygold.com/well-being](https://luxurygold.com/well-being).

Despite everything that's changed, from speaking to our guests and partners it's clear that the spirit of travel lives on! It seems like we can't wait to get back to exploring the world, making new friends, and supporting communities on the road to recovery.

I hope that as you turn the pages of this magazine, you can immerse yourself in the stories and experiences of each destination, so you can dream of your next journey with us.

At the time that's right for you, we look forward to once again turning your travels into gold.

Stay healthy, stay safe, and take care,



**ULLA HEFEL BÖHLER – CEO**  
LUXURY GOLD





Lima, Peru: Meet Dr. Diez Canseco Távora at his ancestral home to learn about his longstanding commitment to empowering local communities through sustainable initiatives.

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## THE CHAIRMAN'S COLLECTION



We invite you to join our most exclusive experiences, personally curated by our Chairman, Mr. Stanley Tollman, and inspired by his life in travel.

These exclusive Chairman's Collection VIP experiences are included on select journeys marked with our official stamp and on departure dates highlighted with **CC** in the journey planner box.



Dr. Diez Canseco Távora at his villa



Marchese Mazzei



The Duchess of Northumberland

### KEY

#### ITINERARY

	Flight		Train		VIP Experience
	Cruise		Wi-Fi		Your Way
	Hotel		Dining	<b>CC</b>	Chairman's Collection

#### DINING

<b>B</b>	Buffet Breakfast	<b>LW</b>	Lunch with Wine
<b>MT</b>	Morning Tea	<b>AT</b>	Afternoon Tea
<b>L</b>	Lunch	<b>D</b>	Dinner
<b>DW</b>	Dinner with Wine		

#### SIGHTSEEING EXPERIENCES

**Visit:** You will enter a specific site and applicable fees are included.  
**See/View:** You will walk or drive to (or nearby) the site during your guided journey, often with a brief stop and photo opportunity.

#### ACTIVITY LEVELS

##### LEISURELY

Typically feature up to 1.5-3 kilometres of walking per day, on primarily flat surfaces and with some stairs.

##### BALANCED

Typically feature up to 1.5-5 kilometres of walking per day and might involve some uneven surfaces, such as cobblestones and stairs.

##### DYNAMIC

Typically feature 6+ kilometres of walking on some days and may involve some steep hills.

More information is available online at [luxurygold.com/](http://luxurygold.com/) activity. Please inquire about any mobility concerns so we can find the right journey for you



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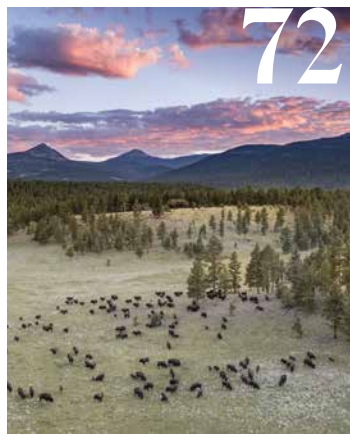
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# Dear future guest,

We invite you to discover our family's legacy in travel and join one of our luxury journeys.

Our heritage in luxury hospitality begins with Red Carnation Hotels. Bea Tollman, my partner in life and business for over 65 years, serves as Founder and President, bringing her extraordinary vision, culinary genius, and incomparable attention to those tiny noticeable touches that make guests feel truly welcome.

Bea is also the guiding visionary behind Uniworld River Cruises, each ship a floating boutique hotel which, through her efforts, are as beautifully appointed and welcoming as those of Red Carnation.

As if that wasn't enough, it was Bea's spirit and our shared love of travel that led me to found Luxury Gold. We believe that the greatest journeys in life blend carefully planned activities with unexpected discoveries and we created Luxury Gold to do just that.

The planning has been going on for over 100 years, first with my parents and continuing with Bea and me. We have spent our lives discovering our favourite destinations around the world and meeting the people who will welcome you on your holiday.

The unexpected discoveries happen throughout your journey, with plenty of time and space to personalise to your passions, interests, curiosity, tastes and whims – all crafted in real time by your Travelling Concierge.

The resulting journey is extraordinary – turning your travels into gold. We can't wait to welcome you on your journey.



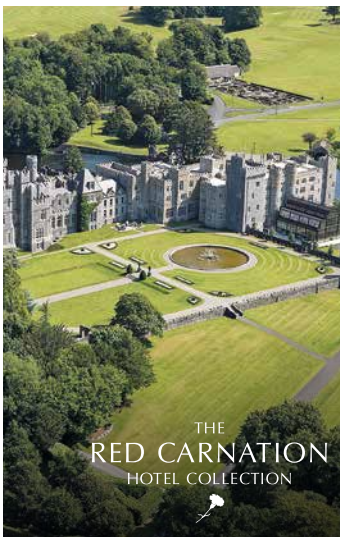
**Mr. Stanley Tollman**  
FOUNDER OF LUXURY GOLD AND  
CHAIRMAN OF THE TRAVEL CORPORATION





# We make Travel *Personal*

Over 100 Years of Family Values



We're proud to be part of The Travel Corporation (TTC), a family-owned and family-run business that is renowned for its service, value, quality and financial stability. Thanks to TTC's financial strength, you can feel confident that your monies and future travels with us are secure.

If you're not familiar with Luxury Gold, you may recognise one of our sister brands. A past guest of any of our 42 brands is treated to special benefits with Luxury Gold.

Visit [TTC.com/loyalty](https://TTC.com/loyalty) for details and [TTC.com/100](https://TTC.com/100) to discover our heritage and [TTC.com/comfort](https://TTC.com/comfort) to learn about our financial stability.





# Making Travel Matter

Since 2008, TTC has demonstrated our commitment to #MakeTravelMatter through the TreadRight Foundation, our not-for-profit organisation.

TreadRight strives to have a positive impact on the people and communities we visit, to protect wildlife and marine life, and to care for the planet we call home.

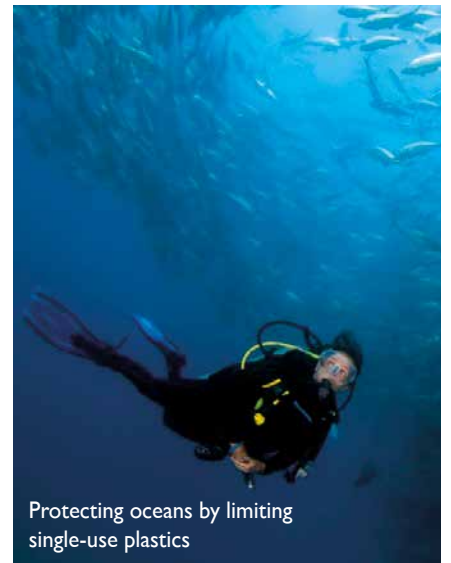
TreadRight has supported over 50 sustainable tourism projects worldwide, while also guiding our business on matters that reflect our sustainable values – from implementing a pioneering animal welfare policy to an industry-leading ban on avoidable single-use plastics.

Learn more about TreadRight and how easy it can be to travel sustainably. Will you join us in taking the pledge?

Visit [TreadRight.org/pledge](https://TreadRight.org/pledge) for details.



Safeguarding wildlife by adopting animal welfare policies



Protecting oceans by limiting single-use plastics



Supporting artisans and their communities



# WORDS TO THE WISE

DEFINING A JOURNEY WITH LUXURY GOLD

## WHAT DOES LUXURY MEAN TO US?

To us, modern luxury is about having personalised time and space. It's about being able to relax, knowing that someone is attending to all the details.

Modern luxury is benefiting from our extensive travel expertise, that brings about VIP experiences and other perfectly planned activities, from superb service at magnificent hotels to savouring delicious cuisine.

We balance these inclusions with the free time to personalise your journey in the moment. This crafting is done in real time through the skill, knowledge, relationships and connections of your Travelling Concierge.



Princess Anita welcomes you to Artstetten Castle to learn about her Habsburg heritage

## EMBARK ON A MEANINGFUL JOURNEY

We invite you to join us on an enriching adventure to destinations near and far with the following benefits for you:

- ❖ **UNIQUE VIP EXPERIENCES**  
Discover unique VIP experiences, available only to you and other Luxury Gold travellers – all included in the itinerary you choose.
- ❖ **YOUR TRAVELLING CONCIERGE AND WELL-BEING DIRECTOR**  
Relax and let your Travelling Concierge personalise your journey, crafting touches to your itinerary in real time, while your Well-being Director takes a proactive approach to your welfare.
- ❖ **SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS**  
Explore your chosen destinations with a small group of fascinating fellow travellers from throughout the English-speaking world.
- ❖ **PERFECTLY PLANNED**  
Experience truly exceptional dining, stay at the most magnificent hotels and travel in absolute comfort – all at a relaxed pace, with exquisite attention to detail.
- ❖ **#MAKE TRAVEL MATTER**  
Make Travel Matter as you journey with a sense of purpose, knowing your travel will help a positive impact on the planet, people, and wildlife.



# UNIQUE VIP EXPERIENCES

We invite you to discover unique VIP Experiences that are only available to you as a Luxury Gold guest. A memorable part of each journey, VIP Experiences bring you joy, laughter and genuine awe, transforming the standard sights into moments of gold.



Join Marchese Mazzei at his villa estate to learn about his family's winemaking heritage

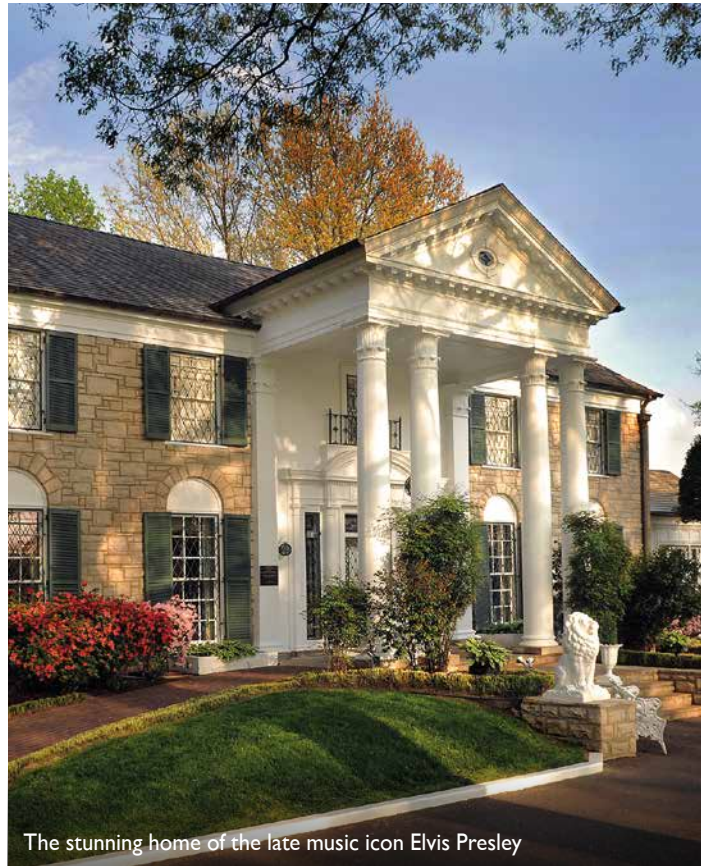
## WHAT EXACTLY IS A VIP EXPERIENCE?

VIP Experiences take you behind the scenes with before and after-hours visits for Luxury Gold guests. They can also bring you into the heart of a story by meeting people personally involved with the history of your destination.

Our Chairman's Collection calls upon the extensive connections of Mr. Stanley Tollman, our chairman and founder. Join us to mingle with legendary locals, including European nobility and celebrated icons in the Americas. Look out for the **CC** symbol for select journeys that offer these elite experiences.



Visit Dr. Távora at his villa to learn about his life's work and his connection to the city of Lima



The stunning home of the late music icon Elvis Presley



Afternoon tea, India



VIP After-Hours Visit to Schönbrunn Palace, Austria

### VIP AFTER-HOURS VISIT TO GRACELAND, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, USA

Feel the spirit of the late, great, Elvis Presley on a private docent-led after-hours programme especially for you at Graceland. This special event concludes with dinner amidst the King's own treasured automobile collection at the Presley Motors Automobile Museum.

**Related journey:** The Sumptuous Soul of America, page 82 and Southern Grace, page 84

### VIP AFTER-HOURS VISIT TO SCHÖNBRUNN PALACE, AUSTRIA

Enjoy a private guided walk through the former summer home of the Habsburg dynasty. Appreciate the grandeur of one of the most important cultural assets of Austria on this tranquil tour with no other travellers around.

**Related journey:** Harmony of Central Europe, page 56

### VIP AFTER-HOURS AFTERNOON TEA, JAIPUR CITY PALACE, INDIA

Enter the private living room of the Maharaja for a locally inspired afternoon tea. Explore rooms not on display for other visitors and marvel at a handcrafted sparkling crystal table by renowned artisan René Lalique.

**Related journey:** Essence of India, page 112

### VIP AFTER-HOURS VISIT TO TEMPLE OF LUXOR, EGYPT

Seize a fantastic opportunity to visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of the Temple of Luxor after it closes to the public. A qualified Egyptologist accompanies you as the statues and carvings are lit up at dusk. Feel the weight of thousands of years of history in the shadow of Pharaohs by the river Nile.

**Related journey:** Elegance of the Nile, page 124



Visit the Temple of Luxor after it closes to the public, Egypt

# Your TRAVELLING CONCIERGE

Relax and let your Travelling Concierge personalise your journey – crafting touches to your itinerary in real time, based on your passions.



Your Travelling Concierge takes you to your pre-reserved, front-row concert seats

## WHAT EXACTLY IS A TRAVELLING CONCIERGE?

Imagine the best five-star concierge you've ever met, the person that makes dreams a reality – fluent in the local language, with an extensive list of contacts to enrich your trip. Your Travelling Concierge is there from the beginning, understanding your preferences and desires before your journey, as well as on hand throughout, to personalise details that make your holiday unforgettable.



Your Travelling Concierge is on hand throughout your journey

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I make sure to learn little details about guests so I can acknowledge them personally and incorporate something into the journey for them. For instance, I had a chef on a recent journey, so I asked if he wanted to meet the team at the hotel's acclaimed restaurant. They spent some time trading stories about cooking around the world and how you can work alongside different cultures, learning things that enrich a recipe from different countries.

Karen Gower, Travelling Concierge, Ultimate Italy

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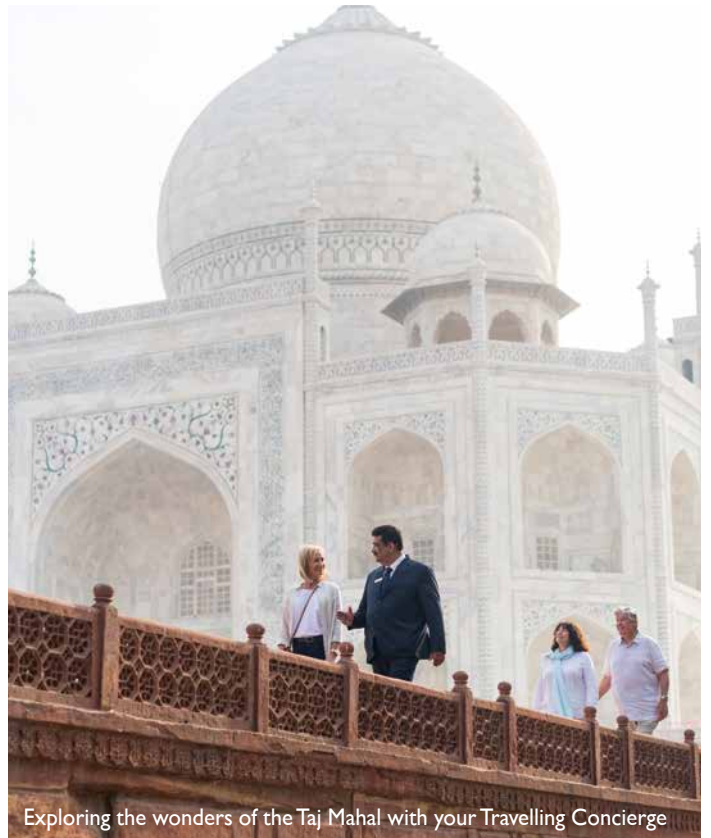
Travelling Concierge with guests in London

## WHY GO ON A JOURNEY WITH A TRAVELLING CONCIERGE?

Your Travelling Concierge is a master planner who deepens your connection to the destination, in a way that you can truly appreciate. Here are some examples from our Travelling Concierges on how they go the extra mile for you.



Your Travelling Concierge can help you make restaurant reservations



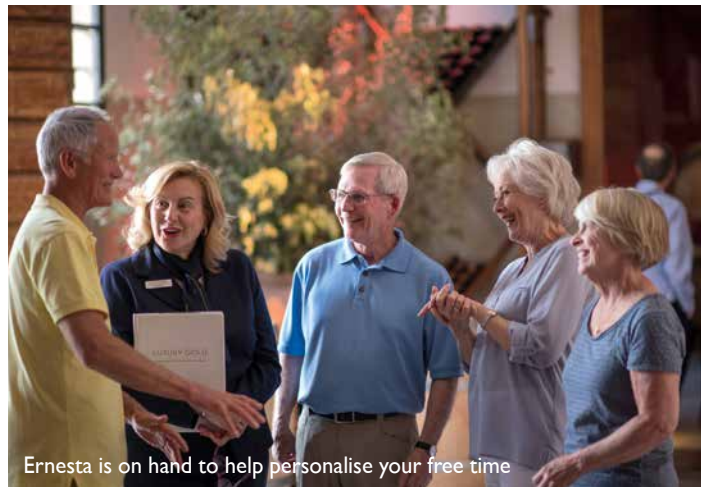
Exploring the wonders of the Taj Mahal with your Travelling Concierge

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Luxury to me is encapsulated in four words: time, space, choice and tranquillity. Join a Luxury Gold journey and you'll have someone who knows how to listen, how to connect, how to facilitate and how to personalise a trip. It seems like we Travelling Concierges are born with those skills.

Ernesta Fae, Travelling Concierge, Spain & Portugal in Style

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Ernesta is on hand to help personalise your free time

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If you were going on a journey and had a choice of taking the friend who knows the language, the culture, the history, the context and all the wonderful things to try, wouldn't you bring him along? That's what a Travelling Concierge is. You experience the breadth and depth of a country with their knowledge, not just skim over the surface.

Daniel Pelaez, Travelling Concierge, Treasures of the Incas

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Your Travelling Concierge is on hand throughout your journey

# Fascinating FELLOW TRAVELLERS

Explore your chosen destinations with a small group of fascinating fellow travellers from throughout the English-speaking world.

## WHO TRAVELS WITH LUXURY GOLD?

On a Luxury Gold journey, your fellow travel companions love delving into the locale and finding new ways to indulge their passions. While we attract a diverse group from English-speaking countries, many guests find new friends through sharing rewarding new experiences or similar interests in art, history, travel and dining.



Jaipur, India



Machu Picchu, Peru



Artstetten Castle, Austria

## THE IDEAL GROUP SIZE

Our smaller groups are given more intimate access to historic landmarks, which means more personal space to appreciate each amazing place, where other travellers aren't permitted.

## GROUPS SUITED TO EACH DESTINATION

No matter where you travel, you'll be in a small group that's perfectly suited for your destination, always offering you the opportunity to socialise and meet new friends or explore on your own with more personal attention from your Travelling Concierge.

### DISCOVER #LUXURYGOLDMOMENTS

Discover incredible Luxury Gold guest experiences on social media with the #LuxuryGoldMoments tag. See where your next journey could take you.



**SHARE YOUR MOMENTS OF GOLD**

We understand that you are keen to engage with a destination, not simply watch the world from behind a screen. Lifelong friends are made on our journeys, and having extra free time means that you can plan things together outside the arranged activities, or simply chat about your day when you sit together at the next meal.



Giza, Egypt



Buenos Aires, Argentina



Agra, India



Vienna, Austria



Sacred Valley, Peru



Jaipur, India

**READ VERIFIED,  
UNEDITED GUEST REVIEWS**

Luxury Gold has an average rating of 4.4 out of 5 stars on Feefo, the independent review website, based on verified, unedited reviews from our past guests. Read what other travellers have said by checking the reviews tab on each journey page of our website.



# Magnificent HOTELS

Stay at the most magnificent hotels, including many acclaimed properties from our sister brand, Red Carnation. With plenty of free time in our itineraries, we give you room to breathe, so you can enjoy the wonderful amenities that many of these hotels have to offer.

Luxury Gold chooses magnificent hotels to ensure your supreme comfort. Acclaimed properties offer outstanding levels of service in fantastic locations where you can truly experience the local colour.

Beautifully appointed rooms with everything you might need, luxurious touches to elevate your stay and staff who make hospitality personal, are all elements of each hotel we choose for your journey.



Red Carnation's Ashford Castle, Ireland



Red Carnation's Hotel d'Angleterre, Switzerland

## OUR SPECIAL CONNECTION WITH RED CARNATION HOTELS

Mrs. Tollman, co-founder of Luxury Gold, is also the guiding visionary behind Red Carnation Hotels, a collection of boutique hotels handpicked for their elevated comfort and service. These amazing properties are renowned for their excellence and individuality and are often the highest rated hotels in the place they are situated. If there is a Red Carnation Hotel along your Luxury Gold journey, then you can be sure that's where you will stay.



Red Carnation's 12 Apostles, South Africa



Ted Turner's Vermejo Park Ranch, USA

### VERMEJO PARK RANCH, NEW MEXICO, USA

Situated on more than 550,000 acres of scenic landscape in New Mexico, Ted Turner's Vermejo Park Ranch is a haven for nature lovers. Unwind in elegant accommodation in a historic location that offers direct access to boundless outdoor pursuits. Hike, fish, horse ride or delight in a wellness experience. Learn more about the conservation efforts of the team on-site and be inspired by the magnificence of the wildlife that roams freely in this extraordinary reserve.

**Related journey:** Resorts and Ranches of Colorado & New Mexico, page 88

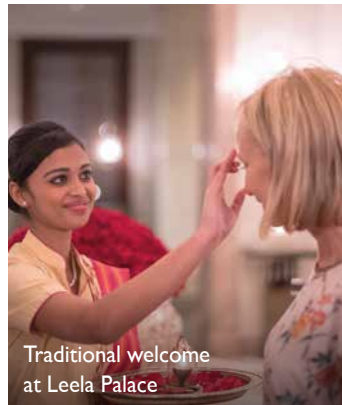
### LEELA PALACE, UDAIPUR, INDIA

A repeated winner in Travel+Leisure's "World's Best Awards," Leela Palace Udaipur is a Bill Bensley-designed hotel conceived to emulate royalty. Glide across Lake Pichola by private boat for a check-in like no other. This lakefront palace boasts traditional Rajasthani crafts throughout and hosts regular cultural performances in the courtyard. Lavish rooms invite you to unwind in opulence.

**Related journey:** Imperial Rajasthan, available online, please visit, [luxurygold.com/imperial](http://luxurygold.com/imperial)



Leela Palace Udaipur, India



Traditional welcome at Leela Palace

### LION SANDS GAME RESERVE, KRUGER NATIONAL PARK, SOUTH AFRICA

Discover true wilderness at Lion Sands Game Reserve, in the heart of the African bush. Sip on fine South African wine while admiring the majesty of the local wildlife. Stargaze from your wooden deck, where the natural décor blends seamlessly with the surroundings. This is contemporary luxury in safari style.

**Related journey:** Spectacular South Africa, page 128

### BAUER PALAZZO, VENICE, ITALY

Stay in the centre of this historic city at the sumptuous Bauer Palazzo. Richly decorated rooms with period furnishings are perfect for winding down after a day appreciating the sights of Venice. Admire the panorama while dining on the highest terrace in the city and feel welcomed by courteous staff who anticipate your hospitality needs.

**Related journey:** Ultimate Italy, page 40

### CHÂTEAU DE FONSCOLOMBES, AIX-EN-PROVENCE, FRANCE

This beautifully restored family castle reflects its incredible heritage while offering unparalleled service. Swim a few laps in the hotel's heated pool, framed by verdant foliage, or sip wine from the estate's own vineyard. Sleep like royalty in classic five-star rooms decorated with refreshing modernity.

**Related journey:** French Vogue, page 45

### REGENT PORTO MONTENEGRO, TIVAT, MONTENEGRO

Soak up the glamour of this seaside paradise in an elegant property befitting of its location. Retire to warm, tasteful spaces that welcome you after a day in the sun. Bespoke service enhances your experience at this beautiful resort where the mountains meet the sea. Revel in gourmet dining with a casual Italian Riviera ambiance or spend an afternoon at the award-winning spa.

**Related journey:** Captivating Croatia & Montenegro, page 98



Lion Sands Game Reserve, South Africa



Spa treatments at Leela Palace

#### RELAX, UNWIND AND REJUVENATE

*A generous amount of time in our itineraries is yours to enjoy, so you can take advantage of the wonderful amenities that our carefully curated hotels have to offer. On days with Relaxed Starts, set your clock a little later and enjoy breakfast in bed with complimentary room service.*

# Exceptional DINING

All of us at Luxury Gold are food lovers and, as we plan your journeys, great food experiences are always on our mind.

Great food experiences are at the heart of every Luxury Gold journey. We understand that as our guest, a variety of different dining experiences is important, rather than simply dining at the hotel every night, however good it may be.

You may find yourself indulging in Michelin-star fare one evening and diving into the street food scene the following day on a foodie tour. From private cooking classes with culinary masters to marvellous lunches at vineyards, dining is a highlight of your journey, rather than just meal time.

Food is a huge part of travel and you can truly delve into the soul of a destination through the dining experiences that have been carefully selected for your journey.



Hands-on cooking classes and market visits with chefs



Your Choice evenings with the freedom to dine where you choose

COOKING CLASSES

Villa Dianella, Italy  
 Immerse yourself in the culture of Tuscan food with a hands-on cooking class in this beautiful vineyard location. Source fresh ingredients from the blooming garden and roll your own fresh pasta to prepare a classic Italian meal. Relax in this Medicean villa over wine and food.

**Related journey:** Ultimate Italy, page 40

FINE DINING

1135, Jaipur, India  
 Dine at the historic Amer Palace on centuries-old recipes once made exclusively for royalty. Conde Nast consistently names 1135 AD in their top restaurants of India, and the tantalising dishes on offer make you realize why.

**Related journey:** Essence of India, page 112

STREET FOOD EXPLORATIONS WITH LOCAL FOODIE GUIDES

Hanoi, Vietnam  
 Join a local foodie to discover the bustling street-food culture of Hanoi. The Old Quarter presents a delightful adventure for all the senses as you sample taste bud tingling delicacies.

**Related journey:** Cambodia & Vietnam in Style, available online, please visit, [luxurygold.com/cambodiavietnam](http://luxurygold.com/cambodiavietnam)

RUSTIC FARM-TO-TABLE EXPERIENCES

10 Acres Kitchen, Victoria, Canada  
 Embrace sustainability with a farm-to-table dinner showcasing the freshest ingredients from the community. Nothing goes to waste at this lively location where guests can interact with those who grow the food and tend the animals.

**Related journey:** Majesty of the Rockies, page 74

TRADITIONAL AFTERNOON TEAS

Old Cataract Hotel, Egypt  
 Enjoy a colonial-style afternoon tea at sunset in the elegant Victorian surroundings of The Old Cataract Hotel, famously frequented by Agatha Christie and Winston Churchill.

**Related journey:** Elegance of the Nile, page 124

YOUR CHOICE EVENINGS – THE FREEDOM TO DINE WHERE YOU CHOOSE

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 Choose from a selection of award-winning restaurants at this magnificent resort. From Forbes Five Star seasonal dining at Penrose Room to the best hand-cut prime steaks in the West, you will find a memorable meal at any number of celebrated restaurants.

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# INTRODUCING OUR AMBASSADORS

We are proud to partner with the TreadRight Foundation, a not-for-profit organisation created as a joint initiative between The Travel Corporation's (TTC) family of brands. At TreadRight, our mission is to Make Travel Matter; and we are committed to making a positive impact on the communities we visit.

We work together with our ambassadors, Céline Cousteau, Ami Vitale and Sarain Fox, to help raise awareness of our inspiring projects around the world and how travellers can make a difference. Read on for some sustainable travel tips from these extraordinary women.

## SUSTAINABILITY FOR SURVIVAL

STORY BY CÉLINE COUSTEAU, DOCUMENTARY FILMMAKER

*Leading environmentalist and explorer, Céline has been highlighting various sustainable travel topics and showcasing amazing projects helping to protect ecosystems all over the world through her films. She has been TreadRight's Planet Ambassador since 2015.*

I believe that the travel industry has tremendous potential for positive impact. From the companies that provide journeys, to the hotels and dining experiences, there are opportunities to become more sustainable and enable travellers to make better choices.

There are many things that you can do to make a difference when you travel. The number one thing I tell people is: don't use single use plastic. If possible, bring your own refillable bottles and sustainable cutlery so that you can reduce the amount of waste left behind. Then you don't need to think of how it's disposed – you have broken that part of the chain.

I encourage people to hear the stories of local projects, discover what different communities are doing to protect our planet. If you can get involved and understand what people are doing, you can see where we, as humans can make a difference.



Céline Cousteau



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Céline Cousteau

### REUSEABLE WATER BOTTLES

*Working toward our long-term goal of removing single-use plastics from our operations, we're proud to provide Luxury Gold guests with elegant, reusable water bottles so you can stay hydrated the environmentally friendly way. We commit to providing potable drinking water for you along your journey in a sustainable way.*

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## A PASSION TO UPLIFT AND REPRESENT INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

STORY BY SARAIN FOX, ARCHIVIST, BROADCASTER AND ANISHINAABE DANCER

*Sarain Fox gives voice to indigenous people and their stories with the goal of preserving their culture and connecting all people. Born in Batchawana First Nation in Canada, Sarain is one of the country's most prominent indigenous voices.*

Two great examples where TreadRight is making a difference are the projects in Peru and Italy, where we support the Centro de Textiles Tradicionales del Cusco and Laboratorio Giuditta Brozzetti. Both organisations are run by women to help keep their own traditions of weaving alive, teach visitors of their history, value and beauty, and employ locals to carry on the work.

Tourism can improve employment, especially for young women. It can give voice to those who are usually underrepresented. Being able to express themselves and keep their culture alive is fantastic, and it also changes how you, as the traveller, perceive the land and its people. You connect on a deeper level.

The narrative that is told about a place is so powerful. Hang out with the locals, learn about their culture and learn about their challenges. Travel like you're about to meet the most incredible person you've ever met and that they'll teach you something new. Travel with an open heart and listen.



Sarain Fox



Preserving indigenous culture

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Safeguarding wildlife

## TELLING POWERFUL STORIES THROUGH IMAGERY

STORY BY AMI VITALE, AWARD-WINNING NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER

*Awarded "Best Image of the Decade" for her depiction of the final moments of a northern white rhino, former war photographer Ami Vitale captures compelling stories of wildlife and nature on film. Ami has travelled to over 100 countries and is committed to making a profound difference to the future of conservation.*

There isn't just one thing you can do for the planet, there are many things, but one of those has to be choosing travel companies that offer ethical experiences. Supporting companies that choose sustainability means prolonging the existence of certain species.

Loving wildlife translates to giving them respect. By all means, take the photo and tell the story, but remember that you are in that creature's habitat. Don't make contact as this can cause the animal stress or put them in danger.

Poaching isn't slowing down. It's all our responsibility to stop animals from becoming extinct. When certain species die out, it has an enormous impact on our ecosystem, so we have to seek honed solutions, as TreadRight is doing, to change that. There's no time left to be indifferent, we are in a race to save these animals, and our planet, right now. ■



Ami Vitale

### TREADRIGHT'S PLEDGE

*Luxury Gold and TreadRight invite you to join our pledge to #MakeTravelMatter for our planet, for people and for wildlife. It's easy! Learn more at [TreadRight.org/pledge](https://TreadRight.org/pledge)*



# BOUNDLESS PERU

Story by: Ulla Hefel Böhler, CEO, Luxury Gold

Peru holds a wealth of wonderfully preserved monuments and magnificent landscapes that lure in travellers. Our Luxury Gold photographer recently accompanied some of our guests on the Treasures of the Incas journey, reminding me that it was high time to book my own holiday there later this year. Read on to discover the rich culture of this amazing destination and how Luxury Gold brings it to life.

Machu Picchu, Peru



Daniel shares insights into Inca history, Cusco

## MEET YOUR TRAVELLING CONCIERGE

I was lucky enough to meet Daniel Pelaez, the Travelling Concierge who features in these photos, on a previous journey. Daniel's connections serve to enhance your journey – from recommending quieter restaurants for a romantic dinner in your free time to explaining more about the traditions of his country. Whether you're on a journey with Daniel or any one of our other fabulous Travelling Concierges, I know you will be in good hands.

## MAKING TRAVEL MATTER

I find that meeting the recipients of TreadRight Foundation grants enriches a journey for me, so I'll be eager to hear more from Nilda Callañaupa Alvarez. An indigenous Quechua weaver, Nilda has succeeded in restoring weaving practices in her community and has partnered with other communities in the region too. We'll join Nilda at the Center for Traditional Textiles of Cusco, where she's director and founder, and see the artisan weavers at work creating vivid patterns with their stories.



Helping preserve Quechua heritage, Sacred Valley



Meet Nilda and her artisan weavers, Sacred Valley



A special way to connect with mother nature



A local shaman leads you in a Pachamama ceremony

## A MYSTICAL CEREMONY

On day four, we'll participate in an ancient shamanic ritual that gives thanks to Mother Earth – Pachamama. An Andean high priest joins us in creating an offering of treasured Amazonian natural goods to bless and share with Mother Earth. Dating back thousands of years, this ceremony is about restoring the balance of nature. Joining this ancient tradition offers you a unique connection with the people, land and history of the Sacred Valley.

## INKATERRA MACHU PICCHU PUEBLO HOTEL

This magnificent resort promises ultimate relaxation. Hidden in a cloud forest and across 12 acres of breathtaking natural beauty, you'll find charming adobe casitas in mountainside reserve near Machu Picchu. To relax after a day of exploring the ruins, I'll certainly take advantage of the UNU spa at the resort, which uses 100% natural products and a mystical Andean approach. The exfoliation with sacred cocoa leaves sounds truly wonderful.

On our first evening at the hotel, we'll learn how to blend the perfect pisco sour. As the spirit is native to Peru, there's no better place to hone our skills on this delicious aperitif as we get to know each other during a casual cocktail hour.



Learn how to make a pisco sour, Inkaterra Hotel



The luxurious Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel



Enjoy precious time, Machu Picchu

## DISCOVER THE LOST CITY OF THE INCAS

Our Local Expert accompanies us on the short journey from the pueblo to mysterious Machu Picchu before the crowds ascend. This ancient city was abandoned 500 years ago and only rediscovered in 1911 by Hiram Bingham. I can't wait to hear more about its history and the traditions that the Inca have managed to pass on. As we're staying so close by, I'll return in the afternoon to wander the ruins alone and take in all that the Travelling Concierge has told me about this mesmerizing city.



Explore with your Local Expert, Machu Picchu



Local market, Cusco



MAP Café, Cusco

## CUSCO

A highlight of travelling is the local gastronomy, so the wildly innovative meal at MAP Café, located in the glass conservatory at the Museum of Pre-Colombian Art sparks my interest. Service is impeccable here, and the attention to detail in each dish makes it an unmissable place to dine. The chefs use fresh local ingredients but combine them in surprising ways that continue to delight every diner who visits. I can't wait to sample a tender grilled alpaca or Cusquenian adobo.



An evening to remember at MAP Café, Cusco



Cusco, Peru

## YOUR PERUVIAN JOURNEY AWAITS

I'm grateful that others have tread this path before me, so I can look forward to a particularly fulfilling Peru experience. Having a Travelling Concierge by my side and everything handpicked to ensure my peace of mind will truly enhance my Treasure of the Incas journey. Peru is a place that can only truly be lived by learning from its people, food and culture and I look forward to immersing myself in it completely. ■

Read more about the Treasures of the Incas journey on page 98

# EUROPE & BRITAIN



Meet Andy Coulter, Edinburgh



## Connect with the Sound of Scotland

Story by: **Andy Coulter**

*Andy Coulter is a talented musician and fabulous storyteller, with funny anecdotes from his time in the army to the time he played at the Queen Mother's birthday party.*

**N**o one really knows how far the bagpipes go back. If you look at ancient history, you'll find records of pipes in Africa, France, Spain. However, they are a symbol of national pride in Scotland, and have been used for centuries as a military tool by our men.

Bagpipes have been in my family for several generations. Made in 1888, my pipes were passed down to me from my great grandfather. I play Great Highland Bagpipes, which are loud and suit the military very well. It's a double-reed woodwind instrument that has a bag that's placed under the arm, a chanter, a blowpipe, two tenor drones and a bass drone. If that's all gone totally over your head, come see me play and I'll be happy to show you.

My father, grandfather and great grandfather all played the pipes in the army. My grandfather fought with the Armed Forces from New Zealand in the First World War. On the beaches of Gallipoli, he played the pipes. We play to rouse morale and to keep the spirits up with tunes such as "The Black Bear," which is a lively hornpipe. Visitors who have had relatives at war will have heard stories about pipers on the battlefield.

Many Luxury Gold travellers have heritage in Scotland and I'm happy to answer questions about your ancestry or the clan you're from. If you'd like to know more about what bagpipers wear, or the significance of the sgian-dubh (the small knife we wear in our sock) then ask away – I encourage the interaction! We always have a fun night, filled with tales of Scotland, bygone battles and stirring tunes that have been played for 500 years or more.

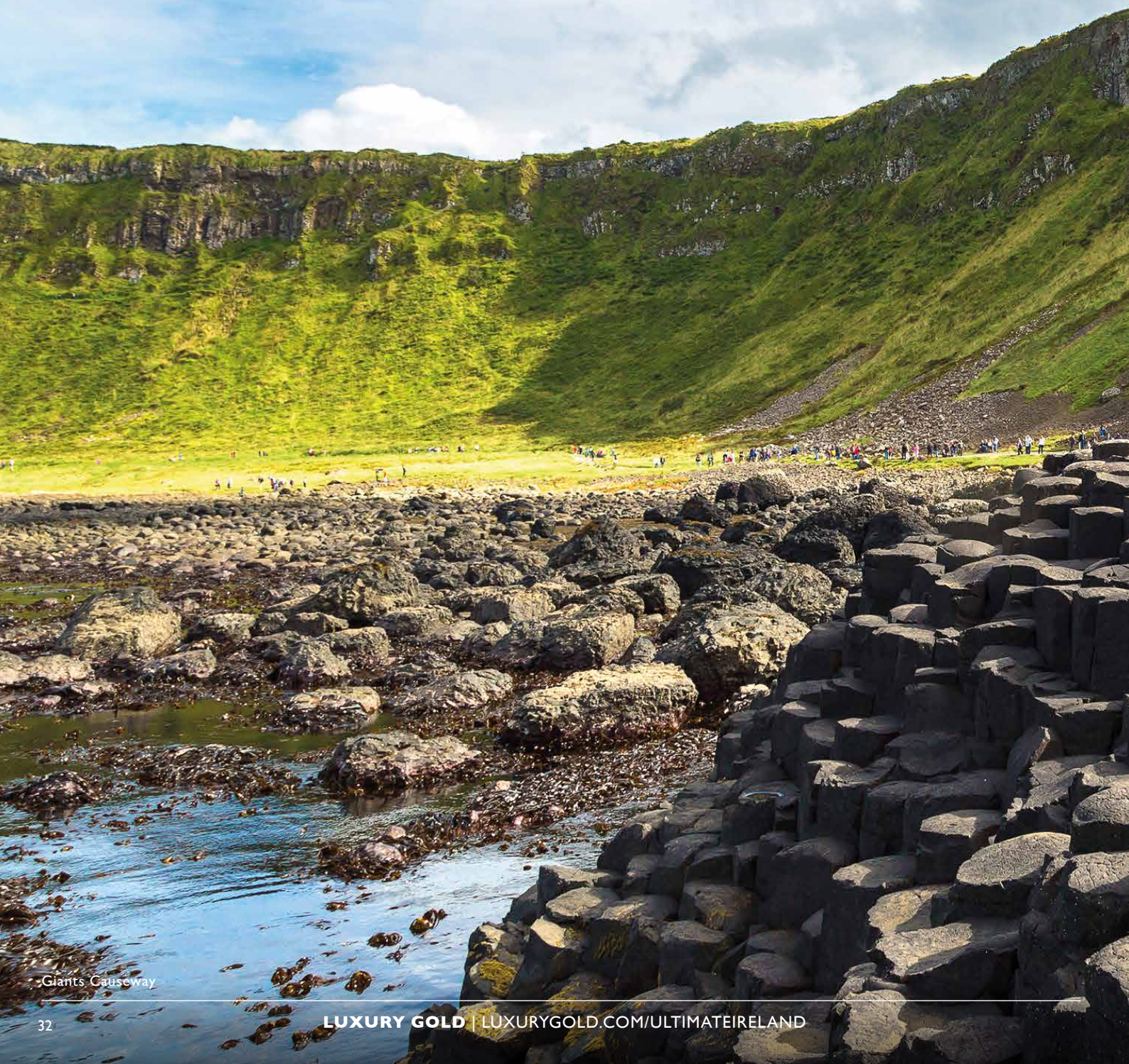
When you come to Scotland, you must experience live music. Find an old pub, come in out of the damp weather and listen to the fiddle, banjo and small pipes being played live in the corner. It's there you'll find the soul of the country. ■

**Related journey:** British Royale, page 36.

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*“When you come to Scotland, you must experience live music.”*

# ULTIMATE IRELAND



Giants Causeway





## 12 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

Welcome to the Emerald Isle, a storyteller's paradise. You will explore the natural elements of this vibrant country and the fascinating cities that show the changing face of Ireland. Irish friendliness is genuinely warm and welcoming, which you will experience first hand meeting some colourful characters throughout your journey, including the author and dubliner, Trevor White and Killarney locals who will teach you a few moves of Irish dancing. We are certain the breathtaking landscapes, compelling history and lyrical personality of the locals will have you enchanted with this rugged, fairytale land.

### VIP EXPERIENCES

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#### **DUBLIN:**

Meet esteemed author Trevor White on a rare, personal after-hours tour of The Little Museum of Dublin, which he founded. You'll learn about his work, his life as a Dublin local and what it means to be a Dubliner. You'll also receive a signed copy of his latest book, 'Alfie.'

#### **KILLARNEY:**

Learn how to Irish dance from the best of the best. The performers of Gaelic Roots will give you a simple dance class before you watch them take to the stage from your VIP seats.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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#### **GIANT'S CAUSEWAY:**

Visit this iconic site on a private tour with a wildlife ranger and learn more about this majestic phenomenon.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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#### **KILKENNY:**

Gourmet dining and opulent ambience, the Michelin-starred restaurant Lady Helen will allure your senses with its ambitious and visually impressive dishes using locally-sourced ingredients from the estate, the country and the coast.

### LUXURY HOTELS

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#### **ASHFORD CASTLE:**

The remarkable 800-year-old Ashford Castle is Ireland's only Forbes Five Star Hotel and was once home to the Guinness family. Meticulously restored to its former glory, guests are warmly welcomed to discover beautifully restored castle interiors and antiques.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Ashford Castle



Ring of Kerry

**DAY 1****WELCOME TO ENERGETIC BELFAST.**

Welcome to the memorable capital of Northern Ireland. On arrival at Belfast International Airport, a complimentary transfer will take you to your luxurious hotel for the next three nights. Located in the heart of Belfast city centre, you'll have time to get settled in.

**🍴** *Join your Travelling Concierge and fellow travelling companions at 18:00 for a delicious Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant. (DW)*

**🏨** **Grand Central Hotel, Belfast.**

Traditional | 📶

**DAY 2****HIGHLIGHTS OF BELFAST.**

Delve into Northern Ireland's inspiring and heartbreaking history in Belfast. Begin the day at the Titanic Belfast Museum. With your Local Expert enjoy a panoramic tour of Belfast, hear the history of the city and learn about the city's progress and current prosperity. You'll also see the City Hall, Queen's University, Parliament Building at Stormont and murals indicating political sentiments of local residents. The rest of the day is yours at leisure. **(B)**

**DAY 3****GIANT'S CAUSEWAY AND LONDONDERRY.**

See Northern Ireland's most spectacular geological wonders at the Giant's Causeway on a private tour with a local ranger who will explain its ancient history and impressive formation. Next, you'll head to Londonderry to meet Ronan, a Local Expert and one of Northern Ireland's best storytellers. The evening is yours at leisure, so why not head back to your luxury hotel and make the most of its facilities? **(B)**

**DAY 4****VIBRANT DUBLIN.**

Journey to Dublin, a haven for literary buffs and Guinness lovers. Take a city tour with your Travelling Concierge to see O'Connell Street, Custom House and St. Patrick's Cathedral, before heading to the Little Museum of Dublin after hours.

**VIP** This experience taps into Ireland's dynamic history in an animated way. You'll explore the museum with its founder, respected author Trevor White, who'll also provide you with a signed copy of his critically acclaimed book, 'Alfie.' Enjoy a glass of prosecco with him as you learn more about the lives of Dubliners. **(B)**

**🏨** **Dylan Hotel, Dublin.**

Boutique | 📶

**DAY 5****A TRULY IRISH EXPERIENCE.**

Head to the iconic Guinness Storehouse, where you'll explore before it opens to the public, with a private opportunity to learn how to pull the perfect pint. In the afternoon visit the 9th century Book of Kells and Trinity College before enjoying some free time in Dublin.

**🍴** *This evening, delve into Dublin's delights, dining at a pub in the centre of the city and watch it come to life. (B) (DW)*

**DAY 6 • RELAXED START  
GLENDALOUGH TO KILKENNY.**

Travel to Glendalough, where you'll explore with a Local Expert. Continue to the medieval town of Kilkenny. Known as the Marble City, take a stroll on Kilkenny's marble mile, which is a trail that links Kilkenny Castle to St. Canice's Cathedral and filled with shops, pubs, restaurants and picturesque alleyways.

**🍴** *End the day with a Michelin-starred dinner at Lady Helen and savour a menu prepared using locally-sourced ingredients. (B) (DW)*

**🏨** **Lyrath Estate, Kilkenny.**

Historic | 📶

**ULTIMATE IRELAND**

TRIP CODE: G209  
**FROM \$6325 P.P. | 12 DAYS | 2 RELAXED STARTS**

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**ACTIVITY LEVEL: LEISURELY**

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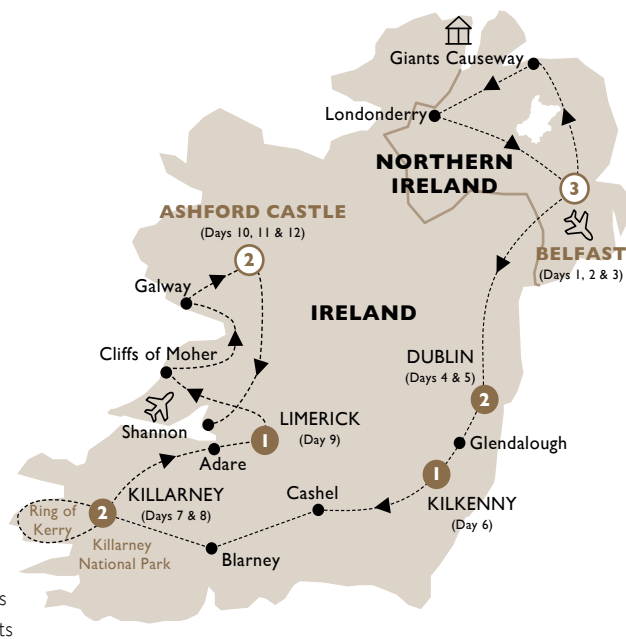
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**DAY 7  
BANTER IN BLARNEY.**

See the spectacular Rock of Cashel, the traditional seat of the High Kings of Munster. You then visit Blarney Castle, where legend has it that kissing the Blarney Stone gives you the gift of the gab.

- In the evening you'll enjoy dinner at the family-run Trevaud's restaurant.**
- Later, try Irish dancing during a simple dance class with the Gaelic Roots, before settling in your VIP seats to watch the show. **(B) (DW)**

**The Dunloe, Killarney.**  
Traditional |

**DAY 8  
SWEET RING OF KERRY.**

Enjoy a morning at leisure in the comfort of your luxurious, five-star hotel, before travelling through beautiful Killarney National Park, where sweeping mountains, lush lake lands and valleys await you as you drive along the iconic Ring of Kerry. Return to Killarney and take a scenic jaunting carriage ride. Enjoy a pint in one of Killarney's most popular pubs and perhaps stay to enjoy the local music later in the evening. **(B)**

**DAY 9  
EXPLORING LIMERICK.**

Journey along the Dingle Peninsula to witness the craggy clifftops and rolling hills that have inspired films such as 'Ryan's Daughter'. Head on to the village of Adare. Famous for its thatched-roof cottages and charm, this heritage town is a worthy detour for budding photographers looking to document their journey. Your travels continue to Limerick where your Travelling Concierge leads you on an orientation of the city. While here, you'll see St. Mary's Cathedral and the city's stone, where the Treaty of Limerick was signed in 1691. **(B)**

**The Savoy Hotel, Limerick.**  
Boutique |

**DAY 10  
REGAL COUNTY MAYO.**

Travel through beautiful Country Clare and stop to admire the Cliffs of Moher. Continue to Galway where you'll explore with your Travelling Concierge. Journey on to the pretty village of Cong in County Mayo. This beautiful destination houses the famous Ashford Castle, where on arrival a lone piper escorts you over the drawbridge. This luxury hotel was formerly home of the Guinness family and boasts sumptuous rooms, antique furniture and unique historic features. The castle is set upon an idyllic 350-acre estate, making it a dreamy location for a relaxing and picturesque retreat.

**In the evening you will dine at Cullen's at the Cottage, on the grounds of Ashford Castle. (B) (DW)**

**Ashford Castle, Cong.**  
Castle |

**DAY 11 • RELAXED START  
MAJESTIC ASHFORD CASTLE.**

Enjoy a relaxed start in your stately abode. During your leisure time why not head for a walk in its grounds and take in the plush exterior and crisp, fresh country air.

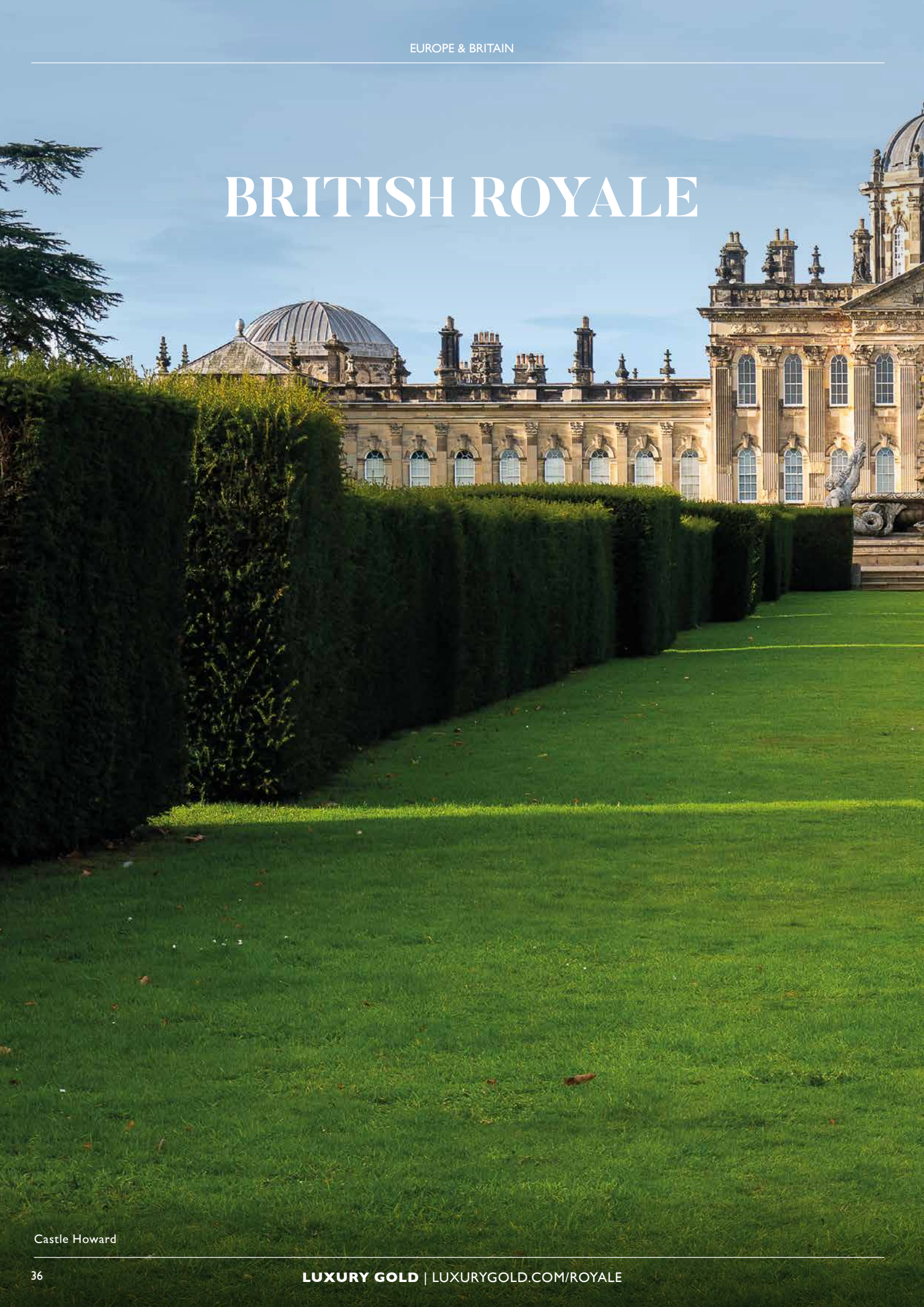
**Experience Ashford Castle Your Way** with a choice between a unique falconry experience or a guided historical tour of the Castle.

**Your final day culminates with a Celebration Dinner at the esteemed George V Dining Room. Share stories from the journey with your new-found friends over dinner and wine. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 12  
DEPART SHANNON.**

It's time to say goodbye or 'slán' to your fellow travellers, as a transfer takes you to Shannon Airport. **(B)**

# BRITISH ROYALE





## 10 or 11 DAYS A taste of what's to come

As you travel in elegant style, dine at a Michelin-starred restaurant and savour local specialities, uncover the essence of Britain. From the beautiful Georgian city of Bath, historic York and the memorable city of Edinburgh, this is a journey of a lifetime.



*On Chairman's Collection departures, join the Duchess of Northumberland for a private tour of Alnwick Castle Gardens, scheduled on Day 8. Please see itinerary and the Chairman's Collection box on page 38 for details.*

### VIP EXPERIENCES

#### LONDON:

You're invited to the Tower of London to experience the exclusive Ceremony of the Keys. This ancient gate-closing ritual has been carried out every night by the Beefeaters, for the past 700 years.

#### YORK:

Visit one of Britain's finest historic houses, Castle Howard. Enjoy a traditional English afternoon tea in the Grecian Hall. After all other visitors leave, explore Castle Howard's intricate architecture and history alongside a Local Expert.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### EDINBURGH:

Perched high atop a dramatic black basalt outcrop, Edinburgh's spectacular castle affords magnificent views of many of the city's landmarks, including the Royal Mile, Princes Street, and the long green swath of Princes Street Gardens.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

#### BATH:

Experience an exquisite Michelin-starred dinner at Restaurant Hywel Jones by Lucknam Park. Locally sourced, seasonal ingredients ensure the fullest flavours in a special tasting menu.

### LUXURY HOTELS

#### LONDON:

This historic hotel is located directly opposite the royal residence of Buckingham Palace. Recently fully refurbished, The five-star Rubens at The Palace Hotel celebrates the very best of British traditions. From the red tail-coated doormen, to themed bedrooms and suites, to the Royal Afternoon Tea, served daily in the Palace Lounge.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Alnwick Castle Gardens



**CHAIRMAN'S COLLECTION**

Jane Percy never expected to become a duchess. An unexpected death led to her husband inheriting the duchy and their move to Alnwick Castle, the ancestral home of the Percy family. Upon arriving at Alnwick Castle, the duchess led the restoration efforts for the Alnwick Castle Gardens, bringing them back to their former glory as a benefit for the entire community. Today, 800,000 people visit Alnwick Castle and Gardens every year, but only you as a Luxury Gold guest meet the duchess and hear her personal story.



**DAY 1**

**WELCOME TO LONDON.**

On arrival at London Heathrow Airport, you will begin your journey with a transfer in an executive car to the luxurious Rubens at the Palace, an exquisite five-star hotel overlooking Buckingham Palace.

**At 18:00, meet your Travelling Concierge and travel companions to savour classic British cuisine at a Welcome Dinner hosted at the English Grill restaurant. (DW)**

**The Rubens at the Palace, London.**  
Historic |

**DAY 2**

**TRADITIONS AND TREASURES OF LONDON.**

Once the centre of an empire, London is undoubtedly one of the world's greatest cities. Meet your Local Expert, who will share the city's fascinating history, as you see Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. Visit the Household Cavalry Museum, uncover the secret messages hidden within a cavalryman's uniform and try on the royal uniform.

**VIP** Tonight, enjoy a special visit to the Tower of London with a serving Yeoman Warder, before witnessing the historic Ceremony of the Keys. **(B)**

**DAY 3**

**STONEHENGE AND GEORGIAN BATH.**

Begin your journey this morning at the mysterious Stonehenge, and stand in awe of the scale of arguably Britain's most best-known UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue your travels to the Georgian city of Bath where people have been indulging in the healing waters for millennia. Take a walk along streets lined with exquisite architecture and immerse yourself within the city's contemporary atmosphere. **(B)**

**Francis Hotel, Bath.**  
Heritage |

**DAY 4 • RELAXED START EXPLORE BATH.**

Start the day with a visit to the original Roman Baths and Georgian Pump Room, one of the greatest religious spas of the ancient world and imagine how Romans once gathered to relish the good life. The rest of the day is yours to explore the many different sites that Bath has to offer and walk the streets that Jane Austin did.

**This evening enjoy a spectacular Highlight Dinner at Hywel Jones by Lucknam Park, a Michelin-starred restaurant. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 5**

**COTSWOLDS, STRATFORD-UPON-AVON AND YORK.**

Journey through the Cotswolds, famous for gentle rolling hillsides known as "wolds", green river valleys and historic market towns. Arrive in Stratford-Upon-Avon, the birthplace of Shakespeare with time to explore this famous market town and have lunch. Your journey continues to the medieval city of York. York is like nowhere else in England with cobbled streets, quaint tearooms and gothic buildings. **(B)**

**The Grand Hotel & Spa, York.**  
Heritage |

**DAY 6 • RELAXED START MEDIEVAL WONDERS OF YORK.**

**Explore York Your Way** with a choice of two outstanding experiences today. Either join a Local Expert for a historic walk on the famous city walls and appreciate spectacular views of the river and the Old Town, or embark on a leisurely guided tour of the York Minster, the largest medieval cathedral in Northern Europe. This afternoon, journey to Castle Howard, one of Britain's finest historic houses.

**On arrival you will be escorted to the Grecian Hall for a delicious, traditional English afternoon tea.**

**VIP** Once the castle has closed its doors, receive a private, after-hours visit with a guide who will show you the intricate architecture and share with you the history of the house. You will have some time to explore the best parts of the gardens before returning to York for an evening at leisure. **(B) (AT)**

## BRITISH ROYALE

TRIP CODE: G902

FROM \$5075 P.P. | 10 or 11 DAYS | 4 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

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## DAY 7

## THE WILD AND POETIC LAKE DISTRICT.

The rugged and dramatic beauty of the English Lake District famously inspired 19th century writers such as Beatrix Potter and William Wordsworth. Step onboard a historic steam train for a short ride along the southern banks of the lake. Admire views, as you journey along Windermere to your hotel.



*This evening, enter the dramatic ruins of Lowther Castle and take time to explore the ancient grounds. Enjoy a private dinner in the sculpture gallery which overlooks the castle gardens. (B) (DW)*



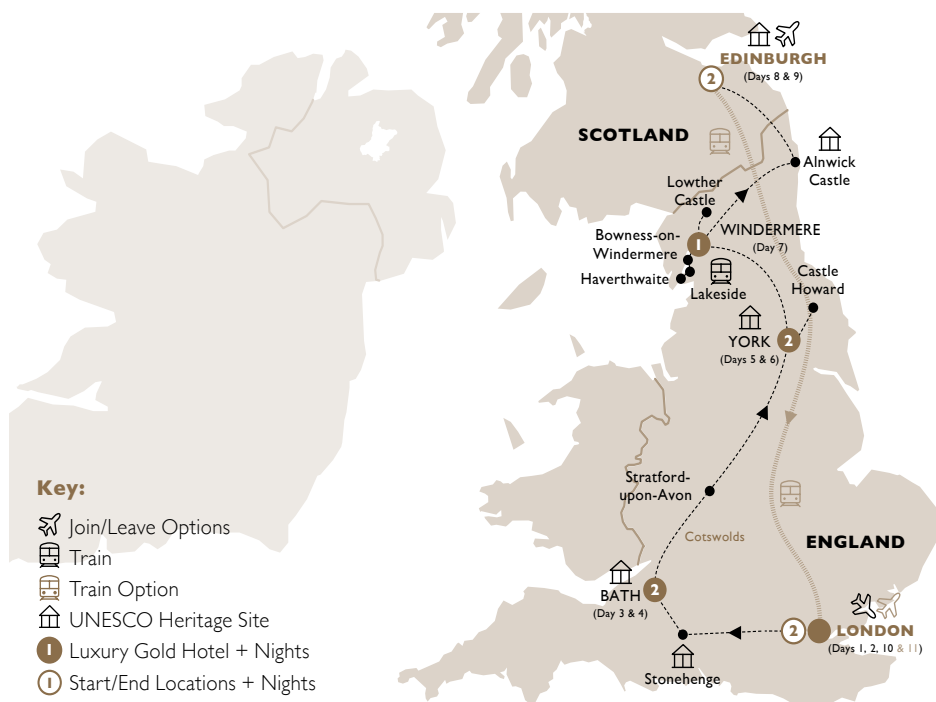
## Leeming House, Ullswater, English Lake District.

Traditional |

## DAY 8

## ALNWICK CASTLE.

Journey to majestic Alnwick Castle to explore its magnificent interiors and striking medieval architecture. Travel up to the beautiful Scottish capital of Edinburgh for an evening at leisure. Your Travelling Concierge will happily guide you to the best local restaurants and attractions. In August, you're invited to witness The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, one of the most spectacular military concerts on earth. This renowned showcase of military pageantry boasts performers from 48 countries. (B)



**CC** If you are travelling on a Chairman's Collection departure, you will meet Her Grace, the Duchess of Northumberland, as she personally welcomes you for a private tour of her beloved Alnwick Castle Gardens. Indulge in a seasonal lunch, before joining a Local Expert for an in-depth exploration of the 11th century castle.

**Kimpton Charlotte Square Hotel, Edinburgh.**  
Historic |

## DAY 9 • RELAXED START HIGHLIGHTS OF BEAUTIFUL EDINBURGH.

Enjoy a visit to magnificent Edinburgh Castle, Scotland's most visited landmark. Skip the queue and join a Local Expert for a guided exploration of the castle. Travel along Princes Street, past the Gothic Sir Walter Scott Monument, and continue down the Royal Mile to the gates of Holyrood Palace, the principal residence of Scottish royalty since the 16th century.



In true Gaelic style, meet a professional bagpiper, who is said to have been the Queen Mother's favourite. Be enchanted as you listen to iconic music and fascinating tales of Scottish culture, whilst enjoying tea and scones.



*Raise a glass this evening to new friendships and a memorable journey, as we toast during our Celebration Dinner. (B) (DW)*



## DAY 10 • RELAXED START FAREWELL EDINBURGH OR RETURN TO LONDON.

Bid farewell to your travel companions and continue your onward journey with transfers timed to meet your flight. (B)

## LONDON RETURN

TRAVEL OPTION

## DAYS 10 - 11



## FAREWELL FROM EDINBURGH TO LONDON.

Why not extend your journey back to London by train, enjoying countryside scenery en-route to the big city? Overnight at the luxurious Rubens at the Palace Hotel and spend leisure time exploring this exciting metropolis on your own. Note, this portion is not guided by your Travelling Concierge. (B)



**The Rubens at the Palace, London.**  
Historic |

# ULTIMATE ITALY

WITH VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS OPTION

Marchese Mazzei at his centuries-old Tuscan estate





## 12 or 16 DAYS A taste of what's to come

This magnificent journey showcases Italy's grand past, romantic cities and exquisite natural wonders. You will discover how medieval trades are being kept alive, participate in a Tuscan cooking masterclass and cruise the canals of Venice. After your journey ends in Venice, extend your luxurious travels onboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express to Paris?



On Chairman's Collection departures, join Marchese Mazzei at his centuries-old Tuscan estate, scheduled on Day 6. Please see itinerary and Chairman's collection box on page 42 for details.

### VIP EXPERIENCES

#### VENICE:

Discover the secrets of the Venetian Republic on a private evening tour of the Doge's Palace with your Local Expert.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### PERUGIA:

Meet Marta, recipient of a TreadRight Foundation grant, to discover how she and her weavers are preserving the medieval tradition of loom-weaving at their artisanal workshop.

#### TUSCANY:

Journey to the 15th century wine domain of 'Guardastelle' and visit the wine cellars that combine ancient traditions with modern technology with an enological expert, where you will enjoy a wine tasting.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

#### ISLE OF CAPRI:

Take in beautiful views of the Gulf of Naples from the privileged perch of Michelin-starred Mammà. Savour a delectable meal of Mediterranean flavours in perfect Caprese style, created with passion from fresh, local produce by chef Salvatore La Ragione.

#### TUSCANY:

Uncover the secrets of Tuscan cooking during a culinary masterclass with a professional chef set in the former hunting lodge of the Medici family.

### LUXURY HOTELS

#### ISLE OF CAPRI:

Overlooking Capri's central plaza, Quisisana Hotel offers rooms that are elegantly designed to match perfectly with the idyllic backdrop of lush greenery and turquoise water.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Marchese Mazzei, Tuscany



**CHAIRMAN'S COLLECTION**

The Mazzei family has owned Castello di Fonterutoli since 1435. For 25 generations, they have been mastering the art of winemaking.

An early ancestor, Filippo Mazzei, inspired his close friend and US Founding Father, Thomas Jefferson, to add a very famous quote to the Declaration of Independence: "All men are by nature equally free and independent."

Follow in the footsteps of famous visitors and explore the rich heritage of the family as you meet Marchese Mazzei.



**DAY 1**  
**WELCOME TO ROME.**  
 On arrival at Rome's Fiumicino Leonardo da Vinci Airport, you will be met and transferred to your elegant hotel, Palazzo Montemartini located in the heart of the city.  
 At 17:30, meet your *Travelling Concierge* for a short stroll through the charming streets followed by a spectacular *Welcome Dinner in an elegant restaurant in Piazza della Rotonda, near Rome's famous Pantheon and watch the world go by.* (DW)  
**Hotel Palazzo Montemartini, Rome.**  
 Contemporary |

**DAY 2**  
**ROME AND THE VATICAN.**  
 Our VIP entry into the Vatican Museums is the best way to enjoy the timeless Papal art collection. Explore the beautiful corridors of the Vatican museums with a Local Expert on the way to Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel before it opens to the general public. Continue to St. Peter's Basilica to see La Pietà, before seeing the Roman Forum and skipping the line to visit the grand Colosseum. This afternoon enjoy time at leisure or join a Local Expert for a walking tour of some of the harder to find sites of Rome. (B)

**DAY 3**  
**POMPEII AND THE ISLE OF CAPRI.**  
 Journey to the ill-fated town of Pompeii. Join your Local Expert to learn about the lifestyles of its former residents. In Naples, board a fast-boat at the Molo Beverello for the sun-drenched Isle of Capri. On arrival, ride in a stylish, open-top taxi to your luxurious hotel.  
**(B) (DW)**  
**Quisisana Hotel, Capri.**  
 | Historic

**DAY 4 • RELAXED START**  
**EXPLORE THE ISLE OF DREAMS.**  
 Embark on a dazzling cruise to see the White Grotto and spectacular cliffs of the island, before arriving in Capri town to cool off with a refreshing lemon granita. Walk with your Local Expert to the gardens of Caesar Augustus to view the legendary Faraglioni Rocks, jutting out of the water.  
 Prepare for a *Highlight Lunch at the incredible Michelin-starred Mamma. Enjoy beautiful views over the Gulf of Naples, whilst savouring Mediterranean flavours created with passion.*  
 The rest of the day is yours to explore and relax in this island paradise. Ask your Travelling Concierge for suggestions. (B) (LW)

**DAY 5**  
**LUSH UMBRIA AND ON TO ASSISI AND PERUGIA.**  
 Return to the mainland and the winding, cobbled streets of Assisi for a guided visit to the imposing Basilica of St. Francis with your Local Expert. Continue to your five-star hotel in Perugia. (B)  
**Brufani, Perugia.**  
 Heritage |

**DAY 6 • RELAXED START**  
**SAN GIMIGNANO AND TUSCANY.**  
 Meet Marta, the director of Laboratorio Giuditta Borzetti and the recipient of a TreadRight grant, to learn how the workshop's artisans are preserving the heritage craft of textile loom-weaving. Journey to the 15th century wine domain of 'Guardastelle', with its spectacular views over the rolling vineyards and the 'medieval Manhattan' which is San Gimignano.  
 Explore the vineyard estate with a wine expert to learn about the various grape varieties and visit the wine cellars that combine ancient traditions with modern technology, where you will enjoy a wine tasting. Afterwards indulge in a lunch of *Tuscan specialties and beautiful views of the countryside.*  
 Continue to San Gimignano, to taste the award-winning gelato of Sergio Dondoli. (B) (LW)

**CC** If you are travelling on a Chairman's Collection departure, Marchese Mazzei invites you to his ancestral home, Castello di Fonterutoli. Indulge in a special lunch of Tuscan delights and a tasting of renowned Chianti wines. This experience replaces the lunch and wine tasting at Guardastelle.

**Hotel Montebello Splendid, Florence.**  
 Boutique |

**ULTIMATE ITALY**

TRIP CODE: G200

FROM \$6895 P.P. | 12 OR 16 DAYS | 3 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: DYNAMIC

START DATES

2021

APR 04 #, 18      AUG 01+, 22+, 29

MAY 02 #, 09 #, 16 CC, 23, 30      SEP 05 #, 12+#, 19 CC, 26 #

JUN 13+▼ #, 20+, 27+      OCT 03

JUL 04+, 11+▼, 18+, 25+

**SPECIAL DEPARTURES**

▼ Departures are limited to just 24 guests.

CC Departures include a Chairman's Collection Experience. + Summer Departures.

# Venice-Simplon-Orient-Express Travel Option.



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**DAY 7  
RENAISSANCE FLORENCE.**

**Explore Florence Your Way.**

Choose to join an art historian for an insider's guide to this romantic city. Admire Michelangelo's original statue of David in the Accademia Museum, before strolling to the cathedral, baptistery and Piazza della Signoria. Alternatively, join a local foodie on a walking tour of the best gastronomic treats. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure. This evening, forage for the region's famous aromatic truffles guided by an expert truffle dog.

**Enjoy dinner in an elegant villa which will include a choice of dishes featuring the famous 'Fiorentina' (mouth-watering grilled Tuscan beefsteak). (B) (DW)**

**DAY 8  
TUSCAN COOKING CLASS AND PISA.**

**Join a professional chef and uncover the secrets of Tuscan cooking during an authentic culinary masterclass set in the former hunting lodge of the Medici family. Complete your cooking experience by savouring the fruits of your labour with a lovely lunch.**

In the afternoon, travel to Pisa and meet your Local Expert to view the splendid



**Key:**

- Join/Leave Options
- Cruise
- Train
- UNESCO Heritage Site
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights

Duomo, Baptistery and the famous, gravity-defying Leaning Tower of Pisa. (B) (LW)

**DAY 9  
EXPLORING THE CINQUE TERRE.**

Journey northwest towards the Cinque Terre, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Join your Local Expert in the picturesque fishing village of Manarola, then cruise along the rugged coast to explore Monterosso's medieval quarter and popular sandy beach. Enjoy lunch at leisure, before arriving at your hotel with fabulous views overlooking the Portofino peninsula where you may want to take a dip in the pool or enjoy a cocktail before dinner. (B) (DW)

**Grand Hotel Bristol Resort & Spa, Rapallo.**

Historic |

**DAY 10  
THEATRICAL VENICE AND THE DOGE'S PALACE.**

Today's journey will take you across the the Appenine mountain range with spectacular scenery. Take a water taxi along the famous Grand Canal, lined with historical Venetian palaces.

**VIP** In the evening, you are invited to a private, after-hours visit of the magnificent Doge's Palace. As all crowds disappear, discover the history, art and culture of the Venetian Republic with your Local Expert. (B)

**Bauer Palazzo, Venice.**

Heritage |

**SUMMER DEPARTURES +**



**DAY 3  
POMPEII AND SORRENTO.**

Visit Pompeii with a Local Expert. Stay overnight in Sorrento. (B) (DW)

**Sorrento Palace (Seaview Executive Rooms).**

Contemporary |

**DAY 4  
EXPLORE THE ISLE OF DREAMS.**

Board a fast-boat to Capri. Cruise to the White Grotto, take an open-top taxi and a walk the Caesar Augustus gardens with a Local Expert. Dine in Michelin-starred Mamma for lunch. (B) (LW)



Tuscany

**DAY 11 · RELAXED START**

**THE MAGIC OF VENICE.**

Venture to a craftsman's workshop to witness the age-old skill of glassblowing and admire the famous St. Mark's Basilica and the Bridge of Sighs. Later, take your seat in a traditional gondola for a serenade through the romantic canals.

*Learn the secrets behind your aperitif, Venice's Bellini cocktail before dinner tonight at the atmospheric Taverna La Fenice. (B) (DW)*

**DAY 12**

**ARRIVEDERCI VENICE.**

Transfer by private boat to Venice Marco Polo Airport for your onward journey. (B)

**VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS #**

TRAVEL OPTION



**DAYS 12 - 16**

**FROM VENICE TO PARIS.**

Why not extend your stay in Venice for two extra nights before travelling overnight to Paris in timeless elegance onboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express train? This part of your journey is not accompanied by a Travelling Concierge.

**Paris Baltimore Tour Eiffel.**

Contemporary |

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Cooking Class



Capri

# FRENCH VOGUE

**10 DAYS** *A taste of what's to come*

Uncover the glamour and rich heritage of France, as you journey from iconic Paris to the heart of romantic Provence and on to the dazzling French Riviera. Along the way, you'll travel in VIP comfort, stay in luxurious hotels and be introduced to passionate foodies and historians.



*On Chairman's Collection departures, join Count Richard de Warren for a private dinner at the luxurious Hotel Alfred Sommier, scheduled on Day 2. Please see itinerary and the Chairman's Collection box on page 46 for details.*

## VIP EXPERIENCES

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### **CHÂTEAU DE VAUX-LE-VICOMTE:**

Enjoy a VIP visit to the oldest château in France, de Vaux-le-Vicomte. Walk through the picturesque gardens and see the theatrical majesty and artistic design of the grounds.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### **CHÂTEAU LA COSTE:**

Experience Château La Coste Your Way. Join a guided walk to discover the many works of contemporary art. Alternatively, visit the cellars, designed by the great contemporary architect Jean Nouvel, for a tasting of award-winning wines.

### **FRENCH RIVIERA:**

Join a Local Expert for a visit to the luxurious Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild along the French Riviera and marvel at its extensive art collection, wonderful gardens and panoramic vistas.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### **PROVENCE:**

Indulge at the Michelin Starred restaurant, Maison Prévôt, nestled in the heart of Provence. Savour a lunch embracing contemporary, gourmet cuisine that follows the rhythms of the seasons from locally-sourced ingredients.

## LUXURY HOTELS

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### **AIX-EN-PROVENCE:**

Located in the heart of Provence, the boutique five-star Chateau de Fonscolombes has been immaculately restored in 18th century style. Feel like royalty as you enjoy its lavish grounds and gracious salons.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Alfred Sommier Hotel



**CHAIRMAN'S COLLECTION**

Count Richard de Warren descends from the prominent Sommier family, who built their fortune in the sugar industry.

His ancestors built the family home in Paris during the era of Baron Hausmann, the urban planner who transformed the city with its now iconic architecture, elegant boulevards and beautiful parks.

Today, this mansion is the luxury hotel Alfred Sommier, where you, as a Luxury Gold guest, meet Count de Warren for a private dinner.



**DAY 1**  
 ✨ **WELCOME TO PARIS.**  
 On arrival at Charles de Gaulle Airport, your complimentary transfer will take you to your five-star hotel in the heart of Paris.  
 🍴 **At 17:30, meet your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner with spectacular views over the river Seine and the Eiffel Tower. (DW)**  
 🚗 **Paris Baltimore Tour Eiffel.**  
 Heritage | 📶

**DAY 2 • RELAXED START**  
**CHÂTEAU DE VAUX-LE-VICOMTE.**  
 🏆 Step into the 17th century during an exclusive VIP visit to the largest privately-owned château in France, Vaux-Le-Vicomte, with its magnificent formal gardens. At the château, you're invited on a walk through the grounds.  
 Return to Paris and enjoy an evening at leisure. **(B) (DW)**

**CC** *If you are travelling on a Chairman's Collection departure, Count Richard de Warren invites you to the luxurious Hotel Alfred Sommier for a traditional Parisian meal and to learn about the history of his aristocratic family.*

**DAY 3 • RELAXED START**  
**GOURMET FOODIE WALK AND THE EIFFEL TOWER.**  
 Enjoy a relaxed start to the day, before embarking on the most quintessential of French experiences—a small-group gourmet food walk through the streets of Paris.  
**Join a local food connoisseur to visit a variety of boutique shops, including tiny pâtisseries, boulangeries, chocolatiers, and fromageries.**  
 🍴 Visit the iconic Eiffel Tower for lunch with wine and marvel at Paris in all its glory. The rest of the day is at your leisure. Why not ask your Travelling Concierge for recommendations. **(B) (LW)**

**DAY 4**  
 🚗 **AVIGNON AND PONT DU GARD.**  
 Travel first class onboard the TGV train to Avignon, once home to the Papacy. On arrival, join your Travelling Concierge for an orientation of the city. After free time for lunch visit Pont du Gard, one of the world's best-preserved ancient Roman aqueducts and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Then travel to your scenic hotel in Provence, in wine and walking country.  
 🍴 **In the evening, enjoy a delicious dinner at your boutique hotel. (B) (DW)**  
 🚗 **Château de Fonscolombe, Aix-en-Provence.**  
 Boutique | 📶

**DAY 5 • RELAXED START**  
**ST REMY DE PROVENCE.**  
 This morning pass through the quaint village of Eygalieres, old home of the 'Frank Sinatra of France' Charles Aznavour, before making your way to the charming St Remy de Provence, birthplace of the prophet Nostradamus. Visit the St Remy market, a bustling market filled with local artisan stalls.  
 🍴 **Embrace contemporary, gourmet cuisine that follows the rhythms of the seasons for lunch at the Michelin-starred, Maison Prévôt. An institution, totally dedicated to Provençal gastronomy with seasonal menus that reflect the bounty of the region.** Journey back to your hotel for an afternoon at leisure. **(B) (LW)**

**DAY 6 • RELAXED START**  
**ARLES AND OLIVE GROVES.**  
 Join your Local Expert and follow in the footsteps of Vincent Van Gogh on a guided walk through Arles. Inspired by the wild beauty and sunbaked houses of Provence, Van Gogh painted over 200 masterpieces in and around the town. Stroll along the Rhône River, which cuts through the city, and visit the famous Arles Amphitheatre, dating back to A.D. 90. During Roman occupation, this prominent structure drew crowds of up to 20,000 spectators who came to revel in the excitement of chariot races and bloody battles. Today the amphitheatre hosts plays, concerts and bullfights. This afternoon, make your way into the heart of Provence to Moulin de Calanquet, an olive oil mill active since the 19th century, and listen to the history of the family as you walk through the olive trees.

**FRENCH VOGUE**

TRIP CODE: G720

FROM \$5195 P.P. | 10 DAYS | 7 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

START DATES

2021

APR 24	AUG 14, 28
MAY 08 <b>CC</b> , 22 ▼	SEP 11 <b>CC</b> , 25
JUN 05, 19	OCT 09
JUL 03, 17 ▼, 31	

**SPECIAL DEPARTURES**

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**Discover a variety of aromas and flavours as you treat your taste buds to a diverse tasting of oils, jams and spreads.**

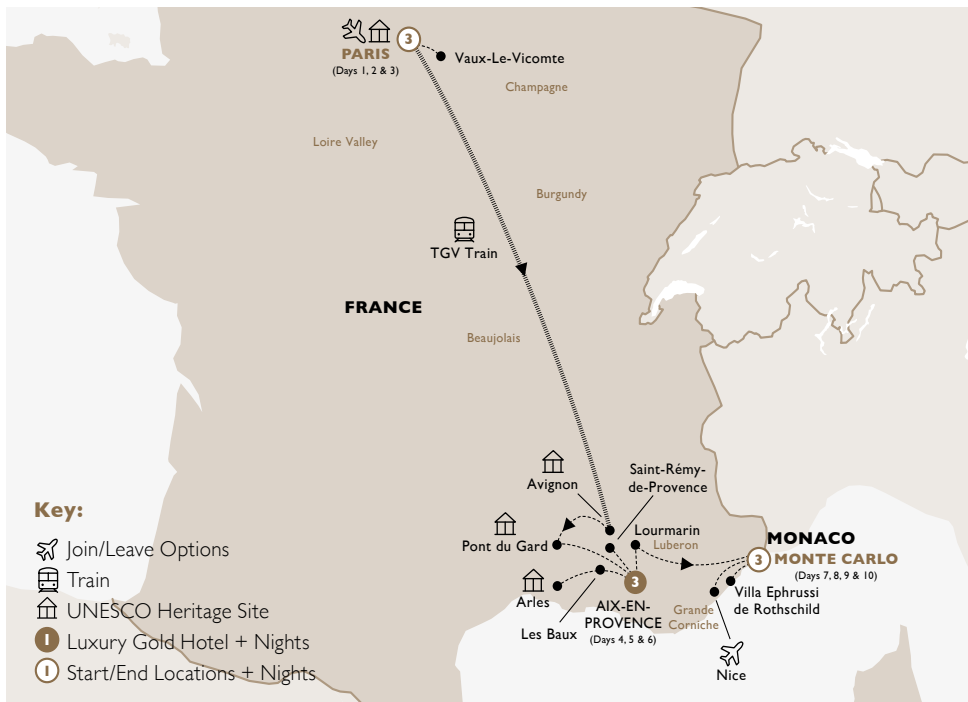
Continue the day in Provence with a visit of Les Baux-de-Provence. Set atop a rocky outcrop in the Alpilles Mountains and crowned with castle ruins, this village has a reputation as one of the most picturesque in France. **(B)**

**DAY 7 • RELAXED START PROVENCE AND MONACO.**

Journey to the village of Lourmarin and explore the lively market. Walk down the tree lined avenues and browse through local crafts and clothing. Perhaps sample some of the local delicacies and enjoy some free time for a light lunch.

**Experience Provence Your Way.**

Choose either to join a guided walk through wooded hilltops and valleys, alongside olive groves and vineyards to discover the many works of contemporary art along your way. Alternatively visit the cellars designed by the great contemporary architect, Jean Nouvel, learn how organic and biodynamic principles are implemented at each stage of the wine-making process before a



tasting of the award-winning wines. Today ends in the Principality of Monaco, ruled by the Grimaldi family since the 13th century and famous for being the seaside playground of the rich and famous. **(B)**

**Fairmont Monte Carlo.**  
Historic | 📶

**DAY 8 • RELAXED START THE GLITZ AND GLAMOUR OF MONACO.**

Join your Travelling Concierge for sightseeing of glamorous Monaco. See the Grand Prix circuit – famous for hosting the annual Formula One Monaco Grand Prix – explore the old town, and admire the Royal Palace where the Grimaldi family lives. Wander the old town of Monaco and visit the cathedral, which houses the tombs of the late Prince Rainer and Princess Grace. Spend the rest of the day at leisure, exploring this fashionable resort town or perhaps venturing to seaside Nice. **(B)**

**DAY 9 • RELAXED START CORNICHE ROADS AND VILLA EPHRUSSI DE ROTHSCHILD.**

Embark on a dazzling drive along the Corniche roads of the Riviera with breathtaking views of Europe's most beautiful coast. Join a Local Expert for a visit to the luxurious Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild, one of the finest historic buildings on the French Riviera. The Baroness Ephrussi de Rothschild collected art works from all over the world, transforming the Villa at Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat into an art lover's paradise. Explore its nine wonderful gardens and enjoy stunning views over the Riviera.

**In the evening, raise a glass to new adventures and friendships at your Celebration Dinner with champagne, hosted at a local restaurant. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 10 FAREWELL MONACO.**

After breakfast, bid farewell to your travel companions and enjoy a private transfer to Nice airport for your onward journey. **(B)**

# SPAIN & PORTUGAL IN STYLE





## 13 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

Experience the passion, creativity and romance of Spain and Portugal, as you witness fiery flamenco performances, marvel at Gaudi's dreamy architecture and appreciate enchanting citrus-scented squares. Along the way, take in the diversity of architectural styles - ranging from contemporary to Moorish - and taste some of the region's most iconic dishes, including paella. We'll introduce you to local historians, chefs and musicians, as you travel in luxurious comfort and stay in the heart of each spectacular destination.

### VIP EXPERIENCES

#### BARCELONA:

Enjoy exclusive first entry in to the Palau de la Música Catalana, the only concert hall declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO and an architectural pearl of Catalan Modernism.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### GRANADA:

Join a Local Expert for a guided exploration of the exquisite Alhambra Palace, complemented by a walk through the scented Generalife gardens.

#### LISBON:

Take in an emotive performance of the UNESCO recognised art of Fado at Adega Machado while enjoying a traditional Portuguese dinner.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

#### SEVILLE:

Discover the varied flavours of Andalusia during a market tour and Spanish cooking experience. Learn the culinary secrets to some of Spain's most popular dishes and enjoy your own creations for lunch.

#### MADRID:

Boasting a contemporary gastro bar and restaurant, the Michelin-starred Álora is known for its distinct flavours and high quality dishes inspired by seasonal ingredients.

### LUXURY HOTELS

#### BARCELONA:

The centrally located Ohla Eixample Barcelona is a boutique, five-star hotel with a rooftop that offers incredible views over the city for you to enjoy while relaxing with a drink on the terrace.

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Plaza de España



Alhambra Palace

**DAY 1****WELCOME TO BARCELONA.**

On arrival at Barcelona Airport, you will be met and transferred to your five-star hotel.

**🍴** *This evening join your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for your Welcome Dinner featuring fine Barcelona seafood. (DW)*

**🛏** **Ohla Eixample Barcelona.**  
Boutique | 📶

**DAY 2****CATALONIA'S CREATIVE CAPITAL.**

Barcelona is a melting pot of dreamy architecture, a historic cathedral, seaside splendour and gastronomic delights.

**👑** The day begins as you have first entry to the Palau de la Música Catalana, the only concert hall declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO and an architectural pearl of Catalan Modernism.

Meet your Local Expert in the Gothic Quarter for an exploration of the medieval streets and squares, and see some of the most flamboyant buildings of the Catalan art nouveau movement. Visit Gaudí's imaginative Sagrada Família, where mosaic spires pierce the sky like a giant crown. Spend the afternoon at leisure, perhaps strolling from your hotel to another one of Gaudí's masterpieces, Casa Batlló or Casa Milà. **(B)**

**DAY 3 • RELAXED START****VALENCIA AND THE ORANGE BLOSSOM COAST.**

Follow the sunny Costa Dorada to sea-lapped Peñíscola. Explore the lanes and white-walled houses clustered around the castle and featured in the film *El Cid*. Continue past orange groves to Valencia.

**🍴** *For dinner, a local chef entices you with incredible traditional paella, native to Valencia. (B) (DW)*

**🛏** **The Westin Valencia.**  
Traditional | 📶

**DAY 4****GRANADA AND THE ALHAMBRA PALACE.**

Granada is a rich oasis of Moorish architecture and flourishing Romany culture. A Local Expert will show you the exquisite Alhambra Palace and exotic water gardens built by the Moors in the 13th century. Enjoy a relaxed evening, soaking up the views from your hotel or take a stroll on Plaza de Bib-Rambla for dinner. **(B)**

**🛏** **Hotel Alhambra Palace, Granada.**  
Heritage | 📶

**DAY 5 • RELAXED START****CÓRDOBA AND SEVILLE.**

Journey through the silent sierras to Córdoba with views of the Old Roman Bridge. Arrive at the magnificent Mezquita, one of the greatest works of Islamic architecture. Your Local Expert walks you through a forest of delicate arches and pillars to the opulent Christian cathedral nestled within.

**🍴** *Dinner tonight is accompanied by the music of a classical guitarist at an elegant restaurant. (B) (DW)*

**🛏** **Gran Meliá Colón, Seville.**  
Contemporary | 📶

**DAY 6 • RELAXED START****SEVILLE, THE CITY OF CARMEN.**

Join your Local Expert for a walk through the white-washed alleys and flower-decked squares of the Santa Cruz quarter, to emerge near the cathedral.

**🍸** **Explore Seville Your Way** with a choice to either visit the main chapel and tomb of Columbus or relax with a cocktail on a rooftop with views of the city. An 18th century mansion hosts you for a drink, followed by an intimate and passionate performance of fiery flamenco. Enjoy a romantic horse and carriage ride through the charming streets. **(B)**

**DAY 7 • RELAXED START****THE FLAVOURS OF ANDALUSIA.**

**🍴** *Discover the flavours of Andalusia during a market tour and Spanish cooking experience. Learn the culinary secrets to some of Spain's most popular dishes and enjoy your own creations for lunch, along with a glass or two of wine.*

The rest of the day is at your leisure. Perhaps bask in the sun in Parque de María Luisa? **(B) (LW)**.

**SPAIN & PORTUGAL IN STYLE**

TRIP CODE: G310

FROM \$5650 P.P. | 13 DAYS | 8 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

START DATES

2021

APR 30                      AUG 20

MAY 14, 28                SEP 03, 17

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JUL 23

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**DAY 8 • RELAXED START ACROSS THE ALENTEJO TO LISBON.**

Continue across the wide Alentejo Plateau to the Portuguese capital of Lisbon.

*This evening, take in an emotive performance of the UNESCO-recognised art of Fado at a local Fado house while enjoying a traditional Portuguese dinner. (B) (DW)*

**Pousada de Lisboa, Lisbon.**  
Boutique |

**DAY 9 • RELAXED START LISBON AND THE AGE OF DISCOVERIES.**

With your Local Expert, visit the Belém Quarter, where sailing ships once set forth to discover unknown lands. See the Monument to the Discoveries and Belém Tower, before visiting the 500-year-old Jerónimos Monastery and cloisters with its Manueline architecture, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

*After your morning of sightseeing, drive along the coast to visit the seaside village of Cascais, known for its sandy beaches and busy marina, and enjoy a lunch by the sea.*

Return to your boutique hotel and the rest of the evening is yours at leisure. **(B) (LW)**



**Key:**

- Join/Leave Options
- UNESCO Heritage Site
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights

**DAY 10 • RELAXED START FOREVER ÉVORA.**

Continue to the charming university city of Evora, one of the best preserved towns in Portugal, with architectural styles dating back to Roman times. Join your Local Expert for a walk around the city, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This afternoon head to a local winery to explore the estate, learn about their wine making process and taste a selection of their tantalising wines.

*In the evening, enjoy a delicious dinner with wine at the hotel restaurant. (B) (DW)*

**Convento do Espinheiro, Évora.**  
Historic |

**DAY 11 THE ROMAN RUINS OF MÉRIDA AND MADRID.**

Venture across patterned agricultural lands to the Spanish border and continue to Mérida, famous for its extensive Roman ruins. Visit the well-preserved Roman Theatre where a variety of plays were once performed to delight the patrons of ancient Lusitania. Journey through the sun-baked landscapes of Extremadura to the stately Spanish capital, Madrid. **(B)**

**Gran Meliá Fénix, Madrid.**  
Traditional |

**DAY 12 • RELAXED START MADRID OF THE BOURBONS.**

Admire the tree-lined avenues, Cibeles Fountain, Columbus Monument and Royal Palace as you explore the heart of Madrid. Continue through the Puerta del Sol to the magnificent Prado Museum, where an art historian provides an in-depth look at the world's finest collection of Spanish paintings. In the afternoon, enjoy time at leisure to further explore the glories of Madrid.

*This evening, you're invited to the Michelin-starred Álgora Bar and Restaurant for your Celebration Dinner. Raise a glass to new memories and friendships, as you dine on classic cuisine in a stylish, modern setting. (B) (DW)*

**DAY 13 DEPART MADRID.**

After breakfast, bid farewell to your travel companions and transfer to Madrid Barajas Airport for your onward journey. **(B)**

# MAJESTIC SWITZERLAND





## 10 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

Step into a world of snow-capped mountains, traditional alpine villages and warm hospitality. This idyllic journey takes you to fairy-tale castles, breathtaking peaks and storybook meadows. Along the way you will meet Local Experts who will share the stories of the region as you enjoy tasting local specialties, such as fondue and creamy chocolate. Stay in luxurious hotels, see beautiful cities and marvel at some of the most extraordinary scenery on the planet.

### VIP EXPERIENCES

#### LUCERNE:

Join a Military Expert at the Vitznau Artillery Fortress to discover the munitions halls, galleries and armaments.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### ST MORITZ:

Experience St Moritz Your Way, with your choice of joining a nature guide for a scenic mountain stroll or learning about the incredible local animals from a Wildlife Expert.

#### GLACIER EXPRESS:

Take your first class seat onboard this world-famous train and marvel at unrivalled views of snow-covered peaks.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

#### GENEVA:

Appreciate the quality and flawless service of the Michelin-starred restaurant, La Ferme de l'Hospital, in Bossey. This 17th century farmhouse has been re-imagined by chef Jean Jacques Noguier to serve innovative cuisine featuring seasonal flavours and local wines.

#### GRUYÈRES:

Around a bubbling pot of delicious, freshly made fondue, savour authentic Swiss dining with a chilled glass of wine.

### LUXURY HOTELS

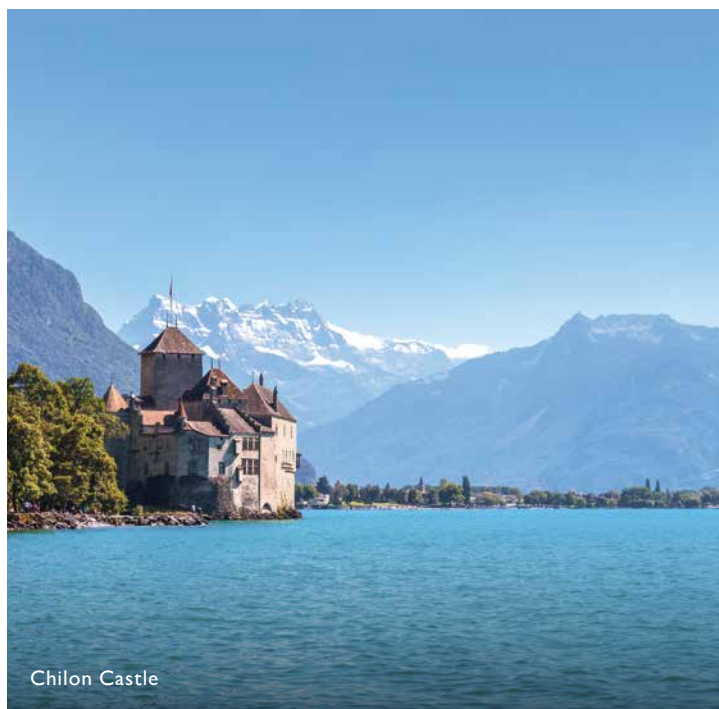
#### GENEVA:

Elegantly poised at the edge of Lake Geneva with magnificent views of the famous Jet d'Eau and Mont Blanc, the beautiful Hotel d'Angleterre hotel effortlessly combines British charm with the finest Swiss hospitality.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Glacier Express



Chillon Castle

**DAY 1****WELCOME TO SWITZERLAND.**

Arrive at Zürich Airport and be transferred to your prestigious downtown hotel, located just steps away from the tree-lined Bahnhofstrasse, one of Europe's most exclusive shopping streets.

**Join your Travelling Concierge at 18:00 for a Welcome Dinner of traditional Swiss cuisine, hosted at Brasserie Lipp, a local favourite. (DW)**

**Hotel Schweizerhof Zürich.**

Heritage |

**DAY 2 • RELAXED START****VADUZ AND ST. MORITZ.**

Journey to Vaduz, the capital of the Principality of Liechtenstein. Known for being one of Europe's smallest countries, Liechtenstein is dotted with medieval castles, traditional villages and dramatic mountains. Ascend the Julier Pass until you reach the sparkling Engadine Valley and the chic, jet-set resort of St. Moritz.

**Dine in style at the local Restaurant Engiadina this evening. (B) (DW)**

**Grand Hotel des Bains Kempinski, St. Moritz.**

Traditional |

**DAY 3****THE ROOF OF EUROPE.**

**Experience St. Moritz Your Way** and choose between joining a nature guide for a gentle mountain hike, if the weather permits, or hearing a talk about the incredible local wildlife including Marmots, Red Deer and the Golden Eagle. Enjoy spending the afternoon at your leisure, perhaps shopping in the designer boutiques. Alternatively, enjoy the facilities of your prestigious hotel, which boasts a selection of gourmet restaurants, a luxury spa and a tennis-and-squash centre. **(B)**

**DAY 4****ALL ABOARD THE GLACIER EXPRESS.**

Step on board the world-famous Glacier Express and take your first class seat for a spectacular ride through the heart of the Swiss Alps. Descend through the spiral tunnels of the Albula Pass and over the lofty Landwasser Viaduct. Picturesque landscapes of ice-capped mountains and stone-built villages, with chalet-style houses, will be in sight as you ascend to the highest point of the route, 2,033 metres to the icy Oberalp Pass.

**Enjoy an included lunch onboard whilst taking in the scenery.**

The modern panorama viewing car means you won't miss a thing. Arrive in Zermatt in the late afternoon where you'll be escorted to your hotel. **(B) (L)**

**Mont Cervin Palace, Zermatt.**

Traditional |

**DAY 5 • RELAXED START****ZERMATT AND GORNERGRAT EXPERIENCE.**

Board the cogwheel train that winds slowly up through the forests and alpine meadows of Gornergrat Mountain to reach the highest outdoor train station at 3,089 metres. From the summit, expect superb views of the Matterhorn and Monte Rosa, among Switzerland's highest peaks. In the afternoon, spend time at leisure, perhaps enjoying a swim and spa treatment at your five-star hotel? As dusk descends, Zermatt offers a wealth of dining possibilities.

**This evening you're invited to choose from a hand-picked selection of fine local restaurants and authentic menus for a Your Choice Evening. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 6****CHILLON CASTLE AND THE FRENCH BANK OF LAKE GENEVA.**

Journey along the Lower Rhone Valley to the shores of Lake Geneva. Marvel at the grandeur of one of Europe's largest lakes, known for inspiring the early European Romantic movement. With your Local Expert, visit beautiful Chillon Castle, former home to the Counts of Savoy and set on a rocky islet in the lake. Here, following his walk through the dungeons, Lord Byron was inspired to write the poem, 'The Prisoner of Chillon.' Look out for his name, which he carved into a pillar. In the afternoon, drive along the French bank of Lake Geneva passing the resort town of Évian-les-Bains,

**MAJESTIC SWITZERLAND**

TRIP CODE: G160

FROM \$6095 P.P. | 10 DAYS | 4 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

START DATES

2021

JUN 13, 27

AUG 08, 22, 29

JUL 04, 25 ▼

**SPECIAL DEPARTURES**

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famous for its natural mineral water. Once in Geneva, arrive at Hotel d'Angleterre, perfectly situated on the banks of the Lake, the hotel blends British charm with the finest Swiss hospitality.

**🍴** *This evening, you're invited for a special dinner at La Ferme de l'Hospital. This former farmhouse, now a Michelin-starred restaurant led by chef Jean Jacques Noguier, offers a creative menu using only the freshest seasonal ingredients, and a large selection of local wines. (B) (DW)*

**🏨** **Hotel d'Angleterre, Geneva.**  
Heritage | 📶

**DAY 7 • RELAXED START HIGHLIGHTS OF GENEVA.**

Join your Local Expert for a walking tour of Geneva with stops at the Floral Clock and the Reformation Monument, before enjoying the rest of the day at your leisure. Perhaps have high tea in the afternoon at your hotel, or walk across the road to the banks of Lake Geneva and watch the sun dip beyond the mountains. **(B)**

**DAY 8**

**LA GRUYÈRE AND ON TO LUCERNE.**  
Journey through story-book Alpine scenery en route to visit Maison Cailler in the village of Broc, where chocolate creation has been raised to a specialised art form. Travel to the lovely medieval town of Gruyères, Switzerland's cheese manufacturing mecca.

**🍴** *For your lunch, savour the region's most famous culinary treat with a pot of bubbling fondue and a glass of chilled white wine. Continue on to beautiful Lucerne where sightseeing shows you its many highlights. See the stirring Lion Monument, Old Town Hall and the Chapel bridge. (B) (LW)*

**🏨** **Hotel Wilden Mann, Lucerne.**  
Historic | 📶

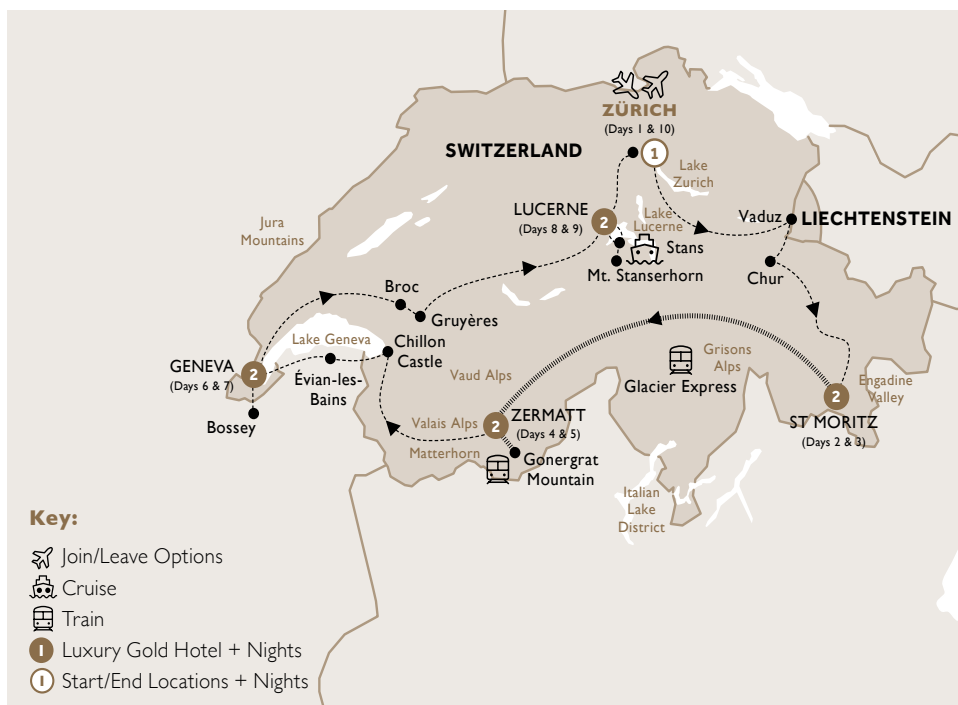
**DAY 9 • RELAXED START**

**LOVELY LUCERNE.**  
**VIP** Join a Military Expert at the Vitznau Artillery Fortress, carved into the mountainside, to discover the munitions halls, galleries and armaments, which date back to World War II. Enjoy some leisure time in the afternoon. This evening, embark on a scenic journey with a romantic cruise upon Lake Lucerne, followed by a cable car to the summit of Mount Stanserhorn.

**🍴** *Amid true Alpine majesty, your journey comes to a close with a fabulous Celebration Dinner at a panoramic restaurant, offering expansive views over the Alps. (B) (DW)*

**DAY 10**

**FAREWELL LUCERNE.**  
After breakfast, bid farewell to your travel companions and transfer to Zürich Airport for your onward journey. **(B)**



# HARMONY OF CENTRAL EUROPE





## 13 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

Europe's Bohemian capitals delight with classical music, exquisite palaces, and cathedrals, and rich heritage. Walk in the footsteps of young Mozart at an after-hours visit to Schönbrunn Palace, indulge with dinner at one of Vienna's amazing Michelin-starred restaurants, and enjoy a private sparkling wine cruise on the glittering River Danube.



*On Chairman's Collection departures, join Princess Anita von Hohenberg for a private reception at Artstetten Castle, scheduled on Day 4. Please see itinerary and the Chairman's Collection box on page 62 for details.*

### VIP EXPERIENCES

#### VIENNA:

Indulge your senses during a special VIP, after-hours visit to the magnificent Schönbrunn Palaces. With a Local Expert, stand beneath frescoed ceilings, crystal chandeliers and gilded Rococo frames where Mozart performed as a six-year-old prodigy.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### BUDAPEST:

Step onboard a private cruise for an unforgettable voyage along the Danube. Enjoy sparkling wine and overlook the city's grandest buildings lit up at night.

#### KRAKÓW:

Join your Local Expert to the site that has crowned almost every Polish king and queen throughout history. The Wawel Cathedral is one of the most essential sanctuaries in Poland with a history spanning over a thousand years.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

#### VIENNA:

You will be treated to an incredible meal, at Le Ciel, one of Vienna's amazing Michelin-starred restaurants.

#### BUDAPEST:

Dine on traditional Hungarian delicacies at elegant Gundel, one of Budapest's most renowned restaurants for over a hundred years.

### LUXURY HOTELS

#### PRAGUE:

The luxurious Le Palais Art Hotel in Prague boasts beautifully designed rooms combining first-rate design, top-quality materials and state-of-the-art features for a harmonious stay.

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Artstetten Castle



**CHAIRMAN'S COLLECTION**

Family portraits and treasured heirlooms adorn Artstetten Castle, testaments to the rich heritage of the Habsburgs.

As a direct descendant of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria, whose assassination in 1914 led to the outbreak of World War I, Princess Anita has a wealth of stories to share.

While many thousands of visitors come to Artstetten Castle each year, only you as a Luxury Gold guest enjoy a private meeting with Princess Anita.



**DAY 1**  
WELCOME TO PRAGUE.

On arrival at Prague's Václav Havel Airport, you will be met and transferred to your luxury hotel.

**At 18:00 join your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for drinks, followed by a Welcome Dinner at Bastion Restaurant, famous for its world-class views, cuisine and service. (DW)**

**Le Palais Art Hotel Prague.**  
Heritage |

**DAY 2**  
THE CITY OF A HUNDRED SPIRES.

Join a Local Expert in the atmospheric courtyards of Prague Castle. Visit St. Vitus Cathedral, bathed in a lustrous patina of stained glass, before strolling on to the Astronomical Clock in the Old Town Square. In the afternoon, there is an option to join an included visit to Prague's Jewish Quarter. **(B) (DW)**

**DAY 3 • RELAXED START**  
PRAGUE TO ČESKÝ KRUMLOV.

A scenic drive through Bohemia brings you to Český Krumlov. Walk through the tangled cobblestone streets and meet your Local Expert to visit the famous castle. With the afternoon at leisure, perhaps pamper yourself at the wellness spa in your hotel? **(B)**

**Hotel Růže, Český Krumlov.**  
Historic |

**DAY 4**  
MELK ABBEY AND VIENNA.

Travel over the Austrian border, past the city of Linz straddling the Danube river, to Melk, for a guided walk of its famous abbey.

**VIP** Arrive in Vienna, where the doors of the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace open to you for a VIP after-hours exclusive guided visit. **(B) (DW)**

**CC** *If you are travelling on a Chairman's Collection departure, Princess Anita von Hohenberg invites you to her family home, Artstetten Castle, for a private drinks reception and to learn about her Habsburg heritage. This experience replaces the visit to Melk Abbey on Day 4.*

**Grand Hotel Wien, Vienna.**  
Heritage |

**DAY 5 • RELAXED START**  
VIENNA YOUR WAY.

**Experience Vienna Your Way** as you embrace this stately city. Learn about Vienna's regal history as you visit the Imperial Treasury with a Local Expert. Alternatively, learn about Viennese café culture over coffee and cake. Enjoy a highlight evening of sparkling wine and front row seats at a Mozart and Strauss concert.

**Dinner is served at Le Ciel, one of Vienna's amazing Michelin-starred restaurants. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 6 • RELAXED START**  
BRATISLAVA AND BUDAPEST, GRAND DAMES ON THE DANUBE.

Cross the border to reach the Slovakian capital of Bratislava. Explore the city, dominated by its imposing 9th century castle, with your Local Expert. Enjoy free time to take a leisurely walk through the Old Town to the Maximilian Fountain, before continuing to Hungary and the grand metropolis of Budapest.

**In the evening, dine at elegant Gundel, Hungary's most renowned restaurant. Sample local dishes and wine with a backdrop of traditional folk music.** Continue your delightful evening as you step onboard a private cruise for a voyage along the Danube complete with sparkling wine. **(B) (DW)**

**Párisi Udvar Hotel Budapest.**  
Heritage |

## HARMONY OF CENTRAL EUROPE

TRIP CODE: G270

FROM \$5550 P.P. | 13 DAYS | 5 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

## START DATES

2021

MAY 11, 25 CC

AUG 03, 31

JUN 08 ▼, 22

SEP 14 CC ▷

JUL 06

## SPECIAL DEPARTURES

▼ Departures are limited to just 24 guests.

CC Departures include a Chairman's Collection experience.

▷ Enjoy a 3 night stay in Vienna in lieu of an overnight in Český Krumlov.



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## DAY 7 • RELAXED START

## THE JEWEL BOX OF BUDAPEST.

Explore through the medieval Castle District to visit the Fisherman's Bastion and Matthias Church. Return to Pest to wander along elegant boulevards with your Local Expert and see the Hungarian State Opera House, one of the most beautiful neo-Renaissance buildings in Europe.

*At the First Strudel House of Pest, admire how dough-stretching artisans work paper-thin crusts into delicious pastries and sample the local specialty.* Your evening is at leisure. **(B)**

## DAY 8 • RELAXED START

## SZENTENDRE.

In the morning, travel past the Roman remains of Aquincum to storybook Szentendre. Spend time exploring this riverside village with enchanting, brightly coloured houses, quaint churches, art galleries, and lovely squares. Return to Budapest and enjoy the afternoon at your leisure. Your Travelling Concierge will have some recommendations for you and can assist with your plans for the day. **(B)**



## DAY 9

## THE LOW TATRA AND KRAKÓW.

Enjoy a gentle drive into Slovakia, through the small villages of the Low Tatras, characterised by austere wooden churches and traditional folk houses. Continue past the Oravský hrad to Kraków, a city full of architectural wonder and legend.



*In the evening, you're invited to choose between a selection of local restaurants and authentic menus for a Your Choice Evening.* **(B) (DW)**



## Grand Hotel Kraków.

Historic |

## DAY 10

## EXPLORING KRAKÓW.

Join your Local Expert and cross the former Jewish Quarter to see locations used in the film 'Schindler's List,' before you ascend Wawel Hill to visit the cathedral, the final resting place of the Kings of Poland. Enjoy the evening at your leisure, perhaps heading out for a traditional hunter's stew? Your Travelling Concierge knows the best restaurants and can assist you with reservations. **(B)**

## DAY 11

## AUSCHWITZ AND THE BLACK MADONNA.

Spend time reflecting on the past during a poignant visit to Auschwitz, the largest Nazi concentration camp of World War II. Journey north to the Monastery of Jasna Góra in Częstochowa, famous for its Black Madonna. Continue across the plains to Warsaw with its jumble of restored Gothic

and communist architecture, tumultuous history and vibrant café culture. On arrival, your Travelling Concierge will check you into your luxury hotel, situated on the famous Royal Route. **(B) (L)**



## Hotel Bristol, Warsaw.

Heritage |

## DAY 12

## CHOPIN AND WARSAW.

Join your Local Expert for an in-depth look at Warsaw. Visit the Chopin Monument and the Memorial of the Heroes of the Warsaw Ghetto. Explore the Old Town, a miracle of reconstruction, conservation and home to the Royal Castle. The afternoon is at your leisure. Perhaps head back to your hotel for an afternoon tea or treat yourself to a massage at the spa? In the evening, witness an exclusive, private Chopin recital performed by a renowned pianist.



*At your finale Celebration Dinner, raise a glass of local wine, as you toast to new memories and friendships, and savour traditional dishes.* **(B) (DW)**

## DAY 13

## DEPART WARSAW.

After breakfast, bid farewell to your travel companions and transfer to Warsaw airport for your onward journey. **(B)**

# TIMELESS SCANDINAVIA





## 12 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

Follow in the footsteps of the Vikings, as you uncover the innovative spirit, natural beauty and rich culture of Scandinavia. You'll learn about its nautical heritage during a private canal cruise in colourful Gothenburg, appreciate cutting-edge architecture in pristine cities such as Copenhagen and stand in awe of deep and magnificent fjords. This legendary journey beautifully blends bold tales of the past with slick contemporary design and outstanding natural gems.

### VIP EXPERIENCES

#### OSLO:

Visit the Hollmenkollen Ski Jump Museum after hours to learn about 4,000 years of skiing history. Toast your Scandinavian adventures with a drink and panoramic views of Oslo.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### FLÅM RAILWAY:

Journey on one of the world's steepest railways through tunnels that spiral in and out of the mountainside of the narrow Flåm Valley.

#### GEIRANGER:

Explore the majestic Geiranger Fjord Your Way, either onboard an adrenaline-fueled boat cruise or on a guided kayaking expedition past spectacular waterfalls and soaring mountains.

#### STOCKHOLM:

Visit the Vasa Museum, which houses the world-famous Vasa Galleon, the world's best preserved 17th century warship that was salvaged after 333 years on the sea bed near Stockholm.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

#### STOCKHOLM:

Join your fellow guests at Kaffegillet Gamla Stan, a local restaurant in the heart of the Old Town, where you will enjoy a meal typical of the region such as venison stew or maybe Baltic-caught fish.

### LUXURY HOTELS

#### STOCKHOLM:

Centrally located near the Royal Palace, At Six Stockholm blends customised luxury and sleek design with a collection of urban restaurants, bars and lounges.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Geirangerfjord



Flam Railway

**DAY 1****WELCOME TO COPENHAGEN.**

On arrival at Copenhagen Airport, you will be met and transferred to your centrally located hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.



**At 17:30, meet your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner with wine in the heart of the city. (DW)**



**71 Nyhavn Hotel, Copenhagen.**

Historic | 

**DAY 2 • RELAXED START HIGHLIGHTS OF COPENHAGEN.**

Home to some of the world's happiest people, cutting-edge architecture and natural splendours, Copenhagen is the perfect introduction to Nordic culture. Explore the city with your Local Expert, starting with seeing Hans Christian Andersen's Little Mermaid gazing out from the harbour. See the Rosenborg Castle and the Renaissance Stock Exchange, finishing your exploration with a visit to the Amalienborg Palaces, home to the Danish royal family. The afternoon is yours to discover Copenhagen at leisure. In the evening, explore the Tivoli Gardens which were founded in 1843 and are considered a national treasure. **(B)**

**DAY 3****ØRESUND BRIDGE AND HIGHLIGHTS OF GOTHENBURG.**

Travel across the iconic Øresund Bridge and tunnel, which connects Denmark and Sweden and is the longest combined road and rail bridge in Europe. Your journey continues along Sweden's west coast to cosmopolitan Gothenburg. Step onboard a private sightseeing cruise through the city's charming waterways. Sail past wharves and shipyards, as your Local Expert shares insights into the region's culture and nautical history. The evening is at your leisure. **(B)**



**Elite Plaza Hotel, Gothenburg.**

 | Heritage

**DAY 4****CROSS-COUNTRY TO STOCKHOLM.**

Travel cross-country and marvel at the sights as you pass stunning Vättern. On arrival in Stockholm check in to your award-winning hotel At Six. Towering proudly on 14 islands, Stockholm is a model city of contemporary design, inspiring museums and extraordinary beauty.



**In the evening, join your fellow guests at Kaffegillet Gamla Stan, a local restaurant in the heart of the Old Town. Enjoy a meal typical of the region such as traditional casserole of venison or maybe Baltic-caught fish, served with seasonal vegetables and wine. (B) (DW)**



**At Six, Stockholm.**

Contemporary | 

**DAY 5****HIGHLIGHTS OF STOCKHOLM.**

Join your Local Expert for an eye-opening tour of the city with visits to the City Hall's marvellous Gyllene salen, the Golden Hall, and the Blå hallen, the Blue Hall, where the Nobel Prize banquets are held every year. Then continue to the medieval island heart of the city to view the cathedral, walk through the Old Town and see the Royal Palace. End at the Vasa Museum, which houses the world-famous Vasa Galleon, the world's best preserved 17th century warship that was salvaged after 333 years on the sea bed near Stockholm. With the evening at leisure explore the city of Stockholm and ask your Travelling Concierge for local dining recommendations. **(B)**

**DAY 6****MAJESTIC BERGEN.**

Take in mesmerising vistas of lakes and forests, as you fly to the port city of Bergen. A favourite destination, Bergen is a masterpiece of colourful wooden houses, deep fjords and rolling hills. It's also home to a large student population, which brings a lovely vibrancy to the city. Once you've settled into your centrally located hotel, spend the day at leisure.



**In the evening venture to a local restaurant for a tasty meal. (B) (DW)**



**Bergen Børs Hotel.**

Historic | 

**TIMELESS SCANDINAVIA**

TRIP CODE: G240

FROM \$6250 P.P. | 12 DAYS | 3 RELAXED STARTS


ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

START DATES

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**DAY 7 • RELAXED START**  
EDVARD GRIEG'S BERGEN.

Join your Local Expert to explore this Hanseatic city, which still looks to the sea for its living. Start with a visit to the picturesque and lively fish market. Stroll past its stalls of handicrafts and souvenirs and continue to the 13th century Håkon's Hall. You're invited for a special visit to Troldehaugen, the former summer home of Norway's renowned, composer and pianist, Edvard Grieg. Visit his villa, the wooden hut in which he composed his Romantic era masterpieces, and the site where he and his wife are buried. Your visit concludes with a moving piano recital, hosted in the museum's chamber music hall. **(B)**







**DAY 8**  
THE FLÅM RAILWAY AND GEIRANGER.

Bid farewell to Bergen and venture on the ride of a lifetime on the stunning Flåm Railway. Hailed as one of the world's most beautiful train journeys, the Flåm Railway transports you past soaring peaks, thundering waterfalls, and dramatic fjords. In the afternoon continue on to Geiranger and settle into your hotel set against a backdrop of fabulous fjord scenery and mountains. **(B) (DW)**


 **Hotel Union Geiranger (Fjord view room).**  
Traditional | 



**Key:**

-  Join/Leave Options
-  Included Flight
-  Cruise
-  UNESCO Heritage Site
-  Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
-  Start/End Locations + Nights


**DAY 9**  
FJORD ADVENTURE.  
The village of Geiranger is a gateway to dramatic glaciers, fjords and endless hiking trails.


 **Explore Geiranger Fjord Your Way** with your choice of included experiences. Either embark on an adrenaline-fuelled RIB boat cruise or choose a guided kayaking adventure through the heart of the fjord. Rest assured no previous experience is needed. However, to enjoy the kayak option you should be in excellent physical health. **(B) (DW)**

**DAY 10**  
CROSS-COUNTRY TO OSLO.  
Enjoy the most spectacular scenery as you make your way to Oslo. Take in the lush farmlands, towering peaks and deep forests, complemented by picturesque log cabins and small hamlets. Pass the Olympic town of Lillehammer on your way to Oslo. Settle into your luxurious hotel where modern and historic styles blend, and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. Why not retreat to the hotel spa and pamper yourself with one of the many treatments on offer? **(B)**

 **Grand Hotel Oslo.**  
Heritage | 

**DAY 11 • RELAXED START**  
HIGHLIGHTS OF OSLO.  
Oslo is a hidden gem, boasting everything from cutting-edge design and fascinating museums to an abundance of natural wonders. A passionate Local Expert reveals the city's secrets. See the medieval spires and ramparts of the harbour-side Akershus Fortress, observe the opulent Royal Palace, and discover Norway's proud past when you visit the Viking Ship Museum. Continue to the spectacular Frogner Park, where over 200 of Gustav Vigeland's intriguing sculptures are displayed.

 **Round off your journey with a Celebration Dinner at one of the city's top restaurants, Grand Café Oslo.**

 After dinner, you're invited for a VIP, after-hours visit to the Hollmenkollen Ski Jump museum. Explore 4,000 years of skiing history and enjoy panoramic views of the city over drinks. **(B) (DW)**

**DAY 12**  
FAREWELL OSLO.  
After breakfast, bid farewell to your travel companions and transfer to Oslo Airport for your onward journey. **(B)**

# CAPTIVATING CROATIA & MONTENEGRO





## 12 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

This enchanting journey takes you from iconic landmarks in bustling Adriatic cities to hidden gems known only to the locals. Discover rich heritage on a guided walk through majestic Dubrovnik, see how oysters are harvested on the floating oyster beds of the Adriatic, and marvel at the stunning cascades of Plitvice Lakes National Park. Along the way, you'll stay in stately hotels, taste local wines and cuisine, and marvel at the rugged beauty of the coastline.

### VIP EXPERIENCES

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#### **DUBROVNIK:**

Meet Matija and Giorgio Vierda, master jewellery craftsmen who use ancient goldsmith techniques. Their family's historic pieces are so famous they can be found amongst the country's most treasured possessions at the Ethnological Museum.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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#### **KOTOR:**

With a Local Expert, visit the enchanting town of Kotor, nestled between dramatic mountains and a spectacular bay.

#### **PLITVICE LAKES:**

Visit this UNESCO World Heritage Site and marvel at the water wonderland of Plitvice National Park as you walk along stunning cascades, guided by your Local Expert.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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#### **STON:**

Join your captain for a boat ride to the floating oyster beds of the Adriatic, and watch as he brings in the ropes and shucks oysters in front of you.

#### **ZADAR:**

As the sun sets over the bay, savour delicious regional specialties and sip on local wine.

### LUXURY HOTELS

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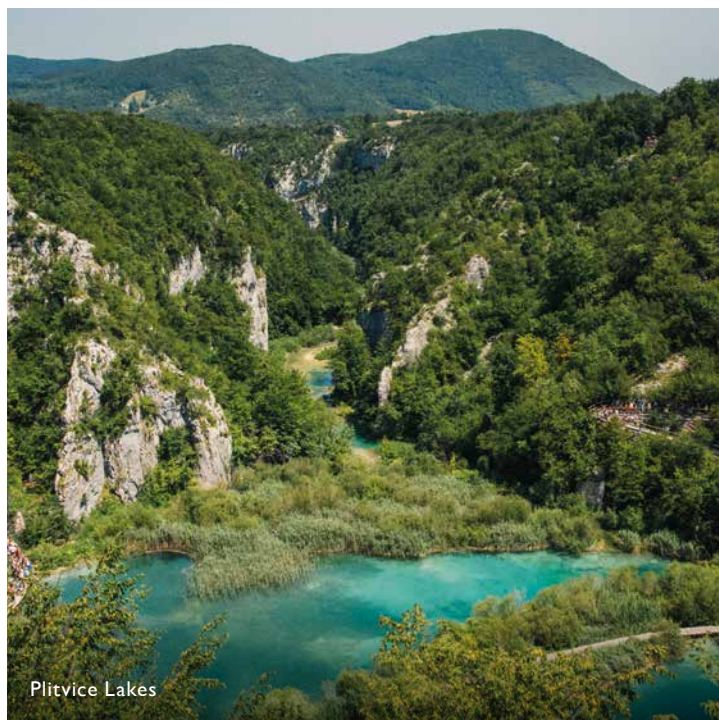
#### **TIVAT:**

Elegant, aristocratic and refined, the Renaissance-inspired Regent Porto Montenegro is a slick waterside hotel that places you moments away from Tivat's glitzy marina and awe-inspiring Bay of Kotor.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Dubrovnik



Plitvice Lakes

**DAY 1****WELCOME TO DUBROVNIK.**

Arrive at Dubrovnik Airport and be transferred to your centrally located hotel. Spend the rest of the day at your leisure.

**At 18:00 join your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner at an atmospheric local restaurant. (DW)**

**Hilton Dubrovnik.**  
Heritage |

**DAY 2****HIGHLIGHTS OF DUBROVNIK.**

Join your Local Expert to explore the city's many treasures, from the Old Town to some of the film locations of the award-winning series, 'Game of Thrones.'

**VIP** Meet master jewellers, Matija and Giorgio Vierda, who use traditional goldsmith techniques. Their family's historic pieces are amongst the country's most treasured possessions.

**Explore Dubrovnik Your Way**

Choose between many of the city's famous sites such as the Dubrovnik City Walls with your included pass. As the sun sets, embark on a dazzling cruise around the fabled bay. **(B)**

**DAY 3 • RELAXED START****GLAMOROUS TIVAT AND A LOCAL WINERY.**

Enjoy a relaxed start before travelling to the diverse and tiny nation of Montenegro. Flanked by mountains and a stunning coastline, Montenegro is a melting pot of exotic cultures, warm people and spectacular scenery.

**At a local winery, meet the vintner and taste some of the region's famed red wines. Complete your visit with a late lunch of delicious Farm-to-Table fare.**

Arrive at Tivat, a glamorous seaside village characterised by super-yachts and sunshine. **(B) (LW)**

**Regent Porto Montenegro, Tivat.**  
Traditional |

**DAY 4****DAY TRIP TO ROMANTIC KOTOR.**

Journey to the enchanting bayside town of Kotor and walk through the romantic Old Town with a Local Expert, exploring ancient alleyways and passing chic boutiques. Continue along the bay to Perast, where you will take a boat to Our Lady of the Rocks, and discover the legend behind this island.

**Gather this evening for a delicious dinner in a local restaurant by the sea. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 5 • RELAXED START****DAY AT LEISURE IN TIVAT.**

Considered the best five-star hotel in Montenegro, the Regent Porto Montenegro is the ideal base for your day at leisure. Perhaps treat yourself to a massage at the hotel's award-winning spa, appreciate the views of the glitzy marina from the pool, or walk along Boka Bay, the largest natural harbour in the eastern Mediterranean and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. **(B)**

**DAY 6****FRESH OYSTERS IN STON, MEDITERRANEAN OLIVE OIL TASTING AND ON TO SPLIT.**

Stop along the beautiful Adriatic coastline for an unforgettable culinary experience in the picturesque fishing village of Ston.

**Set sail for the floating oyster beds of the Adriatic. Savour a mouthful of fresh oysters straight from the sea, served with freshly squeezed lemon and a chilled glass of local wine.**

**Return to the shore to visit the family-owned Franković olive oil mill. Learn the traditional methods of cultivating olive groves, here you will enjoy lunch featuring seasonal ingredients.**

Arrive in Split and enjoy the evening at your leisure. **(B) (LW)**

**Briig Hotel, Split.**  
Boutique |

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**DAY 7 SEASIDE SPLIT.**

Split beautifully blends antiquity with modernity. Join your Local Expert for a visit to the vast UNESCO World Heritage site of Diocletian's Palace, built more than 1,700 years ago for the Roman Emperor. Stroll the labyrinthine streets and arcaded squares to see St. Dujе's, originally Diocletian's Mausoleum; The Temple of Jupiter which, today, is a baptisery; the Golden Gate and dozens of perfectly preserved Roman era buildings. (B)

**DAY 8 ON TO PETRČANE.**

Relax and take in the views as you travel north along the Dalmatian coast to reach the small fishing village of Petrčane. With the rest of the day at your leisure, why not stroll along the beautiful beaches and admire the crystal clear waters?

In the evening enjoy a tasty meal accompanied with wine as, you gaze out over the bay. (B) (DW)

Falkensteiner Hotel & Spa Iadera, Petrčane.  
Contemporary |

**DAY 9 • RELAXED START PETRČANE AND ZADAR.**

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast and the chance to make the most of the hotel's facilities this morning. Venture to the beautiful city of Zadar with your Local Expert and learn the fascinating history and rich cultural heritage. Take a moment to experience the sounds of the surrounding ocean when you visit the unique Sea Organ, where no song is ever the same, as the water is always changing. (B)

**DAY 10 PLITVICE LAKES AND ON TO ZAGREB.**

Visit one of Europe's great natural wonders and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Plitvice Lakes National Park. Travel by boat and foot as you follow your Local Expert through the blue-green beauty to reach Korana Canyon. See the 70-metre-high falls and enjoy panoramic vistas of the park. Your journey continues to Zagreb where you're free to spend the evening at your leisure. (B)

Esplanade Zagreb Hotel.  
Heritage |

**DAY 11 ZAGREB.**

Croatia's alluring capital city, Zagreb, blends theatre, art, medieval history and trendy cafés with an abundance of outdoor splendours, including Mount Medvednica. With a Local Expert, explore the historical Mirogoj Cemetery, one of Zagreb's most scenic landmarks. Appreciate the grandeur, green spaces and historic squares of lower town, before embarking on a funicular ride to the historic upper town with its network of alleyways and see the colourful tiled roof of Saint Mark's, Lotrščak Tower and the stone gate.

In the evening join your Travelling Concierge and travel companions for a Celebration Dinner of seasonal produce at Pod Zidom, one of the city's best restaurants. (B) (DW)

**DAY 12 DEPART ZAGREB.**

After breakfast, bid farewell to your fellow travellers and transfer to Zagreb Airport for your onward journey. (B)

# REMARKABLE RUSSIA

WITH TRANS-SIBERIAN EXPRESS OPTION



Winter Palace, St Petersburg



## 8 or 22 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

Decadence and ornate beauty await you in Russia, the world's largest country. Delve into its fascinating history and colourful culture as you explore old-world St. Petersburg and cosmopolitan Moscow. From taking a trip to the Grand Kremlin Palace's Royal Apartments, where you will learn more about the fascinating history of Russia's tsars, to uncovering the secrets of Moscow's beautiful metro and its elegant architecture, you are sure to be impressed.

MAXIMUM  
24 GUESTS

### VIP EXPERIENCES

#### ST. PETERSBURG:

The Palace of the tsars opens exclusively to you for a private, after-hours visit. Enjoy the regal ambience as you explore the treasures of the Hermitage Museum with an art historian.

#### MOSCOW:

Delve into the fascinating history of Moscow by heading to a lecture by a local historian on the KGB, the main spy agency of the former Soviet Union.

#### MOSCOW:

Famous for its opera and ballet performances, you'll head to the Bolshoi Theatre, where you'll receive a behind-the-scenes tour of the venue.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### ST. PETERSBURG:

Journey to Peterhof Palace in style, onboard a hydrofoil boat ride. Explore the beautiful palace and gardens, known as Russia's Versailles, with a Local Expert

#### MOSCOW:

The Moscow Metro is figuratively and literally, the beating heart of the city and recognised as one of the most beautiful in the world.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

#### ST. PETERSBURG:

Discover the character of Russian cuisine at Tsar restaurant and taste exquisite dishes with charm and tradition.

### LUXURY HOTELS

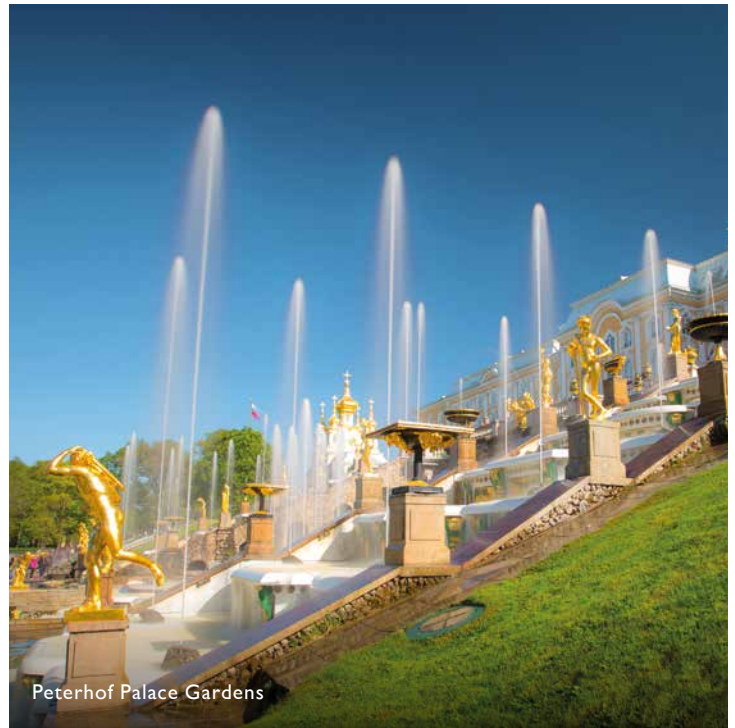
#### ST. PETERSBURG:

The Grand Hotel Europe is a luxurious, five-star hotel ideally located adjacent to Arts Square. Indulge in its ornate interiors, elegant furnishings and decadent restaurants.

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Trans-Siberian Lounge Car



Peterhof Palace Gardens

**DAY 1****WELCOME TO ST. PETERSBURG.**

Welcome to St. Petersburg, where decadence and modernity meet. Once you have arrived at Pulkovo Airport, a transfer will take you to your luxurious accommodation, the Grand Hotel Europe. This cultural and culinary landmark is situated in the heart of Russia's iconic port city. Positioned adjacent to Arts Square and in the heart of the city's architectural treasures, the hotel is an ode to the country's unique appreciation of the arts.



**At 19:00, join your Travelling Concierge for your Welcome dinner at a local restaurant. Get to know your fellow travellers over your first taste of Russian cuisine.**

Later you'll set off on a private sunset cruise as you take in Russia's White Nights. A unique natural phenomenon caused by St. Petersburg's geographical location, the sky remains bright after midnight. **(DW)**



**Grand Hotel Europe, St. Petersburg. Heritage |**

**DAY 2****HIGHLIGHTS OF ST. PETERSBURG.**

Delve into St. Petersburg's religious history, with a trip to Saint Peter and Paul Cathedral. Once a prison, but currently used as a museum, this wonderfully ornate building was designed by Domenico Trezzini in the 18th century. Continue your exploration of the city with your Travelling Concierge before enjoying some free time for lunch and shopping. Why not head back to your hotel for a relaxing evening? It offers a therapeutic sauna, plunge pool and beauty salon for its guests. **(B)**

**DAY 3 • RELAXED START**  
**ORNATE RUSSIA.**

In the morning, visit the Church of our Savior on the Spilled Blood, where Tsar Alexander II was fatally wounded in 1881. The Church of the Resurrection provides a stark (some would say jarring) contrast to its surroundings of Baroque, Classical and Modernist architecture. Next, move on to the Fabergé Museum, where you'll find the imperial Easter eggs created for the last two Russian tsars, along with the museum's striking collection of other decorative pieces. These creations are inextricably linked to the glory and tragic fate of the last Romanov family.



In the evening, you'll head to the esteemed Hermitage Museum after hours, where you'll explore the venue with your Local Expert. Founded in 1764, the collection of the State Hermitage includes over three million works of art and world culture artefacts. **(B)**

**DAY 4 • RELAXED START****RUSSIAN VERSAILLES.**

Prepare for your visit to Peterhof Palace in style, with a hydrofoil boat ride to the Russian Versailles. After 200 years of serving as a grand summer residence of the emperors, Peterhof is inextricably connected with Russian history. The seaside paradise was built as a grand memorial glorifying Russia during the Great Northern War, after conquering the desirable Baltic Sea. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, you'll explore its palaces and gardens filled with spectacular fountains and marble statues.



**Discover the character of Russian cuisine at Tsar restaurant and taste exquisite dishes filled with charm and tradition. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 5 • RELAXED START**  
**JOURNEY TO MOSCOW.**

In the morning, find out more about the history of Matryoshka dolls at a workshop on how the Russian nesting dolls are created. The simplicity and originality of matryoshka dolls attract the fans of Russian folk art from around the world. You'll then begin your journey to Moscow. Relax in modern luxury and business-class comfort as you travel to the founding city of Russia in just a few hours onboard the high-speed Sapsan train. A cultural and political hub, you'll be impressed by its sheer size, as it holds the title of the largest city in Europe.

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**VIP** Head to a lecture by a local historian on  
the KGB, the main spy agency of the former  
Soviet Union.

**🍴** *In the evening you'll enjoy a delicious  
menu of local specialities at your hotel.*  
**(B) (DW)**

**🏨** **Hotel Baltshug Kempinski Moscow.**  
**📶 | Historic**

## DAY 6

## A DAY OF THEATRE.

**VIP** Explore Moscow in all its glory, starting  
with a VIP experience at the Kremlin  
Royal Apartments, Kremlin Armory and  
historic Red Square. Considered a symbol  
of Russian statehood, it is also included in  
the UNESCO World Cultural and Natural  
Heritage sites.

See St. Basil's Cathedral, a vibrant fusion of  
colour and patterns. Make sure you have  
your camera ready for a picture of this  
aesthetic, symbolic Russian construction.  
You'll have free time for lunch – your  
Travelling Concierge can help suggest some  
local dining options.

**VIP** Famous for its opera and ballet  
performances, you'll also head to the  
Bolshoi Theatre where you'll experience an  
exclusive backstage tour of the venue. **(B)**



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**DAY 7**  
**🏠 HIGHLIGHTS OF MOSCOW.**

Learn more about the city on a Moscow  
Metro experience with your Local Expert.  
As well as being one of the most efficient  
underground transit systems in the world,  
the Moscow Metro is also undoubtedly one  
of the most beautiful. With your afternoon  
at leisure, why not delve into more of  
Russia's unique history on a trip to the State  
Historical Museum? Or check out Tretyakov  
Gallery, which houses one of the largest  
collections of Russian art in the world? For  
outdoor enthusiasts, there is the beautiful  
Gorky Park, which holds a number of  
fitness activities in the summer, along with  
screenings at its open-air movie theatre.

**🍴** *In the evening, board your romantic  
dinner cruise, where you'll see this  
beautiful city in a glittering new light.*  
**(B) (DW)**

**DAY 8**  
**👋 FAREWELL MOSCOW.**

It's time to say goodbye to your fellow  
travellers and take a transfer to the airport.  
**(B)**

**TRANS-SIBERIAN EXPRESS #**  
**TRAVEL OPTION**

ACTIVITY LEVEL: LEISURELY

**DAYS 8 - 22**  
**🚂 TRANS-SIBERIAN EXPRESS.**

Spend an evening at the luxe Four  
Seasons hotel, Moscow before  
continuing your journey onboard the  
Golden Eagle Trans-Siberian Express.  
Make your way through the captivating  
Russian countryside. Along the way,  
travel across the beautiful Lake Baikal,  
barbecue on its shores, swim in its  
ice-cold waters and visit a nomadic  
family in a Mongolian village. By the  
time your journey ends you will have  
travelled 6,500 miles through Russia  
and Mongolia. End your travels in  
Vladivostok, a military port home to  
the Russian Navy's Pacific Fleet, before  
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# USA & CANADA



Vermejo Park Ranch





# Embrace the Bounty of Nature

Story by: Jade McBride

I grew up in a small farming community in Idaho, close to Yellowstone National Park, where we had a little cabin. My parents were great hosts, and they would invite friends and relatives to visit frequently, carefully considering their favourite activities and customising an itinerary just for them.

My parents' innate sense of hospitality and the extraordinary experiences that nature offers inspired my career path. When Ted Turner hired me as managing director for Vermejo Park Ranch, it felt like a homecoming, and I hope to spend the rest of my working life here.

Ted Turner, who you may know as the founder of CNN, bought this ranch in his drive for conservation. He intended to raise bison here but soon discovered that the breakdown of the ecosystem had contributed to their decline. He used his vast resources to hire an army of biologists as advisors and a staff of passionate caretakers to bring back the natural balance.

Now, not only do bison thrive on these 550,000 acres, but elk, black bears, bighorn sheep and wild horses do too. It's extraordinary what can be achieved when you have a passion for making a change in the world and the resources to make that happen.

A hunting and fishing destination for 120 years, Vermejo was previously only accessible to select visitors. Ted's idea for opening it as a hospitality venture came about solely from his desire to protect it as a natural reserve. Your patronage directly funds the amazing work here so it can continue for years to come.

At his own insistence, our owner and friend tells everyone to call him Ted, never Mr. Turner. Everything is personal here, which is our philosophy. When you arrive at Vermejo, you're greeted on the driveway like an old friend coming to visit. You will truly feel like you're entering someone's home, and we encourage you to be comfortable here.

Of course, there are some luxurious touches. You will sleep on exquisitely soft cotton and dine on the freshest ingredients, straight from the greenhouse and ranch, served on the finest china (you're visiting Ted's ranch after all). But the true luxury lies with the opportunity to immerse yourself in the beauty of nature and appreciate what's really important, without the daily distractions. ■

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# MAJESTY OF THE ROCKIES

WITH ALASKA CRUISE, ROCKY MOUNTAINEER  
& CALGARY STAMPEDE OPTIONS



**14, 16, or 21 DAYS**

**A taste of  
what's to come**

Take in the majesty of the Rocky Mountains as you travel in luxurious comfort to the most dazzling national parks, glaciers and historic villages of Western Canada. Savour delicious local cuisine in trendy Vancouver and meet passionate Local Experts, as you discover Mother Nature's bounties, from the Rockies to the waters of Alaska.



*On Chairman's Collection departures, join former Olympic alpine skier Rob Boyd for an exclusive reception, scheduled on Day 11. Please see itinerary and the Chairman's Collection box on page 76 for details.*

## VIP EXPERIENCES

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### **WHISTLER:**

Visit the striking Audain Art Museum, known for its unique exhibitions. Join your host for breakfast, after which you'll be taken on a before-hours guided exploration of the museum's private collection, which showcases British Columbia's most celebrated artists.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### **VICTORIA:**

Victoria is one of the oldest cities in the Pacific Northwest and the gem of British Columbia. Explore this Garden City with its historic charm, baroque architecture, colourful squares and lively waterfront.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### **KELOWNA:**

Enjoy a locally-inspired menu with wine pairing from the Okanagan Valley at Quails' Gate, one of the oldest family-owned wineries in Kelowna.

### **VICTORIA:**

Join your Travelling Concierge for a lively, farm-to-table Celebration Dinner at 10 Acres Kitchen.

## LUXURY HOTELS

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### **VANCOUVER:**

Located along the vibrant False Creek waterfront of downtown Vancouver, the DOUGLAS, an Autograph Collection Hotel is close to nature with the excitement of downtown still just steps away.

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Meet Rob Boyd, Champion Skier



## CHAIRMAN'S COLLECTION

Rob Boyd is a man loyal to his home of Whistler in Canada's beautiful Rocky Mountains.

A former Olympic skier and three-time World Cup winner, he has spent his life exploring Whistler's vast natural beauty and is a prominent representative for the great outdoors.


While millions of visitors come to see Canada's Rockies, only you as a Luxury Gold guest will hear stories from this local legend and ski champion.



### DAY 1

#### VIBRANT VANCOUVER.

On arrival at Vancouver International Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your luxury hotel.

 *At 18:00, join your Travelling Concierge for a Welcome Dinner with wine at The Victor. (DW)*

 **The DOUGLAS, Autograph Collection Hotel, Vancouver.**

Contemporary | 

### DAY 2 • RELAXED START


#### VANCOUVER SIGHTSEEING.

This morning experience the best of Vancouver during an exciting sightseeing tour. Head to the Capilano Suspension Bridge Park and appreciate the views. The rest of the day is at your leisure. (B)

### DAY 3

#### ONWARD TO SUN PEAKS.

If you choose, board the optional Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf Service to relive the golden age of rail travel. You will journey from Vancouver with an overnight in Kamloops and rejoin your fellow travellers in Jasper on Day 4. Alternatively, journey by luxury coach through the majestic landscapes of British Columbia and arrive at Sun Peaks, a European-style, pedestrian-only village with breathtaking mountain views. (B)

 **Sun Peaks Grand Hotel (Deluxe Room).**

Traditional | 

### DAY 4

#### MT. ROBSON AND ON TO JASPER.


After breakfast, continue your journey through the stunning Columbia Mountains and stop for a view of Mt. Robson's snow-capped peak before arriving in Jasper National Park. A part of the Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks, it is considered a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The area is studded with rugged mountains, giant hanging glaciers, lakes of exquisite turquoise colours, large green forests, thundering waterfalls and steep canyons. The area is also home to an array of animals and birds, such as elk, bighorn sheep, deer, bear, and moose among many others. (B)

 **The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge.**  
Traditional | 

### DAY 5

#### JASPER NATIONAL PARK AND ICONIC MALIGNE LAKE.

Embark on a narrated cruise on iconic Maligne Lake in the morning (seasonal). Stop at Spirit Island before enjoying a walk at Maligne Canyon. Gain a unique perspective of the beautiful park as you join a Local Expert on an afternoon scenic float trip\* down the Athabasca River.

 *In the evening, enjoy dinner with wine at your lodge. (B) (DW)*

### DAY 6

#### ALONG THE ICEFIELDS PARKWAY.

Travel along the unforgettable Icefields Parkway. At the Icefields Visitor Centre, embark on a specially designed Ice Explorer for a remarkable excursion onto the surface of Athabasca Glacier. With your expert driver guide, step out onto the frosty flow,

formed centuries ago. Later today, you'll arrive at the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise. Enjoy an engaging nature walk while strolling lakeside. Why not upgrade to a Junior Lakeview Suite for stunning views of Lake Louise?

 *For dinner this evening, you have a choice of several restaurants at the resort. (B) (DW)*

 **The Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise (Deluxe Mount Temple Room).**

Heritage | 

### DAY 7 • RELAXED START

#### THE UNSPOILED WILDERNESS OF BANFF NATIONAL PARK.


This morning visit Moraine Lake in the Valley of the Ten Peaks, known for its reflective and bright blue glacial waters. Travel on to Banff National Park and join a private meet-and-greet with a retired Royal Canadian Mounted Policeman. Hear fascinating tales of what it's like to wear the famous red serge uniform. (B)


 **The Fairmont Banff Springs (Fairmont Mountain View Room).**

Heritage | 

### DAY 8 • RELAXED START

#### BANFF SIGHTS AT LEISURE.

 **Explore Banff Your Way** and choose to ride the Banff Gondola or play 9 holes of golf at the Banff Springs Golf Course. Perhaps be tempted by a helicopter flight, soaring above the Rockies? Your Travelling Concierge can assist you with the arrangements.

 *The choice continues at dinner. Decide between a selection of restaurants at the iconic Fairmont Banff Springs. (B) (DW)*

**MAJESTY OF THE ROCKIES**

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- # Calgary Stampede.
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**DAY 9**  
**CANADA'S EXQUISITE NATIONAL PARKS.**

Stop at exquisite Emerald Lake as you make your way to Kelowna. Journey through some of Canada's most breathtaking national parks.

Tonight, visit **Quails' Gate**, a family-owned estate winery for a delicious wine-paired dinner with stunning views over the vineyard and Okanagan Lake. (B) (DW)

**Grand Okanagan Resort, Kelowna.**  
 Traditional |

**DAY 10**  
**FROM THE NAPA VALLEY OF THE NORTH TO WHISTLER.**

Enjoy a thrilling range of landscapes as you travel to Lillooet, a historical town on the road of the old Gold Rush. Drive along the scenic Duffey Lake Road through mountains and forests, offering sublime lake and river views. Keep an eye out for wildlife such as bears or deer as they are often spotted here. Arrive in Whistler, a small alpine village ringed by mountains, forests and valleys. (B)

**Fairmont Chateau Whistler.**  
 Resort |



**DAY 11**  
**EXCLUSIVE AUDAIN ART MUSEUM EXPERIENCE.**

In the morning, head for the striking Audain Art Museum, where you will be greeted by your host for breakfast in the museum, followed by a private, before-hours guided exploration of the private collection focused entirely on British Columbia artists. It also houses one of the best collections of First Nations masks. The rest of the day is yours to do as you please.

**CC** If you are travelling on a Chairman's Collection departure, today you will meet Rob Boyd, former Olympic alpine skier, as he personally welcomes you for a private reception.

Relax and dine at your resort this evening. (B) (DW)

**DAY 12**  
**FROM WHISTLER TO VICTORIA.**

Leave the mountains of Whistler behind and travel along the spectacular Sea-to-Sky Highway. Stop at the beautiful Shannon Falls before ferrying across the Strait of Georgia to Vancouver Island and back on the road to Victoria. (B)

**Hotel Grand Pacific, Victoria (Signature City View Room).**  
 Traditional |

**DAY 13**  
**EXPLORING VICTORIA.**

Begin the day with breakfast served at **Butchart Gardens' Blue Poppy Restaurant.**

Gain access to the grounds before they are open to the general public, then enjoy this designated National Historic Site of Canada. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure.

Tonight, join your **Travelling Concierge** and new friends at a farm-to-table **Celebration Dinner at 10 Acres Kitchen.** This restaurant pledges to serve the best of Vancouver Island; what they do not grow and ethically raise on their own farm, they proudly source from other like-minded farmers and food purveyors. (B) (DW)

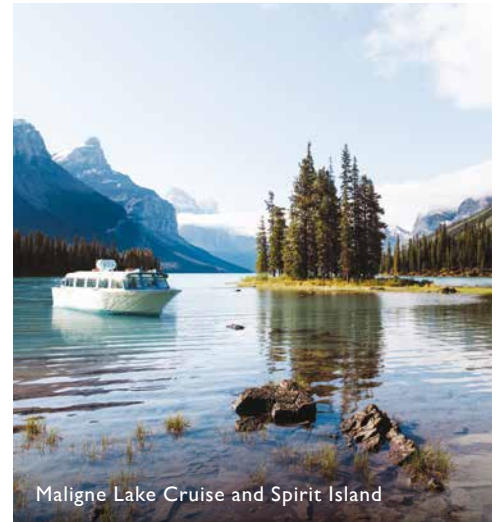
**DAY 14**  
**DEPART VANCOUVER.**

This morning you will board your ferry and relax in the exclusive SeaWest Lounge all the way to the mainland. An included transfer will take you to Vancouver International Airport, arriving at approximately 11:30, the DOUGLAS Hotel for additional nights, or to Canada Place cruise ship terminal for your Alaska cruise. (B)

**Please note:** For activities marked with a ● in the day-by-day itinerary, participation is at your own risk and a signed liability waiver will be required.



Capilano Suspension Bridge



Maligne Lake Cruise and Spirit Island

### ROCKY MOUNTAINEER GOLDLEAF SERVICE

FROM \$8170 P.P. | 14 DAYS | 2 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED



#### DAYS 1 - 2

As per the regular itinerary.

#### DAYS 3 - 4

##### ROCKY MOUNTAINEER.

Enjoy GoldLeaf Service as you journey through lush forests and winding river canyons to Kamloops, where your bags will be waiting in your hotel room (assigned by Rocky Mountaineer). Your magical ride onboard the Rocky Mountaineer continues. Take in dazzling vistas upstairs from the glass-topped dome coach. On arrival in Jasper, you will be transferred to your hotel where your evening is at leisure. **(B) (L)**

**(B) (L)**

**Hotel: The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge.**

Traditional |

#### DAYS 5-14.

Continue on your incredible journey as per the regular itinerary.

### CALGARY STAMPEDE

FROM \$8575 P.P. | 16 DAYS | 2 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED



#### DAYS 1 - 5

Your journey will take place as per regular itinerary.

#### DAYS 6-7

Banff as per regular itinerary.

#### DAYS 8 - 9

##### BANFF TO CALGARY.

Travel to Calgary, your home for the next two nights. Revel in the evening chuckwagon races and live musical entertainment. Take in all the action of the Calgary Stampede and enjoy access to all the events including the world-famous rodeo and fairgrounds. **(B)**

**Hotel: Westin Calgary.**

Contemporary |

#### DAYS 10 - 16

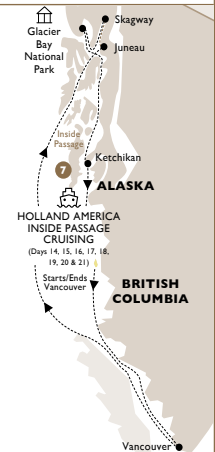
##### CONTINUE YOUR JOURNEY.

Day 10: Calgary - Lake Louise  
Day 11: Your journey continues to Kelowna from Lake Louise as per standard itinerary shown on Day 9.

### ALASKA GLACIER BAY INSIDE PASSAGE CRUISE

FROM \$8850 P.P. | 21 DAYS | 8 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED



#### DAYS 1 - 13

As per the regular itinerary.

#### DAYS 14 - 21

##### YOUR ALASKA CRUISE.

After making your journey with the group from Victoria, you will be transferred to Canada Place where your Alaska cruise begins on the MS Koningsdam. Experience the ever-changing panorama and vast wilderness of Alaska. After disembarking on Day 21, take your transfer to Vancouver International Airport or to the trip hotel if you wish to extend your stay. Airport arrival will be at approximately 9:30. **(B) (L) (D)**

**Hotel: Holland America Line: MS Koningsdam.**

# INDULGENCE IN EASTERN CANADA

WITH CANADA & NEW  
ENGLAND CRUISE OPTION



**8 or 15 DAYS** *A taste of what's to come*

Rich in European architecture and striking natural phenomena, you've made it to eastern Canada. A mix of English and French cultures, indulge in all the elegance this romantic journey has to offer. From the sweeping skylines of Toronto to the thundering thrills of Niagara Falls, you'll be equally inspired by both the natural elements and urban areas of this striking part of the world. Along the way you'll stay at the best hotels, including the Fairmont Château Laurier in Ottawa and Fairmont Le Château Frontenac in Quebec City, both praised for their decadent décor and prime locations.

## VIP EXPERIENCES

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### NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE:

Visit Château des Charmes, where you are welcomed with a limited production rosé sparkling wine, followed by a guided tour of the vineyard, which was founded by a fifth-generation French winemaker. Enjoy a private wine tasting, including ice wine, a rare local specialty.

### QUEBEC:

Visit a secret gem on the Île d'Orléans and indulge in the different flavours of jam made with locally-grown berries. Then enjoy a tasty picnic lunch with cheese, bread and fruit - all produced right on the island. As you eat, take in the views of rolling hills and red-roofed farm houses.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### OTTAWA:

Enjoy an exclusive meeting with a retired Mountie, a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### OTTAWA:

Indulge at Play, Food & Wine – a modern culinary experience that will delight your taste buds with its fresh food using local, sustainable and seasonal products sourced by farmers and foragers.

## LUXURY HOTELS

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### QUEBEC CITY:

The Fairmont Le Château Frontenac will entice you with its magnificent architecture and breathtaking views of the St. Lawrence River and Old Quebec.



Niagara Falls



Château des Charmes

**DAY 1****WELCOME TO TORONTO.**

Welcome to Canada. On arrival at Toronto International Airport, you will be greeted and transferred to your luxury hotel, known for its grand architecture and glamorous atmosphere.



*At 18:00, join your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner with wine. (DW)*



**The Omni King Edward Hotel, Toronto.**

Heritage |

**DAY 2****NIAGARA FALLS UP CLOSE AND TORONTO SIGHTSEEING.**

Discover one of the world's great natural wonders, Niagara Falls, as you enjoy intimate views on a narrated cruise to the base of the falls, before exploring Niagara-on-the-Lake.



Visit Château des Charmes, where you are welcomed with a limited production rosé sparkling wine, followed by a tour and tasting of wines from St. David's Bench Vineyard, accompanied by handmade local ice cream and local fruit.

Back in Toronto, see Ontario's Parliament buildings, Queen's Park and the Royal Ontario Museum. (B)

**DAY 3****KINGSTON AND THE CANADIAN CAPITAL OF OTTAWA.**

Explore Canada's first capital, Kingston and the modern capital of Ottawa. This evening you'll meet a retired member of the renowned Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Hear fascinating tales of what it's like to wear the famous red serge uniform. Later, settle into your landmark hotel, the Fairmont Château Laurier. Reminiscent of a French chateau, this stunning accommodation offers breath-taking views of the St. Lawrence River and Old Quebec. (B)



**Fairmont Château Laurier, Ottawa.**

Heritage |

**DAY 4 • RELAXED START ALL ABOUT OTTAWA.**

**Experience Ottawa Your Way** this afternoon, with your choice of craft beer tasting at Byward Market or a guided tour of the Canadian Museum of History.



*In the evening, you are invited to a farm-to-table Highlight Dinner at Play, Food & Wine. Famous for its fine fresh food, sourced by local farmers and foragers, this restaurant boasts a menu of seasonal favourites including organic meats, fruits and vegetables. (B) (DW)*

**DAY 5****THE OLD WALLED CITY OF QUEBEC.**

Journey to Quebec City, North America's first permanent French settlement and the only walled city in Canada. A Local Expert will take you on an exclusive, behind-the-scenes, tour of the iconic Château Frontenac.



*In the evening, you'll savour a spectacular Dinner with wine at Chez Rioux & Pettigrew. (B) (DW)*



**Fairmont Le Château Frontenac, Quebec City (Deluxe Riverview Room).**

Heritage |

**DAY 6****QUINTESSENTIAL QUEBEC.**

Dive further into Quebec City's history with a Local Expert. See the Citadel of Quebec, Latin Quarter, National Assembly and Place-Royale, as you explore this city's French-Canadian influence.



Visit a secret gem on Île d'Orléans and indulge in the different flavours of jam made with local grown berries.



*Enjoy a tasting lunch picnic with cheese, bread and fruits - all produced right on the island. (B) (L)*

**DAY 7****HISTORIC MONTREAL.**

Explore historic Old Montreal. Visit the dramatic Notre-Dame Basilica to see its glorious stained-glass windows. The rest of the afternoon is free. Perhaps explore Montreal's famous Underground



**INDULGENCE IN EASTERN CANADA**

TRIP CODE: AQEC  
 FROM \$3450 P.P. | 8 OR 15 DAYS | 7 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

**START DATES**

2021

MAY 15	AUG 07
JUN 05, 12 ▼, 19	SEP 04, 11 ▼, 18, 25
JUL 03, 10, 17	OCT 02

15 DAYS VISTA SUITE - TRIP CODE: AQECV

2021

MAY 15	AUG 07
JUN 05, 12 ▼, 19	SEP 04, 11 ▼, 18, 25
JUL 03, 10	

15 DAYS NEPTUNE SUITE - TRIP CODE: AQECN

2021

MAY 15	AUG 07
JUN 05, 12 ▼, 19	SEP 04, 11 ▼, 18, 25
JUL 03, 10	

**SPECIAL DEPARTURES**

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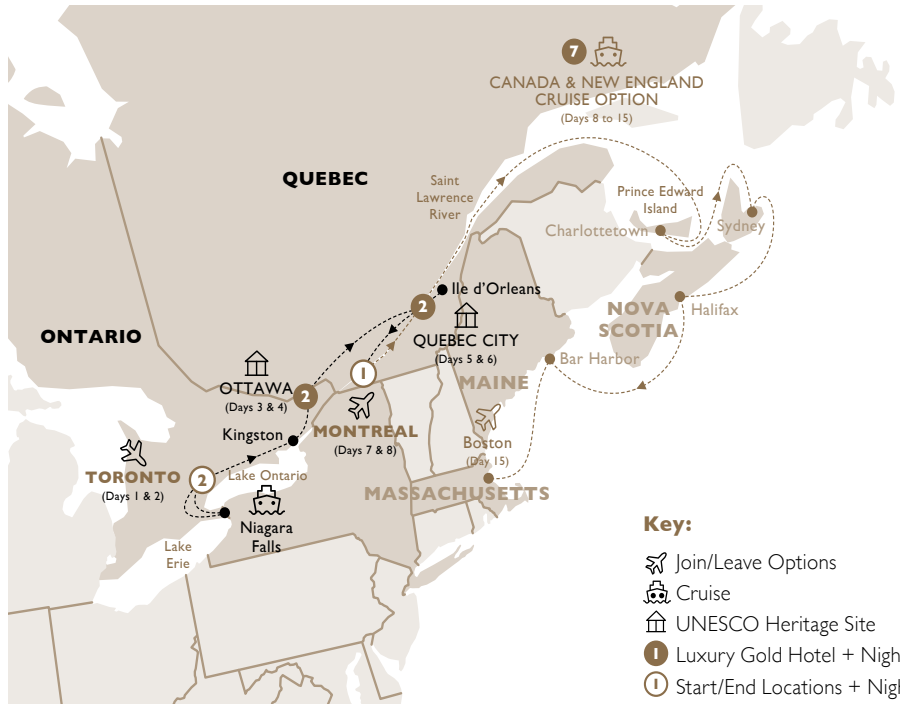
City or visit the famous Marche Jean Talon, Montreal's farmers market.

Spend the evening at **Gibbys**, a restaurant full of old-world charm, housed in a 200-year-old building in Old Montreal. Savour French-inspired cuisine as you bid 'au revoir' to your Travelling Concierge and new friends. (B) (DW)

**Fairmont The Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal.**  
 Contemporary |

**DAY 8**

**DEPART MONTREAL.**  
 Your trip ends in the morning and a departure transfer to Montreal International Airport is provided. Those embarking on the Holland America Line cruise for a voyage along the St. Lawrence River, the Canadian Maritimes and the New England



**Key:**

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- UNESCO Heritage Site
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights

Coast will enjoy a morning at leisure before boarding the ship in the afternoon. Dinner will be served onboard for those on the cruise. (B) (D)

**Holland America Line - MS Zaandam or MS Amsterdam.**

**DAY 9 • RELAXED START**

**QUEBEC CITY.**  
 Continue on to Quebec City. Set atop sheer cliffs and with a strong French influence both in its culture and architecture, this elegant city comes with plenty of charm. Take the funicular steps down to the Lower Town where you'll see Notre Dame des Victoires, the Petit Champlain district and the port. (B) (L) (D)

**DAY 10 • RELAXED START**

**THE GULF OF SAINT LAWRENCE.**  
 The Gulf of Saint Lawrence fringes the shores of half the provinces of Canada and is defined by stunning coastline and beautiful islands, including Prince Edward Island and the Magdalen Islands. (B) (L) (D)

**DAY 11 • RELAXED START**

**PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.**  
 Call in at Charlottetown where red double-decker buses motor along streets lined with regal Victorian houses. This picturesque city is perfect for walks along the harbour and taking a moment at one of its many coffee shops. (B) (L) (D)

**DAY 12 • RELAXED START SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA.**

Cruise past the Highlands of Nova Scotia to the port of Sydney, where lighthouses stand on cliff-side ledges and tiny villages huddle in rocky inlets. (B) (L) (D)

**DAY 13 • RELAXED START HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA.**

Today you'll head to Halifax, a maritime destination which offers a perfect mix of sea breezes and cultural charm. The ramparts of the citadel defending the city await you here. (B) (L) (D)

**DAY 14 • RELAXED START BAR HARBOR, MAINE.**

Continue south to Bar Harbor, a quintessential New England coastal town on Mount Desert Island that serves as the gateway to Acadia National Park. This retreat for outdoorsy types offers freshwater lakes, rugged clifftops, forests and striking mountains. (B) (L) (D)

**DAY 15 DISEMBARK IN BOSTON.**

Time permitting, explore Boston, before transferring to Boston Logan International Airport, or head to the trip hotel if you are extending your stay. Airport arrival will be at approximately 10:30. (B)

# THE SUMPTUOUS SOUL OF AMERICA

Join us for a toe-tapping trip of rock, jazz and country music, as you delve into the sumptuous soul of America.

On Chairman's Collection departures, meet either Charlie McCoy or Brenda Lee, renowned Hall of Fame musicians, scheduled on Day 7 of The Sumptuous Soul of America. See journey planner box for details.



St. Louis Arch

## VIP EXPERIENCES

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### NASHVILLE:

Visit the Country Music Hall of Fame and get a private, behind-the-scenes look at the songwriting process with a local songwriter and singer.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### NASHVILLE:

Join the ranks of superstar musicians and record a song at legendary Studio B. Take home the recording as a truly unique souvenir.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### NATCHEZ:

Learn to make the signature drink of the South, the Mint Julep, before an elegant, four-course Southern dinner at the Monmouth Historic Inn and Gardens.

## LUXURY HOTELS

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### MEMPHIS:

The Peabody Memphis is a historic, luxury hotel located in downtown Memphis, just blocks away from the world-famous Beale Street entertainment district.

Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary

### DAY 1

CHICAGO, JEWEL OF THE MIDWEST.  
Welcome to Chicago.

Join your Travelling Concierge for a scrumptious Welcome Dinner. (DW)

Fairmont Chicago Millennium Park.  
Contemporary |

### DAY 2

SCALING CHICAGO.  
Enjoy an architectural river cruise and the 360 Chicago Observation Deck.

Enjoy a Highlight Dinner with wine at a local restaurant. (B) (DW)

### DAY 3

ST. LOUIS, GATEWAY TO THE WEST.  
Take an exclusive guided tour of The Fabulous Fox Theatre in St. Louis. (B)

Hotel Saint Louis, Autograph Collection.  
Contemporary |

### DAY 4

ST. LOUIS ARCH TO LOUISVILLE.  
Visit the top of the St. Louis Gateway Arch.  
 Enjoy a dinner with wine at English Grill. (B) (DW)

The Brown Hotel, Louisville.  
Heritage |

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**THE SUMPTUOUS SOUL OF AMERICA**

TRIP CODE: ARAF

FROM \$6550 P.P. | 14 DAYS | 4 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

START DATES

2021

APR 04 SEP 05 **CC**, 19

MAY 09 OCT 03

JUN 27 ▼

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- Start/End Locations + Nights

**DAY 5**  
SPIRIT OF KENTUCKY.

Take a private tour of a Kentucky Thoroughbred retirement farm. Later enjoy a private tour and bourbon tasting at Lux Row Distillers. **(B)**

**DAY 6**  
HIGHWAY TO NASHVILLE.

Take a guided walking tour of Churchill Downs, followed by a private visit to the Kentucky Derby Museum with a retired jockey. Next, discover the history behind one of America's favourite sports cars at the National Corvette Museum, where you'll have lunch. **(B) (L) (DW)**

JW Marriott Nashville. Contemporary |

**DAY 7**  
NASHVILLE'S MUSICAL HISTORY.

Tour historic Studio B with a professional sound engineer. Head on to the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum and join your Local Expert, a songwriter and singer. End your day with a trip to the Grand Ole Opry for a live performance. **(B)**

**CC** If you are on a Chairman's Collection departure, today you will meet a Hall of Fame musician, either Charlie McCoy or Brenda Lee.

**DAY 8 · RELAXED START**  
MEMPHIS AND GRACELAND.

The evening is devoted to a private, after-hours, and docent-led tour of Graceland. Enjoy a memorable dinner with wine inside the Presley Motors Automobile Museum. **(B) (DW)** The Peabody Memphis. Historic |

**DAY 9 · RELAXED START**  
THE BEST OF MEMPHIS.

Sun Studio is known worldwide as 'The Birthplace of Rock 'N' Roll'. Learn about Memphis' history and culture through the music that made this city famous. Experience Memphis Your Way by visiting the Memphis Rock 'n' Soul Museum or the National Civil Rights Museum. **(B)**

**DAY 10**  
MISSISSIPPI MYSTIQUE IN NATCHEZ.

Experience a private tour of an Antebellum mansion. Learn the 'science' behind the signature Mint Julep during a mixology class. Enjoy a three-course Highlight Dinner. **(B) (DW)** Monmouth Historic Inn and Gardens, Natchez. Heritage |

**DAY 11**  
FROGMORE, HOUMAS HOUSE, AND NEW ORLEANS.

Tour Frogmore Plantation with costumed hosts. Visit Houmas House plantation. Learn about Creole cuisine during your cooking demonstration followed by a Highlight Dinner. **(B) (DW)** Windsor Court Hotel, New Orleans. Traditional |

**DAY 12 · RELAXED START**  
NEW ORLEANS SIGHTSEEING.

Join a Local Expert for a tour of the city. **(B)**

**DAY 13 · RELAXED START**  
EXPLORING THE BIG EASY. Board a boat with a bayou expert. Gather at the famous Arnaud's for a Celebration Dinner featuring live jazz. **(B) (DW)**

**DAY 14**  
DEPART NEW ORLEANS. Bid 'au revoir' to the Big Easy this morning. **(B)**

# SOUTHERN GRACE

Step into the heartland of soul music, as you travel from Nashville through Memphis on to New Orleans. Along the way, you'll meet local singer-songwriters, taste the region's renowned cuisine and experience Southern hospitality at its best.



On Chairman's Collection departures, join Grammy-winning musicians Charlie McCoy or Brenda Lee in Nashville, scheduled on Day 2. Please see itinerary and the Chairman's Collection box on page 87 for details.



Kentucky Thoroughbred Farm

## VIP EXPERIENCES

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### NASHVILLE:

Visit the Country Music Hall of Fame and get a private behind-the-scenes look at the songwriting process with a local songwriter and singer.

### MEMPHIS:

Take a private, after-hours tour of Graceland before sitting down to a special dinner inside the Presley Motors Automobile Museum.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### NASHVILLE:

Join the ranks of superstar musicians and record a song at legendary Studio B. Take home the recording as a truly unique souvenir.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### NATCHEZ:

Learn to make the signature drink of the South, the mint julep, before an elegant, three-course Southern dinner in the period surroundings of the Monmouth Historic Inn and Gardens.

### NEW ORLEANS:

Discover the flair of Creole cuisine during a cooking demonstration and special Highlight Dinner.

## LUXURY HOTELS

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### NATCHEZ:

The Monmouth Historic Inn and Gardens offers a unique combination of hospitality, world-class service and luxurious surroundings, set in a historic background.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*

## DAY 1



### ARRIVE IN NASHVILLE.

Upon arrival at Nashville International Airport, you will be met and taken to your luxury downtown hotel.



**At 18:00, join your Travelling Concierge for a Welcome Dinner with wine. (DW)**



**JW Marriott Nashville.**  
Contemporary |

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## DAY 2

### NASHVILLE'S MUSICAL HISTORY.

Enjoy a tour of historic Studio B with a professional sound engineer in a 30-minute, choir-style recording session. You'll be able to take home a copy of the recording as a one-of-a-kind souvenir. Head on to the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, full of memorabilia from stars such as Hank Williams, Loretta Lynn and Garth Brooks.



Once there, you'll join your Local Expert, a songwriter and singer, who will tell you the stories behind the biggest hits sung by well-known country music stars. End your day with a trip to the Grand Ole Opry for a live performance. **(B)**



*If you are travelling on a Chairman's Collection departure, you will meet one of two music legends, either Country Hall of Fame musician Charlie McCoy or Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Brenda Lee, for a special introduction to the city's impressive music history.*

## DAY 3 • RELAXED START

### MEMPHIS AND GRACELAND, HOME OF THE KING.

Travel to the birthplace of blues and rock 'n' roll, where your day is at leisure to explore.

**SOUTHERN GRACE**

TRIP CODE: ARNN

FROM \$4595 P.P. | 9 DAYS | 4 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

START DATES

2021

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**SPECIAL DEPARTURES**

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**VIP** The evening is devoted to a private, after hours, and docent led tour of Graceland, the mansion owned by Elvis Presley.

**🍴** *Enjoy a memorable dinner with wine inside the Presley Motors Automobile Museum. (B) (DW)*

**🏠** The Peabody Memphis. Heritage | 📶

**DAY 4 • RELAXED START**

**THE BEST OF MEMPHIS.**

Sun Studio is known worldwide as 'the birthplace of rock 'n' roll.' Learn about Memphis' history and culture through the music that made this city famous.

**👤** **Experience Memphis Your Way** by visiting the National Civil Rights Museum or the Memphis Rock 'n' Soul Museum. **(B)**

**DAY 5**

**MISSISSIPPI MYSTIQUE IN NATCHEZ.**

Depart Memphis for Natchez, where you'll arrive for your stay at a well-preserved National Historic Landmark, the antebellum-era Monmouth Historic Inn. Many historic homes dot the landscapes of the American South and your visit here offers the opportunity to learn about their past.

**🍴** *Learn the science behind the signature mint julep during a mixology class before enjoying a delectable three-course Highlight Dinner with wine. (B) (DW)*

**🏠** Monmouth Historic Inn and Gardens, Natchez. Heritage | 📶



**Key:**

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**DAY 6**

**FROGMORE, HOUMAS HOUSE, AND NEW ORLEANS.**

Tour Frogmore Plantation and Gins with your costumed hosts to learn about the history of planters and slaves. See a Smithsonian quality steam cotton gin and compare with modern day methods.

Next, visit Houmas House plantation, which was once part of the largest sugar empire in the South.

**🍴** *In New Orleans, learn about Creole cuisine during your cooking demonstration followed by a Highlight Dinner. (B) (DW)*

**🏠** Windsor Court Hotel, New Orleans. Traditional | 📶

**DAY 7 • RELAXED START**

**NEW ORLEANS SIGHTSEEING.**

Join a Local Expert for a tour of the city and visit one of the city's famous above ground cemeteries. The rest of the day is yours to do as you please. **(B)**

**DAY 8 • RELAXED START**

**EXPLORING THE BIG EASY.**

Board a boat with a bayou expert to meet the resident alligators and other wildlife.

**🍴** *With live jazz as your backdrop, gather at the famous New Orleans restaurant Arnaud's with your new friends for a Celebration Dinner. (B) (DW)*

**DAY 9**

**DEPART NEW ORLEANS.**

Bid 'au revoir' to the Big Easy in the morning. A complimentary transfer is provided to Louis Armstrong Airport. **(B)**



Meet either Charlie McCoy or Brenda Lee

**CHAIRMAN'S COLLECTION**

What better way to discover Music City than alongside one of the stars who contributed to its legacy?

Charlie McCoy, a Country Music Hall of Fame musician and Grammy-winning artist, has collaborated with famous musicians like Elvis Presley Bob Dylan and Loretta Lynn.

Brenda Lee is the recipient of a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award for her contribution to music, being the top-charting solo female vocalist of the 1960s.



Only as a Luxury Gold guest will you meet one of these legendary locals during your visit to Nashville.

# VIBRANT QUEBEC & NEW ENGLAND

Delve into the colourful, scenic roads and spectacular fall foliage of Canada and the USA on this dazzling trip, that takes you from eclectic Montreal, along the famous Kancamagus Highway and on to revolutionary Boston. Meet knowledgeable locals such as two jam-making islanders on Île d'Orléans and stay at the most sought-after addresses – the four-diamond Omni Mount Washington Resort in Bretton Woods, New Hampshire is in the heart of vibrant, colour-changing forest and the White Mountains. Enjoy a selection of exclusive VIP Experiences, such as learning about the world of Champagne at Le Vignoble Le Cep d'Argent.



Bretton Woods

## VIP EXPERIENCES

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### QUEBEC:

Indulge in the world of Champagne in the Eastern Townships. Learn about the historic controversy of differentiating Champagne from sparkling wine at Vignoble Le Cep d'Argent.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### NEW HAMPSHIRE:

Travel along the panoramic Kancamagus Highway, a 34.5 mile American Scenic Byway that is well known as one of the best areas in the country for viewing fall foliage.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### QUEBEC:

Sit down to a hearty lunch and learn about the cheese and cider produced by the Benedictine monks of Abbaye De St-Benoit-Du-Lac.

## LUXURY HOTELS

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### BRETTON WOODS:

A favourite New England retreat of presidents, poets and celebrities, the Omni Mount Washington Resort features Spanish Renaissance architecture and luxurious accommodations with endless outdoor activities in the heart of the Bretton Woods. This grand resort welcomes you with award-winning dining and abundant amenities, such as a classic Donald Ross-designed golf course and signature spa, guaranteeing a fabulous stay.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*

## DAY 1



### WELCOME TO MONTREAL.

On arrival at Montréal-Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport, take a transfer to your luxury hotel.



**Meet your fellow travellers and Travelling Concierge at 18:00 for a Welcome Dinner in the evening. (DW)**



Fairmont The Queen Elizabeth, Montreal. Contemporary |

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## DAY 2 • RELAXED START HIGHLIGHTS OF MONTREAL.

Stroll through the historic cobblestone streets of Old Montreal and the Old Port with a Local Expert. Visit Notre Dame Basilica, renowned for its splendid interior and ornamentation. Drive through Montreal's modern downtown and end at Parc du Mont-Royal for spectacular city views. The afternoon and evening are free to enjoy as you please. **(B)**

## DAY 3

### ONWARD TO QUEBEC CITY.

Depart Montreal for one of the oldest European cities in North America, Quebec City. Soak up the lively and unique French Canadian culture and enjoy the 400-year history you'll find within its ramparts. Visit the iconic Fairmont Le Château Frontenac, where you will learn about its history and go behind-the-scenes to places closed to the public. The evening is yours to do as you please. **(B)**



Fairmont Le Château Frontenac, Quebec City (Deluxe Riverview Room).

Traditional |

VIBRANT QUEBEC & NEW ENGLAND

TRIP CODE: AFAL

FROM \$4650 P.P. | 9 DAYS | 2 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

START DATES

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DAY 4

QUINTESSENTIAL QUEBEC.

After breakfast, take a guided walking tour of Old Quebec and the city's Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

**VIP** Next, make your way to your VIP experience on Île d'Orléans at Confiturerie Tigidou, a local artisan jam workshop. Learn more about the delicious jams and life on the island.

**🍴🍷** Indulge in a delicious picnic lunch filled with flavoursome goodies. (B) (L)

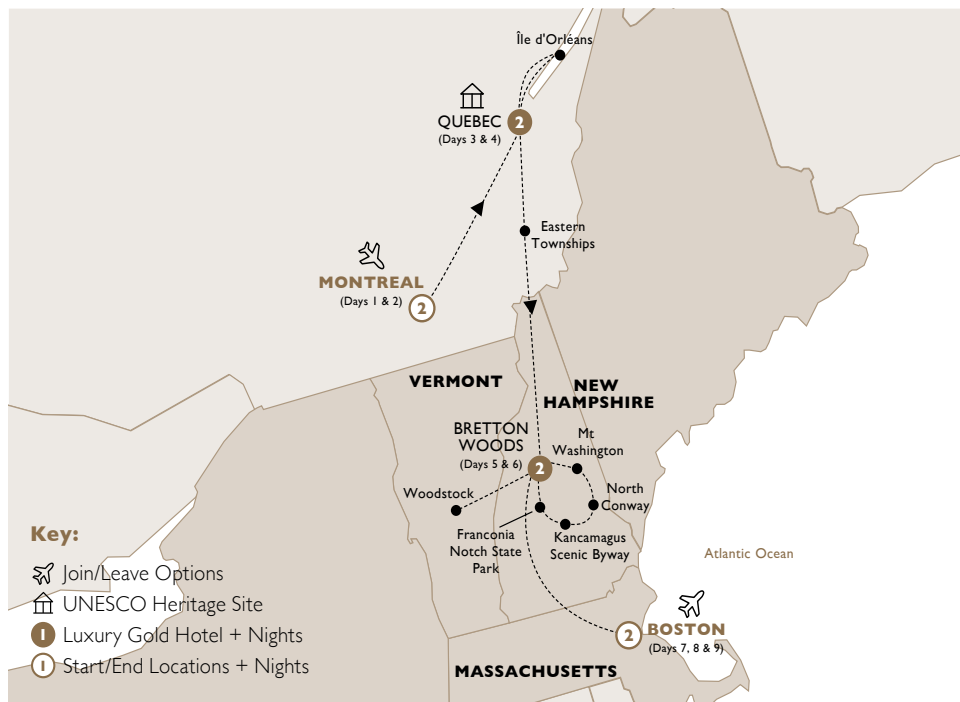
DAY 5

QUEBEC CITY TO BRETTON WOODS.

Journey to the Abbaye De Saint-Benoit-Du-Lac in the bucolic region of the Eastern Townships for a private guided tour.

**🍴🍷** Sit down to a hearty lunch and learn about the cheese and cider produced by the monks.

**VIP** Move on to the Eastern Townships where you'll indulge in the world of Champagne at Le Vignoble Le Cep d'Argent and even learn how to sabre a bottle of sparkling wine. Cross the US border and arrive in Bretton Woods, New Hampshire.



Key:

- Join/Leave Options
- UNESCO Heritage Site
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights

**🍴🍷** After settling in at your beautiful mountain resort, indulge in a dinner with wine this evening. (B) (L) (DW)

**🚗** Omni Mount Washington Resort, Bretton Woods.  
Resort |

DAY 6 • RELAXED START

WHITE MOUNTAINS SIGHTSEEING.

Journey to the summit of Mount Washington via the Cog Railway. Once there, take in the summit and head to the Sherman Visitor Center. Take time for lunch on your own in North Conway before exploring the Village. Travel along the famous Kancamagus Highway. This 34.5-mile scenic drive in Northern New Hampshire is known as one of the best viewing areas to experience the magnificent orange hues of America's fall in all its glory. Now a designated American Scenic Byway, take in its beauty from the comfort of your luxury coach, as you cut through the White Mountain National Forest. (B)

DAY 7

FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE TO COLONIAL BOSTON.

Depart the vibrant forests of New Hampshire and stop in Portsmouth, a picturesque historic seaport on the Piscataqua River. Next, make your way to Massachusetts and the town of Salem, known for the witch trials of 1692. Enjoy lunch on your own here before travelling on to Boston to discover its revolutionary spirit. (B)

**🚗** Hotel Fairmont Copley Plaza, Boston.  
Historic |

DAY 8

BOSTON AND CAMBRIDGE SIGHTSEEING.

Explore Boston with your Travelling Concierge this morning and discover this city's incredible past and present. See the red-brick Freedom Trail and famous landmarks that shaped the nation. Visit Cambridge this afternoon, also known as "the most innovative square mile on the planet" thanks to many successful businesses that got their start here. Home to famous Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), there is plenty to see and do here.

**🍴🍷** After a full day of exploration, join your new friends and Travelling Concierge for a delightful Celebration Dinner. (B) (DW)

DAY 9

DEPART BOSTON.

Your colourful fall foliage trip ends this morning and a departure transfer to Boston Logan International Airport is provided. (B)

# RESORTS & RANCHES OF COLORADO & NEW MEXICO

Casa Grande, Vermejo Park Ranch





**9 DAYS**

*A taste of what's to come*

Prepare for a scenic adventure that truly reconnects you with nature, as you make your way from Colorado to Vermejo Park Ranch and New Mexico. Along the way, stop at the United States Air Force Academy, witness Garden of the Gods and take a scenic ride to Pikes Peak. Take in the ranch's spectacular natural surroundings and perhaps go horseback riding, hiking or fishing with your fellow travellers. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of Taos Pueblo and delve into New Mexico's Native cultures at this National Historic Landmark before getting to know the distinctive "City Different" of Santa Fe.

## VIP EXPERIENCES

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### **VERMEJO PARK RANCH:**

Enjoy the world-class service and luxurious surroundings of this historic 590,000 acre ranch. The 1900s grandeur, spectacular natural environment, conservation efforts and endless unique activities make for a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### **COLORADO SPRINGS:**

Explore Garden of the Gods Park, a registered National Natural Landmark. Imagine dramatic views, towering sandstone rock formations against a backdrop of snow-capped Pikes Peak.

### **MANITOU SPRINGS:**

Enjoy a thrilling ride aboard the restored Pikes Peak Cog Railway, the highest in the world. Wind past waterfalls, through aspen and pine forest while affording the best views of Pikes Peak and Colorado Springs.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### **SANTA FE:**

Your Celebration Dinner at the James Beard award-winning The Compound restaurant will introduce you to a rich heritage and a menu full of regional influences.

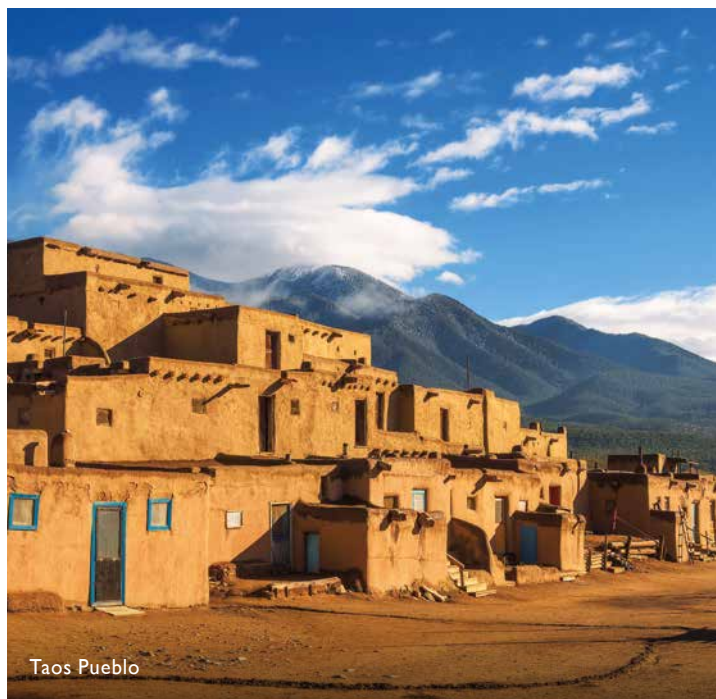
## LUXURY HOTELS

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### **COLORADO SPRINGS:**

Since first opening over a century ago, the Five Diamond Broadmoor luxury resort is the perfect nature getaway and Colorado's most famous address.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Taos Pueblo



Elk at Vermejo Park Ranch near Pueblo

**DAY 1****✈️ ARRIVE IN DENVER.**

Welcome to Denver, the gateway to the Rocky Mountains. On arrival, your private transfer will take you to your AAA Four Diamond hotel, where you can relax and freshen up, before meeting your Travelling Concierge and fellow guests at 18:00.

**🍴 End the day with a private Welcome Reception at Courier Market Bar Kitchen. (DW)**

**🏠 Grand Hyatt Denver.**  
Contemporary | 📶

**DAY 2 • RELAXED START ON TO COLORADO SPRINGS.**

On the way to Colorado Springs, stop at the United States Air Force Academy and get a glimpse into the life of a United States Air Force Academy cadet. Visit Garden of the Gods, a National Natural Landmark and public park, which consists of 1300 sandstone formations. Imagine dramatic views, 300' towering sandstone rock formations against a backdrop of snow-capped Pikes Peak and brilliant blue skies. Then, join a Local Expert for a private guided exploration. Your evening is at leisure. **(B)**

**🏠 The Broadmoor, Colorado Springs.**  
Resort | 📶

**DAY 3 • RELAXED START****PIKES PEAK COG RAILWAY.**

Head over to Pikes Peak Cog Railway for a thrilling scenic ride aboard this just-restored iconic attraction. In the afternoon, choose to pursue your own interests at the resort or head to the United States Olympic and Paralympic Museum where you'll participate in an exclusive, behind-the-scenes guided tour by athletes in training. Learn about what it takes to train for these iconic games.

**🍴 This evening, choose from 10 different included dining options at the Broadmoor's award-winning restaurants. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 4 • RELAXED START****COLORADO SPRINGS TO VERMEJO PARK RANCH.**

**📌** This afternoon, head to Vermejo Park Ranch. Often referred to as a private national park, stretching across 550,000 acres. The ranch is owned by businessman, environmentalist and founder of CNN, Ted Turner. In the evening, meet your fellow travellers for cocktails in the lounge of the historic Casa Grande. Blending Southwestern accents with 1900s grandeur, you'll feel transported to an elegant 1920s soirée. This historic home boasts a billiards room, renovated chef's kitchen, and conservatory.

**🍴 Move to the main dining room for an à la carte, Southwestern dinner experience. (B) (DW)**

**🏠 Vermejo Park Ranch - A Ted Turner Reserve.**  
Heritage | 📶

**DAY 5 • RELAXED START****EXPLORE VERMEJO PARK RANCH.**

This morning head out for a guided hike and take in the ranch's natural surroundings and wildlife.

**🍴 Relax over lunch with wine in the main dining room.**

Later, test your fly fishing and deep nymphing skills or opt for other available activities.

**🍴 Enjoy a pre-dinner cocktail, before sitting down to a family-style feast at the ranch.** End your evening on the main lawn of the lodge, for a Cinema Under the Stars experience. **(B) (LW) (DW)**

RESORTS AND RANCHES OF  
COLORADO & NEW MEXICO

TRIP CODE: AVER

FROM \$6995 | 9 DAYS | 6 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

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### DAY 6 • RELAXED START ACTIVITIES AT THE RANCH.

For those wanting a mindful morning, opt for a yoga lesson in the courtyard of the lodge. Today, take in Vermejo's diverse landscapes on a guided horseback ride.

🍴 *In the afternoon, enjoy lunch with wine.* Continue your active day with a 3D archery course.

🍴 *In the evening, enjoy cocktails while participating in lawn games, then indulge in one of Chef Giovanni's famous cookouts. (B) (LW) (DW)*

### DAY 7 TAOS AND SANTA FE.

Move on to the town of Taos, New Mexico. On the way, stop at the Old West town of Cimarron. Take a peek at the St. James Hotel, an old outlaw heritage that is said to be haunted. Later, head for Taos Pueblo, a significant UNESCO World Heritage Site and National Historic Landmark. Meet your Local Expert and pueblo resident to learn about its history and about the life of the pueblo's inhabitants.

Then after a brief stop at the San Francisco de Asis Mission Church and a beautiful drive through the historic Embudo Valley you will arrive in Santa Fe. (B)

🚗 **La Fonda on the Plaza, Santa Fe.**  
Historic | 📶

### DAY 8 • RELAXED START EXPLORE SANTA FE.

Santa Fe, also known as the City Different, is designated by UNESCO as a Creative City in both Folk Art and Design categories. Join your Local Expert for a unique Santa Fe experience, combining architecture, history, culture and local treats.

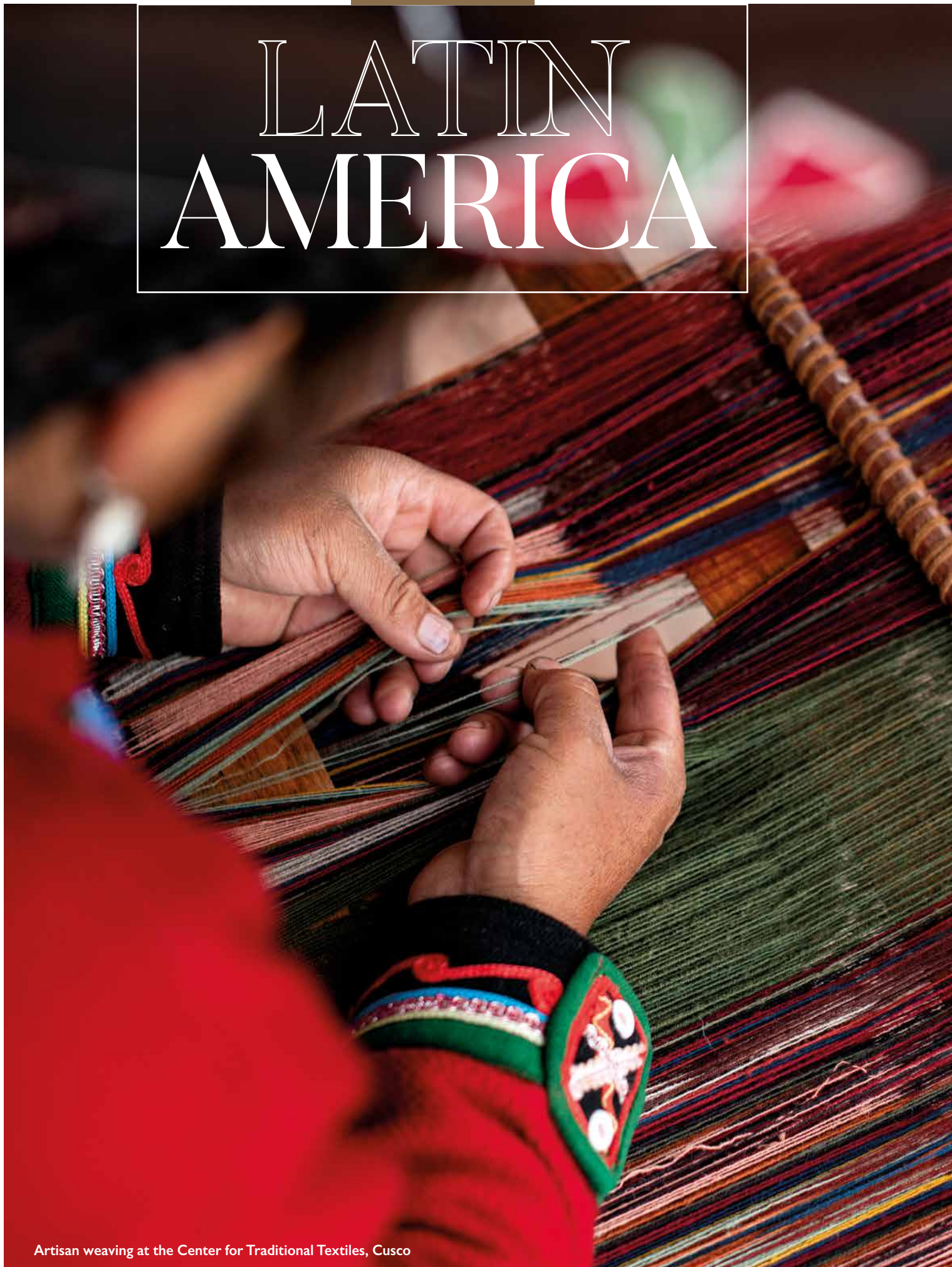
🗝️ This afternoon, **explore Santa Fe Your Way** as you have a choice between three self-guided visits: the Loretto Chapel and its Miraculous Staircase; the Palace of the Governors, an adobe structure designated Registered National Historic Landmark and American Treasure; and the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum, an almost essential experience to appreciate New Mexico.

🍴 *Commemorate your travels with a Celebration Dinner at Mark Kiffin's, James Beard award-winning The Compound restaurant, a corner stone of the culinary landscape in Santa Fe for the past 20 years. (B) (DW)*

### DAY 9 DEPART SANTA FE.

✈️ It's time to say goodbye to your fellow travellers. Take an organised transfer to Albuquerque International Airport, or extend your stay in Santa Fe. (B)

# LATIN AMERICA



Artisan weaving at the Center for Traditional Textiles, Cusco

*Choosing responsible travel companies means that you have already made a difference. You know that your travel dollars are supporting more sustainable travel and aligning with your own values.*



## Support Ancient Cultures Through Sustainable Travel

Story by Shannon Guihan,  
Chief TreadRight and Sustainability Officer, The Travel Corporation

I grew up in Paradise. Yes, that's the name of my hometown in Newfoundland & Labrador, Canada's most eastern province. The tourism industry was beginning to boom when I was in my teens and while it brought jobs and growth into our economy, I quickly saw how destructive it could be – if managed poorly – to such a rugged natural landscape. From my first job as a sea kayaking guide, I wanted people to see that tourism doesn't own a place, but it should bear responsibility to it. I wanted travellers to treat my home as they would their own.

That first job left an impact, and so I carried on to earn a master's degree in Tourism and Environmental Management, seeking to understand how a place becomes a destination. I spent the next 10 years working for multiple tour operators and a hotel realty consultancy, always with a focus on destination health and resiliency. Eventually TTC became a client of mine, and I was impressed by their commitment to change.

### A Commitment to Sustainability

TTC appointed me as chief sustainability officer, and we've focused on ensuring that our three major pillars, designed to Make Travel Matter, are integrated into our organisation.

These three pillars are the Planet, People and Wildlife and they guide our business's sustainability efforts as well as the priorities of our TreadRight Foundation. To date, we've partnered with more than 55 projects across the world in local communities and critical areas. You can find inspiration daily when you hear about the great work being carried out, from Wildlife SOS in India, which advocates against the cruel practice of riding elephants, to Proyecto Tití in Colombia, which protects the endangered cotton-top tamarin.

When you travel with Luxury Gold, you have the opportunity to be part of this too. You can meet with the people who run these initiatives and learn about what they do. Choosing responsible travel companies means that you have already made a difference. You know that your travel dollars are supporting more sustainable travel and aligning with your own values.

### Preserving Ancient Weaving Traditions in Cusco

In Peru, you'll find the legendary Nilda Callañaupa Alvarez, who founded the Center for Traditional Textiles

in Cusco. This is a project that was started for women, by women and is managed by women. The weavers here are steeped in an Andean tradition that is 10,000 years old; they are preserving that for the future, while also offering the opportunity for young women to stay in the community, rather than leave to find employment.

When you meet someone like Ingracia Quispe Castro, who has been a weaver for more than 45 years, you begin to understand the impact this has. This project has allowed her to support her family and educate her children.

With the help of the TreadRight Foundation, the Center for Traditional Textiles in Cusco has built a living museum and is helping more travellers understand the significance of weaving in this community. They can hear from the women and see children as young as seven learning the craft.

### Support Indigenous Communities

Meeting local people is an enriching part of any journey, but truly understanding how they live is a humbling experience. Our travellers who have had the opportunity to visit Cusco are rewarded with a true appreciation of the sense of community and realize that supporting these local artisans is key to preserving their culture. The ladies in Cusco love sharing their history and craft with visitors, and they're grateful that they can keep their traditions alive without compromise.

Our travellers have chosen to take the pledge to Make Travel Matter and that's more important now than ever before. ■

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# GRAND SOUTH AMERICA



## 23 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

Andean peaks, lush rainforests and Incan ruins treat you to a mystical world of natural beauty, vibrant civilisations, other-worldly relics and colonial towns. From Machu Picchu to the thundering chasm of the Devil's Throat and Sugarloaf Mountain, you'll experience the best of South America.



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### VIP EXPERIENCES

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#### **RIO DE JANEIRO:**

Go behind the scenes of one of the most important theatres in Brazil with a private guided tour of the Municipal Theater of Rio de Janeiro with a "carioca", or Rio local. Located in the Centro district of Rio, this opera house is considered to be one of the most beautiful in the country.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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#### **MACHU PICCHU:**

Spend a full day exploring the ancient Inca citadel of Machu Picchu, rediscovered by American historian Hiram Bingham in 1911 after being forgotten for centuries. A Local Expert helps you understand the enigmatic fortress, abandoned by the Incas in the 16th century.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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#### **RIO DE JANEIRO:**

Your Farewell Celebration Dinner is served at the French-Brazilian E'toile Restaurant. Enjoy breathtaking views of the ocean from the 26th floor as you toast to your journey.

### LUXURY HOTELS

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#### **CUSCO:**

In the heart of the city, Hotel Monasterio was once an ancient monastery and is now a national monument. Take in its architecture, jaw-dropping courtyard and rich interiors filled with art and antiques.

#### **RIO DE JANEIRO:**

With a prime location overlooking Copacabana Beach, the iconic Belmond Copacabana Palace offers an unforgettable stay in timeless luxury.

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### DAY 1 ARRIVE IN LIMA, PERU.

On arrival you will be greeted and transferred to your luxurious hotel.

**Meet your Travelling Concierge at 18.00 for a Welcome Dinner at MAYTA. (DW)**

**JW Marriott Hotel Lima (Ocean View Rooms).**

Contemporary |

### DAY 2 LIMA, CITY OF THE KINGS.

Explore the UNESCO-listed Historic Centre of Lima with a Local Expert.

**VIP** Visit the workshop of Victor Delfin, one of Peru's leading artists, known for his monumental El Beso sculpture.

**A Highlight Lunch is served at Amorar, in the trendy bohemian district Barranco. (B) (LW)**

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### DAY 3 ON TO THE SACRED VALLEY.

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grant. Learn about her mission to preserve traditional weaving techniques. **(B) (L) (DW)**

**Tambo del Inka, Sacred Valley.**  
Traditional |

### DAY 4 • RELAXED START EXPLORING THE SACRED VALLEY.

Visit the terraced salt pans in the town of Maras, where you'll meet a local family.

**Feast on a local caja china lunch cooked in a wooden box.**

After lunch, witness a private Pachamama Ceremony, or 'Payment to the Earth.' **(B) (L)**

### DAY 5 JOURNEY TO MACHU PICCHU.

Visit the town of Ollantaytambo. Afterwards, board the Vistadome train to Machu Picchu village. Enjoy lunch followed by a guided exploration. Discover a working tea plantation, before viewing the world's largest private collection of indigenous orchids.

**In the evening, learn how to blend the perfect pisco sour before your dinner with wine at the hotel. (B) (L) (DW)**

**Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel (Superior Deluxe Rooms).**  
Traditional |

**DAY 6  
MYSTERIOUS MACHU PICCHU.**  
Arrive at the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Machu Picchu before the crowds with your Local Expert.

**Enjoy a delicious dinner with wine this evening. (B) (L) (DW)**

### DAY 7 • RELAXED START RETURN TO CUSCO.

Travel to the Sacred Valley by train.

**Savour a traditional Highlight Lunch, featuring a Pachamanca Feast.**

See llamas, guanacos, alpacas and vicuñas before arriving at your hotel. **(B) (L)**

**Belmond Hotel Monasterio, Cusco (Superior Rooms with oxygen).**  
Historic |

### DAY 8 • RELAXED START HISTORICAL CUSCO.

Join your Local Expert to explore Cusco.

**Enjoy a Highlight Dinner with wine at the MAP Restaurant. (B) (DW)**

### DAY 9 LAKE REGION OF PERU.

Fly to Juliaca and head to Sillustani to explore the burial grounds. Continue to Puno. **(B) (L) (DW)**

**GHL Hotel Lago Titicaca, Puno (Premium Sunrise Room).**  
Traditional |

### DAY 10 ISLANDS OF LAKE TITICACA.

Cruise Lake Titicaca to the Uros Floating Islands.

**On Amantani Island, join the local community for a lunch of regional specialties. (B) (L)**

### DAY 11 PUNO, BACK TO LIMA.

In the morning, visit the pre-Incan tombs of Sillustani.



**GRAND SOUTH AMERICA**

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FROM \$12050 P.P. | 23 DAYS | 4 RELAXED STARTS

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Depart your lakeside retreat and return to Lima.

**Savour a sensational Highlight Dinner with wine at Matria, where Chef Arlette Eulert Checa intrigues and delights with creative seasonal dishes. (B) (L) (DW)**

**JW Marriott Hotel Lima (Ocean View Rooms).**

Contemporary |

**DAY 12**

**FLY TO SANTIAGO.**  
Bid farewell to Lima as you fly to Santiago.

**In the evening, enjoy a Highlight Dinner and get a taste of Chile. (B) (DW)**

**The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago (Deluxe Room).**

Traditional |

**DAY 13**

**THE SIGHTS OF SANTIAGO.**  
Meet a Local Expert for an in-depth city exploration before sitting down to an included lunch. Your evening is at leisure. **(B) (L)**

**DAY 14**

**VALPARAISO AND WINE COUNTRY.**  
Travel to the UNESCO-listed port of Valparaíso. Visit the boutique Kingston Family Winery in the Casablanca Valley for a local wine tasting. Return to Santiago for the evening. **(B) (LW)**



**Key:**

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- Included Flight
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**DAY 15**

**FLY TO BUENOS AIRES.**  
Fly to Buenos Aires this morning.

**Taste famed Argentine beef during a Highlight Dinner with wine at Piegari Carnes. (B) (DW)**

**Alvear Palace Hotel, Buenos Aires.**  
Heritage |

**DAY 16**

**BEAUTIFUL BUENOS AIRES.**  
Explore the neighborhoods of Palermo, San Telmo and Recoleta with your Local Expert. Visit the Belle Époque Teatro Colón theatre and view its grand architecture.

**Experience an electrifying performance at Rojo Tango during your Highlight Dinner with wine. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 17 • RELAXED START**

**PAMPAS, ESTANCIAS AND GAUCHOS.**  
Experience a traditional Argentinian Estancia.

**Get a taste of gaucho life with a delicious asado Highlight Lunch. (B) (LW)**

**DAY 18**

**THE FALLS OF IGUASSU.**  
Fly to Iguassu Falls, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. See Devil's Throat with your Local Expert.

**Dinner is served at your luxurious resort. (B) (DW)**

**Belmond Hotel das Cataratas, Iguassu.**  
Heritage |

**DAY 19**

**THE GREAT WATERS.**  
Wake up within the park and join a Local Expert for a walk on the Brazilian side of the falls. Then, visit the incredible Bird Park. **(B)**

**DAY 20**

**RIO DE JANEIRO, CITY OF SAMBA.**  
Fly to vibrant Rio de Janeiro.

**Settle in with a Highlight Dinner at a traditional Brazilian steakhouse. (B) (DW)**

**Fairmont Rio de Janeiro Copacabana.**  
Contemporary |

**DAY 21**

**EXPLORING RIO DE JANEIRO.**  
Join a Local Expert on a cable car to the top of Sugarloaf Mountain.

**Savour a Highlight Lunch at Confeitaria Colombo.**

**VIP** Go behind the scenes of one of the most important theatres in Brazil, with a private guided tour of Rio's Municipal theatre. **(B) (LW)**

**DAY 22**

**FAREWELL TO RIO DE JANEIRO.**  
Join your Local Expert on a train ride up Corcovado Hill to Christ the Redeemer.

**Toast to your journey over a Celebration Dinner at the exceptional E'toile Restaurant, a French-Brazilian restaurant with breathtaking views of the ocean from the 26th floor. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 23**

**DEPART RIO DE JANEIRO.**  
A private transfer will take you to the Antonio Carlos Jobim International Airport, locally known as Galeao International. **(B)**

# TREASURES OF THE INCAS

WITH ME TO WE OPTION



Shaman, Peru

## 12 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

Discover the mysterious world of the ancient Inca Empire and Peru's modern gastronomy. From classic Peruvian dishes such as ceviche, to a traditional Pachamanca Feast in Sacred Valley, these sumptuous dining experiences will fuel the captivating days that will leave you spellbound by Peru.



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### VIP EXPERIENCES

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#### **LIMA:**

Visit the home of local artist Victor Delfin, known for his monumental El Beso sculpture at his workshop in the city's trendy Barranco district.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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#### **SACRED VALLEY:**

Visit the Centre for Traditional Textiles, meet with the founder, Nilda Callañaupa, and learn how the centre is working to empower Quechuan women and men by preserving and teaching textile traditions.

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🏨 **JW Marriott Hotel Lima (Ocean View Rooms).**

Contemporary | 📶

### DAY 2

#### LIMA, CITY OF THE KINGS.

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Board your flight to Cusco and continue on to Peru's Sacred Valley. Visit the market in the town of Chinchero. Afterwards, meet Nilda Callañaupa Alvarez, a Quechua scholar, director of the Centre for Traditional Textiles of Cusco, and a recipient of a TreadRight Foundation grant. Learn about her mission to preserve traditional weaving techniques. Later in the afternoon, check in to your luxurious spa resort.

**(B) (L) (DW)**

🏨 **Tambo del Inka, Sacred Valley (Deluxe Terrace Room).**

Traditional | 📶

### DAY 4 • RELAXED START

#### EXPLORING THE SACRED VALLEY.

Visit the terraced salt pans in Maras, where you'll meet a local family.

🍴 *Feast on a local caja china lunch cooked in a wooden box.*

After lunch, witness a private Pachamama Ceremony. **(B) (L)**

### DAY 5

#### 🚆 JOURNEY TO MACHU PICCHU.

Visit the town of Ollantaytambo. Board the Vistadome train to Machu Picchu village. Enjoy lunch followed by a guided exploration. Discover a working tea plantation and view the world's largest private collection of indigenous orchids.

🍴 *Learn how to blend the perfect pisco sour before your dinner with wine at the hotel. (B) (L) (DW)*

🏨 **Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel (Superior Deluxe Room).**

Traditional | 📶

### DAY 6

#### MYSTERIOUS MACHU PICCHU.

No trip to Peru would be complete without visiting the famous UNESCO World Heritage Site of Machu Picchu. With Luxury Gold, you'll arrive at this striking archaeological site before the crowds of day-trippers. Meet your Local Expert for a guided exploration through the enigmatic Lost City of the Incas, rediscovered only 100 years ago by archaeologist Hiram Bingham. See the great Temple of the Sun, Sacred Plaza and the Intihuatana, believed to be an ancient sun clock. In the afternoon, enjoy time to explore Machu Picchu at your leisure or return to town continue your afternoon there.

🍴 *After a full day of discovery, enjoy a delicious dinner with wine. (B) (L) (DW)*

**TREASURES OF THE INCAS**

TRIP CODE: NPBA

FROM \$5595 P.P. | 12 DAYS | 3 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

**START DATES**

2021	JUL 16
MAR 19	AUG 06, 15
APR 23	SEP 03, 24
MAY 07 ▼ CC	OCT 01, 22, 29 CC
JUN 11	2022
	MAR 11

**SPECIAL DEPARTURES**

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**DAY 7 • RELAXED START RETURN TO CUSCO.**

Bid goodbye to Machu Picchu as you travel through the Sacred Valley by train en route to Cusco.

*Savour a sumptuous Pachamanca Feast of Peruvian cuisine for your Highlight Lunch.*

After lunch, get up-close to llamas, guanacos, alpacas and even the rare vicuñas before arriving at your hotel in Cusco, steps away from the Plaza de Armas. (B) (L)

**Belmond Hotel Monasterio, Cusco (Superior Room with oxygen).**

Historic | 📶

**DAY 8 • RELAXED START HISTORICAL CUSCO.**

Join your Local Expert to explore Cusco, Sacsayhuamán, Qorikancha and San Blas. Enjoy some free time for shopping on the Plaza de Armas.

*In the evening, enjoy a candlelit Highlight Dinner with wine at one of the city's most prominent culinary scenes, the MAP Café in the courtyard of the Museum of Pre-Colombian Art. (B) (DW)*



**DAY 9 LAKE REGION OF PERU.**

Board your included flight to Juliaca and head to Sillustani to explore the impressive burial grounds. Afterwards, continue to Puno, nestled along the majestic shores of Lake Titicaca. Enjoy the sunsets on the lake while staying at the perfectly located GHL Hotel Lago Titicaca. (B) (L) (DW)

**GHL Hotel Lago Titicaca, Puno (Premium Sunrise Room).**

Traditional | 📶

**DAY 10 THE FLOATING ISLANDS OF LAKE TITICACA.**

Cruise Lake Titicaca to the Uros Floating Islands, where locals bundle reeds from the lake to build floating platforms, houses and canoes.

*On Amantani Island, join the local community for a lunch of regional specialties.*

Afterwards, explore local handicrafts before returning to Puno where you can relax this evening. (B) (L)

**DAY 11 PUNO, BACK TO LIMA.**

Depart your lakeside retreat and return to Lima.

*Savour a sensational Celebration Dinner at Matria, where Chef Arlette Eulert Checa intrigues and delights with creative seasonal dishes. (B) (L) (DW)*

**JW Marriott Hotel Lima (Ocean View Rooms).**

Contemporary | 📶

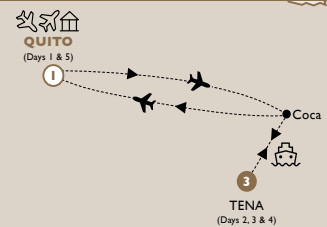
**DAY 12 DEPART LIMA.**

Say goodbye to your fellow travellers before transferring to Lima International Airport. (B)

**ME TO WE**

TRAVEL OPTION

3 RELAXED STARTS



**DAYS 12 - 16**

**ME TO WE CULTURALLY IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCE.**

Why not extend your Treasures of the Incas journey with the perfect sustainable Amazon experience in Ecuador. Participate in an immersive international development project, connect with community members and explore nature as you trek the Amazonian rainforest. See our website for more details.

# CLASSIC SOUTH AMERICA

A continent rich in natural wonders, historic cities and imposing monuments, you've made it to South America. With imposing mountain ranges, ethereal waters and an exotic wildness, it is little surprise this enchanting part of the world is also known as the 'land of poets', its sweeping landscapes having influenced the works of Pablo Neruda and Gabriela Mistral. From this wondrous palette, we've fashioned a harmonious holiday, steeped in opulence and layered in the Latin way of life. From Sugarloaf cityscapes to the thundering chasm of the Devil's Throat and Incan ruins, you'll experience the best of South America.



Christ the Redeemer

## VIP EXPERIENCES

### RIO DE JANEIRO:

Go behind the scenes of one of the most important theatres in Brazil, with a private guided tour of the Municipal Theater of Rio de Janeiro. Located in the Centro district of Rio, this opera house was built at the beginning of the twentieth century and considered to be one of the most beautiful in the country.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

### IGUASSU FALLS:

Join a Local Expert for a spectacular walk past thundering curtains of water and misty rainbows on both Brazilian and Argentinian sides of the falls.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

### BUENOS AIRES:

Savour a delicious meal, and enjoy fabulous live music, solo singers and a breathtaking display of authentic tango at Rojo Tango.

### RIO DE JANEIRO:

Your Farewell Celebration Dinner is served at the French-Brazilian E'toile Restaurant. Enjoy breathtaking views of the ocean from the 26th floor as you toast to your journey.

## LUXURY HOTELS

### IGUASSU:

The luxurious Belmond das Cataratas is the only hotel inside the National Park and sits alongside the falls.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*

### DAY 1

#### WELCOME TO CHILE.

On arrival at Santiago International Airport, you will be met and transferred to your luxurious hotel.

**At 18:00, join your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner. (DW)**

The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago (Deluxe Room).  
Traditional |

### DAY 2

#### THE SIGHTS OF SANTIAGO.

Meet a Local Expert for an in-depth city exploration before sitting down to an included lunch. Your evening is at leisure. **(B) (L)**

### DAY 3

#### VALPARAISO AND WINE COUNTRY.

Travel to the UNESCO-listed port of Valparaíso. Visit the boutique Kingston Family Winery in the Casablanca Valley for a local wine tasting. Return to Santiago for the evening. **(B) (LW)**

### DAY 4

#### FLY TO BUENOS AIRES.

Fly to Buenos Aires this morning.

**Taste famed Argentine beef during a Highlight Dinner with wine at Piegari Carnes. (B) (DW)**

Alvear Palace Hotel, Buenos Aires.  
Heritage |

*Please see page 4 for information key on dining, activity level and itinerary icons.*

**CLASSIC SOUTH AMERICA**

TRIP CODE: NCRA

FROM \$7195 P.P. | 12 DAYS | 1 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

**START DATES**

2021	SEP 14
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**DAY 5**

**BEAUTIFUL BUENOS AIRES.**

Get to know Buenos Aires with a Local Expert as you explore the neighborhoods of Palermo, San Telmo and Recoleta. View the balcony made famous by Eva Peron and walk the colourful streets of La Boca.

Visit Teatro Colón, the main opera house in Buenos Aires and considered one of the ten best opera houses in the world. Acoustically, it is thought to be among the five best concert venues in the world.

*Experience an electrifying performance at Rojo Tango during your Highlight Dinner with wine. (B) (DW)*

**DAY 6 • RELAXED START**

**PAMPAS, ESTANCIAS AND GAUCHOS.** Experience a traditional Argentinian Estancia.

*Get a taste of gaucho life with a delicious asado Highlight Lunch. (B) (LW)*

**DAY 7**

**THE FALLS OF IGUASSU.**

Fly to Iguassu Falls, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Venture to the Argentinian side of the falls to see the unfathomable Devil's Throat with your Local Expert.

*Dinner is served at your luxurious resort, the only hotel inside the Brazilian Iguassu National Park, where you'll choose from a selection of traditional Brazilian barbecue or international cuisine. (B) (DW)*

**Belmond Hotel das Cataratas, Iguassu.** Heritage |



**Key:**

- Join/Leave Options
- Included Flight
- UNESCO Heritage Site
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights

**DAY 8**

**THE 'GREAT WATERS' OF IGUASSU FALLS.**

Wake up inside the park and beat the crowds. Join a Local Expert for a walk on the Brazilian side of the falls, where you'll witness panoramic views of San Martin Island and visit incredible Bird Park, which provides shelter for over a thousand birds, butterflies and reptiles from across South America. **(B)**

**DAY 9**

**RIO DE JANEIRO, CITY OF SEA AND SAMBA.**

Fly to vibrant Rio de Janeiro and transfer to your hotel on iconic Copacabana Beach, famous for its three-mile stretch of golden sand and bustling energy.

*Settle in with a Highlight Dinner at a traditional Brazilian steakhouse. (B) (DW)*

**Fairmont Rio de Janeiro Copacabana** (Ocean View Rooms).

Contemporary |

**DAY 10**

**EXPLORING RIO DE JANEIRO.**

Join a Local Expert on a cable car to the top of Sugarloaf Mountain.

*Savour a Highlight Lunch at Confeitaria Colombo.*

*Go behind the scenes of one of the most important theatres in Brazil with a private guided tour of Rio's Municipal theatre. (B) (LW)*

**DAY 11**

**A FAREWELL TO RIO DE JANEIRO.**

Join your Local Expert on a train ride up Corcovado Hill to Christ the Redeemer, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and modern wonder of the world.

*Toast your journey over a remarkable Celebration Dinner at the exceptional E'toile Restaurant, a French-Brazilian restaurant with breathtaking views of the ocean from the 26th floor. (B) (DW)*

**DAY 12**

**DEPART RIO DE JANEIRO.**

A private transfer will take you to the Antonio Carlos Jobim International Airport, locally known as Galeao International. **(B)**

**JOURNEY COMBINATIONS**

Why not combine this trip with **Treasures of the Incas** to fully experience South America? See **Grand South America.**

# ASIA



Mount Fuji



***“Our children were rendered speechless when Mt. Fuji came into view, as the unspoiled Japanese landscape flew by, sitting in this feat of engineering”.***



## Our Japan Family Holiday – An Adventure for the Senses

Story by: Brett Tollman, TTC CEO

*When we proposed a holiday in Japan to our children, we were thrilled at the reaction of unified excitement. Let's face it, igniting the eagerness of three very different teenagers is a tall order. We had great anticipation for the culture, art, food and fashion, as we took off on the adventure of a lifetime, encompassing Tokyo, Kyoto and Hiroshima.*

### All Human Life is Here

It's easy to pack your days in Tokyo, with so much to eat, see and do. At the “Team Borderless” Mori Digital Art Museum, we were transported by digital landscapes of fluorescent marine life and endless glowing lanterns. We walked through the Imperial Palace Gardens, lit prayer candles at the Sensoji Temple and marveled at the enormous scope of the city from the Tokyo Skytree building.

We obsessed over matcha soft serve ice cream daily, binged on large brothy bowls of ramen at Ippudo (a local haunt recommended by our guide) and delighted in an afternoon spent at a sushi-making class. A master sushi chef taught us how to hand roll maki and nigiri, amid much fun banter and we then enjoyed a delicious fresh lunch of our creations.

### Spiritual Fulfilment in Kyoto

When it was time to make our way to Kyoto, we boarded the high speed, immaculately clean Shinkansen (bullet train), which is an experience in itself. Our children were rendered speechless when Mt. Fuji came into view, as the unspoiled Japanese landscape flew by, sitting in this feat of engineering.

Where Tokyo is the ever-beating heart of Japan, Kyoto is the soul. One of my favourite sites to visit in Kyoto is the Sanjusangendo Hall; a lengthy chamber that houses 1,001 life-sized Buddhas dating back to the 12th century. After, we travelled to the golden Kinkakuji Temple, for a hike through the lush forest to the famous monkey park. We fed doe-eyed beauties at the Deer Park in Nara and captured some amazing family photos with the world's largest bronze Buddha Vairocana.

### A Sobering Reminder

Arriving in Hiroshima, our mood became more somber. We spent an afternoon at the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Peace Memorial Park and Museum. Our teenagers came to truly understand the impact of war here, stunned at the aftermath of the first atomic bomb. It is both a beautiful and sobering tribute to those who perished.

Japan was a wonderful, eye-opening journey for our family. The diversity of each place provides the opportunity to experience something amazing daily. We were touched by the natural hospitality of the Japanese and all our family can't wait to go back. ■

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# MAJESTIC JAPAN



## 11 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

A master of modernity and steward of tradition, Japan delights and surprises with neon-lit highstreets, ancient temples and boundless natural beauty. Meet knowledgeable locals, see iconic sites, taste exotic flavours and wonder at Mother Nature, as you journey via bullet train from cutting-edge cities to unexplored wildernesses in luxurious comfort.

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24 GUESTS

### VIP EXPERIENCES

#### HIROSHIMA:

Be a part of a truly poignant travel experience, as you meet a survivor of the 1945 Hiroshima atomic bomb, which destroyed most of the city during World War II and changed world history forever.

#### OIRASE:

You are invited to a local brewery to taste Japan's national drink, sake. You will meet Takumi Sato, a sake brew master and have an insider tour of his brewery.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### OSAKA:

Visit Osaka Castle and explore this fascinating landmark, home to a variety of artefacts showcasing Osaka's extensive history.

#### TSUGARU HAN NEPUTA VILLAGE:

See the colourful decorations for the summer Neputa Festival and witness a private musical performance of Tsugaru Shamisen and Taiko, traditional Japanese guitar and drumming.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

#### TOKYO:

Celebrate with your new found friends at Hoshinonaruki, and enjoy a fine dining experience where tradition meets innovation. Using old Japanese culinary techniques and seasonal ingredients this is a dining experience that brings Japanese cuisine to life.

### LUXURY HOTELS

#### OIRASE GORGE:

Exclusively situated moments away from the serene Oirase Keiryu stream, this luxurious resort hotel offers spacious bedrooms, five-star facilities and easy access to natural hot springs situated in the nearby forest.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Mount Fuji



Osaka Castle

**DAY 1****WELCOME TO OSAKA, JAPAN!**

On arrival at Kansai or Itami airport, you will be welcomed and taken to your five-star hotel situated in the heart of the city, where there is time to relax.

**At 19:00, meet your Travelling Concierge at the hotel's Rainbow Lounge for your Welcome Dinner, a delicious Japanese meal of tempura and sushi. (DW)**

**Imperial Hotel Osaka.**

Traditional |

**DAY 2 • RELAXED START HIGHLIGHTS OF OSAKA.**

Situated in the heart of Japan where rivers and sea routes converge, Osaka is a hub of cutting-edge architecture, exotic flavours and laid-back locals. Today you will discover the city's highlights, starting with a visit to the top of the Floating Garden Observatory in the Umeda Sky Building for incredible city views. Discover why Osaka is the kitchen of Japan on a stroll along Dotonbori Street with a Local Expert. Taste local specialities such as Takoyaki, a local favourite made of wheat flour based batter and filled with octopus. In the afternoon, enjoy a visit to Osaka Castle, one of Japan's most famous landmarks.

**Enjoy a two course lunch near the castle.**

With the evening at leisure, ask your Travelling Concierge for local recommendations to explore this exotic city further. **(B) (L)**

**DAY 3****A LOCAL PERSPECTIVE ON HIROSHIMA.**

Journey to Hiroshima on the Shinkansen bullet train, explore the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Peace Memorial Park and Museum, the only structure left standing after the first atomic bomb was dropped during World War II.

**Meet a survivor who will share insights into this dark chapter of world history.**

**For lunch you will be treated to traditional Japanese savoury pancakes known as Okonomiyaki, a dish typical of the region.**

Your journey continues by bullet train to Kyoto, known for thousands of years as the Imperial capital of Japan. After you check in to your centrally located hotel the rest of the evening is yours. **(B) (L)**

**Hotel Granvia Kyoto.**

Contemporary |

**DAY 4 • RELAXED START THE TEMPLES AND GEISHA OF KYOTO.**

Discover why Kyoto is Japan's geisha capital and a hub of ancient tradition and culture. Marvel at the Zen Buddhist temple of Kinkakuji, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and see its famed Golden Pavilion to appreciate its classic architecture.

Visit the famous Giouji Temple, where you'll learn about local folklore and walk through the indigenous bamboo forest.

**Savour a Highlight Lunch of traditional Kyo-Kaiseki cuisine made of seasonal ingredients, whilst you enjoy a performance by a Maiko, an apprentice geisha.**

Embark on a walk around the vibrant Gion neighbourhood, known as Kyoto's primary geisha district. **(B) (L)**

**DAY 5****MT FUJI AND ONTO TOKYO.**

Board the bullet train to Mishima and continue to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Mount Fuji.

**Enjoy spectacular views of Japan's tallest mountain, as you enjoy a lunch made of fresh, seasonal ingredients at a local restaurant.**

**Explore Mt Fuji Your Way** Choose between a visit to the Icchiku Kubota Art Museum with its unique works of art, traditional architecture and seasonal gardens or climb aboard the Kachi-Kachi yama ropeway for amazing views of the mountain.

Travel to Tokyo and check in to your hotel for the evening at leisure. **(B) (L)**

**Imperial Hotel Tokyo.**

Traditional |

**MAJESTIC JAPAN**

TRIP CODE: A610

FROM \$9275 P.P. | 11 DAYS | 4 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: DYNAMIC

**START DATES**

2021

MAR 07, 14, 28      AUG 22

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**Please note:** on this journey, your Travelling Concierge will also act as your Well-being Director.

*Please see page 4 for information key on dining, activity level and itinerary icons.*

**DAY 6 • RELAXED START**

**EXPLORE TRADITIONAL TOKYO.**

Visit the Tokyo National Museum and Meiji Jingu Shrine.

**Try your hand at making sushi with the highest quality fish and discover why it takes ten years to become a Master Sushi Chef, before sitting down to a delightful Highlight Lunch.**

Enjoy time exploring Ginza, known as the Champs-Élysées of Tokyo.

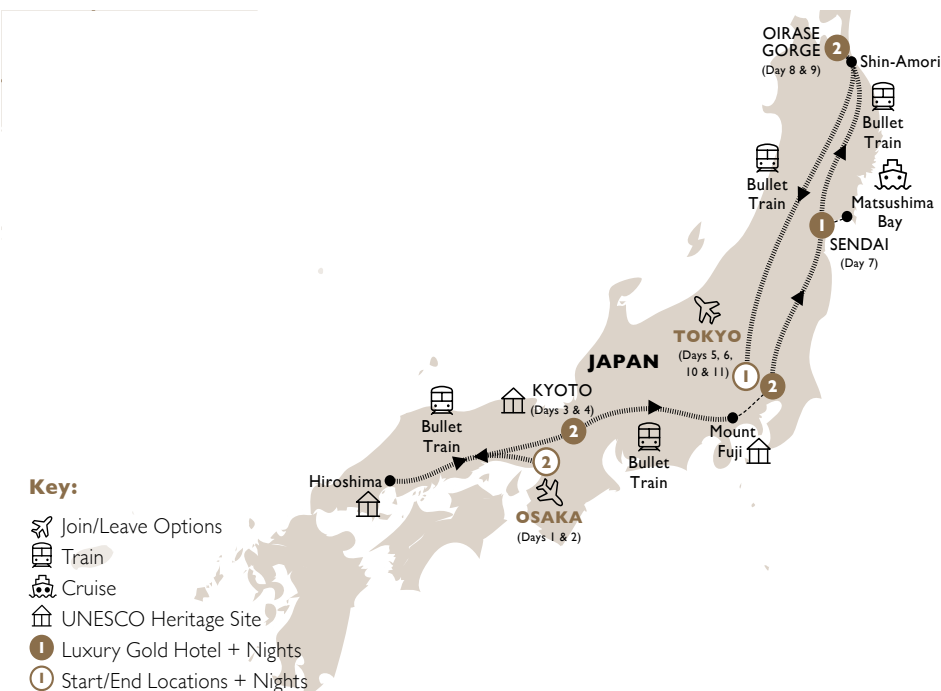
**During a Your Choice Evening, you're in for a true local experience with the choice of two hand-picked restaurants, each specialising in local delicacies. You may try either Shabu-shabu which are hotpots of meat and vegetables or Teppanyaki where rice, meats and vegetables are freshly cooked on a grill. (B) (L) (DW)**

**DAY 7**

**JOURNEY TO SENDAI.**

Journey by bullet train to Sendai, the City of Trees. Enjoy a private cruise along the dazzling Matsushima Bay.

**Meet the owner of a local inn and dine as the locals do with a seafood lunch, as the owner shares insights into life on the island.**



**Visit a traditional teahouse and learn how to prepare the perfect cup of Matcha Tea.** Continue to your five-star hotel where the evening is at your leisure. **(B) (L)**

**The Westin Sendai (Superior Rooms).** Traditional |

**DAY 8**

**TSUGARU AND HIROSAKI CASTLE.**

Journey by bullet train to Shin-Aomori Station to visit Hirosaki Castle. Meet a cherry blossom doctor, who ensures the trees are kept healthy when in season. As you explore Tsugaru han Neputa Village, see the colourful decorations used during the summer Neputa Festival and watch craftsman create the perfect chopsticks. Enjoy a private musical performance of Tsugaru Shamisen and Taiko, traditional Japanese guitar and drumming. Continue to Oirase Gorge. **(B) (L) (DW)**

**Hoshino Resorts Oirase Keiryu Hotel, Oirase Gorge.** Traditional |

**DAY 9 • RELAXED START**

**EXPLORING OIRASE.**

Explore the spectacular Oirase Gorge, a place of special scenic beauty. Admire the cascading waterfalls and marvel at the seasonal colours of the indigenous forest.

**Return to the hotel for lunch made with local and seasonal ingredients.**

**VIP** This afternoon you are invited to a local brewery to taste Japan's national drink, sake. You will meet Takumi Sato, a sake brew master and have an insider tour of his brewery. **(B) (L) (DW)**

**DAY 10**

**THE HIGHLIGHTS OF TOKYO.**

Return to Tokyo via bullet train, for your final night in this intriguing city. Visit the Sensō-ji Buddhist Temple, the oldest and most-visited temple in Japan, wander along the famous Nakamise Street and explore Kappabashi, a local back-street known as Tokyo's foodie hub.

**This evening you will celebrate with your new found friends at Hoshinonaruki, a fine dining experience where tradition meets innovation. Using old Japanese culinary techniques and seasonal ingredients, this is a dining experience that brings Japanese cuisine to life. (B) (L) (DW)**

**Imperial Hotel Tokyo.** Traditional |

**DAY 11**

**FAREWELL JAPAN.**

Bid farewell to your travel companions and head to Narita or Haneda International Airport for your onward journey. **(B)**

# INDIA



Delhi spice market

*“On any journey, food is the most important part.”*



## Discover food culture in Delhi

Story by: Rajeev Goyal

*Chef Rajeev, a food connoisseur who has worked with many famous chefs around the world, takes you on a street food tour of Delhi, explaining how every spice has a purpose in Indian cooking.*

My passion for food has always been inspired by one question, why? As the youngest child, my mother brought me into the kitchen at an early age and encouraged me to find the stories behind each ingredient and dish, and that is something that I've continued to do.

Preparing and eating food is not simply about feeding people. There are many layers behind why each dish exists, just like building the layers of spice in Indian food. Alongside gaining my hospitality qualifications, I sought out the elders of the community and consulted them on when and why they added particular herbs and spices, constantly questioning to discover the secrets of regional and local specialties.

When you visit as a Luxury Gold guest, I take you on a street-food tour with its own storyline. I encourage you to be as interactive as possible, so that I can personalise the experience for you. If you're a foodie, I'll happily advise what to add to your own cooking at home. After learning about the ways in which we pair food here – why we use bread with curry, why pickles work well with basmati rice and yoghurt – we taste delicacies from stall holders that can't be found anywhere outside India.

The global impression of Indian food is remarkably different from the food that you'll find on the streets of Delhi. For one, I would say street food is fresher. Stall holders have learned to work with what is in season. They can't keep things in huge freezers and their food moves quickly.

Different dietary trends that are growing in popularity across the world have already been in place for thousands of years here. Vegetarian food? We have hundreds of time-proven recipes. Using food to heal? Many of the ingredients used come straight from our trading routes. We use certain ingredients as a prevention, rather than a cure, taking herbs and spices such as garam masala to aid digestion, turmeric as an anti-inflammatory and anti-oxidant, and basil to boost the immune system. These aren't just added for flavour; there is a real purpose behind each pinch. Luckily, the resulting dishes taste fantastic.

On any journey, food is the most important part. You may visit magnificent temples and follow great rivers once, but you will have at least three meals every day. That is why it is vital to understand the food culture of a destination, as that's where you'll find the soul of a place. ■

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GRAND INDIA	20 Days

# ESSENCE OF INDIA WITH RANTHAMBORE

Tiger, Ranthambore National Park



**8 DAYS**

***A taste of what's to come***

A quintessential Indian journey, this majestic itinerary showcases the rich heritage of India's bustling cities, renowned temples and exotic jungles. Marvel at the Taj Mahal, search for the elusive Bengal Tiger on former royal hunting grounds and stroll through a traditional spice market in Jaipur.

MAXIMUM  
24 GUESTS

## VIP EXPERIENCES

### JAIPUR:

Savour a locally inspired high tea in a private living room of the maharaja, within the Jaipur City Palace. Explore rooms not open to other visitors and see the spectacular crystal table handcrafted by renowned artisan René Lalique.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

### RANTHAMBORE:

Venture inside this former royal hunting ground and enjoy two game safaris with a naturalist.

### JAIPUR:

Meet the ladies of Pink City Rickshaw as they take you on a city tour of Jaipur. Listen to their stories of growing up in the slums and proudly developing their skills to become part of this inspiring organisation.

### AGRA:

Visit the majestic Taj Mahal, bathed in the first rays of dawn, and learn about this romantic national icon.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

### DELHI:

Join a well-known chef for a culinary exploration of Delhi, which will tantalise your taste buds. Experience a wide variety of foods and learn the effect that mixing different flavours has on the palate, as you sample Indian delicacies from local stallholders.

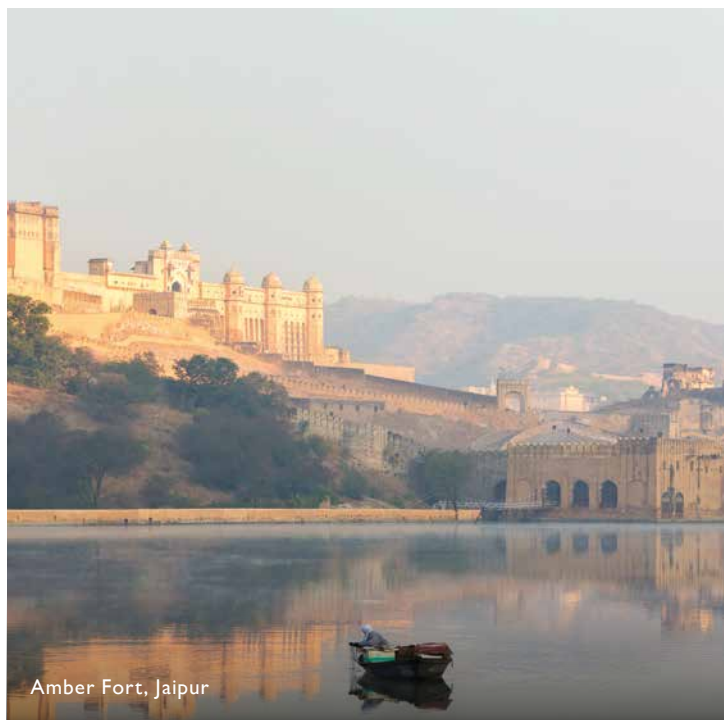
## LUXURY HOTELS

### NEW DELHI:

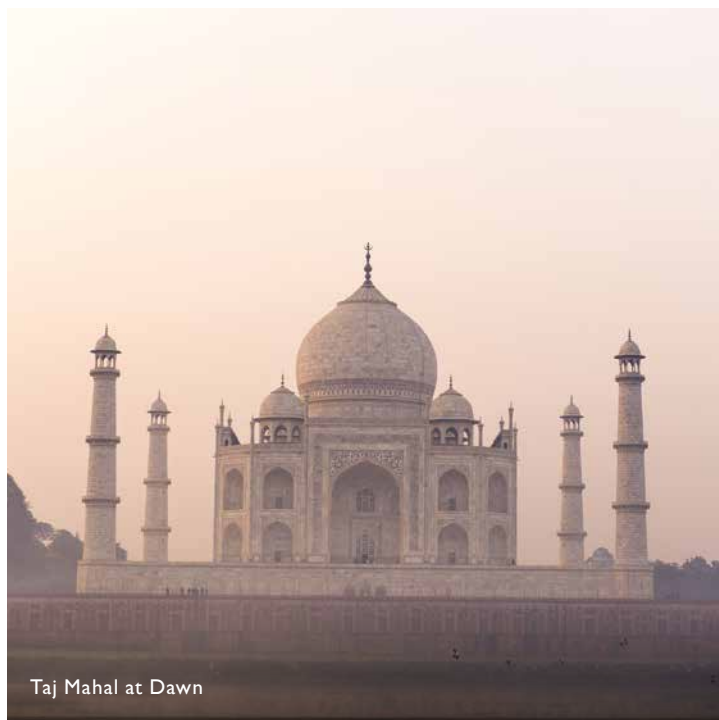
Old world charm blended with contemporary style, the Taj Mahal Hotel is an established hotel with a prime address in the leafy Lutyens' diplomatic quarter. Situated amidst six acres of landscaped grounds and featuring modern Indian-style decor, this hotel is perfect for city exploration.

***Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary***





Amber Fort, Jaipur



Taj Mahal at Dawn

**DAY 1****DELHI, A RICH MELTING POT.**

Welcome to vibrant India! A delightful melting pot of old and new, you'll start in dynamic Delhi, with its bustling backstreets, rich history and wealth of colours. On arrival at Indira Gandhi International Airport, you will be greeted with a traditional floral garland and transferred to your hotel, the elegant Taj Mahal Hotel, situated in the heart of the leafy boulevards of Lutyens.

**At 19:00, join your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for your Welcome Dinner. (DW)**

**Taj Mahal, New Delhi.**

Traditional |

**DAY 2 • RELAXED START  
DELHI SIGHTSEEING.**

In the morning you'll be taken to Old Delhi, driving past the Red Fort, the main residence of the Mughal dynasty until 1856. View this magnificent building from the outside, before heading on a guided tour of Jama Masjid, one of the largest mosques in India.

**Explore Delhi Your Way.** Meet a well-known chef for a local foodie walk in Old Delhi, where you'll witness the creation of Delhi's famous street food snacks. Alternatively, visit Qutub Minar, a UNESCO world Heritage Site, and enjoy lunch.

Explore the winding streets of lively Chandni Chowk in local fashion, via an exhilarating rickshaw ride. In the afternoon, visit a Sikh temple and its community kitchen, a place preparing and serving free vegetarian meals to locals, travellers and those in need. Later, drive past the impressive President Palace, India gate and Parliament House. **(B) (L)**

**DAY 3  
AN AGRA ADVENTURE.**

In the morning, you'll begin your journey to Agra. The main residence of the emperors of the Mughal Dynasty, this historical fort is made up of a number of impressive buildings, including the Sheesh Mahal or "glass palace" and the The Muthamman Burj. It may not hold the same fame as the nearby Taj Mahal, but it is no less impressive. Stay in and enjoy your hotel's invigorating facilities or head on a Mughal heritage walk, where you'll get to meet locals and learn more about their life and the history of the area in the shadow of the Taj Mahal. **(B) (DW)**

**Taj Hotel and Convention Centre, Agra.**

Contemporary |

**DAY 4  
THE TAJ MAHAL AND  
RANTHAMBORE.**

Admire the lustrous Taj Mahal, bathed in the first rays of dawn. Later journey to the historic city of Bharatpur and stop for lunch, before continuing to the station for your rail journey upon the Express Train, in air-conditioned chair class seats, to Ranthambore.

Transfer to your hotel, nestled in the foothills of the Aravalli Range, near the Ranthambore National Park.

**(B) (L) (DW)**

**Nahargarh Ranthambhore.**

Traditional |

**DAY 5  
IN SEARCH OF TIGERS IN  
RANTHAMBORE.**

Start with an early morning journey into the former private hunting grounds of the maharajahs of Jaipur, in search of the elusive tiger. More commonly seen in the dry, deciduous forest are the wild boars, monkeys, spotted deer and antelopes, but if you are ever going to witness tigers in their natural habitat, this is the place. Return to your resort for breakfast and a day at leisure. At dusk, enjoy another foray into the national park with an expert naturalist. Besides the wildlife, there are also lakes, ruins of palaces, traditional Chhatris, old fortifications and a majestic 1,000-year-old fort within the park. **(B) (L) (DW)**

**DAY 6  
JAIPUR, THE PINK CITY.**

Travel through the rural countryside where flat, green fields are abundant with brightly coloured flowers. Your destination is the stunning Rajasthan capital of Jaipur. More affectionately known as the Pink City, this pretty destination owes its name to a visit from Queen Victoria in 1876, when all its buildings were painted pink as a sign of hospitality.

**ESSENCE OF INDIA WITH RANTHAMBORE**

TRIP CODE: A503  
**FROM \$3825 P.P. | 8 DAYS | 2 RELAXED STARTS**

**ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED**

**START DATES**

2021	DEC 11
JAN 09 P, 25 P	2022
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NOV 13	

**SPECIAL DEPARTURES**

All departures are limited to just 24 guests.  
 P This departure experiences Diwali in Jaipur.  
 P This departure experiences Holi in Jaipur.  
 P These departures experience an Indian festival.



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Later, ascend by jeep to Amber Fort, with its royal halls decorated with intricate ivory, mirrors, glass and exquisite paintings. Today you'll experience India's spiritual majesty, with a special blessing ceremony at Amber Fort.

**Your Highlight Dinner will be served at the opulent 1135 A.D, with its royal interior, traditional music and breathtaking sunset views. (B) (L) (DW)**

**Jai Mahal Palace, Jaipur.**  
 Palace | 📶

**DAY 7 • RELAXED START  
 JAIPUR SIGHTSEEING.**

Your morning is free to enjoy the facilities at your hotel. Alternatively, you may choose between an interesting artisan walking tour of the old city of Jaipur, or a visit to the Block Printing and Blue Pottery Workshop. After lunch, see the Hawa Mahal, or the Palace of Winds, and visit Jantar Mantar, the observatory, constructed between 1727 and 1734 by Maharajah Jai Singh II. During the tour, you will visit the flower and spice market, filled with colours and smells to ignite the senses.



**VIP** Enjoy a locally inspired high tea in a private living room of the maharaja, within Jaipur's City Palace.

In the evening, meet the ladies of Pink City Rickshaw, a company dedicated to supporting the employment of women from low income households. Delight in their enthusiasm and knowledge as they take you on a city tour of Jaipur.

**Toast to your travels at a Celebration Dinner at Cinnamon Restaurant in Jai Mahal Palace. The restaurant blends traditional and contemporary cuisine from the four princely states of India. (B) (DW)**

**DAY 8  
 DEPART DELHI.**

After breakfast, a transfer will take you to Jaipur Airport for your onward flight to Delhi. Please do not schedule flights departing Delhi before 21:00. **(B)**

**SPIRIT OF SOUTH & NORTH INDIA  
 TRAVEL OPTION**

**8-15 Days | 4 Relaxed Starts**

**ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED**

**DAYS 8 - 15  
 SOUTH INDIA TRAVEL OPTION**

Fly to Kochi via Mumbai to continue your adventure. Meet a local cooking instructor, for traditional Kerala home cooking. Attend a performance of traditional Kathakali dance and enjoy a full day cruising the Alleppey Backwaters.

**Experience Kumarakom Your Way.** Choose between a yoga class, or indulge in a rejuvenating massage. Explore the city of Mumbai. Your city tour will include a visit with Mumbai's famous Dabbawalas and a cruise to Elephanta Island, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Your journey comes to an end with transfers to Mumbai airport.

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# AFRICA



Luxor, Egypt

***“Sharing all the knowledge that I have learned as an Egyptologist is a true passion of mine.”***



## Discover the Majesty of Luxor Temple

*Travelling Concierge Hazem Khalaf holds a master's degree in Egyptology and delights in accompanying you on your Egyptian journey.*

I've always been fascinated by ancient Egypt. My biggest inspiration has been Dr. Zahi Hawass, the former Minister of Antiquities and chief archaeologist of many great discoveries, such as in Giza. I was lucky enough to attend his lectures throughout my studies, so I've learned much about Luxor from a renowned expert.

Luxor Temple is one of the most important archaeological sites in Egypt. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1979, it is astonishingly well-preserved and a huge tourist attraction with visitors from all over the world. The remarkable juxtaposition of the temple with the modern city of Luxor is a breathtaking sight and its picturesque location on the East Bank of the legendary Nile river adds to the allure.

The main parts of the temple were constructed by New Kingdom pharaohs Amenhotep III and Ramesses II around 3,500 years ago, while Tutankhamun completed it a century later. Comprising almost two football fields in length, this massive open-air museum holds an abundance of statues and carvings from Ancient Egypt.

As a Luxury Gold guest, you are privy to an extra special experience at the Luxor Temple. After the temple is closed to the public, we are invited to marvel at the many inscriptions and gigantic statues of ancient Pharaohs. The sight of the sun setting over the open-air museum is spectacular, with the columns stark against the dusky sky.

You can capture fantastic photos as the lights twinkle along the striking Avenue of Sphinxes, without the hassle of the crowds of tourists that attend daily. It's easier to really appreciate the mesmerising hieroglyphics in the Tomb of Ramses VI when you have the peace and quiet to do so, and I love describing the numerous fascinating stories depicted on these walls.

Luxor Temple contains both a Roman Catholic church and a mosque, which is still in use today, making it the oldest building in the world that is open for purposes other than tourism or archaeology. I believe this demonstrates the importance of the temple and its antiquities to people of every faith and race – this history belongs to all of us, not just Egypt.

Sharing all the knowledge that I have learned as an Egyptologist is a true passion of mine. Seeing the wonder in travellers' eyes and deepening their understanding of the mighty Pharaohs is a gift that I get to experience with every Luxury Gold journey.

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# ELEGANCE OF EGYPT

From the capital city of Cairo travelling along the Nile through many of Egypt's cities and towns you will experience the history and the heart of this amazing country. Travelling in absolute luxury on the River Tosca, with a knowledgeable Egyptologist on hand, lovers of myth and mystery will be enchanted by the sites encountered on this journey.



Pyramids with Travelling Concierge

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### GIZA:

Meet the enigmatic Sphinx and venture deep inside one of the pyramids, to the chambers where the pharaohs went to meet their gods in the afterlife.

### LUXOR:

Venture to the Necropolis with your Egyptologist and discover where many pharaohs were laid to rest. See the royal tombs and visit the Temple of Hatshepsut; stepped platforms, pillared porticoes, and vibrant reliefs, set against the desert backdrop make it one of the world's most striking architectural masterpieces.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### ASWAN:

Like Winston Churchill and Agatha Christie before you, enjoy the sunset and afternoon tea in colonial English-style at Aswan's famous Old Cataract Hotel.

## LUXURY HOTELS

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### GIZA:

There is no finer view than seeing the pyramids from your private balcony at the five-star Mena House Hotel.

### LUXURY CRUISING:

Set sail on the deluxe, all-suite River Tosca and experience old world elegance, blended with modern amenities and comfort.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*

### DAY 1



#### CAIRO AT LEISURE.

Welcome to the timeless land of the pharaohs. On arrival in Cairo, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

In the evening, get to know your Travelling Concierge and fellow guests over a welcome drink at the hotel.



**Mena House Hotel (Pyramid View), Giza.**  
Traditional |

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### DAY 2

#### CAIRO SIGHTSEEING.

In the morning, join your Travelling Concierge, a knowledgeable Egyptologist, and begin your discovery. Start with a visit to the magnificent Pyramids of Giza, including exploring inside one of these wonders and a visit to the enigmatic Sphinx. Afterwards, visit the Egyptian Museum, to witness the priceless treasures recovered from the Tomb of Tutankhamun. Later, drive to the Pyramids to witness the magical Sound & Light Show, an unforgettable introduction to the world of ancient Egypt. **(B)**

**ELEGANCE OF EGYPT**

TRIP CODE: M945A

FROM \$3125 P.P. | 7 DAYS | 1 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: LEISURELY

**START DATES**

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NOV 03, 10, 17, 24	
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**DAY 3**

**FLY TO ASWAN TO JOIN YOUR CRUISE.**

Board your plane for a morning flight across the desert to Aswan. Visit the Aswan High Dam and the granite quarries, where one of Queen Hatshepsut's obelisks lies abandoned in the bedrock. Then cross the Nile by motorboat to the well-preserved Philae temple complex. Next, stretch out on a traditional Nile felucca for a peaceful ride around Kitchener's Island.

*In the late afternoon enjoy a colonial-style high tea on the terrace of the Old Cataract Hotel.*

*Once on your stylish and spacious cruiser, enjoy a Highlight Dinner, accompanied by a Nubian folklore show and live music.* (B) (L) (AT) (DW)

River Tosca. Cruise |



**DAY 4**

**KOM OMBO TO EDFU.**

Set sail for the temple at Kom Ombo – a glorious sight as you approach by river. Unique in Egypt, it's dedicated to both the falcon-headed Horus and the crocodile god, Sobek. Then, drift past irrigated fields and palm-fringed villages to dock at Edfu.

*As evening falls, don your galabeyas, which are traditional Egyptian attire, for a fun-filled Egyptian dinner and galabeya party.* (B) (L) (DW)

**DAY 5 • RELAXED START**

**ESNA TEMPLE AND THE TEMPLE OF LUXOR.**

Start with a visit to Esna Temple. Situated in the centre of Esna, this fascinating and highly decorated temple is dedicated to the ram-headed god Khnum, the god of creation. Then, sit back and observe everyday life in rural Egypt, as you float downstream to Luxor. Visit the Temple of Luxor as the sun sets. (B) (L) (DW)

**DAY 6**

**LUXOR SIGHTSEEING AND CAIRO.**

Across the Nile, to the west of the city, lies the necropolis of ancient Thebes. Stop for a photo of the Colossi of Memnon. In the nearby Valley of the Kings, visit some of their tombs, then continue to the temple of Queen Hatshepsut, one of the rare female pharaohs. Next, visit a family home and witness the making of authentic Egyptian sun bread. Return to Luxor for your final highlight, Karnak, the largest temple complex built by man. Walk through the avenue of ram-headed sphinxes, past the statue of Rameses II, to the vast Hypostyle Hall. Afterwards, transfer to the airport for your flight back to Cairo. (B)

Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at the First Residence. Traditional |

**DAY 7**

**DEPART CAIRO.**

Your journey concludes after breakfast and you will be transferred to Cairo Airport to board your onward flight. (B)

# ELEGANCE OF THE PHARAOHS





## 10 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

An inquisitive journey for those with a hunger for knowledge and adventure through the land of the pharaohs. Millennia-old monuments stir the imagination of a different time and will bring the stories to life for you through its warm people. Cruise your way through Egypt and along the mighty Nile, as you delve in to the highlights of this ancient land.

### VIP EXPERIENCES

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#### **LUXOR:**

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of the temple of Luxor after hours for an exclusive VIP visit and marvel at this ancient monument.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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#### **VALLEY OF THE KINGS:**

Discover one of the most famous archaeological sites in the world and visit the burial place of Tutankhamun, whose mummified remains are still on display.

#### **PHILAE ISLAND:**

Travel by motorboat to the island of Philae and visit the Temple of Isis, which appears to rise from the waters.

#### **ASWAN:**

Stretch out on a traditional Nile felucca (sailboat) for a peaceful ride around Kitchener's Island, known for the Aswan Botanical Garden and its tropical plants and palm trees.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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#### **ASWAN:**

Enjoy the sunset and high tea in colonial English-style at Aswan's famous Old Cataract Hotel.

### LUXURY HOTELS

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#### **LUXURY CRUISING:**

Set sail on the deluxe, all-suite River Tosca and experience old world elegance blended with modern amenities and comfort.

#### **ASWAN:**

The Old Cataract Hotel is a luxurious, five-star property with elegant Victorian architecture, nestled between the banks of the River Nile and the sands of the Nubian Desert.

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Philae Temple



Valley of the Kings

**DAY 1****CAIRO AT LEISURE.**

Welcome to Egypt. On arrival in Cairo, you will be met at the airport and transferred to the Mena House Hotel. Settle in to your indulgent room and enjoy striking views of the pyramids from the comfort of your private balcony. In the evening, get to know your Travelling Concierge and fellow guests over a welcome drink at the hotel.

**Mena House Hotel (Pyramid View), Giza.**

Traditional |

**DAY 2****CAIRO SIGHTSEEING.**

In the morning, meet your Travelling Concierge, a knowledgeable Egyptologist, and begin your discovery. Start with a visit to the magnificent Pyramids of Giza, where you venture inside, and visit the enigmatic Sphinx. Continue to Sakkara to see the Step Pyramid of King Zoser and in Memphis see the colossal statue of Rameses II. Later, drive to the Pyramids to witness the magical Sound & Light Show, an unforgettable introduction to the world of ancient Egypt.

**(B)**

**DAY 3****JOIN YOUR CRUISE IN LUXOR.**

Wake early and transfer to the airport for your flight to Luxor. Famed for its ancient treasures and the grandeur of its monuments, this beautiful city is a treasure trove for those looking to delve further into Egypt's grand history. On arrival head to Karnak, the largest temple complex built by man. This striking complex was constructed over a period of 1500 years. Walk through the avenue of ram-headed sphinxes, past the statue of Rameses II, to stand in awe among the huge columns of the vast Hypostyle Hall. Later, embark on your cruise ship, one of the most stylish and spacious on the Nile. The all-suite River Tosca provides a relaxing and comfortable setting as you cruise the legendary Nile River. Featuring a stylishly adorned lounge, with full-service bar, a cosy library, restaurant, fitness rooms and swimming pool, you'll take in the sights in the utmost luxury.

**In the evening, enjoy an onboard gala reception and dinner. (B) (L) (DW)**

**River Tosca.**

Cruise |

**DAY 4****THE TEMPLE OF HATHOR AND LUXOR.**

In the morning, visit the Temple of Hathor. Built in the 1st century B.C., it remains one of the best-preserved temples in all of Egypt and contains a rare depiction of Cleopatra

VII and Caesarian, the son of Julius Caesar.

Return to Luxor for some leisure time before visiting the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Temple of Luxor for a VIP, after-hours visit. Founded in 1400 B.C. during the Golden Age of Thebes, the temple complex blends in seamlessly with surrounding city. **(B) (L) (DW)**

**DAY 5****THE WEST BANK AND VALLEY OF THE KINGS.**

Travel to the West Bank of the Nile. Stop for photos at the Colossi of Memnon – these gigantic twin stone statues of Amenhotep III once guarded his mortuary temple. Venture on to the amazing Temple of Hatshepsut, Egypt's first female pharaoh who ruled from 1479 to 1458 B.C. Next, head to the Valley of the Kings, one of the most famous archaeological sites in the world and visit the burial place of Tutankhamun, whose mummified remains are still on display. Later, experience a warm welcome as you meet a local family and take a tour of their village. As you stroll through the streets, hear stories of local life and the importance of family contribution, ensuring all members of the village are looked after. Part of this is the baking of traditional sun bread, where each group of families in the village will have their own bakery oven. A member from each group is chosen to be the assigned baker to provide bread

**ELEGANCE OF THE PHAROHS**

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**START DATES**

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to the community. Watch as the family demonstrates the bread-making process and enjoy a taste of the delicious bread, paired perfectly with a cup of Egyptian tea.

**In the evening, join in the fun at an Egyptian dinner and a lively galabeya party. (B) (L) (DW)**

**DAY 6 • RELAXED START**

**A FELUCCA AROUND KITCHENER'S ISLAND.**

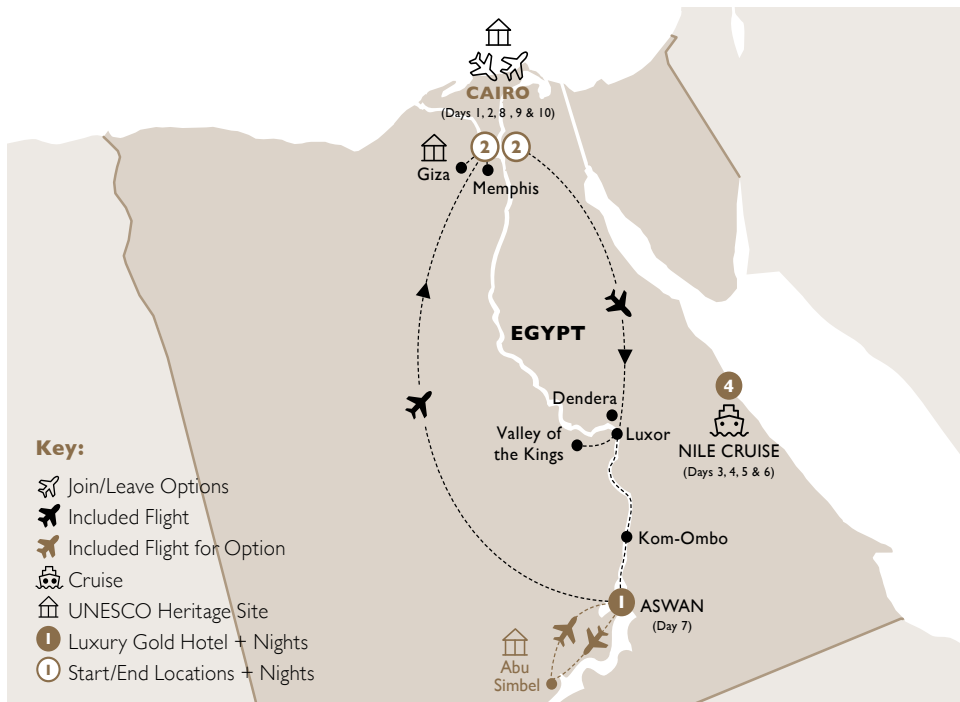
Visit the unique double-temple of Kom Ombo dedicated to both the crocodile-headed Sobek and the falcon god, Horus the Elder. Back on board, relax and enjoy a visual feast as you cruise along the Nile to Aswan. Journey out on a Nile felucca, a traditional sailboat, for a peaceful ride around Kitchener's Island.

**In the evening, you will be treated to an Egyptian belly dancing performance. (B) (L) (DW)**

**DAY 7**

**ASWAN AND HIGH DAM.**

In the morning, your luxurious cruise experience comes to an end. Sightseeing today includes a visit to the modern Aswan High Dam and the ancient Granite Quarries, where one of Queen Hatshepsut's obelisks



lies abandoned in the bedrock. Cross the Nile by motorboat to the well-preserved Philae temple complex. Revered by locals, it was moved stone-by-stone to its current location to avoid being ruined by rising water levels, following the construction of the High Dam. Next, take a small boat along the banks of the Nile with the birdman of Aswan. Keep a look out for colourful native birds as you travel to his small Nubian village. Visit the traditional dwelling of a local family and enjoy Nubian-style hospitality as you learn more about the area's unique culture. This afternoon your luxurious cruise experience comes to an end.

**Later, experience a colonial-style high tea at the Old Cataract Hotel. (B) (AT)**

**Old Cataract Hotel, Aswan.**  
Contemporary |

**DAY 8 • RELAXED START**

**BACK TO CAIRO**

In the morning you will board to flight back to Cairo. Why not head on a locally available experience by air to Abu Simbel? These extraordinary temples were carved out of the cliff side by Rameses II and later transported, in an amazing feat of modern engineering, out of the rising waters of Lake Nasser. In the evening, check into your famous hotel built to attract the nobility of Europe, the Four Seasons at the First Residence. (B)

**Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at the First Residence.**

Traditional |

**DAY 9**

**CAIRO SIGHTSEEING**

After breakfast, enjoy a city tour of Cairo to visit the towering Alabaster Mosque and enjoy incredible hilltop views over the city from the imposing Citadel of Salah El Din. Visit the Egyptian Museum, to witness the priceless treasures recovered from the Tomb of Tutankhamun. Next, head to Khan el-Khalili, a major souk in the historic centre of Islamic Cairo, where you can stock up on local goods and put your bargaining skills to test. (B)

**DAY 10**

**DEPART CAIRO.**

Your Egyptian adventure concludes with transfers to Cairo Airport. (B)

# ELEGANCE OF THE NILE





## 11 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

The father of African rivers the Nile has long been a reflection of Egypt's history and destiny – an economic lifeline, a great highway to conquest and a source of inspiration throughout the centuries. The banks of this great river served as the stage for the evolution and decay of advanced ancient civilisations in the ancient world. Now it is your turn to be inspired as history and spiritual wonders are revealed at every turn.

### VIP EXPERIENCES

#### **LUXOR:**

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of the temple of Luxor after hours for an exclusive VIP experience and marvel at this ancient monument.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### **ASWAN:**

Travel to a small Nubian village, visit a traditional dwelling of a local family and enjoy Nubian-style hospitality.

#### **KOM OMBO:**

Visit the unique double temple of Kom Ombo, dedicated to both the crocodile-headed Sobek and the falcon god, Horus the Elder. This is one of the Nile Valley's most beautiful temples.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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Like Winston Churchill and Agatha Christie before you enjoy high tea in colonial English-style at Aswan's famous Old Cataract Hotel.

### LUXURY HOTELS

#### **LUXURY CRUISING:**

Set sail on the deluxe, all-suite River Tosca and experience old world elegance blended with modern amenities and comfort.

#### **CAIRO:**

Perfectly located on the western bank of the Nile, the Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at the First Residence puts you at the heart of it all. Enjoy elegance in both service and style, with rooms featuring stylish colonial décor and an open-air, rooftop pool offering stunning city views.

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Valley of the Kings



Felucca Boat

**DAY 1****CAIRO AT LEISURE.**

Welcome to Egypt. On arrival in Cairo, you will be met at the airport and transferred to the Mena House Hotel. Freshen up before joining your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for a Welcome Drink at the hotel.

**Mena House Hotel (Pyramid View), Giza.**

Traditional | 📶

**DAY 2****CAIRO SIGHTSEEING.**

Join your Travelling Concierge, also a knowledgeable Egyptologist, and journey to one of the seven wonders of the ancient world, the great Pyramids of Giza. Venture inside the Pyramids and visit their guardian Sphinx. Continue to Sakkara to see the Step Pyramid of King Zoser and in Memphis see Ramses II and the great Alabaster Sphinx. Return to Giza as night falls, to attend a mesmerising Sound & Light Show at the Pyramids. **(B)**

**DAY 3****JOIN YOUR CRUISE IN LUXOR.**

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Luxor. On arrival head to Karnak, the largest temple complex ever built by man. Walk through the avenue of ram-headed sphinxes, past the statue of Rameses II, to stand in awe among the huge columns of the vast Hypostyle Hall.

🍴 *Later, enjoy an onboard gala reception and dinner back on the ship. **(B) (L) (DW)***

**River Tosca.**

Cruise | 📶

**DAY 4****THE TEMPLE OF HATHOR AND LUXOR.**

Head to the Temple of Hathor in the morning. Built in the 1st century B.C., it remains one of the best-preserved temples in all of Egypt and contains a rare depiction of Cleopatra VII and Caesarian, her son with Julius Caesar.

🎟️ Return to Luxor for some leisure time before an exclusive, after-hours visit to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Temple of Luxor.

Founded in 1400 B.C. during the Golden Age of Thebes, the temple complex blends in seamlessly with surrounding city.

**(B) (L) (DW)**

**DAY 5****THE WEST BANK AND VALLEY OF THE KINGS.**

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**ELEGANCE OF THE NILE**

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**CABIN TYPES AVAILABLE**

Cairo Deck Grand Suite, Pharaoh Deck Grand Suite, Pyramid Deck Grand Suite, Pharaoh Deck Royal Suite



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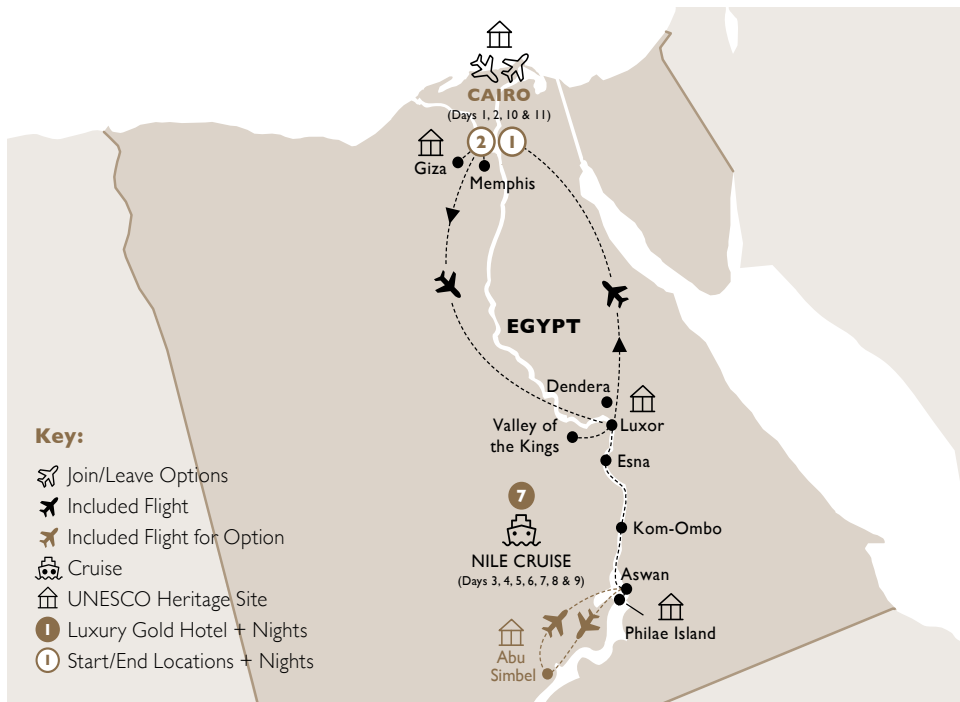
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- Later, experience a colonial-style high tea at the Old Cataract Hotel.
- In the evening, you will be treated to an Egyptian belly dancing performance. (B) (L) (AT) (DW)

- DAY 7 ASWAN AND HIGH DAM.** Visit the modern Aswan High Dam and the ancient Granite Quarries. Cross the Nile to visit the well-preserved Philae temple complex. Then, take a small boat along the banks of the Nile to a small Nubian village. Visit the traditional dwelling of a local family and enjoy Nubian-style hospitality as you learn more about the area's unique culture.
- Once onboard your stylish and spacious cruise ship, savour a Highlight Dinner accompanied by a Nubian folklore show and live music. (B) (L) (DW)



- DAY 8 • RELAXED START RELAX UPON THE NILE.** This morning is at your leisure. Perhaps relax by the pool on the River Tosca or head out to explore the local area yourself? In the afternoon, begin your return voyage along the Nile river, lined by a green ribbon of fertile land and watch the arid desert beyond pass you by. The river continues to play a vital role in everyday life. In scenes that have hardly changed for centuries, residents swim, bathe, work and play along its shores while water buffalo graze in nearby fields. (B) (L) (DW)

- DAY 9 FROM ESNA TO LUXOR.** Start your day with a visit to Esna Temple before sitting back and observing everyday life in rural Egypt as you float downstream to Luxor.
- In the evening, you'll indulge on a delicious Celebration Dinner on the River Tosca. (B) (L) (DW)

- DAY 10 LUXOR TO CAIRO.** In the morning fly to Cairo where you'll visit the towering Alabaster Mosque. Enjoy incredible hilltop views over the city from the imposing Citadel of Salah El Din. Next, wander the streets of Khan el-Khalili, a major souk in the historic centre of Islamic Cairo, where you will be dazzled by the colourful and lively atmosphere. Visit the Egyptian Museum, to witness the priceless treasures recovered from the Tomb of Tutankhamun. (B)
- Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at the First Residence. Traditional |

- DAY 11 DEPART CAIRO.** It's time to say goodbye to your fellow travellers, as you wake early for your transfer to Cairo Airport. (B)

# SPECTACULAR SOUTH AFRICA







## 9 or 12 DAYS *A taste of what's to come*

A showcase of beautiful wilderness, eclectic cultures, warm hospitality and rich heritage, this life-changing journey will take you from cosmopolitan Cape Town into the heart of Big Five territory. Uncover the complex history of South Africa, while travelling luxuriously like the intrepid explorers of the past. Your journey concludes with an extraordinary three-day safari in the Sabi Sands.

MAXIMUM  
16 GUESTS

### VIP EXPERIENCES

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#### CAPE TOWN:

Join Christo Brand, a former prison guard of Nelson Mandela, for lunch at the Amy Foundation to hear fascinating stories about one of history's most heroic figures.

### JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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#### ROBBER ISLAND:

Visit the World Heritage Site of Robben Island, infamous for Nelson Mandela's imprisonment. Join a Local Expert for an insightful tour and meet an ex-political prisoner who shares his personal anecdotes.

#### KRUGER NATIONAL PARK:

Keep an eye out for the Big Five, as you embark on a three-day safari with six game-drives in a private, open-air safari vehicle.

### EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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#### BOSCHENDAL WINE ESTATE:

Savour a delicious farm to table meal at The Werf Restaurant. Guided by the rhythm of the seasons, Chef Allistaire Lawrence creates a contemporary menu from the best available local and ethically-sourced produce.

### LUXURY HOTELS

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#### KRUGER NATIONAL PARK:

Situated in the Sabi Sands, which boasts one of the planet's highest concentrations of animal species, the Lion Sands Lodges offer exquisite luxury suites with private decks, plunge pools, and an open-air lounge and dining area overlooking the Sabie River.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*



Victoria Falls



View of Robben Island

**DAY 1****WELCOME TO THE MOTHER CITY.**

Welcome to Cape Town, the crown jewel of South Africa. On arrival at Cape Town International Airport, transfer to The 12 Apostles Hotel and Spa, nestled between Table Mountain and Twelve Apostles Mountain Range, offering amazing views of the Atlantic Ocean.



*This evening, join your Travelling Concierge and travel companions for a dazzling Welcome Dinner and toast to your journey ahead. (DW)*



**12 Apostles Hotel and Spa, Cape Town.**

Boutique | 📶

**DAY 2****CAPE PENINSULA AND LUNCH IN KALK BAY.**

Embark on one of the world's most legendary drives, journeying from the Hotel through the fishing village of Hout Bay. Winding along Chapman's Peak, continue past colourful Kalk Bay, with its bohemian cafes and on to the majestic Cape Point Nature Reserve, one of the world's most pristine wildernesses. Stroll along the trails and keep an eye out for reebok, Cape Mountain zebra, bontebok and the elusive eland. Explore Boulders Beach and learn about the local residents, a colony of African penguins.



*You're invited to an exquisite lunch with wine at the Harbour House restaurant in Kalk Bay. Admire views overlooking False Bay and the Hottentots Mountain Range, as you dine as close to the water as possible.*

Take in beautiful views of the ocean and mountains, as you travel to your hotel overlooking the Atlantic. See the cosmopolitan suburbs of Sea Point, Clifton and Camps Bay before returning to your Hotel. Your Travelling Concierge is a treasure trove of local knowledge and will happily make dinner reservations on your behalf at recommended restaurants.

**(B) (LW)**

**DAY 3 • RELAXED START****MAJESTIC TABLE MOUNTAIN.**

One of Africa's most vibrant cities, Cape Town is yours to explore at leisure. Perhaps shop for trendy crafts at the award-winning Watershed or stroll along the popular Sea Point promenade? In the afternoon, meet your Travelling Concierge and venture to the base of Table Mountain, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. Enjoy 360-degree views of the city from the famous cable car, before stepping off onto the summit just in time for a spectacular African Sunset, should weather permit



*This evening venture to a nearby restaurant for an opulent culinary journey, accented by daring decor and whispers of history. (B) (DW)*

**DAY 4 • RELAXED START****HISTORIC CAPE WINELANDS.**

Travel into the heart of the Cape winelands, world-famous for crisp white and French-style red wines, to the beautiful town of Franschhoek.

*Wander through the lovely gardens of the Vergelegen Estate and enjoy a private wine tasting hosted by the estate's winemaker.*



*Continue to the Boschendal Wine Estate for a seasonal Farm-to-Table lunch.*

Relax during a scenic drive, as you are chauffeured back to your hotel in a vintage car, before enjoying an evening at leisure.

**(B) (LW)**

**DAY 5****AMY FOUNDATION AND ROBBERN ISLAND.**

Step onboard a ferry and head to the World Heritage Site of Robben Island, infamous for Nelson Mandela's imprisonment. Join a Local Expert for an insightful tour and meet an ex-political prisoner who shares his personal anecdotes.



*Return to the mainland and join Christo Brand, a former prison guard at the Victor Verster prison, where Nelson Mandela spent the last 14 months of his 27-year-long imprisonment, for lunch at the Amy Foundation.*

You then visit the non-profit Amy Foundation to witness how the lives of vulnerable young people are being transformed before enjoying the evening at leisure. **(B) (L)**

## SPECTACULAR SOUTH AFRICA

TRIP CODE: F660

FROM \$7095 P.P. | 9 OR 12 DAYS | 2 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

## START DATES

2021

JAN 22, 29

OCT 31

MAR 05, 22

NOV 14, 28

## SPECIAL DEPARTURES

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## DAY 6

## LUXURY SAFARI EXPERIENCE.

Fly from Cape Town into the heart of the African bushveld, touching down at Skukuza Airport. Enjoy a short drive through Kruger National Park, one of the world's largest game reserves, to the luxurious Lion Sands Lodge. Experience your first evening game drive in a private open-air safari vehicle, hosted by a professionally qualified ranger and tracker through the Lion Sands Game Reserve.

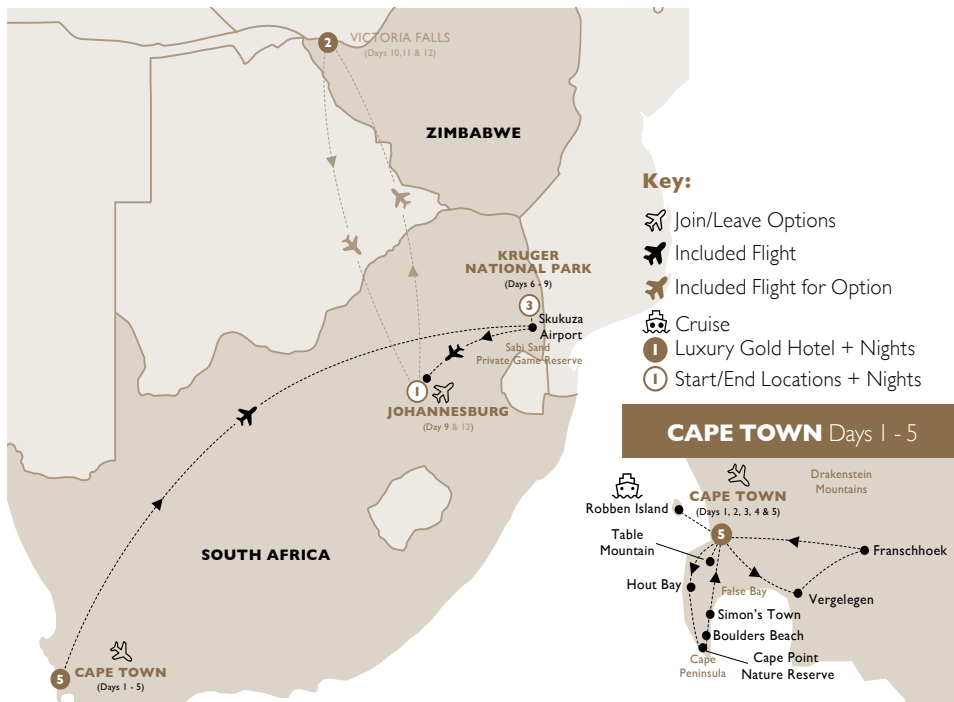
*In the evening, gather round for a feast of slow-cooked meats, seasonal vegetables and sweet treats, before falling asleep to the distant calls of hyenas. (B) (LW) (DW)*

**Lion Sands Narina Lodge/Lion Sands Tinga Lodge, Kruger National Park.**  
Resort |

## DAY 7

## LOOKING FOR THE BIG FIVE.

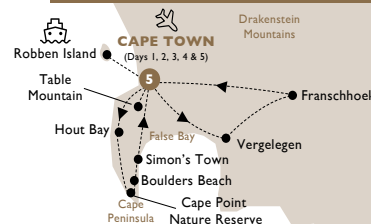
Marvel at your tracker's skills, as he reads the bush in search of the Big Five. Keep your eyes peeled for leopard and listen for the sounds of elephants munching on mopani leaves. See crocodiles and hippopotamus at watering holes and look out for the many exotic bird species.



## Key:

- Join/Leave Options
- Included Flight
- Included Flight for Option
- Cruise
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights

## CAPE TOWN Days 1 - 5



## Enjoy the afternoon Your Way

and choose to either indulge with a high tea, or join your ranger for a guided bush walk.

As the sun dips beyond the savannah, delight in a candle-lit dinner, served in majestic surroundings. **(B) (LW) (DW)**

## DAY 8

## WE'RE GOING ON A SAFARI.

Awake at sunrise, the best time to spot predators, for your game drive through fresh morning mist. Upon returning to your lodge, savour breakfast and enjoy some time at leisure. Soak up the magic of the African bushveld, illuminated by the sinking sun, on your last evening game drive.

*Raise a glass to an outstanding adventure, as you savour your Celebration Dinner beneath a blanket of stars. (B) (LW) (DW)*

## DAY 9

## ONTO JOHANNESBURG.

After your final game drive and breakfast, you're driven to Skukuza Airport for your onward journey to Johannesburg, where your adventure comes to an end. Alternatively, if you've booked the Victoria Falls Option, on arrival in Johannesburg you'll be transferred to your stunning, city-centre hotel, The Michelangelo. **(B)**

**The Michelangelo, Johannesburg.**  
Traditional |

## VICTORIA FALLS

TRAVEL OPTION

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

 DAYS 9 - 12  
FAREWELL SOUTH AFRICA AND ONTO VICTORIA FALLS.

Why not extend your wilderness adventure in Africa with an additional three-night stay to witness one of the world's most awe-inspiring and beautiful waterfalls, Victoria Falls. This part of your journey is not accompanied by a Travelling Concierge but by a Local Host.

**The Stanley and Livingstone (Luxury Suite).**

Boutique |

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# AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND



New Zealand Rugby, Auckland



## Playing with the Pride of the Nation

*“Buck” Shelford, former captain of the All Blacks, the national rugby team of New Zealand, joins you for a Celebration Dinner in Auckland to discuss his rugby career and the significance of the haka.*

### Story by Wayne “Buck” Shelford

I grew up in a sporty family in Rotorua, on New Zealand’s north island. My mum’s brothers played rugby, my father played, my older brothers played – it’s more unusual in New Zealand that you don’t play. Some people would say it is part of our DNA. As kids we’d think nothing of spending hours travelling to away games – that sort of commitment was in our blood.

Rugby arrived in New Zealand in 1870, introduced by British settlers. Before that, the Maori played a ball game not entirely dissimilar to rugby, which might be why we’ve adapted to it so well. North Shore in Devonport, where I coach now, will celebrate its 150th anniversary in three years’ time, so many generations have played here.

Before each game, a Ka Mate haka is performed, which is a Maori ceremonial dance. A haka can be performed for many reasons – to mark an achievement or to pay respect to the dead. It is far more than a battle cry, even though that’s how it’s been perceived. Although often misunderstood, the haka is performed with great sincerity and honour. It is a stamp of our identity – of how we do things differently down here.

When you visit New Zealand, I’d encourage you to immerse yourself in Maori culture. Many Maori exist with one foot in our culture and one foot in another. You can appreciate the symbols and the body art, but you don’t realise that these tell a story. The art on my wife’s face and body explains her whole genealogy. Maori have rich ties to the world around us and look at the world differently than most western cultures.

Rugby opened up the world for me, so I’ll forever be grateful for that. I feel proud to have represented both my culture and country on an international stage. Winning the inaugural World Cup in Eden Park, Auckland was undeniably the highlight of my career. It’s a great honour to have worn the black jersey, and winning in front of a home crowd, where everyone has such passion for the game, is an extraordinary feeling. ■

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# INSPIRING AUSTRALIA

From the Great Barrier Reef to the Red Centre of the Outback, Australia boasts a plethora of extraordinary natural wonders. This immersive journey is a showcase of vast tropical rainforests, otherworldly rock formations and ancient indigenous culture. Listen to the sounds of the didgeridoo at a hosted starlit dinner in Uluru and take in the iconic sights of Sydney aboard a yacht.

MAXIMUM  
20 GUESTS



Uluru

## VIP EXPERIENCES

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### SYDNEY:

Embark on a VIP tour of the famous Sydney Opera House, before enjoying a Celebration Dinner at Peter Gilmore's Bennelong restaurant, set in the building's iconic sails.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### GREAT BARRIER REEF:

Take to the water and discover spectacular coral formations and a world of unique marine creatures, as you snorkel around underwater gardens.

### CAIRNS:

Join your Local Expert to learn about the relationship the indigenous Kuku Yalanji people have with their land in the Daintree National Park.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### HUNTER VALLEY:

Discover one of Australia's most famous wine regions, as you enjoy a privately hosted wine tasting at a boutique winery, followed by an exquisite light lunch.

## LUXURY HOTELS

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### BLUE MOUNTAINS:

Set amid two acres of manicured gardens, Lilianfels Resort & Spa overlooks the most spectacular scenery. Designed to celebrate its Victorian origins, the ambiance of this resort reflects the romance of a bygone era.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*

## DAY 1



### WELCOME TO CAIRNS.

On arrival at the airport, you'll be welcomed and transferred to your hotel.



*In the evening meet your Travelling Concierge and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner at the Reef House Restaurant, overlooking the crystal-clear water of the Coral Sea. (DW)*



The Reef House Palm Cove, Cairns.  
Boutique |

*Please see page 4 for information key on dining, activity level and itinerary icons.*

## DAY 2

### THE ANCIENT DAINTREE RAINFOREST AND INDIGENOUS CULTURE.

The Daintree National Park is the largest area of tropical rainforest in Australia. Join your Local Expert for a fascinating exploration and learn about the relationship the indigenous Kuku Yalanji people have with their land. Lunch is served in the quaint Daintree village. (B) (L)

## DAY 3



### SNORKEL THE GREAT BARRIER REEF.

The Great Barrier Reef is of great ecological value and beauty. Experience its magic as you cruise out to the Outer Reef and enjoy the day relaxing onboard, or snorkelling the crystal-clear water past iridescent coral and colourful marine life. (B) (L)

## DAY 4



### INTO THE OUTBACK.

Depart the holiday hotspot of Cairns, flying to Uluru, the heart of Australia. Join your Travelling Concierge for a guided walk deep through whistling Walpa Gorge, tracing the cultural significance of Kata Tjuta's ancient rocky domes. In the late afternoon, venture

**INSPIRING AUSTRALIA**

TRIP CODE: IJFLY

FROM \$9035 P.P. | 13 DAYS | 1 RELAXED START

ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

**START DATES**

2021	OCT 05
FEB 02	NOV 09
MAR 02	2022
APR 06	JAN 11
JUL 06	FEB 01
AUG 31	MAR 01

**SPECIAL DEPARTURES**

All departures are limited to just 20 guests.

**FLIGHT INFORMATION**

The following internal flights must be purchased separately in order to fulfil the holiday itinerary:

**Day 1** - Flights to arrive prior to 14:00 at Cairns Airport.  
**Day 4** - from Cairns to Ayers Rock (required internal holiday flight). **Day 8** - from Alice Springs to Sydney (required internal holiday flight).



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into the spiritual midst of Uluru in time to enjoy sparkling wine and a spectacular sunset. **(B)**

Sails in the Desert Hotel, Ayers Rock Resort, Uluru.  
Resort |

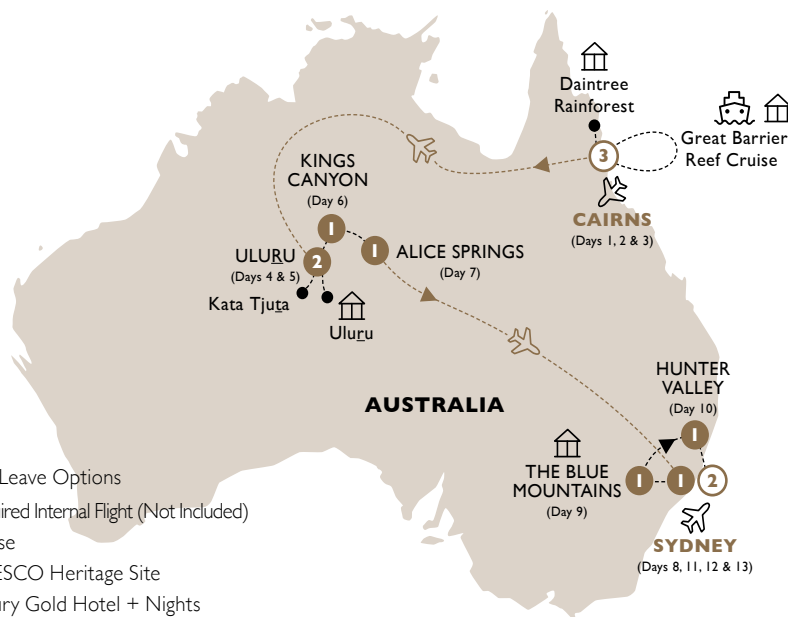
**DAY 5**  
**ULURU AND KATA TJUTA.**

Rise early to experience the renowned Field of Light, where 50,000 glass spheres in colours of ochre, deep violet, blue and gentle white, have been installed within sight of Uluru. Later, spend time at the base of Uluru, embracing the timeless stories and rock art of the Anangu people. Visit the Mutitjula Waterhole, home to the Anangu's wanampi, an ancestral water snake. Then venture to the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre.

*This evening, meet the magical stars of the Southern Hemisphere at the sensational Sounds of Silence Dinner. **(B) (DW)***

**DAY 6**  
**SPECTACULAR SUNRISE.**

Witness a mesmerising sunrise over Uluru. After breakfast, travel towards Kings Canyon.



**Key:**

- Join/Leave Options
- Required Internal Flight (Not Included)
- Cruise
- UNESCO Heritage Site
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights

*Your journey continues with a visit to Curtin Springs Station. Learn about local life from a resident, as you enjoy a barbecue lunch. **(B) (L) (DW)***

Kings Canyon Resort.  
Resort |

**DAY 7**  
**DESERT AND CANYONS.**

Start the day with a six-kilometre rim walk exploration of spectacular Kings Canyon. If you'd prefer a more relaxed walk, you can explore the boulder-strewn Canyon Creek Bed, getting up close to the native plants and birdlife. Afterwards, travel past the West MacDonnell Ranges to Alice Springs.

*Join your Alice Springs hosts this evening for a barbecue dinner around a campfire. **(B) (L) (DW)***

Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters.  
Contemporary |

**DAY 8**  
**ALICE SPRINGS TO SYDNEY.**

Spend some time at the School of the Air. Learn about the technology used to teach children in these remote areas, and see how the Royal Flying Doctor Service is saving lives in the outback. Later, you'll fly to Sydney, where you have a free evening to explore. **(B)**

The Langham, Sydney.  
Contemporary |

**DAY 9**  
**BLUE MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK.**

Travel to the Blue Mountains National Park, known for its dramatic landscapes.

*Later meet your fellow travellers for a delicious dinner made from spectacular local produce. **(B) (DW)***

Lilianfels Resort and Spa, Katoomba.  
Resort |

**DAY 10**  
**HUNTER VALLEY WINE COUNTRY.**

Take in vistas of pristine landscapes, as you travel north towards the Hunter Valley.

*On arrival, you'll enjoy a private wine tasting at one of the region's renowned wineries, followed by an exquisite lunch. **(B) (LW) (DW)***

voco Kirkton Park Hunter Valley.  
Boutique |

**DAY 11**  
**SET SAIL ON SYDNEY HARBOUR.**

Return to Sydney and join a skilled crew for a sailing experience on Sydney Harbour. Take in views of the cityscape, pass the Opera House and under the Harbour Bridge. **(B)**

The Langham, Sydney.  
Contemporary |

**DAY 12 - RELAXED START**  
**SYDNEY SIGHTSEEING AND THE OPERA HOUSE.**

Explore the city with your Travelling Concierge. *After, enjoy a VIP tour of the Sydney Opera House, with a Celebration Dinner at Peter Gilmore's famous Bennelong restaurant. **(B) (DW)***

**DAY 13**  
**FAREWELL SYDNEY.**

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your onward journey. **(B)**

# THE LONG WHITE CLOUD

Delve into the scenic delights of New Zealand with a small group of explorers, combining natural beauty with creature comforts. Overnight in the rainforests of Fiordland National Park and immerse yourself in the era of Art Deco in Napier. Discover the natural and cultural wonders of New Zealand, from a nature cruise on Milford Sound to meeting a Māori tribe for a traditional Hāngī dinner in Rotorua.

MAXIMUM  
20 GUESTS



Milford Sound

## VIP EXPERIENCES

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### AUCKLAND:

Enjoy a Celebration Dinner with a former All Black rugby player. You'll be regaled with fascinating stories about his time spent on a champion team.

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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### MILFORD SOUND:

Enjoy a taste of the world-famous Milford Track with a guided walk. Your nature guide will point out the native fauna and flora and share the fascinating human heritage of the track.

### ROTORUA:

Experience volcanic crater lakes, hot springs, geothermal features, rare, unusual plant life and brilliantly coloured micro biology.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

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### ROTORUA:

Gather round for a feast of succulent meats and vegetables, cooked in a Hāngī and prepared using the traditional Māori method of cooking over geothermal steam coming from the earth.

## LUXURY HOTELS

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### FRANZ JOSEF:

Surrounded by pristine wilderness, Te Waonui Forest Retreat is a five-star haven of relaxation and impeccable luxury. With a natural, earthy ambience and attentive service, there's no better place to take a deep breath and simply unwind.

*Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary*

## DAY 1



### WELCOME TO CHRISTCHURCH.

On arrival at Christchurch Airport you'll be driven by private car to your hotel. In the evening meet your Travelling Concierge for a Welcome Reception.



Hotel Montreal, Christchurch.

Boutique |

## DAYS 2 - 3 • RELAXED START

### CHRISTCHURCH TO FRANZ JOSEF.

Board the TranzAlpine train and travel through the Canterbury Plains and Southern Alps to Arthur's Pass. Visit Hokitika and continue to Franz Josef. The next day, enjoy a Relaxed Start then explore the area with a local guide. **(B) (DW) (B)**



Te Waonui Forest Retreat, Franz Josef.

Boutique |

## DAYS 4 - 6 • RELAXED START

### ROMANTIC ARROWTOWN AND ON TO QUEENSTOWN.

Experience the Haast River in a jet boat. Stop at Makarora and Arrowtown en route to Queenstown. With two full days in Queenstown at leisure, perhaps join an optional wine tour or view The Lord of the Rings film locations?



*Dine at one of Queenstown's exclusive restaurants.* **(B) (DW) (B) (B) (DW)**



Hotel St. Moritz, Queenstown.

Traditional |

## DAYS 7 - 8 • RELAXED START

### QUEENSTOWN TO MILFORD SOUND.

Take the scenic journey through rainforests, flats and meadows of Fiordland National

*Please see page 4 for information key on dining, activity level and itinerary icons.*



**THE LONG WHITE CLOUD**

TRIP CODE: NZIJ

FROM \$14110 P.P. | 19 DAYS | 6 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: LEISURELY

**START DATES**

2021	2022
JAN 25	JAN 24
FEB 22	FEB 21
MAR 15	MAR 14
DEC 06	

**SPECIAL DEPARTURES**

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Park to Milford Sound. Stop at Mirror Lakes, where the stunning mountain scenery is perfectly reflected in the waters, then on to the hand-hewn Homer Tunnel, and after, to one of the world's most dramatic alpine drives, down through the Cleddau Valley and its impressive Chasm.

Explore the famous Milford Track on an easy-going half-day guided walk. This is a place steeped in rich history and stories, where the flora and fauna is unique and special.

Enjoy the best of both worlds as you listen to a Specialist Nature Guide while relaxing onboard a modern catamaran. Your guide will introduce you to the natural wonders of Milford Sound. (B) (DW) (B) (L) (DW)

Milford Sound Lodge.  
Traditional |

**DAYS 9 - 10 • RELAXED START MILFORD SOUND TO DUNEDIN.**

Journey through South Otago passing Gore, before arriving in Dunedin, New Zealand's southernmost city.

Enjoy dinner and wine at *Parcels Restaurant*.

Take a guided tour and sample the tasty craft beer at Emerson's Brewery. (B) (DW) (B)

Distinction Dunedin Hotel.  
Historic |

**Key:**

- Join/Leave Options
- Cruise
- Train
- UNESCO Heritage Site
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights



**DAY 11 DUNEDIN TO CHRISTCHURCH.**

Head up the east coast via Oamaru and Timaru towards Christchurch. On arrival embark on an in-depth sightseeing tour of the city. (B) (DW)

Hotel Montreal, Christchurch.  
Boutique |

**DAYS 12 - 13 • RELAXED START CHRISTCHURCH TO WELLINGTON.**

Call into the whale-watching capital of Kaikoura. Continue to Picton to board your ferry across the Cook Strait to Wellington for a city orientation. Wellington is then yours to explore at leisure - perhaps visit Weta Workshop or Te Papa? (B) (DW) (B)

Sofitel Wellington.  
Contemporary |

**DAYS 14 - 15 • RELAXED START WELLINGTON TO HAWKE'S BAY.**

Travel to Art Deco Napier in Hawke's Bay.

Enjoy dinner and matching wines at *Craggy Range Winery*.  
Join a local guide to explore the city. (B) (DW) (B) (DW)

Porters Boutique Hotel, Havelock North, Hawke's Bay.  
Boutique |

**DAYS 16 - 17 GEOTHERMAL ROTORUA.**

Continue your journey to nearby Rotorua for sightseeing. At Waimangu Volcanic Valley, you'll experience spectacular volcanic craters, hot water springs, beautiful geothermal

features, rare and unusual plant life, brilliantly coloured micro biology and a wide array of birds.

Savour a Māori Hāngi feast, followed by a concert, at the *Tamaki Maori Village*. Ascending to the breathtaking Redwoods Treewalk, enjoy a bird's eye view of the 120-year-old redwood giants. Venture to Rainbow Springs Nature Park for a Behind the Scenes tour at the National Kiwi Hatchery. (B) (B) (DW)

Pullman Rotorua, Rotorua.  
Contemporary |

**DAY 18 WAITOMO AND AUCKLAND.**

Begin your day with a dazzling show during an exclusive five-star Eco Glowworm experience at Caveworld, Waitomo. During your guided glowworm experience, admire the subterranean world of Footwhistle Cave. In Auckland, embark on an afternoon of sightseeing.

Toast your travels at your *Celebration Dinner in the company of a former New Zealand All Black rugby player*. (B) (DW)  
 Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour.  
Contemporary |

**DAY 19 FAREWELL AUCKLAND.**

Transfer to Auckland Airport for your onward flight. (B)

8 DAYS

A taste of what's to come

# THE ENDLESS SHORES

Explore New Zealand's North Island with no more than 20 like-minded travellers. Visit the cities Auckland and Wellington, that resound with a friendly welcome normally felt in small towns.

MAXIMUM 20 GUESTS



Hawke's Bay



### Key:

- Join/Leave Options
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

### ROTORUA:

Experience volcanic crater lakes, hot springs, geothermal features, rare and unusual plant life and brilliantly coloured micro biology.

## EXCEPTIONAL DINING

### ROTORUA:

Gather round for a feast of succulent meats and vegetables, cooked in a Hāngi and prepared using the traditional Māori method of cooking over geothermal steam coming from the earth.

### AUCKLAND:

Enjoy a Celebration Dinner with a former All Black rugby player. You'll be regaled with fascinating stories about his time spent on a champion team.

## LUXURY HOTELS

### WELLINGTON:

Forming part of an exclusive collection of luxury hotels, the vintage-inspired Sofitel Wellington places you in the heart of the city near lush botanical gardens, stately parliamentary buildings and a collection of museums.

Discover all the ways we turn your travels into gold in the itinerary

### DAY 1 WELCOME TO WELLINGTON.

On arrival at Wellington International Airport you'll be driven by complimentary transfer to your hotel. Spend some time at leisure to relax or explore on your own. This evening, meet your Travelling Concierge and get to know your fellow travellers during your Welcome Dinner. **(DW)**

Sofitel Wellington. Contemporary |

### DAYS 2 - 7 DISCOVER THE NORTH ISLAND.

Visit the volcanic crater lakes of Rotorua and enjoy a behind the scenes tour at the National Kiwi Hatchery. See the glowworm caves in Waitomo and toast your travels in the company of a former New Zealand All Black rugby player. FOR FULL ITINERARY DETAILS, PLEASE SEE DAYS 13 – 18 OF **THE LONG WHITE CLOUD** ON PAGE 148 – 149.

### DAY 8 FAREWELL AUCKLAND.

Transfer to Auckland Airport for your onward flight. **(B)**

## THE ENDLESS SHORES

TRIP CODE: NZNI

FROM \$5075 P.P. | 8 DAYS | 2 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: LEISURELY

### START DATES

2021	2022
FEB 05	FEB 04
MAR 05, 26	MAR 04, 25
DEC 17	

### SPECIAL DEPARTURES

All departures are limited to just 20 guests.



Scan this code using your smart phone's camera to view the full details of this journey on our website.

For the most up-to-date pricing, offers and itinerary variations, visit [luxurygold.com/endlesshores](https://luxurygold.com/endlesshores)

Prices shown are accurate at time of printing and are subject to change without notice.

**Please note:** on this journey, your Travelling Concierge will also act as your Well-being Director.

Please see page 4 for information key on dining, activity level and itinerary icons.

**12 DAYS** A taste of what's to come

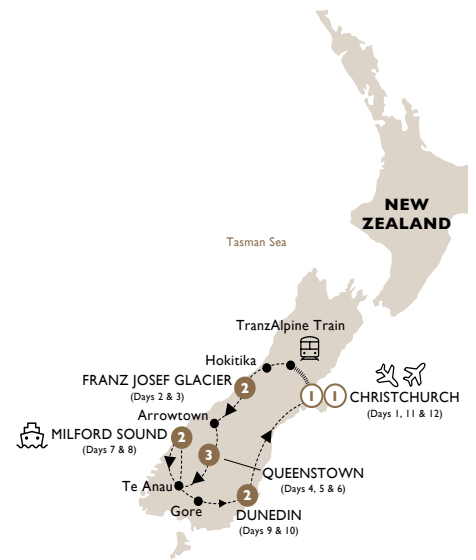
# THE SOUTHERN DRIFT

No stone is left unturned as you venture into parts of the South Island less travelled. Travel to Milford Sound, where you will fall asleep under a blanket of mist and shadows on the still waters of the fiord. Enjoy travelling with no more than 20 like-minded guests.

MAXIMUM  
20 GUESTS



Dunedin



### Key:

- Join/Leave Options
- Train
- Luxury Gold Hotel + Nights
- Start/End Locations + Nights

## JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

### TRANZALPINE TRAIN:

Experience the South Island's striking natural landscape aboard the TranzAlpine, one of the world's great train journeys.

### MILFORD TRACK WALK:

Enjoy a taste of the world-famous Milford Track with a guided walk. Your nature guide will point out the native fauna and flora and share the fascinating human heritage of the track.

## LUXURY HOTELS

### FRANZ JOSEF:

Surrounded by pristine wilderness, Te Waonui Forest Retreat is a five-star haven of relaxation and impeccable luxury. With a natural, earthy ambience and attentive service, there's no better place to take a deep breath and simply unwind.

### DAY 1



#### WELCOME TO CHRISTCHURCH.

On arrival at Christchurch Airport you'll be driven by private car to your hotel. In the evening meet your Travelling Concierge for a Welcome Reception.



#### Hotel Montreal, Christchurch.

Boutique |

### DAYS 2 - 11

#### EXPLORE THE SOUTH ISLAND.

Travel through the Canterbury Plains and Southern Alps to Arthur's Pass. Visit Hokitika and continue to Franz Josef. Experience Haast River in a jet boat and discover the beauty of Milford Sound from a Specialist Nature Guide.

FOR FULL ITINERARY DETAILS, PLEASE SEE DAYS 2-11 OF **THE LONG WHITE CLOUD** ON PAGE 148 – 149.

### DAY 12



#### FAREWELL FROM CHRISTCHURCH.

Bid farewell to your fellow travellers after breakfast, as your journey comes to an end with a transfer to Christchurch International Airport for your onward flight. **(B)**

## THE SOUTHERN DRIFT

TRIP CODE: NZSI

FROM \$8965 P.P. | 12 DAYS | 6 RELAXED STARTS

ACTIVITY LEVEL: LEISURELY

### START DATES

2021	2022
JAN 25	JAN 24
FEB 22	FEB 21
MAR 15	MAR 14
DEC 06	

### SPECIAL DEPARTURES

All departures are limited to just 20 guests.



Scan this code using your smart phone's camera to view the full details of this journey on our website.

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# REGISTER WITH MY LUXURY GOLD

Manage your travel details, the easy way

**M**y Luxury Gold is your online holiday hub. Access all your upcoming journey details at your fingertips, including your travel documents and itinerary. Plus, share your preferences directly with your Travelling Concierge so they can start tailoring your journey to you before you even depart.



Taking care of all the little details for you



Your Travelling Concierge will tailor the journey to your preferences

## YOUR REGISTRATION ON MY LUXURY GOLD

We require all guests to register with My Luxury Gold before departing for their holiday. It only takes a few minutes, and we'll ask you for your:

- Contact details while travelling, such as mobile number and email address
- Travel preferences, including any dietary requirements
- Point of contact back home, in case of an emergency

## YOUR TRAVEL DOCUMENTS NOW ON MY LUXURY GOLD

Once you have registered, you can access your electronic documents 21 days prior to your journey, with the option to view them online or download them to your computer or mobile device.

Not only is the use of e-documents sustainable, we'll also plant a tree in your name through our partners at the One Tree Planted organisation, helping reforest devastated lands in Australia.



Easy online registration



Reducing paper, preserving the environment

## MY LUXURY GOLD – HOW IT BENEFITS YOU



### PERSONALISATION

We'll tailor your journey to your preferences, from rooming to dietary requirements.



### SEAMLESS TRAVEL

From hotel check-ins to passport and security checks, we make travel logistics easy.



### DOCUMENT ACCESS

Easily accessible 21 days prior to departure as e-documents to download or view on My Luxury Gold.



### DUTY OF CARE

In the unlikely event of an incident, we will use your details to contact you.

## BOOKING CONDITIONS & INFORMATION

**Very Important:** The information below is a summary of the booking conditions as at the date of the production of this brochure and are for guidance only. The 'Full Booking Conditions' can be found on our website: [luxurygold.com/booking-conditions](http://luxurygold.com/booking-conditions) and form the legal agreement between us and you as our guest. If there is any conflict between the information below and the Full Booking Conditions, the Full Booking Conditions shall prevail. Booking Conditions are regularly updated and may have changed since this brochure was printed.

### SUMMARY BOOKING AND CANCELLATION TERMS

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Additional Air Tickets	Extra Accommodation	Chargeable Transfers
Deposit due per person	\$200	\$350	\$500	As per airline policy	No additional deposit required	No additional deposit required
Final Payment Due (before journey start date)	60 days	90 days	120 days	As per airline policy	In accordance with guided holiday	In accordance with guided holiday
<b>Cancellation Charges (per person) if you cancel your holiday</b>						
<b>No. of days (before journey start date)</b>						
120 days and over	Deposit	Deposit	Deposit	\$75 plus airline charges	\$35	\$35
119 – 90 days	Deposit	Deposit	30%	\$75 plus airline charges	\$35	\$35
89 - 60 days	Deposit	30%	60%	\$75 plus airline charges	\$35	\$35
59 - 16 days	30%	60%	90%	\$75 plus airline charges	Higher of \$35 or 25% of accommodation price	Higher of \$35 or 25% of transfer price
15 - 8 days	50%	90%	100%	\$75 plus airline charges	Higher of \$35 or 30% of accommodation price	Higher of \$35 or 30% of transfer price
7 - 1 days	90%	100%	100%	\$75 plus airline charges	100% of accommodation price	100% of transfer price
Departure Day/No show	100%	100%	100%	\$75 plus airline charges	100% of accommodation price	100% of transfer price

**Level 1:** Cancellation fees are the minimum cancellation fee charged and is used unless the trip is described as Level 2 or 3.

**Level 2:** These trips are listed at [luxurygold.com/booking-levels](http://luxurygold.com/booking-levels) but are generally trips which include cruise/ferry, train or intra-trip flight elements

**Level 3:** Level 3 cancellation fees apply to the following trips:

- Ultimate Italy with Venice Simplon-Orient Express
- Elegance of Egypt
- Elegance of the Nile
- Elegance of the Pharaohs
- Remarkable Russia with Trans-Siberian Option

### YOUR HOLIDAY BOOKING

For the purposes of this document reference to "you" or "your" includes all guests in the party. The Travel Corporation (2011) Pte Ltd is the 'Sales Company'. The 'Operator' for the trips will be as described in the table below. Collectively these companies are referred to as 'Insight'.

Destination	Operator	Destination	Operator
Europe and Britain, Africa, Asia	Insight Vacations Limited	Australia and New Zealand	AAT Kings Tours (Pty) Limited and Travel Corporation NZ Limited
USA & Canada, Central America, South America and Antarctica	Destination America Inc.		

Luxury Gold is a trading name of Insight and is used interchangeably.

**Security:** Security is a major concern to all of us and the situation globally is constantly changing. Events around the world, coupled with the "Travel Advisories" put out by various governments, may at times necessitate changes to the accommodations and itinerary or even trip cancellation. You must accept these risks involved in travel to any country that may experience security difficulties and accept responsibility for your own travel decisions.

**Travel Insurance:** Travel insurance is required for all guests covering all applicable dates of travel with Insight. This insurance must cover; trip interruption, personal injury, medical expenses, evacuation and repatriation cover including during pandemic events.

**COVID-19:** An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the WHO senior citizens and guests with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable.

We ask that you please take personal responsibility for your wellbeing. This begins with packing any personal protective equipment and sanitisers you require. Please adopt physical distancing and hygiene practices throughout your pre-trip travel arrangements and follow all health instructions whether physical signage, or requests from our professional staff, once you are holidaying with us. To travel with Luxury Gold, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19. Full details of hygiene protocols can be found on our website.

**Force Majeure:** Force Majeure Event means any event or circumstance beyond the control of Luxury Gold, including but not limited to: (a) an act of god (such as earthquake, flood, fire, explosion, landslide, lightning, action of the elements, force of nature, washout, typhoon, hurricane, cyclone, tsunami, storm or storm warning or natural disaster); (b) industrial disputes, work ban or other labour dispute or difficulty; (c) acts of terrorism, political unrest, war or threat of war, riots or civil strife; (d) failure or delays to scheduled transportation and the closure of airports or ports; (e) pandemic, epidemic or health risk; (f) governmental and administrative actions (including closure of borders and travel warnings and restrictions).

### RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS

Your trip will be confirmed after receipt of a non-refundable deposit as detailed in the Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table.

Air-inclusive bookings may require an additional non-refundable deposit or payment in full at the time of booking, see Flight Reservations section.

Final payment for your trip reservation will be due prior to departure no later than as detailed in the Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table.

### BOOKING CHANGES

**Name Changes:** Luxury Gold does not charge for name changes or name corrections, however where third party costs are incurred these will be passed on to the guest.

### Cancellation due to Events other than Force Majeure Events

If the cancellation by Luxury Gold is not as a result of a Force Majeure Event, Luxury Gold will provide an alternative comparable trip (if available) if an alternative is not available then a refund will be made. Luxury Gold is not liable for any cancellation or change cost or penalties incurred on other travel arrangements, including air travel, that may be affected thereby.

Luxury Gold is not responsible for other travel arrangements that you or your party have made outside Luxury Gold and which are affected by our cancellations.

### FLIGHT RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS AND CANCELLATIONS

**Reservations/Ticketing:** Air-inclusive bookings and some intra-trip flights require an additional non-refundable deposit or full payment may be required for your airfare at the time of booking. On receipt of full air payment your airfare, taxes and fuel surcharges are final. Luxury Gold does not hold an allocation of air seats and all flight reservations are made on request and are subject to the terms and conditions of the airline. Changes to flight itineraries and name changes and/or corrections may either not be allowed or may result in penalties charged by the airline. These are the guest's responsibility along with the fees charged as described above.

**Air Changes or Cancellation:** After deposit has been received any changes, including cancellations incur a service fee, plus any airline penalties. Airline imposed penalties may be up to 100% of the air ticket price. Published Fares, Preced Match Fares, Promo Fares and some other airfares booked are non-refundable.

Not showing up for your outbound flight as booked and ticketed will be considered a no-show, and all the connecting flights associated with this one, even a return flight will be cancelled and no refund will apply.

### FINANCIAL PROTECTION

#### Sales Companies:

The Travel Corporation (2011) Pte Ltd  
600 North Bridge Road, Parkview Square #06-06, Singapore 188778

#### Operators:

Insight Vacations Limited, Travel House, Rue du Manoir, St Peter Port, Guernsey, GY1 2JH  
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AAT Kings (PTY) Limited, 82 – 86 Bourke Road, Alexandria NSW 2015, Australia  
Travel Corporation NZ Limited, 131 New North Road, Eden Terrace, Auckland, New Zealand

The Insight group of companies has Marketing/Sales/Administrative offices/agents in:

Australia, Brazil, Brunei, Canada, China, Guernsey, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Israel, Ireland, Japan, Kuwait, Malaysia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and the USA.



### CONDITIONS FOR SAVINGS & DISCOUNTS

#### GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Discounts and savings only apply to the land portion of your holiday, may not be available on all journeys and departures, and are not applicable with extra nights' accommodations, optional extensions, airfares, taxes and fees, flight supplements, surcharges and airport transfers. Sometimes more than one discount can apply.

All Savings and Discounts are subject to availability and may be withdrawn at any time and without notice.

#### EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT:

Only applies to the land portion of journeys featuring the Early Payment Discount. Can be combined with other discounts, where applicable. Pay your deposit when booking and the balance by the date shown on page 143. Please see booking conditions at [luxurygold.com/epd](http://luxurygold.com/epd) for details.

#### PAST GUEST DISCOUNT:

If you are a repeat Luxury Gold traveller, or a previous guest of any TTC company, you can unlock special offers such as up to 5% off certain journeys and departures with us or our sister companies. Repeat Luxury Gold travellers are automatically enrolled into Club Bon Voyage where they enjoy access to exclusive sales and savings, including a guaranteed 5% off all journeys and departures featured in new brochures for 60 days from launch and 5% off select departures thereafter – combinable with Early Payment Discount. From their fifth journey onwards, returning guests are eligible for the 5% savings on any journey and at any time. Redeeming this discount is limited to one journey per calendar year (you must book after your initial journey is completed) and will be applied to an eligible, higher priced journey, if you book two journeys at once. Can be combined with other discounts. Visit [TTC.com/loyalty](http://TTC.com/loyalty) for details.

#### YOUNG TRAVELLER DISCOUNT:

Must be aged 5-17 at time of travel and accompanied by at least one adult sharing a twin room. Discounts may be limited to one per room and are not available on our Egypt, India, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand or Japan journeys, or journeys with cruises. Can be combined with other discounts.

#### SECOND JOURNEY DISCOUNT:

Book two Luxury Gold journeys of seven days or more and save on the lower priced journey. Take three journeys and save on two. All journeys must be booked at the same time and on the same booking number to qualify. Savings may vary by journey – see website for details. Does not apply to India, Asia, Africa, Australia and New Zealand journeys, or journeys with trains, cruises or cruise extensions.

#### TRIPLE ROOM DISCOUNT:

Triple rooms are suitable for two adults and one child (three adults may find rooms too small as they often have one double and one foldaway bed and limited suitcase space). Triple rooms are limited on cruises and are not available on all journeys. A savings or supplemental charge may apply depending on the journey. See website for details.

#### DEPOSIT PROTECTION:

Should your plans change and you cancel your booking before final payment is due, you will receive a credit of \$200 per person, valid for up to five years from date of cancellation. This credit cannot be used as a deposit against your future booking and can only be used as a credit against your final payment. Only one credit per person can be applied to each booking.

Further conditions apply to all offers – visit [luxurygold.com/](http://luxurygold.com/) special-offers for details or call your travel agent.

# PEACE OF MIND

## BOOK AND TRAVEL WITH CONFIDENCE

### PEACE OF MIND



#### DEPOSIT PROTECTION\*

FIVE-YEAR GUARANTEE

\*See page 141 for more details.



#### NO CURRENCY SURCHARGES

GUARANTEED ON DEPOSIT



#### DEFINITE DEPARTURES AVAILABLE

BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE



#### HYGIENE STANDARDS

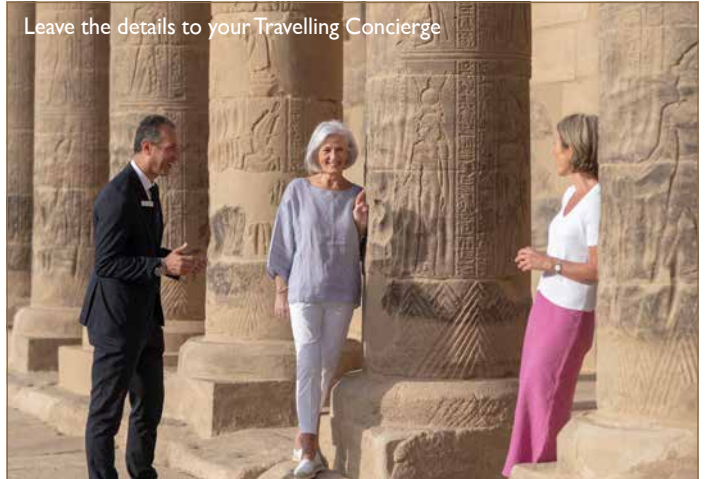
HIGH STANDARDS OF CLEANLINESS & HYGIENE



#### FLEXIBILITY PROMISE

CHANGE YOUR BOOKING UP TO 30 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE

Leave the details to your Travelling Concierge



**YOUR WELL-BEING IS OUR TOP PRIORITY**



LUXURY GOLD

We have worked closely with the World Travel & Tourism Council (WTTTC) to guide and co-create their "New Normal Safe and Seamless Traveller Journey" global protocols.

Visit [luxurygold.com/well-being](https://luxurygold.com/well-being) for more details.



Sacsahuyaman, Peru



Travel with ease and peace of mind



Red Carnation's Hotel d'Angleterre, Switzerland

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100 YEARS OF FAMILY VALUES**



As a family-owned and family-run business that's renowned for its financial stability, you can feel confident that your monies and future travels with us are secure.

Visit [TTC.com/comfort](https://TTC.com/comfort) to learn about our financial stability.

# GREAT SAVINGS & AIR OFFERS

Booking early entitles you to some fantastic savings and discounts

## THE EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT\*

**SAVE 10%**

**BOOK AND PAY IN FULL BY  
26 FEBRUARY 2021**

**SAVE 7.5%**

**BOOK AND PAY IN FULL BY  
29 APRIL 2021**

By booking early, you get the best deals possible, and the biggest choice of journeys and departure dates. The longer you wait, the fewer departures offer the Early Payment Discount, meaning you have fewer options. Book early to enjoy the best of both worlds.

## MORE WAYS TO SAVE\*



**SAVE UP TO 5%**  
PAST GUEST DISCOUNT



**SAVE UP TO 2.5%**  
SECOND JOURNEY DISCOUNT



**SAVE UP TO 15%**  
TRIPLE ROOM DISCOUNT



**SAVE UP TO 10%**  
YOUNG TRAVELLER 5-17 YEAR OLDS

\*For conditions to all savings, discounts and deposit protection, please see page 141 or visit [luxurygold.com/special-offers](http://luxurygold.com/special-offers)

## GROUP BOOKING BENEFITS



TRAVEL WITH US AND ENJOY GROUP BENEFITS ON BOOKINGS OF NINE OR MORE TRAVELLERS. CONTACT [ASIAGROUPS@INSIGHTVACATIONS.COM](mailto:ASIAGROUPS@INSIGHTVACATIONS.COM) FOR JOURNEY IDEAS AND SAVINGS



Grand Canal, Venice



Giza, Egypt



## YOUR LUXURY EXPERIENCE STARTS IN THE SKY

Luxury Gold wants to make booking your next journey as easy as possible. We offer flights, across economy, premium economy and business class, from regional airports with the world's leading airlines.

Please contact us for more information and to book.

# Turning your travels INTO GOLD

In the words of our founder and chairman, Mr. Tollman, reflecting on his 65 years of travelling alongside his wife Bea:

“

We believe that the greatest journeys in life blend carefully planned activities with unexpected discoveries and we created Luxury Gold to do just that.

”

Luxury Gold is proud to be part of The Travel Corporation (TTC), a family-owned and family-run company celebrating more than 100 years in business.

Along with Red Carnation Hotels and Uniworld River Cruises, Luxury Gold is part of TTC's Luxury Collection.



## FOR SPECIALIST ASSISTANCE

Call (65) 6922 5950 / 6299 3382 or contact your Travel Agent

## Hours of operation:

Monday–Friday:

9:00am – 18:00pm GMT +8

Saturday:

10:00am – 16:00pm GMT +8

Sunday:

Closed

## CONNECT WITH US

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Contact your travel agent for bookings and advice.

Insight Vacations (Singapore & Asia Regional Office). 600 North Bridge Road #06-06 Parkview Square Singapore 188778

IMPORTANT: Deposit must be paid within 7 days of booking. Some trips are excluded and terms and conditions apply.

For full details, see your Travel Agent or go to page 141.

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