



# Worldwide tours collection

2026, 2027 & 2028



“We had an absolutely amazing holiday. There were lots of highlights but I think the trip to the elephant transit home was one of the best. All the hotels were of a really good standard and the food was terrific. The tour was well organised and Tim our Tour Manager was fantastic. He went out of his way to make sure we all had a memorable holiday. Highly recommend this tour.

Catherine

Highlights of Sri Lanka March 2025

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# Explore the world with us...

Our customers aren't just those who want to stay in a resort and sip cocktails all day (though there's always time for that). They're searching for more. They're drawn to the stories only locals know, the viewpoints you stumble upon by following a winding path, and the incredible landscapes usually reserved for those lucky enough to call these places home. They want to understand what it feels like to live in the destinations we travel to – not simply pass through them. They're looking for deeper travel.

Our worldwide tours make that possible. They offer the chance to step into someone else's world, experience a different rhythm of life, and discover the soul of a place through moments thoughtfully crafted by our 'Masters of Travel'.

Our latest collection of worldwide tours take us further than ever before, with far-flung journeys that are as inspiring as they are unforgettable. Explore the rolling tea estates of India's Darjeeling, spot the graceful whales gliding off South Africa's Hermanus coast, or visit the serene Buddhist temples scattered across Sri Lanka. From Bangkok's vibrant streets to the sweeping dunes of Morocco's Merzouga desert, the landscapes you'll encounter are as diverse as they are mesmerising.

We also set sail on two remarkable new rivers – China's legendary Yangtze and India's sacred Ganges – each offering a window into daily life along their banks and scenery found nowhere else on earth. These itineraries bring together cultural insight, natural wonder and extraordinary stories, all delivered with the expertise and care Riviera Travel is renowned for.

We've listened closely to what our guests value most – deeper connections, richer moments, and more meaningful ways to explore – and every tour has been carefully shaped with those desires in mind.

Wherever you choose to go next, we want your journey to feel personal, meaningful and wonderfully immersive. That's why our groups stay small, and why every tour is led by people who know these places inside out – the storytellers, the guides, the ones who reveal the moments you can't find in any guidebook.

Whether you're after the elevated experiences of a Signature tour, wanting to explore deeper on a Grand tour, interested in exploring by ship on a river cruise, or a solo traveller looking for your next escape, there's a way to travel, there's a way to travel that fits exactly how you want to explore. With new regional flights and added flexibility, planning has never been simpler.

Departures for 2026, 2027 and 2028 are now open across our worldwide collection, and we hope the pages ahead spark your imagination, fuel your wanderlust, and inspire your next journey with us.

We can't wait to welcome you.



*Matt Luscombe*

Matt Luscombe  
Chief Executive Officer

# Worldwide tours for the *incurably curious*

Adventure awaits on a worldwide tour with Riviera. From the ancient temples of Indochina to the goosebump-inducing views of Machu Picchu, our tours are the perfect opportunity to journey to the farthest reaches of the earth, all with an experienced Riviera Tour Manager, of course!



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*We saw a huge amount of scenery and some amazing national and state parks with unusual landscapes. The tour guide was excellent and provided a lot of information about the parks and states we were visiting. She was also very clear with her instructions about what to do which was important for quite a large group of people. The coach driver was excellent as well.*

*Trusted customer*

**Iconic National Parks of America**  
October 2025

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# The Riviera difference

Your time away is precious and should never be compromised. Nobody knows that better than us. It's a privilege that our guests trust us time and time again to look after their holiday plans, and that's why we never take anything for granted.

## Unrivalled holidays, created by our Masters of Travel

At Riviera, we are totally obsessed about travel. Our specialists go the extra mile when creating our itineraries, and in fact we're proud to call ourselves 'Masters of Travel'. A bold claim, but one we really believe in. We are genuinely passionate about the destinations we visit, so when you book one of our holidays, you know you are getting decades of experience in every detail. We've thoughtfully balanced out seeing the iconic sites, with time to tread paths away from the tourist trail and get a new perspective.

And we're so confident in the quality of our itineraries that we offer a 'Happiness Guarantee': if you're not completely happy by the second day of your holiday, we'll bring you straight home and give you a full refund.

## We'll look after you like family

When you book a Riviera Travel holiday, you are joining our family. That may seem extreme for a travel company, but we really mean it – we'll take care of you as one of our own. But the proof is in the pudding. That's why we've been awarded the esteemed 'Recommended Provider' accreditation by Which? for 14 years, and why 96% of our customers would book with us again.

Our first-class team are committed to making every step easy and enjoyable – from the moment you first contact us to when you return home with camera full of photographs. So, with every detail taken care of, all you need to worry about is your packing!

## Luxury travel, without the price tag

One thing we will never compromise on is quality. It's not just the hand-picked hotels, but it's also the small-but-important details, such as all of the included experiences with passionate local guides and an expert Riviera Tour Manager looking after you throughout.

We offer the best value for money – we're so confident you won't find the same quality of experience for less elsewhere that if you do, we'll refund you the difference.

We've have over 40 years of experience as the UK's leading tour operator, giving us the history, scale and strong relationships to enable us to negotiate exceptional rates, meaning that we can offer you remarkable value – we pass those savings straight back to you. Our prices are fair and straightforward, with no hidden extras.

## You make the choices, we do the hard work

There's no 'one size fits all' when it comes to the perfect travel experience. We've built choice into every aspect of our holidays, giving you flexibility where it matters. Whether you want to upgrade your travel, or add additional excursions or visits to suit your interests, we give you the flexibility to choose. And our award-winning team look after you every step of the way, managing the logistics, so that you can enjoy every single moment.

## Holiday happiness. Guaranteed.



Happiness  
Guaranteed



Your money is  
safe and secure



24/7 access to  
UK based team



Price  
Promise



Quality  
Promise



96% would buy again from  
Riviera Travel



# Explore with our experts

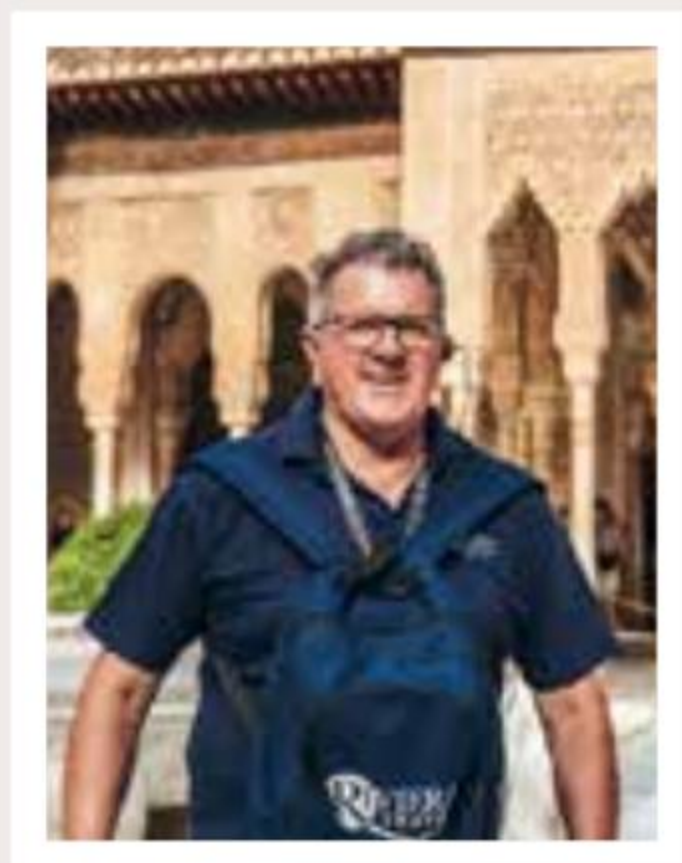
Our Tour Managers and local guides really do elevate our holidays to a whole new level. We've curated some truly incredible trips (if we do say so ourselves) but once you're out there, our Tour Managers and local guides bring each destination to life with their experience, knowledge and passion. They share their expertise and help you make your own discoveries too. Whether it's the best place for a glass of wine with a view, or insights into the history of ancient ruins, their sole mission is to ensure you enjoy every moment.

## Experienced Tour Managers

Every Riviera holiday is accompanied by an experienced Tour Manager. This group leader works tirelessly to oversee every single detail. As well as a great sense of humour they all share a genuine interest in the places that we visit. Many have been with us for more than a decade, some even two. For them, being a Tour Manager is not just a job – it's a passion, and you'll learn far more from them than you would any guidebook.

## Informative local guides

Welcoming local guides join you on most of our holidays. They are on hand to share their in-depth knowledge on art and architecture, history, local culture and so much more. Personal stories and anecdotes are sure to broaden your perspective and enrich your experience of the places our local guides call home.



*I'm a Yorkshireman and I've been leading tours worldwide now for well over two decades. I'm still as curious and excited about travel now as I ever was, and I love meeting people and learning about different cultures.*

*George*  
Tour Manager

*I feel incredibly fortunate that my role with Riviera Travel allows me to explore the world and share its wonders with our guests. From breathtaking landscapes to meaningful cultural encounters, every journey deepens my passion for travel. I love helping our guests enjoy not only the iconic highlights of a destination but also the hidden gems that make a Riviera holiday truly unforgettable.*

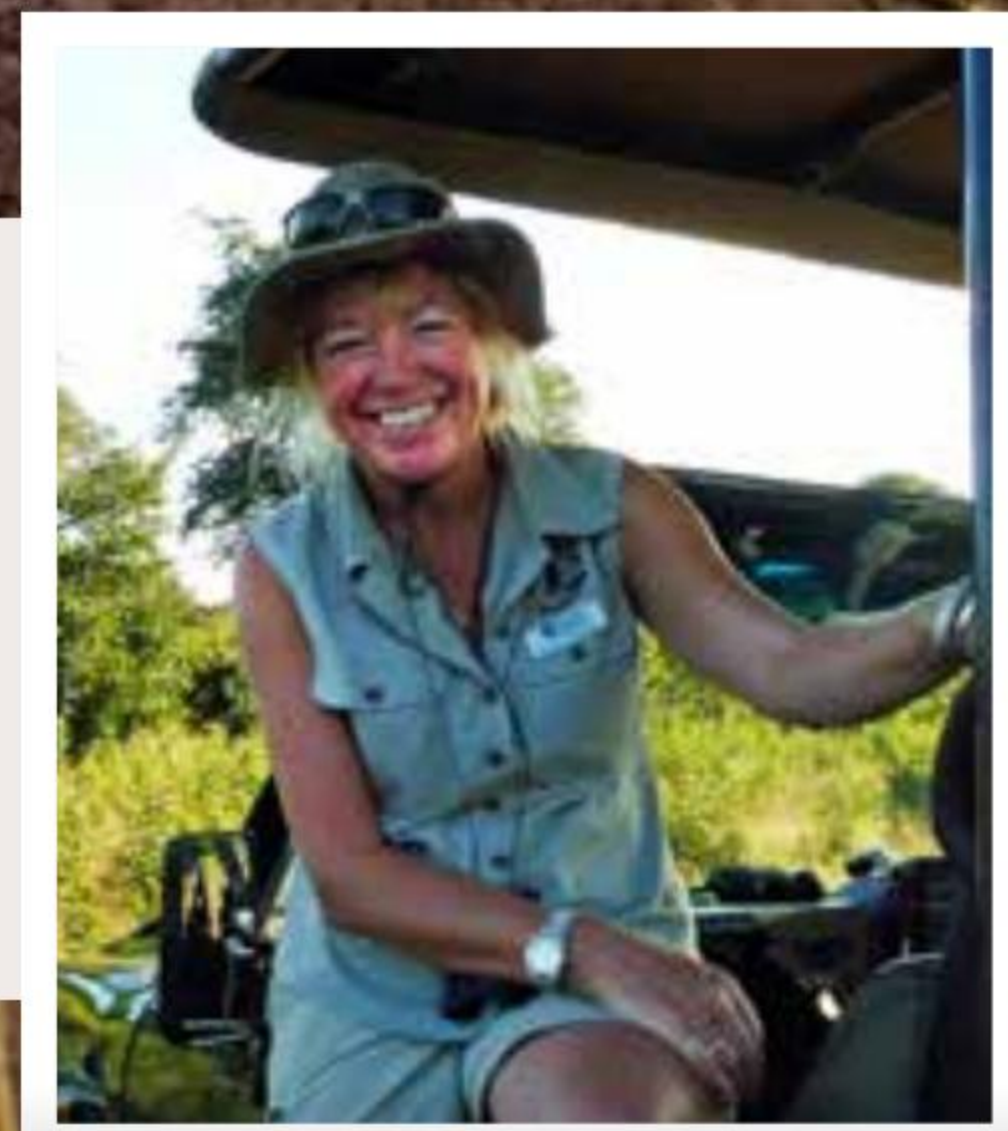
*Cassie*  
Tour Manager





*Now in my 20th year at Riviera, I still love sharing my passion for the wonderful places I am privileged to take people to. Making every day on tour special and exciting is my aim and it's wonderful to see how much people enjoy their experiences.*

*Karen*  
Tour Manager



# Choose the right tour for you

We know there's no 'one size that fits all' when it comes to your ideal holiday. That's why we offer even more ways to explore with a variety of different tours to choose from.

## Classic tours

These are our best value tours, known for delivering exceptional experiences for more than 40 years, with so much included in the price you pay, as shown on the next page. Groups are a maximum of 36 guests so that your experience isn't compromised.

## Signature small group tours

To experience something extra special, choose a Signature tour. Enjoy everything that's included on our Classic tours, but with some exclusive additional elements. Experience a smaller group, with an average group size of just 22 guests, maximum 25, providing a much more intimate experience. There are additional bespoke Signature experiences included too, as well as two knowledgeable local guides on most excursions.

## Solo holidays

These are specifically for solo travellers who want to travel with other like-minded explorers on dedicated solo departures. Visit [rivieratravel.co.uk/solo](https://rivieratravel.co.uk/solo) to view our full solo holiday collection.



## Grand tours

Do your holidays always end too soon? Then our Grand tours are just what you need! They're longer tours offering a richer and more immersive holiday where you'll discover even more.



## Group holidays









Any group of 10 or more people – whether you're friends, a club or a society travelling together – can book through our dedicated Groups Department. They'll take care of everything from start to finish, making planning easy.

Plus, as a thank you, you'll receive either a free place or cashback after you travel.

Find out more at [rivieratravel.co.uk/group-bookings](https://rivieratravel.co.uk/group-bookings) or call **01283 742322**

## Unbeatable value *which includes so much*

If you've joined one of our tours before, you know just how much is included in the price. If you've yet to join us, you're in for a treat...

-  Return flights
-  Hand-picked hotels in the best locations
-  Breakfast each morning, plus other meals
-  Experienced Riviera Tour Manager
-  Insightful excursions and visits with local guides
-  Free time to explore
-  Local taxes
-  Travel in comfort

*“Well organised trip with a very good Tour Manager and an extremely knowledgeable and friendly driver. The group jelled together making the whole journey super. Well done Riviera.”*

*Philip*

New Zealand: Land of the Long White Cloud  
March 2025

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# SIGNATURE

## small group tours

Incredible destinations and hand-crafted experiences – your holiday will be extraordinary with our thoughtfully reimagined **worldwide Signature collection**.

### This collection always includes:

-  A smaller group size – an average of 22 guests
-  Extra special Signature experiences
-  Welcome drinks reception
-  Hand picked hotels in the best locations



Discover the benefits of the incredible Argan nut, Morocco

Bigger isn't always better. Our Signature collection offers small group sizes, with an average of just 22 guests and a maximum of 25. You'll experience a more relaxed and intimate atmosphere, with more personalised attention from your Riviera Tour Manager. Get to know your fellow travellers at the 'welcome drinks' reception, which will be on the first or second day of your holiday. There may be fewer guests with you, but there are more local guides – with two knowledgeable guides on most tours. You'll receive a deeper and more personalised experience as they share insider knowledge and unique stories about the region.

Tour Managers can make all the difference on a holiday, which is why we've carefully selected the finest experts, each deeply knowledgeable about the places you'll explore. They'll look after you every step of the way, ensuring you truly connect with the essence of your destination.

What's more, hotels are now a minimum of four stars where possible because we know that after a day of exploring, you'll need a comfortable and luxurious home-away-from-home, for that all-important rest and relaxation. You can read more about our accommodation on pages 16 & 17.

So, are you ready to add that Signature sparkle to your next worldwide holiday?



# Special. Superior. Signature collection.

Don't settle for an ordinary holiday – embrace the extraordinary with our worldwide Signature Tours. These journeys are designed to create magical moments in the world's most captivating destinations, leaving you with a lasting sense of wanderlust. Whether you're walking in the footsteps of the USA's country music legends at the Grand Ole Opry, witnessing the sunset on a thrilling safari in South Africa's Kruger National Park, or meeting conservationists at the Chengdu Panda Breeding Centre in China, every experience is crafted to be truly exceptional. You might even find yourself racing across the golden sands of Jordan's Wadi Rum in a 4x4 as the sun dips below the horizon. This is where true adventure begins.



Embark on a breathtaking hike to Bhutan's sacred Tiger's Nest Monastery, perched high above the Paro Valley. Hike through pine forests and prayer-flag-lined trails, hear the whisper of mountain winds, smell juniper incense, and explore sacred caves, vivid murals and hidden relics on a guided tour.

**See page 38 – Eastern Highlights – Darjeeling & Bhutan  
NEW FOR 2027**



Glide past riverside homes and floating markets aboard a traditional wooden rice barge, once used to transport grain through central Thailand. Enjoy the hum of the engine, scent of lemongrass, and glimpses of daily river life that offer a rare, authentic window into a community shaped by water as you savour fragrant Thai dishes served family-style.

**See page 26 – Treasures of Thailand  
NEW FOR 2027**



Settle into a cosy nomadic tent amid the golden dunes of Erg Chebbi. As you savour spiced tagine and couscous under starlit skies, the night comes alive with hypnotic Berber drumming and dancing around the fire – echoes of ancient desert traditions pulsing through the warm, spice-scented air.

**See page 60 – Grand Tour of Morocco NEW FOR 2027**

# Flexibility and choice

There's no one-size-fits-all adventure, which is why we're offering more flexibility than ever before on our worldwide tours.

## Before you travel

We've partnered with Holiday Extras to offer:

- Travel insurance
- Airport hotels
- Airport parking
- Airport Fast-Track pass
- Airport lounge

Visit [www.rivieraextras.co.uk](http://www.rivieraextras.co.uk) to find out more.

## Travel in style

Our holidays come with return flights and transfers included as standard, but we know that you may want to tailor your experience to suit you.

### TOUR-ONLY OPTION

If you prefer to make your own flight arrangements, we offer a tour-only option (at a reduced price and subject to availability) where you'll meet your group at the first hotel of the tour.

### REGIONAL FLIGHTS

We're introducing new regional flights on our worldwide tours, giving you the freedom to start your journey closer to home – saving time, reducing travel stress, and making your holiday even more seamless from the very beginning.



### FLIGHT UPGRADES

Enhance your journey from the moment you take off. Upgrading to premium economy or business class means more space, better rest, and added comfort – think extra legroom, lie-flat beds, and access to airport lounges. Each airline offers something different, but our reservations team can help find a flight to suit you.





Goldleaf service on the Rocky Mountaineer, Canada

## Travel Concierge

Our Travel Concierge service is perfect if you're looking to tailor the holiday to suit you. Perhaps it's a few extra nights in Cape Town after your South African adventure or simply upgrading your flights so that you can fly in total comfort. Let us take care of the details, so you can sit back and enjoy your holiday!

### For a small additional charge, they can:

- Organise a door-to-door transfer from home to the airport
- Add hotel stays before or after your tour
- Change to your preferred airport and airline, plus upgrade your flight (depending on flight availability)
- Handle your overseas transfers



## Tailor your holiday

You can also tailor your holiday ever further by adding additional experiences, meals or hotel upgrades to your holiday.

### PERSONALISE YOUR HOLIDAY

To make your holiday truly memorable we also offer a range of pre-bookable additional experiences. Maybe it's an unforgettable tour of Alcatraz Island, or an overnight stay in a traditional ryokan in Japan – the choice is yours.

### DINING CHOICES

Dine independently and sample the local cuisine or enjoy dinner in the comfortable surroundings of your hotel.

### UPGRADE YOUR HOTEL ROOM

Whether you're celebrating a special occasion or you just prefer a room with a balcony and a view, why not treat yourself and upgrade your hotel room? You can upgrade to five-star hotels on select tours too.

## Speak to our friendly team of travel advisers

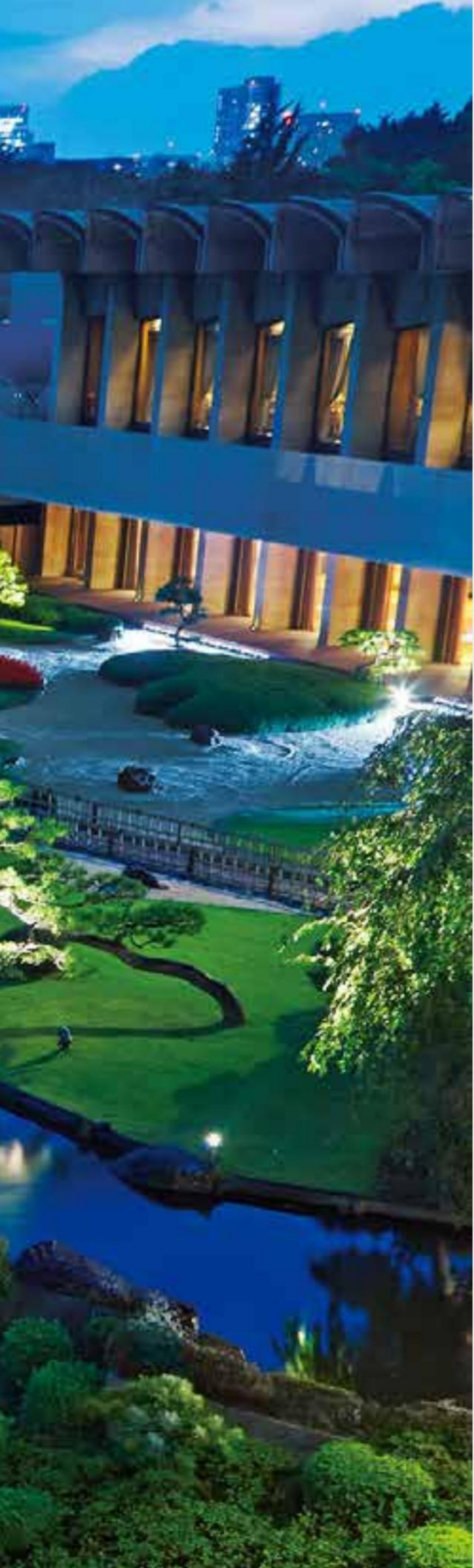
We will be happy to help you customise your holiday to your requirements – give them a call on **01283 901203** to discuss your options.



## **New Otani Hotel, Tokyo**

One of Tokyo's most established hotels, the New Otani opened for the 1964 Olympics and offers a superb central location. With seven Western restaurants, sixteen Japanese eateries, six bars, and a large open-air pool, there's something for every taste.

**But the real gem?** Its 400-year-old Japanese garden, once owned by samurai lords. Voted one of Tokyo's best spots, it's a tranquil haven of scarlet bridges, koi ponds, and ancient stone lanterns – a peaceful retreat in the heart of the city.



# Hotels with a story to tell

Where you stay can be just as memorable as where you go. That's why we've carefully selected accommodation that offers more than just comfort – it offers character, charm and a story to tell.

## Where your stay matters

We believe your hotel should be more than just a place to sleep – it should be a highlight of your adventure. That's why we always aim for four-star or better hotels, wherever possible. Sometimes, in the world's more remote corners, that's not an option. But rest assured, we'll always choose the place that makes your journey unforgettable.

## How we pick your hotels

Our team of seasoned explorers handpicks every hotel for its charm, location, and the experiences it offers. We look for places that put you at the heart of the destination – whether that's a chic city hideaway in Japan, a rainforest lodge in Thailand, or a mountain retreat in Sri Lanka. We want you to wake up somewhere memorable, with everything you need to relax and recharge.

## Our unique stays

**The Golden Ridge, Sri Lanka:** sleep above the clouds in Sri Lanka's highest town, with sweeping mountain views wherever you look. *See page 28*

**Kazuko Lodge, South Africa:** surrounded by the wild beauty of Addo Elephant National Park, this is nature at its most immersive. *See page 48*

**Pachira Eco-Lodge, Costa Rica:** wake up to the sounds of the rainforest, just steps from Tortuguero National Park. *See page 67*



The three-star superior **Hippo Hollow Country Estate** enjoys a beautiful setting in lush riverine forest along the banks of the Sabie River, just a 10-minute drive from the entrance to Kruger National Park.

# Asia

From the neon glow of Singapore to the ancient serenity of Angkor Wat, Asia is a continent that never fails to amaze. Cruise through Vietnam's emerald waters, wander Japan's timeless temples, and spot elephants in Sri Lanka's wild heart. Taste your way through spice markets, street stalls and riverside cafés – each dish passed down through generations. Whether you're drawn to futuristic skylines or jungle riverbanks, every day in Asia is a chance to discover something new: new memories, new flavours and new friends.



## Bangkok, Thailand

Bangkok is a city alive with colour and energy. Here, tradition and modernity dance together with unforgettable style – skyscrapers gleam beside ancient temples, and every corner tempts with sizzling street food. The city's chaotic energy can be both thrilling and overwhelming, but its welcoming atmosphere and a simple stroll can turn into an adventure.

*See pages 26-27*

## Yala National Park, Sri Lanka

Yala National Park is Sri Lanka's wild heart. Spanning over 1,200 sq km of plains and lagoons, it's a haven for wildlife lovers. Here, elephants graze, crocodiles bask in the sun, and monkeys leap through sunlit forest. Spot buffalo, sloth bears and even chameleons, all in a landscape that feels truly untamed.

*See pages 28-29*





Shimla  
Delhi

Kathmandu

Hanoi

Bangkok

Angkor Wat

Yala National Park

Kuala Lumpur

Singapore

Borneo

Shanghai

Seoul

Tokyo

### Angkor Wat, Cambodia

Rising from the Cambodian jungle, Angkor Wat is pure magic – its intricate towers and carvings glowing gold at sunrise. Built in the 12th century and once home to a thriving metropolis, this vast temple is so revered that it graces the Cambodian flag.

*See pages 42-45*



Arashiyama Bamboo Forest



**CLASSIC**  
tour

**13 days from £5,099PP**

Typical departure months

JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC

2026, 2027 & 2028 dates available

## The Best of Japan

Japan – an ancient culture of emperors, fierce shoguns, samurais and martial arts. Yet it’s also a place of gentle geishas, colourful kimonos, exquisite gardens and Zen Buddhism. Discover the best of Japan’s stunning temples and shrines, fast-paced cities, incredible cuisine and outstanding natural beauty.



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Tokyo

On our arrival, we transfer to our hotel where we spend the rest of the day at leisure.

### DAY 3 – Tokyo

We commence the exploration of Japan's capital and largest city. Our first stop is the famous Shinto Meiji Shrine, dedicated to one of its past emperors. Next, we explore Tokyo's version of Rodeo Drive – Omotesando Street, followed by the Harajuku area, known for bold teen fashion, and finally Akihabara electronic town. We savour some Japanese cuisine at our included lunch. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Visit the Shinto Meiji shrine, Omotesando Street and Harajuku**

### DAY 4 – Tokyo

This morning, we visit Tokyo's Asakusa district - full of traditional small houses and shops. We will then transfer by boat down the Sumida River to Ginza, widely recognised as one of the world's most luxurious shopping destinations, and your afternoon is free to shop, visit the Tokyo National Museum, taste the flavours of Japan at a local restaurant or head back to your hotel to relax. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit Tokyo's Asakusa district.**

### DAY 5 – Mount Fuji & Hakone

Saying goodbye to Tokyo, we drive towards Mount Fuji, probably Japan's most instantly recognisable sight. First, we visit with Lake Kawaguchi to soak in the mountain views. Then, we travel to Hakone and Lake Ashi, where we take a cruise on a rather unusual Japanese version of an early 19th-century pirate ship. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Lake Kawaguchi, Hakone and Lake Ashi. Visit the Kubota Itchiku Art Museum**

### DAY 6 – Bullet Train

This morning, we travel to Hiroshima on Japan's iconic bullet train, arriving at lunchtime, we visit Hiroshima's Peace Park and museum, displaying the remains of the only building to survive the atomic bomb blast of August 1945. (B)

**Included Experiences – Travel on the Bullet Train and visit Hiroshima's Peace Park and museum**

### DAY 7 – Miyajima

Today, we make our way to one of the country's most distinctive views on the small island of Miyajima. A huge red 'torii' gate sits just offshore; widely celebrated, at high tide it appears to float between the sea and sky. Your afternoon is at leisure: you could choose to remain on Miyajima or head back to explore Hiroshima at leisure. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visit to Miyajima.**

### DAY 8 – Kyoto

Leaving Hiroshima by coach, we head towards the old imperial capital of Kyoto for our four-night stay. En route, we'll visit Korakuen garden at Okayama – built in 1700 and renowned as one of Japan's most exquisite gardens. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visit Korakuen garden**

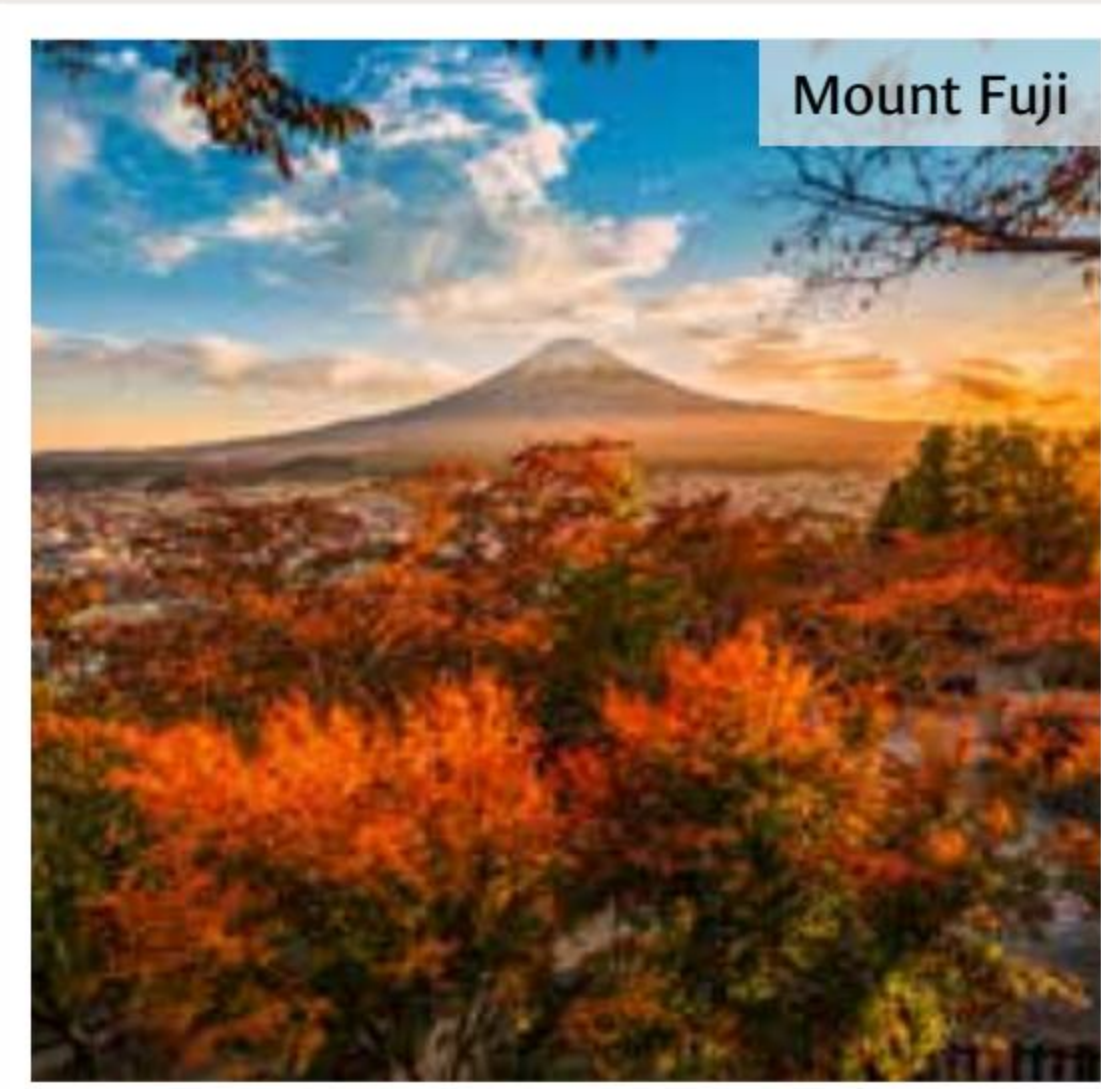
### DAY 9 – Kyoto & Tea Ceremony

This morning is one of the real highlights of the tour as we discover some of the overwhelming treasures of Japan's most revered city. First is the beautiful Golden Pavilion, dating from the classical Muromachi age of Japanese temple design. Nearby is the Ryoan-ji temple, or the Temple of the Dragon at Peace, home to Japan's most famous Zen garden. We then visit the amazing Arashiyama Bamboo Forest – experiencing an almost other-worldly feel as the light streams through the tall green columns of bamboo, up to 30 feet high! Next – Nijo Castle, set at the heart of the city and built in the 17th century. Finally, we take a walking tour through Kyoto's Gion district, where we'll enjoy a traditional Japanese tea ceremony. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Kyoto and the Gion district. Enjoy a traditional Japanese tea ceremony**

### DAY 10 – Nara

Capital city before Kyoto, Nara is just a few miles south. Here, traditional culture first took root, and it is famous for its great Buddhist monuments and time-honoured festivals. We see one of the country's most iconic shrines, made from thousands of red torii gates. The highlight is the Todai-ji temple, the world's largest wooden structure, housing a huge bronze Buddha. We also get an insight into the traditional Japanese sake drink, visiting a



museum with a tasting. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Nara and sake museum with tasting**

### DAY 11 – Free day in Kyoto

You're free today to explore and discover the many delights and attractions of Kyoto. Tonight, you also have the option of staying in a ryokan, a typical Japanese inn. You'll sleep on a rolled-out futon with tatami matting on the floor and enjoy a traditional 'kaiseki' multi-course dinner. This is subject to availability and needs to be pre-booked, please mention at time of booking. (B)

### DAY 12 – Bullet Train

Take our bullet train to Tokyo, staying overnight near the airport. (B)

**Included Experience – Travel on the Bullet Train**

### DAY 13 – Return flight (B)

*All flights and transfers are included  
(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*



Tokyo is the most populous metropolitan area in the world, with over 37 million people living in the greater area!

### Personalise your holiday

Experience traditional Japanese culture with a pre-booked experience in Kyoto. Stay in a traditional ryokan inn. From £119pp.

Visit our website for **full holiday details and hotels.**  
[rivieratravel.co.uk/jp](http://rivieratravel.co.uk/jp)





Mount Fuji

# CLASSIC tour

16 days from £6,249PP

Typical departure months



2026, 2027 & 2028 dates available

## Grand Tour of Japan

Discover more of Japan's wonders on a Grand Tour, from ancient temples and fast-paced cities to the scenic Kurobe Alpine Route in the Japanese Northern Alps.

### Your Itinerary

Days 1 to 11 of your Grand Tour are as pages 20-21.

#### DAY 12 - Bullet train to Toyama

After a morning at leisure in Kyoto, take the bullet train to Toyama. (B)

**Included Experience** – Travel on the Bullet Train

#### DAY 13 - Kurobe Gorge Railway

Take a scenic ride on the Kurobe Gorge Railway, through one of Japan's deepest gorges. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Scenic journey along Kurobe Gorge Railway

#### DAY 14 - Kanazawa & Gokayama

Visit Kanazawa to see the Omicho fresh food market, the Higashi Chaya geisha district and Kenrokuen Japanese Garden, considered to be one of The Great Gardens of Japan. We also visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of Gokayama. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Visit Kanazawa and Gokayama

#### DAY 15 - Kurobe Alpine Route

Take the Kurobe Alpine Route through the Northern Japanese Alps and Tateyama Mountain Range seeing the Kurobe Dam

before riding the bullet train back to Tokyo from Nagano. (B)

**Included Experience** – A scenic journey along the Tateyama Kurobe Alpine Route on the bullet train

#### DAY 16 - Return home (B)

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### Your Itinerary

#### DAY 1 – Flight

#### DAY 2 – Arrive in Kyoto

On arrival, you'll have time at leisure.

#### DAY 3 – Kyoto

Tour Kyoto with a local guide, including Nijo Castle, Honmaru Gardens, and the famous rock garden at Ryōan-ji. In the evening, enjoy a guided tour of the Gion district. (B)

#### DAY 4 – The Bullet Train

Visit to the impressive shrine of Fushimi Inari-Taisha and travel on the Bullet Train. (B)

#### DAY 5 – Mount Fuji

Visit Lake Yamanaka and Lake Kawaguchi for views of Mount Fuji. Then learn about the kimono at a nearby museum. Later, take a cable car to the summit of Mount Tenjo. (B)

#### DAY 6 – Kamakura

Visit to Kamakura and the Great Buddha, with free time to visit local arts and crafts shops, or explore the gardens of the Hydrangea Temple. (B)

#### DAY 7 – Tokyo

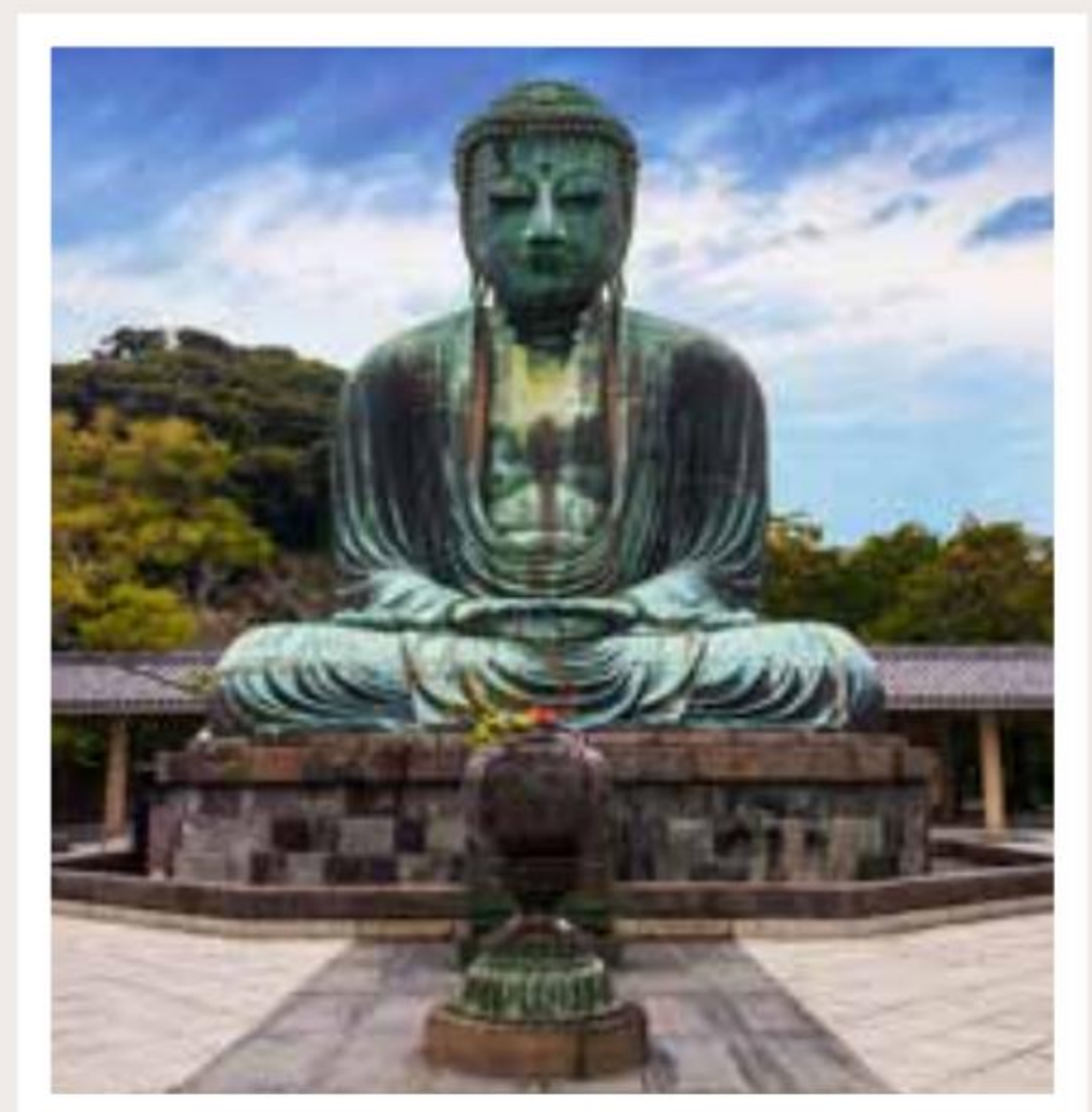
Guided tour of Tokyo's highlights, including the Imperial Palace, Shibuya's iconic zebra crossing and Sensoji. (B)

#### DAY 8 – Free day in Tokyo (B)

#### DAY 9 – Return flight (B)

#### DAY 10 – Arrive home

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## Highlights of South Korea

Embark on an unforgettable journey to explore South Korea's unique history, natural beauty and rich culture, including bustling cities, beautiful temples, and the historic DMZ (Demilitarized Zone).

### Your Itinerary

#### DAY 1 – Departure

#### DAY 2 – Arrival in Seoul (B)

#### DAY 3 – Seoul

Guided tour of Gyeongbok Palace, visits to Gwangjang Market and Insadong, and optional walk along the Cheonggyecheon. (B)

#### DAY 4 – Korean Demilitarized Zone

Guided tour of the DMZ, including a visit to the Dora Observatory, visit to Imjingak Park & visit a local distillery to taste one of the nation's favourite drinks, soju. (B)

#### DAY 5 – Free day in Seoul (B)

#### DAY 6 – Goseong

Visits to Goseong DMZ Museum and Abai Village. (B)

#### DAY 7 – Seoraksan National Park

Visit to Seoraksan National Park, with guided walk. (B)

#### DAY 8 – Dosan Seowon & Hahoe

Guided tour of Dosan Seowon and a visit to the Hahoe Mask Museum. (B,D)

#### DAY 9 – Gyeongju

Visits to Daereungwon Tomb Complex, Cheomseongdae and Gyeongju National Museum & evening sightseeing tour, seeing Donggung Palace and Woljeonggyo Bridge lit up at night. (B)

#### DAY 10 – Gyeongju

Visit Seokguram Grotto and the Temple of Bulguksa & Bulgogi cooking class and dinner of South Korean specialities. (B,L)

#### DAY 11 – Busan

Visits to Haeundae Beach, UN Memorial Cemetery, Gamcheon Culture Village & Jagalchi Fish Market. (B,D)

#### DAY 12 – High-speed train to Seoul

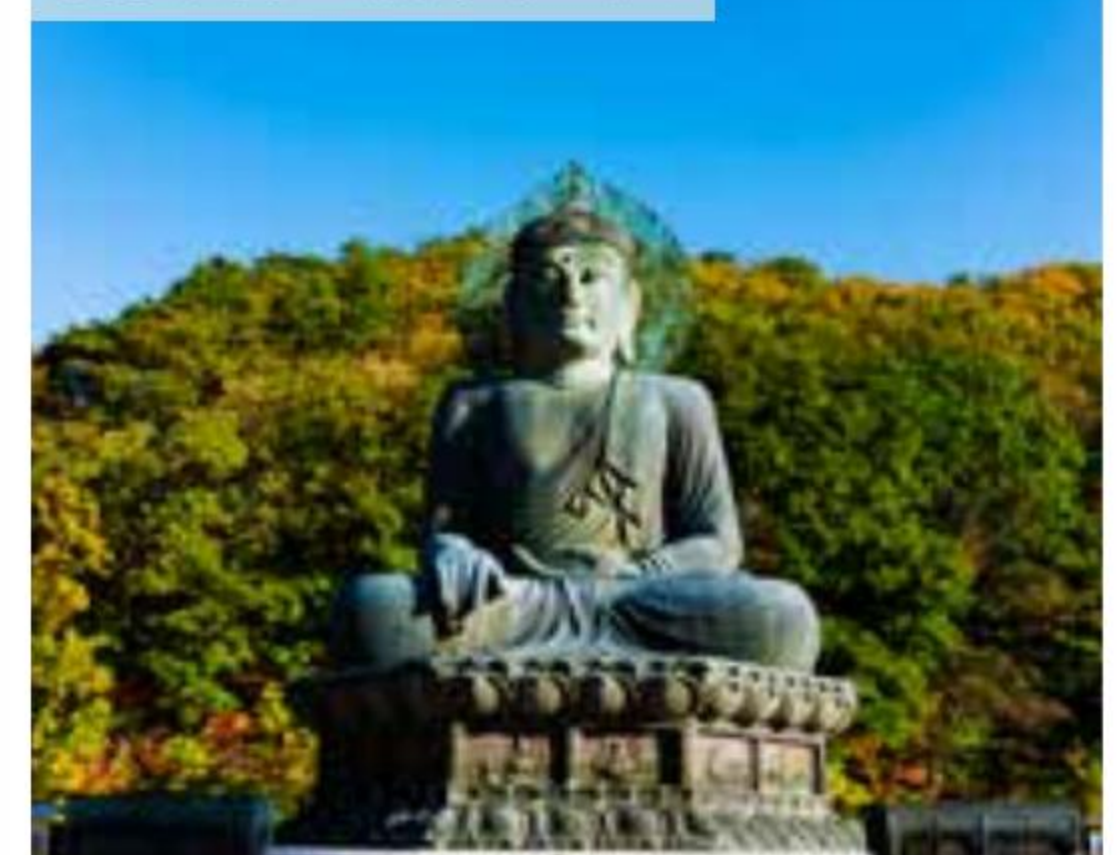
Morning at leisure & travel on the high-speed train to Seoul. (B)

#### DAY 13 – Return home

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Seoraksan National Park



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## Classic China

Embark on a journey of discovery across China, uncovering the country's greatest cultural legacies with visits to see its iconic monuments, astounding palaces and breathtaking scenery.

### Your itinerary

#### DAY 1 – Depart UK

#### DAY 2 – Arrive in Beijing

#### DAY 3 – Beijing

Tour of Beijing & visit to Summer Palace. (B,L)

#### DAY 4 – The Great Wall of China

Visits to the Great Wall of China & the Temple of Heaven. Peking duck dinner at a local restaurant. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 5 – Beijing to Xi'an

Ride China's famous high-speed train & visit the Ancient City Wall of Xi'an. (B)

#### DAY 6 – Xi'an Terracotta Army

See the Terracotta Army & visit the Big Wild Goose Pagoda. (B,L)

#### DAY 7 – Chengdu

Visits to Du Fu Thatched Cottage & Jin Li Street. (B,L)

#### DAY 8 – Chengdu & the Panda Research Centre

Visits to People's Park & Chengdu Panda Breeding and Research Centre. (B,L)

#### DAY 9 – Guilin

Visit to the Reed Flute Cave. (B)

#### DAY 10 – Li River Cruise

River cruise along Li River with a visit to Yangshuo. (B,L)

#### DAY 11 – Shanghai & Huangpu River cruise

Dinner at a local restaurant in Shanghai & cruise along the Huangpu River. (B,D)

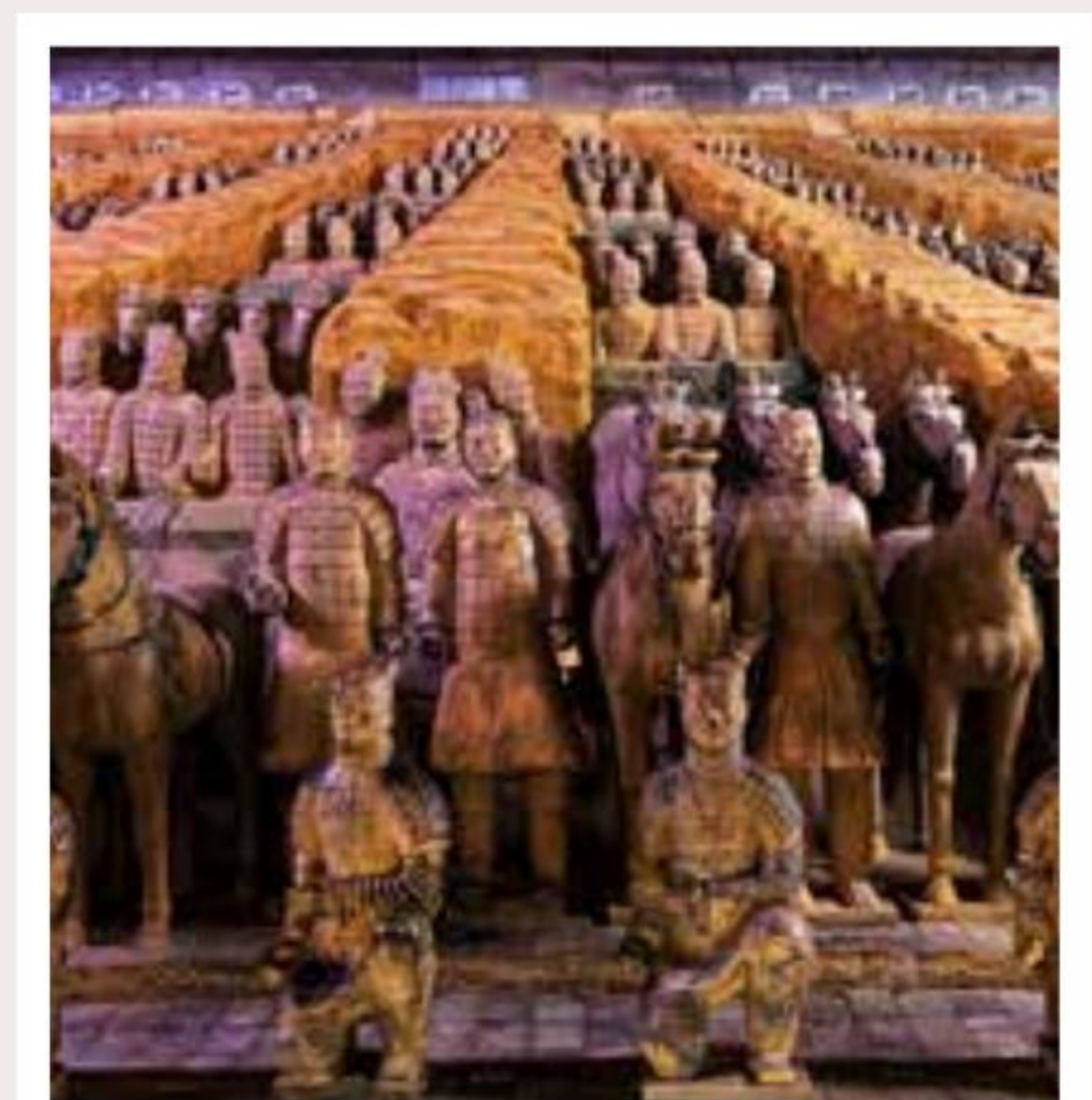
#### DAY 12 – Shanghai

Visits to Yuyuan Gardens & the Jade Buddha Temple. (B,L)

#### DAY 13 – Depart Shanghai

#### DAY 14 – Arrive home

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Damnoen Saduak floating market

## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

### DAY 2 - Arrival in Bangkok

Transfer to the hotel and after checking in, the rest of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure.

### DAY 3 – Bangkok

This morning, our small group explores Bangkok on a guided tour of the city, featuring three iconic landmarks: The Grand Palace, Wat Phra Kaew, and Wat Pho. Marvel at ornate architecture, sacred temples, and the golden reclining Buddha. After the tour, the afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure. (B)

**Included Experience – Bangkok city tour**

### DAY 4 – Damnoen Saduak & River Kwai

Leaving Bangkok behind, we journey to tranquil Kanchanaburi with stops en route. At Mae Khlong Market, watch trains pass through bustling stalls. Cruise canals at Damnoen Saduak Floating Market, then enjoy lunch lakeside. In Kanchanaburi, visit the Burma Railway Museum, War Cemetery, and the River Kwai Bridge before settling in for two nights at your hotel. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Visits to Mae Klong Railway Market, Damnoen Saduak, Thai Burma Railway Museum & River Kwai Bridge**

### DAY 5 – Erawan National Park

Today we head into Erawan National Park to explore its famous seven-tiered waterfalls. Enjoy forest trails, swim in turquoise pools, or relax at scenic spots. Then return to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Erawan National Park Waterfalls**

### DAY 6 – Wat Tha Sung (Wat Chantaram)

This morning, we leave Kanchanaburi and journey north to Sukhothai, stopping in Uthai Thani to explore the mirrored halls of Wat Tha Sung. After, enjoy a peaceful lunch cruise on

the Sakae Krang River aboard a traditional wooden rice barge. On arrival in Sukhothai, we check in and settle in for the night. (B,L,D)

**Included experiences – Visit Wat Tha Sung Temple Complex & enjoy a traditional rice barge sailing with lunch**

### DAY 7 – Sukhothai Historical Park

Today we visit Sukhothai Historical Park, exploring ancient temple ruins by buggy in small groups. Highlights include Wat Mahathat Buddhist temple. After free time, we travel north to Chiang Mai. On arrival, we check into our hotel and enjoy a free afternoon. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit Sukhothai Historical Park**

### DAY 8 – Chiang Mai City Tour

This morning, we set off from our hotel near Chiang Mai's historic Phae Gate for a city tour by samlor (rickshaw). Visit a lively local market, then explore temples like Wat Phra Singh, where you may receive a traditional blessing. After lunch at a local restaurant, enjoy a free afternoon. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Chiang Mai city tour**

### DAY 9 – Maewang National Park

Today, we explore Maewang National Park, starting with a gentle forest trek and a visit to a hill tribal village. We continue to a scenic waterfall, where you'll enjoy a packed lunch surrounded by nature. The day ends with a peaceful boat ride along the river, gliding past forested banks before returning to the hotel. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit Maewang National Park**

### DAY 10 – Chiang Mai to Khao Sok

This morning or afternoon - depending on the timing of our internal flight - we make our way to Chiang Mai Airport for our journey to Khao Sok National Park, where we'll spend the next

two nights immersed in nature. After landing, we drive through misty hills and jungle to our hotel. The evening is at leisure surrounded by the sounds of the jungle. (B,D)

### DAY 11 – Khao Sok National Park

Today we explore Khao Sok National Park with a full-day adventure: a long-tail boat ride across emerald waters, a guided cave walk, and a gentle jungle trek. Then enjoy lunch at a floating restaurant. After returning by boat, we head back to the hotel for a relaxing evening. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Boat ride and nature walk in Khao Sok National Park**

### DAY 12 – Khao Lak

This morning we leave Khao Sok and head to the coast, arriving in Khao Lak after a scenic drive through villages and jungle. On arrival, check in to a beachfront hotel with direct access to soft sands. The afternoon is free to unwind, and as evening falls, don't miss the sunset over the sea. (B)

### DAY 13 – Free Day in Khao Lak

Today is free to enjoy the resort at your own leisure. (B)

### DAY 14 – Return Home

Depending on the timing of the internal flight, we'll depart the hotel either in the morning or afternoon and travel to Phuket Airport for the flight to Bangkok. From Bangkok, we'll catch a flight back to the UK. (B)

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Cheo Lan Lake



The ruins of Wat Mahathat were once a spiritual centre akin to the Grand Palace in Bangkok

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## Highlights of Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka envelops you in its vibrant charm. The tropical breeze, lush landscapes, and the sight of saffron-robed Buddhist monks in ancient temples create an intoxicating first impression of this captivating island.



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

Fly to Colombo.

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Colombo

After our morning arrival, we will transfer to the hotel, where you will have the rest of the afternoon at leisure. (D)

### DAY 3 – Dambulla

The countryside is stunning – scenic paddy fields studded by water buffalos accompanied by wiry, loin-clothed farmers, extensive coconut groves, pineapple fields, working elephants with attentive mahouts and everywhere the dense jungle interspersed by huge lakes. We visit the 1st-century cave temples of Dambulla, a UNESCO World Heritage site with frescoes and Buddhist statues. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Visit the temples of Dambulla**

### DAY 4 – Sigiriya Rock

Sigiriya, the ‘Lion Rock’, is a massive 600ft granite tower with sheer cliffs on all sides crowned by the remains of a 1,500-year-old royal palace, water gardens and caves. Later afternoon, watch the sunset and enjoy a poolside drinks reception with your fellow travellers at your hotel.\* (B,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Sigiriya Rock and sundowner drinks\***

### DAY 5 – Kandy

Sri Lanka is noted for its spices, so en route to Kandy, we visit a fascinating garden with many indigenous plants. You stay overlooking the scenic Mahaweli River, and this evening watch a traditional dancing display. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Visit a spice plantation**

### DAY 6 – Kandy

Kandy’s centre is dominated by a beautiful lake and the fascinating Temple of the Tooth, said to hold Buddha’s tooth. This is Buddhism’s most sacred shrine on the island. We’ll also visit the stunning Royal Botanical Gardens. Other highlights are the Avenue of Royal Palms and ‘Bat’ Drive, where you can spot the ‘Flying Foxes’. Later, nature’s wonders will be revealed on a fascinating cruise along the magnificent Mahaweli River in the



company of a knowledgeable naturalist.\* (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Visits Kandy and the Temple of the Tooth, the Royal Botanical Gardens & nature cruise along the Mahaweli River\***

### DAY 7 – Tea estates

We drive from Kandy, through mountainous scenery, to Sri Lanka’s premier tea-growing areas. You visit one of the best-known tea estates, followed by a cup of Ceylon’s finest. Later, indulge yourself with a sumptuous high tea at the acclaimed Grand Hotel in Nuwara Eliya with a choice of fragrant local teas or a glass of sparkling wine.\* (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Visit a tea estate and afternoon tea at the Grand Hotel in Nuwara Eliya\***

### DAY 8 – Elephant transit home & Yala

We stop at the Elephant Transit Home at Udawalawe National Park, where you’ll be able to watch young elephant orphans being fed. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Elephant Transit Home**

### DAY 9 – Yala National Park

We explore the jungle in 4x4 vehicles. You might see leopards, elephants, saltwater crocodiles, wild boar, sloth bears, monitor lizards and birdlife. Later, you can relax by the hotel’s pool before an optional second safari drive. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Yala National Park**

### DAY 10 – Kalutara

We head to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Galle, with its imposing 16th-century Dutch fort. In Kalutara, our hotel is set on a narrow peninsula with 360-degree ocean and lagoon views. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visit Galle**

### DAYS 11 to 12 – Free days

Perhaps relax in your hotel, rejuvenate at the spa or enjoy the pool. (B)

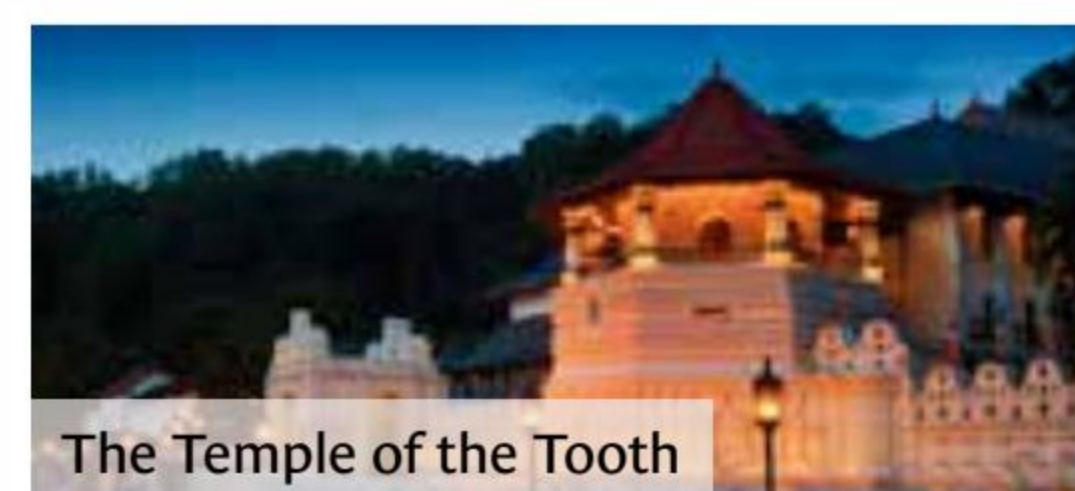
### DAY 13 – Return flight

Return flight, arriving home the same day. (B)

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## Wild Sri Lanka

Experience the untamed spirit of northern Sri Lanka – a place untouched by mass tourism. Spot elephants, leopards, lemurs and more in breathtaking national parks and discover the island’s sacred temples, tranquil beaches and hidden gems.



Colombo



## Your Itinerary

### Day 1 – Departure

### Day 2 – Arrival in Colombo

Arrive in Colombo, check into our hotel and enjoy a free afternoon before welcome drinks and dinner. (D)

### Day 3 – Colombo

Feel the pulse of Sri Lanka's capital on a panoramic city tour. We'll explore the vibrant markets of Pettah, admire colonial architecture near the parliament, and see the candy-striped Red Mosque. The tour ends with a visit to the top of Lotus Tower – the tallest single-supported structure in Southeast Asia – offering a unique perspective of the city's skyline and bustling streets below. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Panoramic guided tour of Colombo**

### Day 4 – Wilpattu National Park

Travel to Wilpattu National Park, stopping en route for lunch at a traditional Sri Lankan restaurant. Then swap the coach for safari jeeps for a thrilling safari in Sri Lanka's largest national Park. Spot elephants, crocodiles, sloth bears and, if you're lucky, the elusive leopard. Then head to Habarana for a two-night stay. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Lunch at a traditional Sri Lankan restaurant & half-day safari in Wilpattu National Park**

### Day 5 – Sigiriya & Minneriya National Park

Climb the iconic Sigiriya Rock Fortress, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with its frescos, landscaped gardens and sweeping jungle views from the summit. Enjoy an afternoon safari in Minneriya National Park, famous for "The Gathering" of hundreds of elephants around its ancient reservoir. Expect to see herds grazing, calves playing and perhaps a few monkeys or water buffalo along the way. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Visit Sigiriya Rock & half-day safari in Minneriya National Park**

### Day 6 – Jaffna

Journey north to Jaffna, once closed off during the civil war. Visit the rebuilt Jaffna Public Library and walk the historic ramparts of

Jaffna Fort, built by the Portuguese and used by Sri Lankan government forces during the war. Here, the bullet marks and battlements tell a story of resilience. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Jaffna**

### Day 7 – Jaffna & Point Pedro

Visit the sacred Nallur Temple, a symbol of Tamil heritage. Enjoy a farm-to-table lunch at an organic farm, then walk to Point Pedro, the northernmost tip of Sri Lanka. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Nallur Temple. Guided tour of an organic farm, with lunch & visit to Point Pedro**

### Day 8 – Travel to Nilaveli

Travel south to the east coast of Sri Lanka to Nilaveli and spend the rest of the day at leisure, in and around the hotel. (B,D)

### Day 9 – Trincomalee

Explore Trincomalee's spiritual and colonial heritage. Visit the clifftop Koneswaram Temple, one of the five abodes of Lord Shiva. This sacred Hindu site is known for its ornate architecture, panoramic sea views and centuries-old legends. Next, walk through Fort Fredrick, a 17th-century stronghold, built by the Portuguese and later occupied by the Dutch and British. As you explore the colonial-era architecture, ramparts and quiet courtyards, you'll uncover stories of maritime history and military strategy. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Visit to Koneswaram Temple & guided walk around Fort Fredrick**

### Day 10 – Travel to Kandy

Leave the east coast of Sri Lanka now and head to the central point of the island, Kandy. (B,D)

### Day 11 – Udawattakele Forest Reserve & Kandy

Stroll through the tranquil Udawattakele Forest Reserve, home to macaques, porcupines and tropical flora. Your guide will share stories of native plants and animals and the forest's historical ties to Kandyan royalty. Later, explore Kandy's bustling markets and visit the Temple of the Tooth, one of Sri Lanka's most sacred Buddhist sites.

Depending on timing, you may witness a daily ceremony – a mesmerising blend of ritual, rhythm and reverence. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided walk in Udawattakele Forest Reserve & sightseeing tour of Kandy with visit to the Temple of the Tooth**

### Day 12 – Travel to Yala

Travel from Kandy to Yala National Park and spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B,D)

### Day 13 – Bundala National Park & Yala National Park

Begin with a morning safari in Bundala, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve known for its birdlife and peaceful wetlands. Later, explore Yala's dramatic landscapes - rocky outcrops, dense jungle and open plains - on a thrilling safari. With luck, you may spot leopards, elephants, sloth bears, wild boar, and a kaleidoscope of colourful birds. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Half-day safaris in Bundala National Park and Yala National Park**

### Day 14 – Bentota

Visit Dondra Point, the southernmost tip of the island, and explore the colonial charm of Galle Fort, with its cobbled streets, lighthouse views and vibrant cafes tucked inside centuries-old ramparts. We'll arrive in Bentota by evening for beachside relaxation. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visits to Dondra Point & Galle Fort**

### Day 15 – Free Day in Bentota

Spend the day as you wish in Bentota – relax by the beach, explore the town or enjoy the hotel's facilities. (B)

### Day 16 – Return Home

After breakfast, we will return to Colombo Airport and begin our journey home. (B)

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## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Delhi

On arrival, we transfer to New Delhi for one night and after a short rest we commence our guided tour. The city centre, designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens in 1911, is bisected by wide, tree-lined avenues, a hub which clearly reflects the Raj legacy and home to the former Viceroy's Palace, now the Presidential Palace. Heading down the imposing Rajpath, we pass the India Gate and the Parliament building. We'll visit some of Delhi's older monuments, including the Qutub Minaret, the tallest stone-built tower in India. A buffet dinner is included at your hotel tonight. (D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of New Delhi**

### DAY 3 – Old Delhi

This morning, we continue our city tour, first visiting Old Delhi, including the Raj Ghat – a fittingly simple memorial to Mahatma Gandhi – and a local Sikh temple. Then, meet the former street children whose lives have been turned around by a transformative charity for a walking tour of the vibrant streets of Old Delhi.\* Later, travel to Agra. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Old Delhi & meet the children of the Salaam Baalak Trust\***

### DAY 4 – Taj Mahal

We rise early for the jewel of our tour, watching the sun rise over the Taj Mahal, when its colours and ethereal beauty are at their most amazing. We continue our tour with a visit to the vast red sandstone Agra Fort. Completed in 1573, it was the headquarters of the Mughal Empire. In the evening, wander in the elegant gardens of Mehtab Bagh and gaze in awe at the Taj Mahal from a different angle, then enjoy dinner at a local restaurant in Agra.\* (B)

**Included Experience – Visits to the Taj Mahal and Mehtab Bagh with evening meal\***

### DAY 5 – Fatehpur Sikri

Leaving Agra this morning, we continue towards the ancient, abandoned city of Fatehpur Sikri, built in 1571, with numerous palaces, wide courtyards and beautiful carvings. Just 15 kilometres away is the Laxmi Villas Palace in Bharat where we stop for lunch before going on to the railway

station to catch the Shatabdi Express for our comfortable two and a half hour journey to Ranthambore National Park. India's famous Tiger Project was created to protect the country's tiger population. Despite many difficulties, the tigers of Ranthambore have survived, and numbers have stabilised. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Fatehpur Sikri and enjoy lunch at the Laxmi Villas Palace in Bharat**

### DAY 6 – Ranthambore tiger safari

An early start as we head out to the park for our safari using specially built, 20-person, open-top four-wheel drive vehicles known as 'canters'. Ranthambore is now the best place to spot tigers in India, and over 300 bird species have also been counted here, including impressive, crested eagles, painted stork and wild peacocks. Other residents include large numbers of sambars, the largest Asian antelope, as well as marsh crocodiles, wild boar and leopards. Spend time with a knowledgeable naturalist and gain a greater understanding of the conservation of Ranthambore's elusive tigers. We return to our hotel in the late morning, with time to relax. In the afternoon, we take our second trip into the park. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Ranthambore tiger safari & expert talk by Ranthambore's naturalists\***

### DAY 7 – Jaipur

Leaving Ranthambore, we head north to Rajasthan's capital city, Jaipur, known as the 'Pink City' because of the colour of its walls and many of its buildings. Our afternoon tour will cover all the major highlights of this ancient city. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Jaipur**

### DAY 8 – Amber Fort

This morning, you'll visit the immense Amber Fort, one of the masterpieces of Rajput architecture. Sampling all the most fascinating sights, our guided tour includes the sections reserved for the Maharajah's wives and concubines as well as the remarkable hall of mirrors. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of the Amber Fort**

### DAY 9 – Rajasthan

After breakfast, we will head north into rural Rajasthan, passing through small villages and towns. We will arrive at our hotel in time for lunch, and this afternoon, we will have a walking tour of a local village and explore some of the old havelis, or you may choose to relax by the pool, before our included dinner. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Guided walking tour of a local village**

### DAY 10 – Delhi

After breakfast, we head back to Delhi for the last night of our tour. (B,D)

### DAY 11 - Return flight

In the morning, we will transfer to the airport for our flight home. (B)

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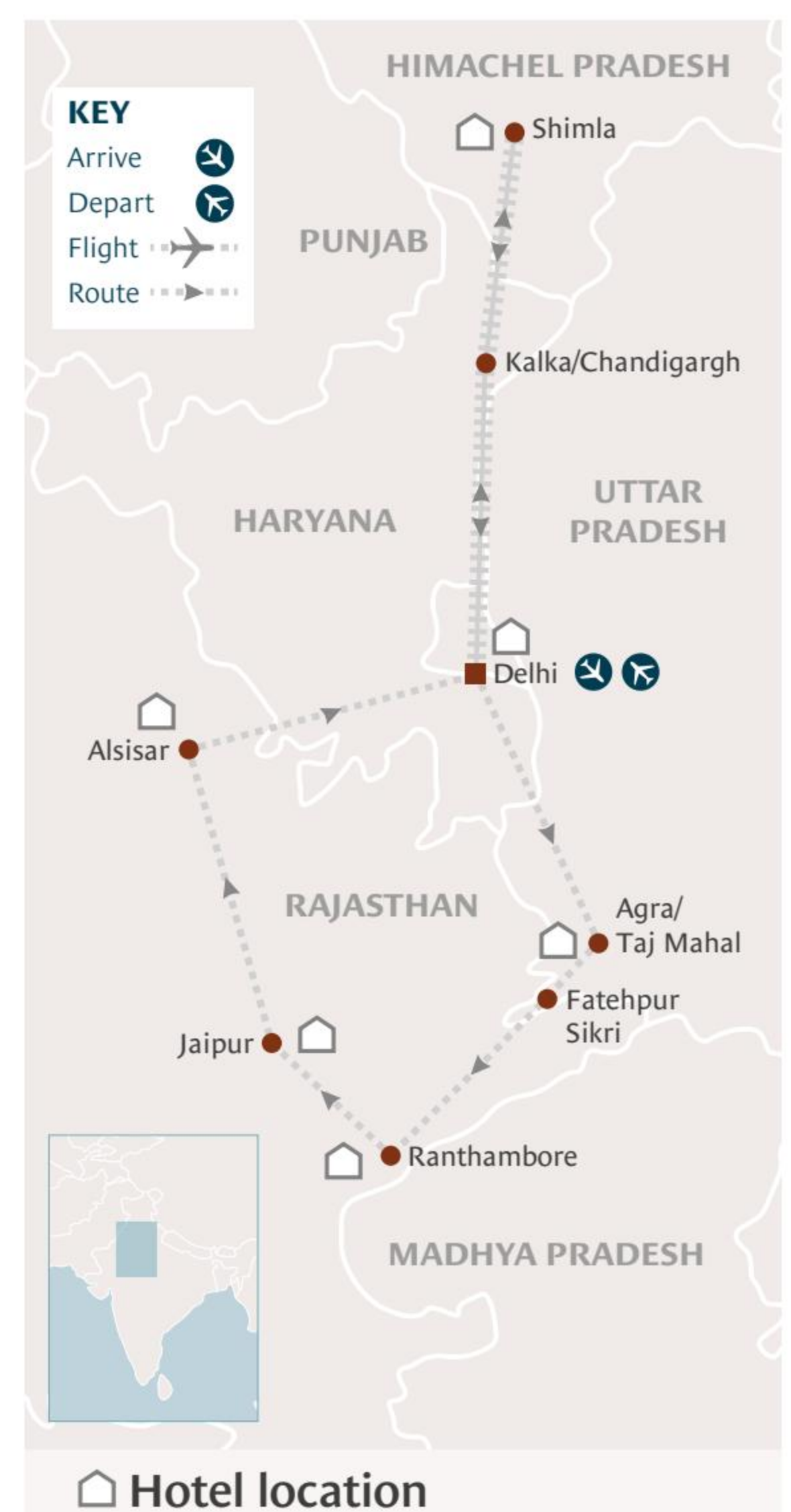
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## Your Itinerary

**Days 1 to 10 of your Grand Journey are as pages 32-33.**

### DAY 11 - Train to Shimla

We take the morning express train from Delhi for our four-hour journey north to Kalka. Our train reservations are in 'chair-class' carriages, with comfortable seating, air-conditioning and large windows. At Kalka, we change trains onto the Shimla narrow-gauge 'toy' train for the last part of our journey. Although the carriages are smaller and not air-conditioned, the compensation is the increasingly spectacular scenery en route. Inaugurated by Viceroy Lord Curzon back in 1903, its single-track route, on a narrow gauge just 80cm wide, is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Our journey encounters no less than 800 bridges and 102 tunnels as we trundle through desolate yet undeniably pretty landscapes of snowy mountains and an abundance of lush green mountainside on our 96-kilometre journey to Shimla. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Travel on the Shimla Narrow-gauge railway**

### DAY 12 - Shimla

Today, we explore the many reminders of British colonial life in Shimla. Under British rule, it became a microcosm of late Victorian English society, and, thanks to the cooler climate at 7,300ft, Shimla is the ideal location to escape from the searing summer temperatures on the plains below. It is effectively the summer capital of the Raj. We visit the immense Viceregal Lodge and its botanical gardens. Built in Scottish baronial style to house the Viceroy and his staff for the six months they were based in the town, the interior areas that are open to the public give an incredible glimpse into the not-so-distant past. We also take a walk down the long, winding pedestrian-only Mall, from Scandal Point and Christ Church past the mock-Tudor Post Office, the Gaiety Theatre and the Town Hall. Cascading down the hillside, bazaars hum with life as locals and visitors frequent the plethora of shops and market stalls selling hardware, stationery, fabrics and spices. Many of their retro hand-painted signs look as though they haven't been changed since the British left. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit Shimla and the Viceregal Lodge**

### DAY 13 - Free day in Shimla

Enjoy a day at leisure in Shimla, relax at the hotel pool, book in for a treatment at the hotel's spa or do some last-minute bargain hunting in the markets - Shimla is known for the quality of its locally made pashmina shawls, so if you're looking for an authentic souvenir, you're in luck here. Alternatively, there are a number of short local 'treks' that can be arranged in the surrounding hills. A sumptuous buffet dinner at our hotel is included tonight. (B,D)

### DAY 14 - Train to Delhi

Today, we say goodbye to Shimla as we start our return journey to Delhi. This time we descend by car to Kalka or Chandigarh, from where we catch the train back to Delhi for our last night. (B)

### DAY 15 - Return flight

We depart Delhi in the early afternoon on our flight home to the UK, arriving back the same day. (B)

*All flights and transfers are included*

*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*

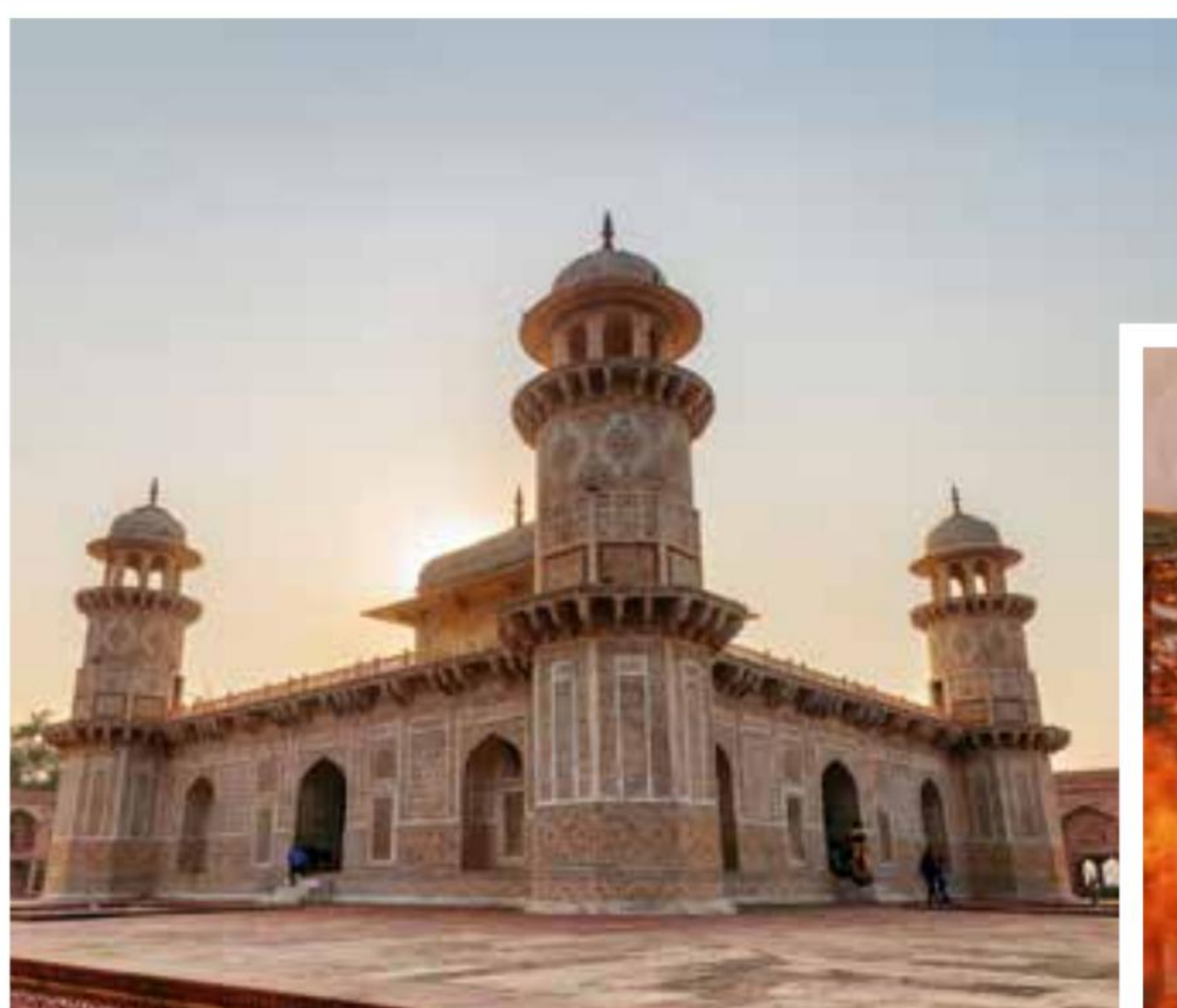
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### Your Itinerary

#### DAY 1 – Departure

#### DAY 2 – Arrival in Chennai

#### DAY 3 – Chennai

Visit Fort St George. *Enjoy a speciality dinner.\**

#### DAY 4 – Mahabalipuram & Pondicherry

Guided walking tour of Pondicherry.(B,L,D)

#### DAY 5 – Tanjore

Walk tour of Pondicherry & afternoon at leisure in Tanjore. (B,L)

#### DAY 6 – Tanjore

Visit the Brihadeeswara Temple. (B)

#### DAY 7 – Chettinad

Explore the Chettinad region & dinner served on a banana leaf. (B,D)

#### DAY 8 – Madurai

Visit a tile workshop, the Meenakshi Amman Temple and dusk tuk-tuk tour. (B)

#### DAY 9 – Kumily

Visit the Nayak Palace. (B)

#### DAY 10 – Periyar Wildlife Reserve

Guided walk through the Periyar Wildlife Reserve followed by an expert-led talk on its unique ecosystem. (B)

#### DAY 11 – Kerala Houseboat Overnight

Travel and stay on a Kerala Houseboat. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 12 – Drive to Kumarakom (B)

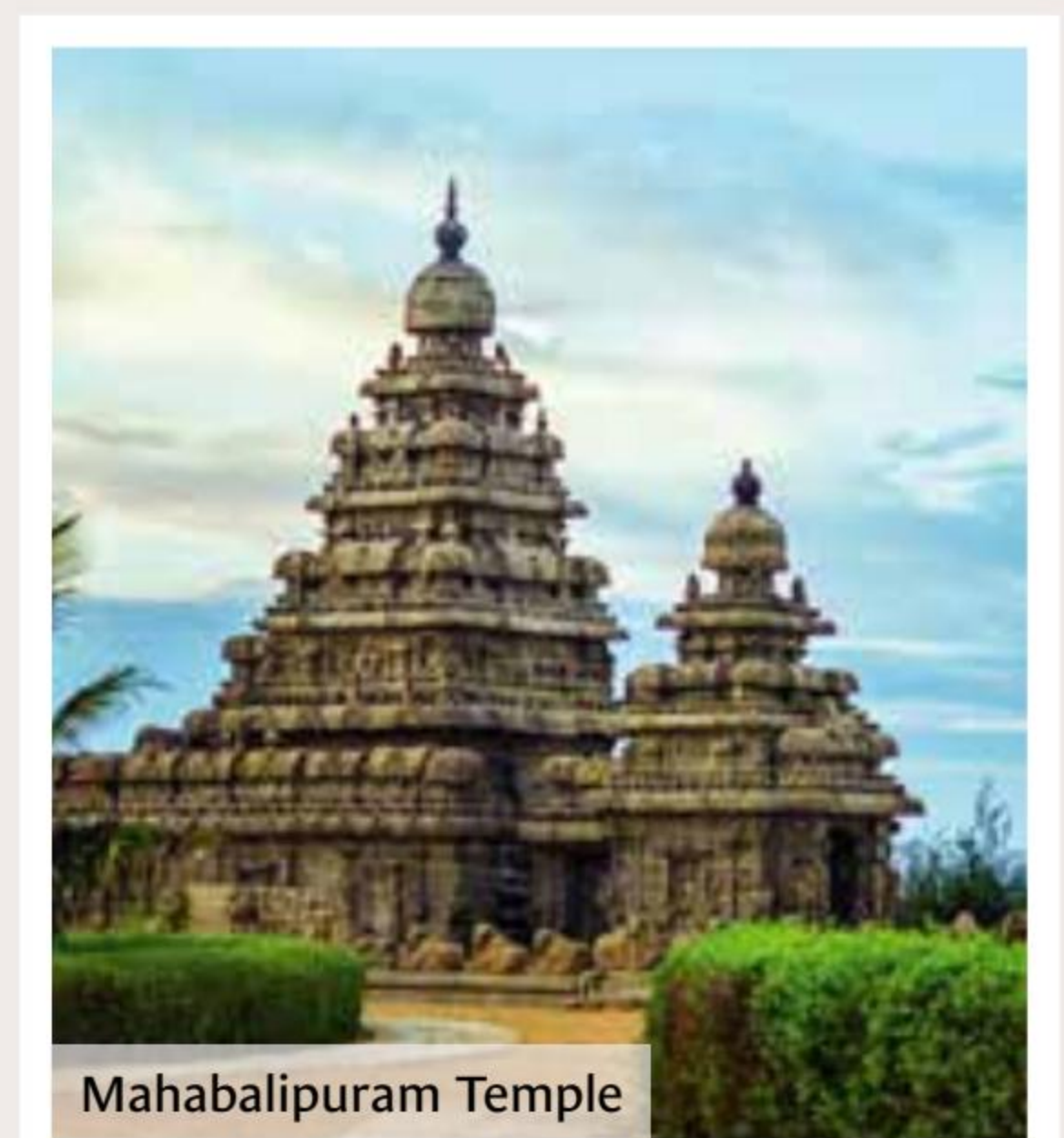
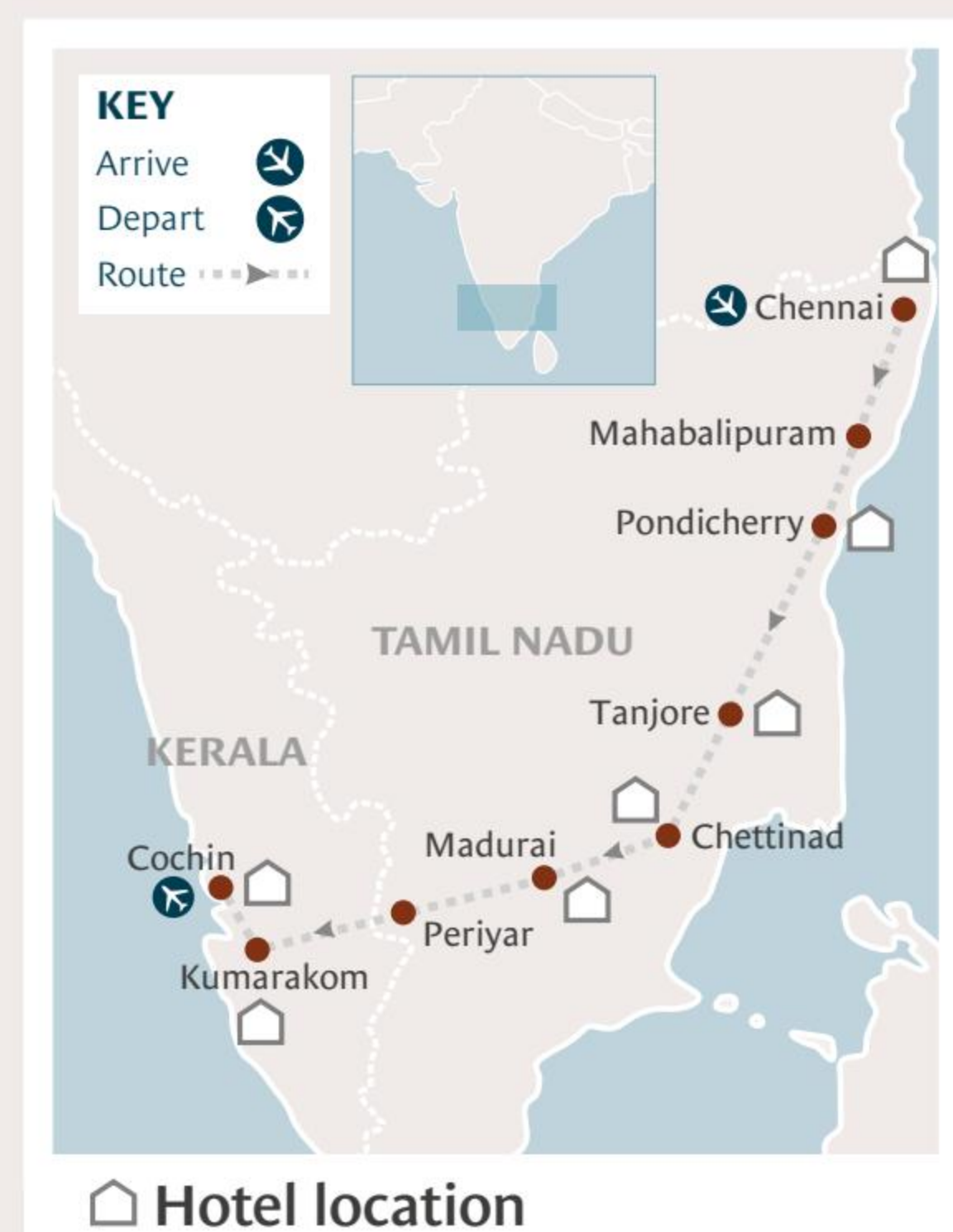
**DAY 13 – Kumarakom**  
*Bird watching walk & birdwatching boat cruise.\** (B)

#### DAY 14 – Cochin

Visit Cochin. (B)

#### DAY 15 – Return flight (B)

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## Your itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Delhi

Guided tour of New Delhi. (B,D)

### DAY 3 – Delhi & Agra

Guided tour of Delhi and rickshaw ride. (B)

### DAY 4 – Agra

Visit the Taj Mahal and Agra Fort. (B)

### DAY 5 – Orchha & Khajuraho

Visit the Orchha Fort complex. (B,D)

### DAY 6 – Khajuraho & Varanasi

Visit the Khajuraho temples and see the Ganga Aarti. (B,D)

### DAY 7 – Varanasi

Sunset boat ride on the Ganges and guided tours of Varanasi and Sarnath. (B)

### DAY 8 – Kathmandu

Visit the Boudhanath Stupa. (B,D)

### DAY 9 – Mount Everest flight

Himalayas sightseeing flight, guided tour of Kathmandu and an expert talk. (B)

### DAY 10 – Chitwan

Guided walk of a local village. (B,L,D)

### DAY 11 – Chitwan

Visit the crocodile breeding centre by canoe, then take a 4x4 safari through Chitwan, led by an expert guide. (B,L,D)

### DAY 12 – Pokhara

Boat ride across Lake Phewa. (B)

### DAY 13 – Pokhara

See the sunrise over the Annapurna Mountains and visit the Gurkha Museum. (B)

### DAY 14 – Flight to Kathmandu (B)

### DAY 15 – Return home

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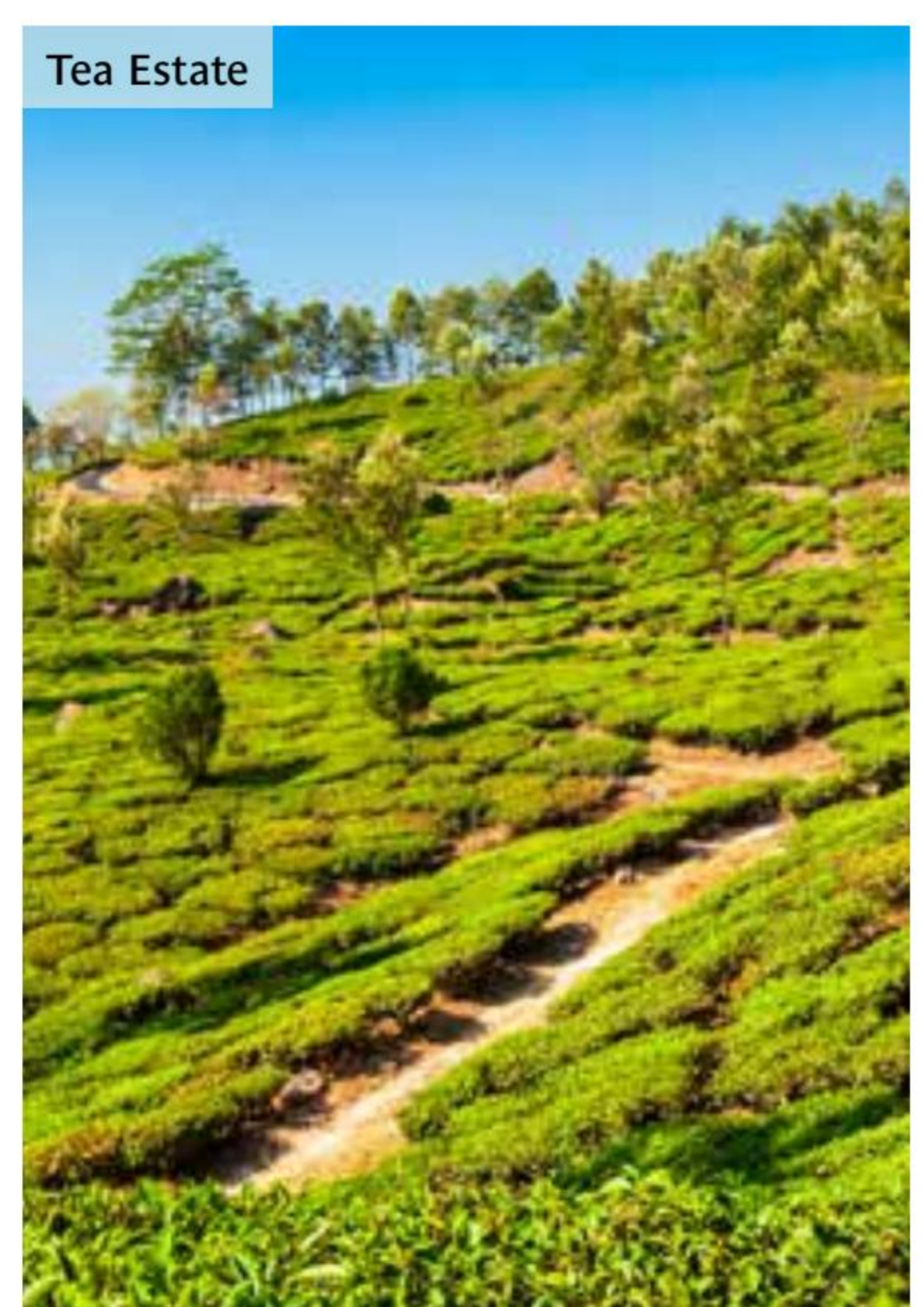
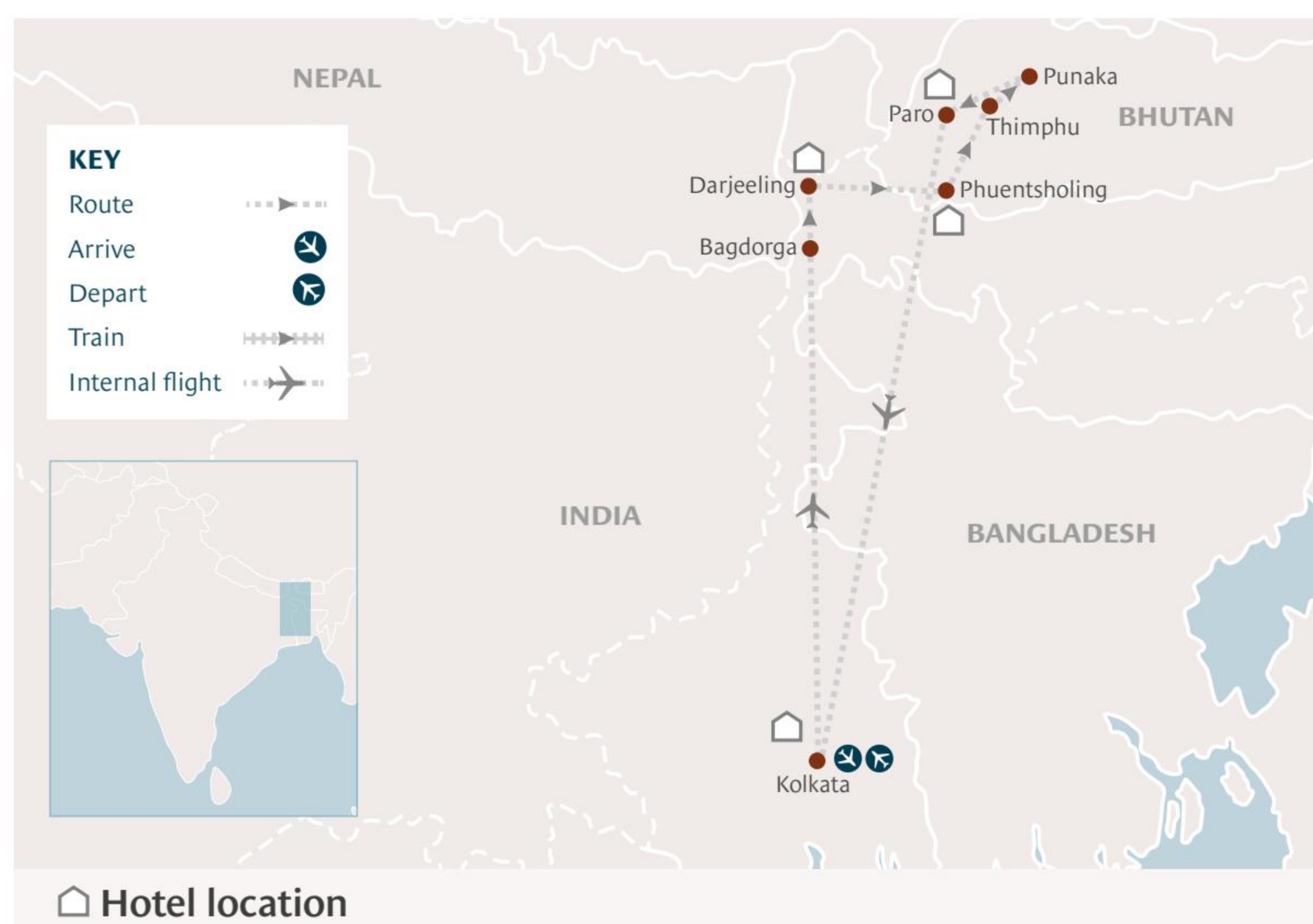
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## Eastern Highlights – Darjeeling & Bhutan

From colonial Kolkata and tea-scented Darjeeling to sacred monasteries and mountain passes, discover a different side of India and uncover the spiritual serenity of Bhutan.



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Depart UK

### DAY 2 – Arrive Kolkata

Touch down in Kolkata, transfer to your hotel and settle in. This evening, enjoy dinner at the Glenburn Penthouse, a beautifully restored colonial residence with sweeping city views. As you dine, an expert guest speaker brings stories to life, stories of Bengal – a land of poets, revolutionaries, and timeless traditions. (D)

**Included Experiences – Dinner at the Glenburn Penthouse and an expert lecture on the story of Bengal**

### DAY 3 - Kolkata

Experience Kolkata, a feast for the senses, where colonial architecture, vibrant markets and the scent of street food combine to create a city like no other. Join your local guide for a sightseeing tour, beginning in old Kolkata at Dalhouse Square. Explore the city's colonial past at the General Post Office and St John's Church and visit the iconic Victoria Memorial - often dubbed the 'Taj of the Raj'. Later, wander through the Mullik Ghat flower market, a riot of colour and fragrance. (B)

**Included Experience – Sightseeing tour of Kolkata**

### DAY 4 - Kolkata to Darjeeling

Leave Kolkata for Darjeeling, a hill station perched 6,700 feet above sea level, once the summer retreat of British officers. Settle into your hotel and soak up the cool mountain air. (B)

### DAY 5 - Darjeeling

Rise early for a magical sunrise visit to a Sherpa village, where the first golden light spills across the Himalayas and Kanchenjunga may reveal itself in all its glory. After breakfast, board the UNESCO-listed Darjeeling Himalayan Railway – affectionately known as the Toy Train. Chug through tea gardens and hillside hamlets, with panoramic views at the Batasia Loop. Later, stroll Darjeeling's Mall Road, lined with old-world shops and cafes. (B)

**Included Experiences – A sunrise visit to local Sherpa village and a scenic ride on the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway**

### DAY 6 – Darjeeling Tea Estate

Step into the world of tea at the Glenburn Tea Estate, a tranquil haven on the banks of the Rangeet River. Learn how the humble tea leaf is transformed into the perfect cup, sample a range of teas in guided tasting and enjoy lunch on the estate. Return to Darjeeling for an afternoon at leisure. (B)

**Included Experience – Tour and tasting of tea estate, with lunch**

### DAY 7 – Darjeeling to Phuentsholing

Today, cross the border into Bhutan - a land where calm and quiet reign. After settling into your hotel in Phuentsholing, visit the Kharbandi Goempa Monastery. Perched on a hillside, this sacred site is adorned with vibrant murals, statues and fluttering prayer flags, offering a peaceful introduction to Bhutanese spirituality. (B)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Kharbandi Goempa Monastery**

### DAY 8 – Phuentsholing to Thimphu

Travel to Bhutan's capital, Thimphu. Visit the striking Thimphu Chorten, a monument to the third king, and the grand Tashichho Dzong, a fortress-monastery that's both spiritual sanctuary and a seat of power. This evening, an expert local shares insights into Bhutan's unique Gross National Happiness philosophy. (B)

**Included Experiences – Guided tours of Tashichhoe Dzong and Thimpu Chorten, and an expert local talk on Bhutan's GNH**

### DAY 9 – Punaka

Journey over the scenic Dochu La Pass to Punakha Valley and explore the magnificent Punakha Dzong, where Bhutan's kings have been crowned. Walk through peaceful courtyards and, depending on the season, stroll through rice paddies or wheat fields to the temple of Chimi Lhakhang. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Punakha Dzong**

### DAY 10 – Thimphu and Paro

Begin your day at the towering Buddha Dordenma Statue, then discover Bhutan's rich textile traditions at the Royal Textile Museum.

Browse the colourful stalls of the Craft Bazaar before travelling to Paro for a three-night stay. (B)

**Included Experiences – Guided tours of Buddha Dordenma Statue, the Royal Textile Museum and the Craft Bazaar**

### DAY 11 - Paro

Explore the Ta Dzong National Museum, home to treasures spanning 1,500 years. Visit a local market to sample Bhutanese produce, then enjoy a traditional lunch at a farmhouse. The afternoon is yours to relax and prepare for tomorrow's adventure. (B)

**Included Experiences – Guided tours of the National Museum and local market, and a traditional lunch at an authentic farmhouse**

### DAY 12 - Tiger's Nest Monastery

Today is a true highlight: hike to the legendary Tiger's Nest Monastery, clinging to a cliff high above Paro Valley. The journey is well worth it – pine forest gives way to prayer flags and breathtaking views. On our guided tour, we'll see sacred halls and caves home to hidden carvings, relics and holy springs. Pause on the descent for lunch at a cafe with incredible views, then spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided hike to Tiger's Nest Monastery**

### DAY 13 - Paro to Kolkata

Fly back to Kolkata and visit the Missionaries of Charity's 'Motherhouse', the final resting place of Mother Teresa. Then wander the artisan quarter of Kumartuli, where master sculptors bring gods and goddesses to life in clay. (B)

**Included Experiences – Guided tours of the Missionaries of Charity's 'Motherhouse' and Kolkata's artisan quarter**

### Day 14 - Depart

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Kolkata



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# Grand Tour of Malaysia, Borneo & Singapore

Experience the colonial history of Malaysia and its modern ‘cultural melting pot’, the tropical charms of Borneo – the land of the orangutans – and the sci-fi cityscape of Singapore, the Garden City, on our Grand Tour. Uncover the region’s exciting mix of modern architecture, natural forests and sandy beaches.



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

Overnight flight to Penang.

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Penang

We transfer to our hotel.

### DAY 3 – George Town

Enjoy a walking tour of the UNESCO-listed colonial centre of George Town. After a trishaw ride, we'll visit the Cheong Fatt Tze Blue Mansion House, a stunning example of eclectic architecture, blending Chinese, Malay and European design elements. Afterwards, there's free time. Penang is famous as Malaysia's food capital, with Malaysians travelling here just to savour the city's numerous delicious dishes, such as assam laksa (named one of the world's best dishes by CNN), char kuey teow (wok-fried noodles) and nasi kandar (rice with curries). (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Walking tour of George Town, with a visit to Cheong Fatt Tze Blue Mansion House and cycle trishaw ride**

### DAY 4 – Penang Hill

Visit Penang Hill, a colonial-era retreat, known for its world-class rainforest discovery centre, funicular railway, colonial bungalows, temples and panoramic views. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Travel on the Penang Hill Funicular Railway**

### Day 5 - Penang to Kuala Lumpur

After breakfast, we'll take a short flight to Kuala Lumpur and transfer to the hotel on arrival. You will then have free time this afternoon to explore or settle into the hotel. This evening, we head to the historic district of Kampung Baru to browse Chow Kit Market, enjoy Hi-Tea in a local home and visit Kampung Baru mosque and Tatt Khalsa Diwan Gurdwara Sikh Temple. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Kampung Baru**

### Day 6 - Kuala Lumpur

Explore Kuala Lumpur's on a half-day tour of the city - from colonial buildings to modern skyscrapers. Visit the King's Palace, National Mosque, and WWII memorial. Pass historic landmarks like the old Railway Station and Federal Court. This afternoon is at leisure. (B)

**Included Experience – Half-day tour of Kuala Lumpur**

Batu caves



### Day 7 - Batu Caves

This half-day tour begins at the Royal Selangor Pewter factory, where we'll see traditional techniques like casting and engraving in action. After a brief stop at the Batik Centre, we'll visit the iconic Batu Caves, climbing 272 colourful steps to explore its temples. The afternoon is free to explore at leisure. (B)

**Included Experience – Entrance into Batu Caves**

### Day 8 – Sandakan

We fly to Sandakan and enjoy a short orientation tour. Founded in 1879 by the British North Borneo Company, Sandakan is a charming small port town with a fascinating colonial history. (B)

**Included Experience – Tour of Sandakan**

### Day 9 - Orangutans, Sun Bears & a House Museum

Borneo's tropical forests teem with thousands of extraordinary endemic plant and animal species. We visit the Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre and the incredible Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre, the largest of its kind. Later we stop at the Agnes Keith House. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visits to the Bornean Sun Bear Centre, Sepilok Orangutan Centre and Agnes Keith House**

### Day 10 - Fly to Kota Kinabalu

This morning, we'll catch the short flight to Kota Kinabalu in Borneo, stopping at the Mari Mari Cultural Village on our way to our hotel. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Visit to Mari Mari Cultural Village**

### DAY 11 – Free day

Enjoy a day at leisure in Kota Kinabalu. (B)

### Day 12 – Free day

Spend another free day in Kota Kinabalu exploring or relaxing at your own pace. (B)

### DAY 13 – Fly to Singapore

This morning, we fly to Singapore for a two-night stay in the Garden City, a moniker earned for its green spaces nestled between futuristic skyscrapers. The afternoon is at leisure to explore near our hotel, ideally located in Clarke Quay. Or visit the Gardens by the Bay, a paradise of diverse plants, including the famous Supertree structures. (B)

### DAY 14 – Singapore

Enjoy a half-day city tour soaking up Singapore's diversity and seamless blend of old and new. We'll pass Padang, Esplanade and Theatres on the Bay, see the Merlion fountain and visit Thian Hock Keng temple. We'll drive to Chinatown and Little India, vibrant enclaves with a unique heritage and plenty to explore. We end with a guided tour of the Botanical Gardens, the city's first UNESCO World Heritage Site. The afternoon is at leisure. (B)

**Included Experiences – Tour of Singapore, with a visit to the Botanical Gardens**

### DAY 15 – Return home

After a free morning, transfer to the airport in the early evening. (B)

### DAY 16 - Arrive home

Arrive in the UK early this morning.

*All flights and transfers are included*

*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*

*Please note that our guided tour of Kampung Baru can be on day 7 early evening or day 8 early evening.*



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Ho Chi Minh City



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

Arrive at the airport for your overnight flight to Hanoi.

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Hanoi

We check in to our hotel before a wonderful introduction to Hanoi by cycle rickshaws. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Hanoi's old town by cycle rickshaw**

### DAY 3 – Hanoi

Today we explore Hanoi, past and present. During our guided tour we see the beautiful Temple of Literature dedicated to Confucius and Vietnam's first university, and the imposing marble mausoleum of Ho Chi Minh himself. This afternoon is free for you to explore. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Hanoi**

### DAY 4 – Halong Bay cruise

Today we visit Vietnam's greatest natural wonder, the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Halong Bay. We visit some of the vast and beautifully illuminated caves and grottoes before lunch on board, returning to Hanoi. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Cruise along Halong Bay**

### DAY 5 – Hue

Today we fly south to Danang and then drive over the stunning scenery of the Hai Van Pass before descending to Hue, Vietnam's last royal capital and traditional centre of religion, culture and education. (B)

**Included Experience – Scenic drive over Hai Van Pass**

### DAY 6 – Hue Imperial City

Enjoy a leisurely river cruise to the magnificent seven-storied Thien Mu pagoda, a working Buddhist shrine. We then visit the incredible complex of the Citadel and within it, the Imperial City, seeing the Palace of Supreme Harmony, which contained the emperor's throne. Later we visit Emperor Tu Duc's mausoleum. Lunch is included today and the evening is at leisure. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Thien Mu pagoda, the Imperial City and Emperor Tu Duc's mausoleum**

### DAY 7 – Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)

Today we fly to Ho Chi Minh City, or Saigon as the locals still call it. Brash and boisterous, it has real zest for life. In the afternoon our city tour covers all the major sights including the colonial-style central post office, the cathedral and the Reunification Palace where famously

in 1975, a tank burst through its gates in the final defining moment of the Vietnam War. We also see the War Remnants Museum. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Saigon. Absorb the unique ambience of the Saigon River on an unforgettable evening cruise and dine on Vietnamese cuisine as you sail past the glittering lights of the city**

### DAY 8 – Cu Chi Tunnels

Today we visit the famous Cu Chi Tunnels, a complex underground network stretching for 200 kilometres, which included hospitals, meeting rooms, sleeping quarters and kitchens. Despite being carpet-bombed, the tunnels were never really penetrated and our visit is a fascinating insight into these times. On return take the opportunity to see the lively Ben Thanh Market or explore at your leisure. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels and guided tour of Saigon**

### DAY 9 – Mekong River delta

Leaving Saigon towards the great Mekong River delta, our first stop is at one of the island villages to sample different types of locally grown tropical fruit. We continue our exploration through the narrow canals visiting Coconut Island. Dappled sunlight filters through the wide leaves of the mangroves as we arrive at a local restaurant for a lunch of Mekong specialities. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Explore the Mekong River delta**

### DAY 10 – Fly to Phnom Penh

We take a short flight to Phnom Penh, on arrival we transfer to our hotel. (B)

### DAY 11 – Phnom Penh

We'll visit the majestic Royal Palace with its silver pagoda and the fascinating National Museum. After lunch in a local restaurant, we visit the Tuol Sleng Museum. Finally, there's time for a stop at one of the local markets before we return to our hotel for the evening. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Royal Palace of Phnom Penh, the National Museum and the Tuol Sleng Museum**

### DAY 12 – Phnom Penh to Siem Reap

Today we journey through the heart of rural Cambodia stopping at Kompong Thom for an included lunch. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Visit Kompong Thom**

### DAY 13 – Angkor

Today we visit one of the largest religious structures in the world, Angkor Wat and see the haunting soft morning light rise over the eerie temples. We visit the fortified 13th century city of Angkor Thom, with its five monumental gates. We'll also visit the smaller temple of Ta Prohm which has been left unrestored, with giant tropical trees bursting through the ruins. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visit Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom and Ta Prohm**

### DAY 14 – Siem Reap

Today we take a leisurely boat trip on Tonle Sap Lake taking in the Cambodian countryside. Our journey includes a stop to visit one of the remarkable floating villages for a taste of traditional life, where all transport is by boat and the locals make their living from the lake\*\*. Immerse yourself in the rituals of the Khmer people in the peaceful surroundings of a local temple. (B)

**Included Experiences – Cruise across Tonle Sap Lake, stopping at one of the floating villages. Visit a Khmer temple and be touched by the spirituality of a Buddhist blessing given by a monk**

### DAY 15 – Return flight

You will be taken to the airport for your return flight. (B)

### DAY 16 – Arrive home

*All flights and transfers are included*

*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*

*\*\*Please note that when the water levels do not permit, typically when water levels are too low, the cruise along the Tonle Sap will be replaced by a visit to the APOPO Visitor Centre and a guided tour at Artisans Angkor.*

*Between April and October, the itinerary will be slightly different due to flight schedules. On the evening of day 14 you will fly from Siem Reap to Hanoi where you will spend your last night (instead of Siem Reap). All the activities will remain the same. The tour will be 15 days not 16 as the flight home is a same day flight rather than overnight.*

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Cu Chi Tunnels



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

Overnight flight to Hanoi.

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Hanoi

Enjoy an introduction to Hanoi by cycle rickshaw. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Hanoi's old town by cycle rickshaw**

### DAY 3 – Hanoi

During our guided tour of Hanoi, see the Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first university and the mausoleum of Ho Chi Minh. The afternoon is free. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Hanoi**

### DAY 4 – Halong Bay cruise

Visit spectacular UNESCO-listed Halong Bay. After exploring illuminated caves and grottoes, have lunch on board then return to Hanoi. (B, L)

**Included Experience – Halong Bay Cruise**

### DAY 5 – Hue

Fly south to Danang and descend to Hue, Vietnam's last royal capital. (B)

### DAY 6 – Hue Imperial City

Enjoy a river cruise to the seven-storied Thien Mu pagoda. Then visit the complex of the Citadel and the Imperial City, seeing the Palace of Supreme Harmony. Later we visit Emperor Tu Duc's mausoleum. The evening is at leisure. (B, L)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Thien Mu pagoda, the Imperial City and Emperor Tu Duc's mausoleum**

### DAY 7 – Ho Chi Minh City

Fly to Ho Chi Minh City. Our afternoon city tour covers the major sights, including the colonial-style post office, cathedral, Reunification Palace and War Remnants Museum. (B)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Saigon**

### DAY 8 – Cu Chi Tunnels

Explore the historic Cu Chi tunnels, a 200-kilometre underground network with hospitals, meeting rooms and kitchens, serving as a Vietcong base just 30 miles from Saigon. After this fascinating visit, browse Ben Thanh Market or enjoy free time. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels**

### DAY 9 – Mekong River Delta

Journey from Saigon to the Mekong Delta, stopping at an island village to taste tropical fruits. Cruise narrow canals to Coconut Island, then savour a lunch of Mekong specialities at a local restaurant. (B, L)

**Included Experience – Explore the Mekong River delta**

### DAY 10 – Fly to Phnom Penh

We take a short flight to Phnom Penh and transfer to our hotel. (B)

### DAY 11 – Phnom Penh

Visit the majestic Royal Palace and the National Museum. After lunch, visit the Tuol Sleng Museum. There's time to browse a market before returning to our hotel. (B, L)

**Included Experience – Visit the Royal Palace of Phnom Penh, the National Museum and the Tuol Sleng Museum**

### DAY 12 – Phnom Penh to Siem Reap

Journey through rural Cambodia and savour an included lunch at Kompong Thom. (B, L)

**Included Experience – Visit Kompong Thom**

### DAY 13 – Angkor

Experience sunrise over Angkor Wat, famed for its exquisite design and superbly preserved carvings. Explore Angkor Thom's fortified 13th-century city with its five gates and vast moat, then visit Ta Prohm, where giant trees entwine ancient ruins, creating an atmospheric scene. (B, L)

**Included Experience – Visit Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom and Ta Prohm**

### DAY 14 – Free day in Siem Reap

Enjoy a free day. (B)

### DAY 15 - Flight to Laos

Take a short flight to Luang Prabang. (B)

### DAY 16 - Luang Prabang

UNESCO-listed Luang Prabang blends French colonial with traditional Lao architecture. After breakfast, enjoy a walking tour featuring the Royal Palace before cruising the Mekong by private boat to the Pak Ou caves. En route, visit riverside villages to see traditional rice winemaking and weaving, with lunch served on board. Later, admire the royal temple of Wat Xiengthong and browse the vibrant night market. (B, L)

**Included Experiences – Guided walking tour of Luang Prabang**

### DAY 17 - Luang Prabang

Cruise the Mekong by private boat to the sacred Pak Ou caves, set in limestone cliffs and filled with thousands of Buddha statues. Enjoy lunch on board as we return to Luang Prabang, stopping at Wat Done Khoun temple, perched on its own island in the Mekong. (B, L)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Pak Ou caves and Wat Done Khoun Temple**

### DAY 18 - Luang Prabang

Before breakfast, witness and if you wish, join the 'Tak Bat' alms-giving to monks. Later, visit the local market, Kuang Si waterfall and the Bear Rescue Centre dedicated to protecting the rare Asiatic black bear. We return to Luang Prabang by lunchtime, with the afternoon free and an included afternoon tea at your hotel. (B, L)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Kuang Si waterfall and the Bear Rescue Centre**

### DAY 19 - Return flight

Fly back to the UK via Hanoi. (B)

### DAY 20 - Arrive home

*All flights and transfers are included*

*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*

*Please note that between April and October, you'll fly from Luang Prabang to Hanoi on day 18 for your final night. Activities remain unchanged, but the tour lasts 19 days as the return flight is same-day.*



Hoi An was a major trading port from the 15th to 19th century, blending Japanese, Chinese, and European architecture

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Ta Prohm

# Africa & Middle East

From the wilds of Kenya to the bustling bazaars of Morocco, Africa is a continent of record breakers – the world’s longest river and the world’s hottest temperatures – and unforgettable encounters. Spot elephants on the savannah, taste couscous in vibrant markets and explore cosmopolitan capitals. Journey east to Jordan, where lost cities and dramatic deserts reveal stories older than time. In these incredible regions, every day brings new wonders, shared with fellow explorers who know that seeing is believing.



## Essaouira, Morocco

Essaouira is Morocco’s breezy beach escape – golden sands, rolling waves and a laid-back, artsy atmosphere. Surf, stroll the medina, or watch the sunset from the ramparts. Seafood lovers are spoilt for choice, and the city’s creative buzz makes every visit a feast for the senses and the soul.

*See pages 58-61*

## Maasai Mara, Kenya

The Maasai Mara is Kenya’s wild masterpiece – 1,500 square kilometres of sweeping savannah, home to the Big Five and over 400 bird species. Spot elephants, lions and flamingos, then meet the Maasai people, whose vibrant traditions and dance offer a glimpse into a culture untouched by time.

*See pages 56-57*



Essaouira ● ● Marrakesh

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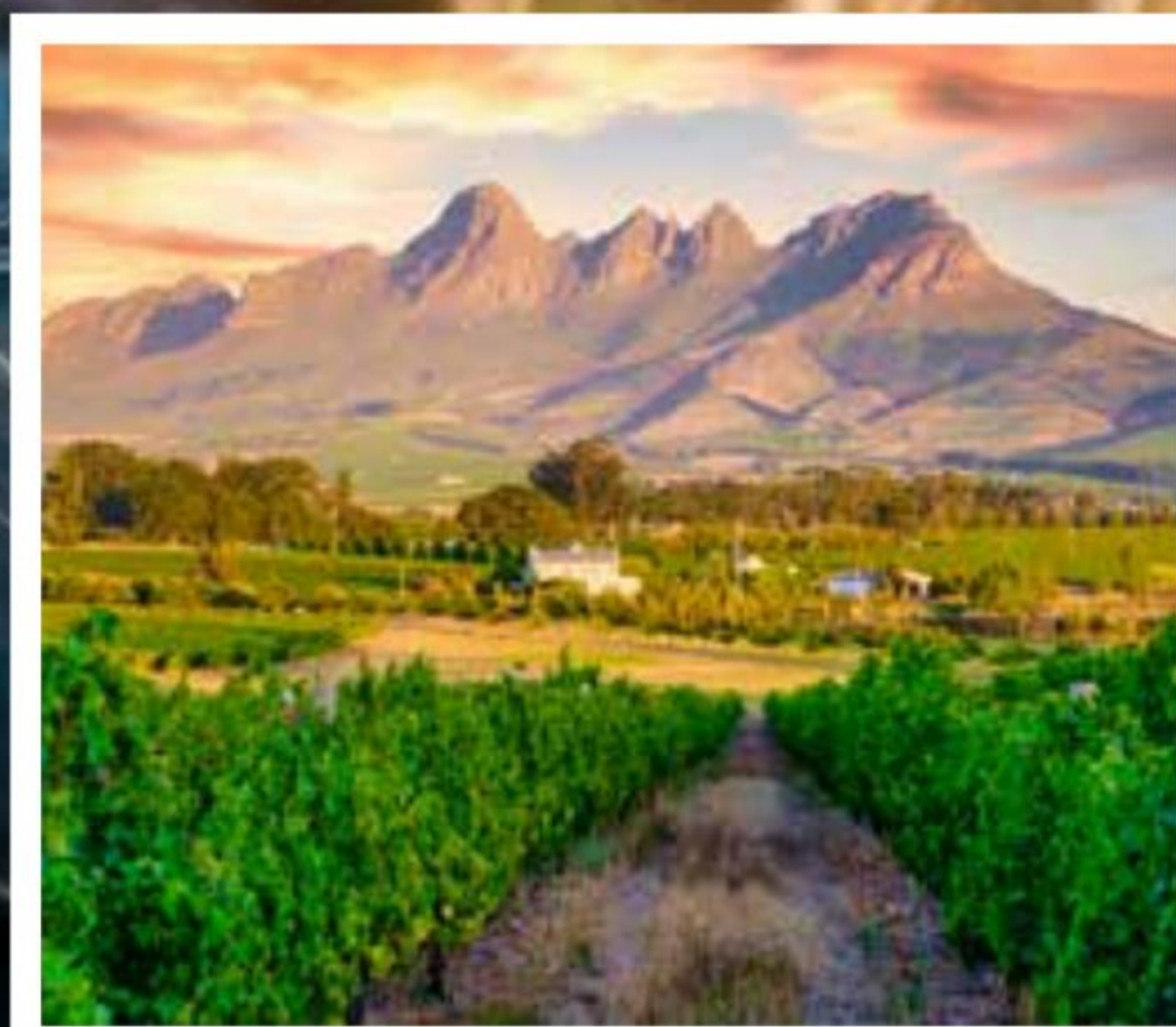
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Knysna

### Franschhoek & the Winelands, South Africa

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*See pages 48-55*





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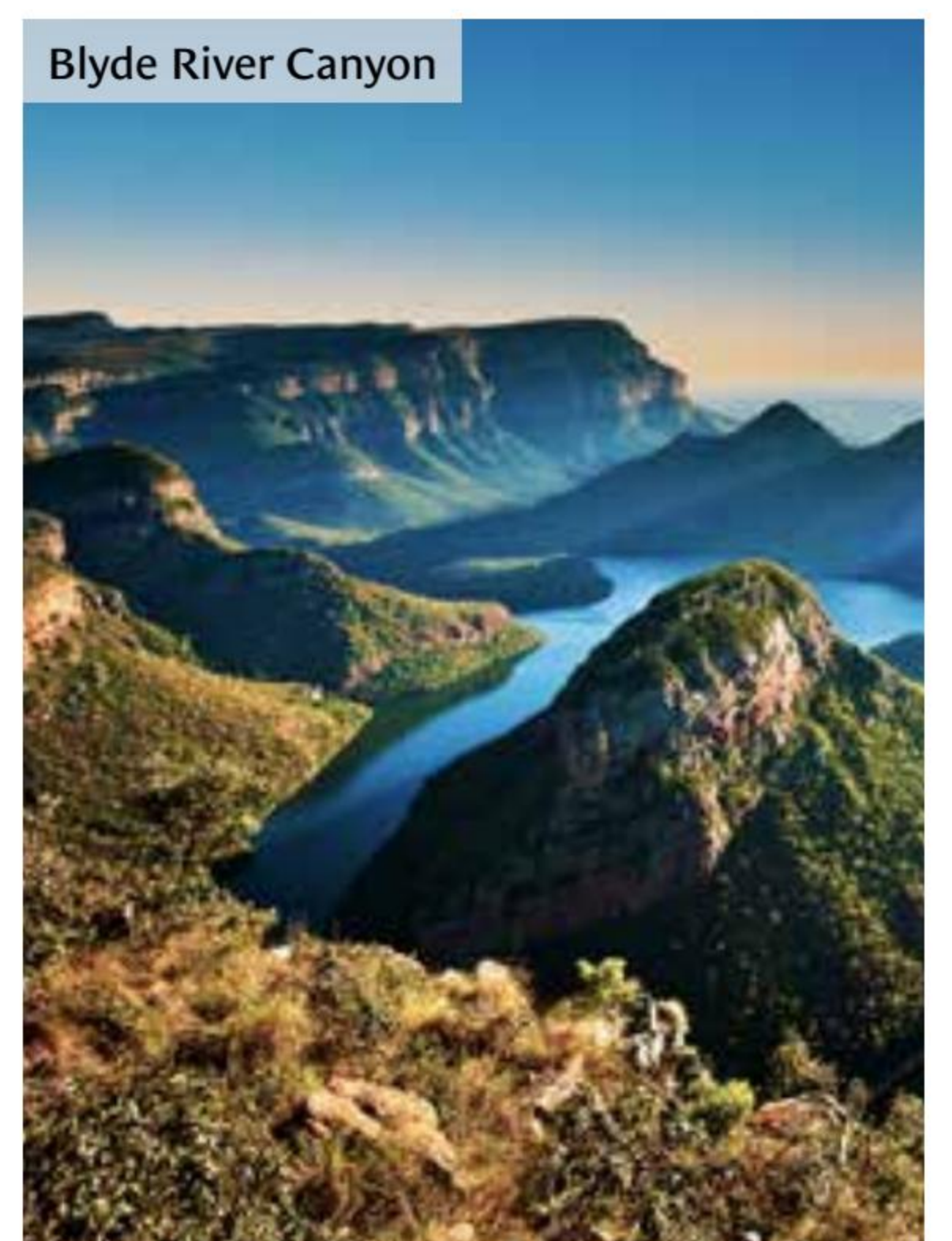
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# South Africa

A ‘world in one country’ is no exaggeration when describing South Africa - incredible game viewing, a vast patchwork of different cultures and history coupled with superb food and wine make for a world-class destination.



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Johannesburg

Afternoon at leisure.

### DAY 3 – Panorama Route

Follow the scenic Panorama Route to Kruger National Park and around the spectacular rim of the Blyde River Canyon to our hotel for the next three nights amidst lush forest on the banks of the Sabie River. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Blyde River Canyon and drinks reception at Hippo Hollow Hotel\***

### DAY 4 – Kruger game drive

Enjoy a full day's game drive in specially adapted 4x4 vehicles. Experience areas of sweeping savannah, bisected by rivers full of hippos, and muddy waterholes lined with animals quenching their thirst. Perhaps we'll spot an elephant, a family of warthogs or possibly even the elusive cheetah! The experienced game rangers know the best tracks and waterholes, whilst their wealth of knowledge will amuse and fascinate you. (B)

**Included Experience – 4x4 game drive in Kruger National Park**

### DAY 5 – Free day in Kruger

A day at leisure, so take it easy by one of the hotel pools or do some hippopotting from the lawn overlooking the river. Exclusively for Riviera Travel guests, there are also a limited number of places available to stay the night at a tented camp and go on a bushwalk. Enjoy a glamping experience, wholesome cuisine and listen out for any nocturnal visitors whilst sitting around the campfire! You rejoin the main tour on the morning of day 6. (B)

**Included Experience – Afternoon Game Drive in Kruger National Park.\***

### DAY 6 – Eswatini & KwaZulu-Natal

After breakfast, we'll drive south, entering the small but scenically beautiful country of Eswatini, formerly known as Swaziland. We cross back into South Africa in the afternoon and enter KwaZulu-Natal province. (B,D)



Southern Right Whales arrive in large numbers to the coast of South Africa, particularly near Hermanus, between September and November to give birth

### DAY 7 – Isandlwana & Rorke's Drift

Today we visit the battlefields of the Zulu Wars, Isandlwana and Rorke's Drift – one a crushing British defeat sending shock waves throughout the Empire, the other a valiant stand of just 140 against 4,000 Zulus. Isandlwana, particularly, remains a haunting and lonely place, with mass graves marked by simple white stones and our specialist Zulu guide will make those desperate encounters come alive. Later, we return to our hotel. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Guided tours of Isandlwana and Rorke's Drift Battlefields**

### DAY 8 – Knysna

We return to Johannesburg airport, flying to George in the Western Cape and at the heart of the Garden Route, before the short drive to the coastal town of Knysna. Dinner at a local restaurant is included tonight. (B,D)

### DAY 9 – Knysna & Featherbed Nature Reserve

This morning, we take a ferry across the lagoon to the Featherbed Nature Reserve, a South African Natural Heritage site which we explore by 4x4 vehicle. We stop at some magnificent viewpoints whilst our guide describes the area's fauna, flora, history and shipwrecks, followed by an easy downhill guided walk and delicious buffet lunch under the canopy of the milkwood trees. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Featherbed Nature Reserve**

### DAY 10 – Hermanus

This morning, we take the long scenic drive to the Cape's beautiful Winelands before continuing to Hermanus, the world's best spot for on-shore whale watching (usually between July and November). These gentle giants move in seemingly permanent slow motion and are a truly amazing sight as they playfully cavort in the water. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit Hermanus**

### DAY 11 – Winelands

Today we tour the beautiful Winelands, set in a valley backed by majestic mountains. Our first stop is Stellenbosch, home to South Africa's most prestigious university, period buildings and historic streets. We have time



to explore before enjoying a fascinating cellar tour and tasting at an award-winning wine estate. Later, we visit the small town of Franschoek, set at the head of a valley, and tonight enjoy an included typical South Cape Malay buffet dinner at our hotel. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Tour the Winelands with cellar tour and tasting**

### DAY 12 – Cape Town

Visit the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, set on the eastern slopes of Table Mountain, before arriving in Cape Town. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens**

### DAY 13 – Cape of Good Hope

Travel to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve - one of the world's biodiversity hotspots, passing Hout Bay and Chapman's Peak Drive. Then on to Cape Point, where the Indian and Atlantic Ocean currents meet. Finally, we visit Boulders Beach and its penguin colony, returning to the city during the afternoon. (B)

**Included Experience – Visits to Cape Point, Cape of Good Hope and Boulders Beach**

### DAY 14 – Free day in Cape Town

Spend the day at leisure in Cape Town. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit District Six\***

### DAY 15 – Return flight (B)

### DAY 16 – Arrive home

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**Days 1 to 14 of your tour are as pages 48–49.**

#### DAY 15 – Board Rovos Rail

After a morning at leisure, board the gleaming carriages of Rovos Rail in the afternoon and settle into your luxurious Pullman or Deluxe cabin. A traditional afternoon tea will be served in the Lounge and Observation cars as we roll. (B,D)

#### DAY 16 – Matjiesfontein

Disembark the train at Matjiesfontein for an opportunity to stroll through the historic village. We then continue our journey through the Karoo a vast semi-desert region that was once an enormous inland sea. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Matjiesfontein**

#### DAY 17 – Kimberley

Tour Kimberley, South Africa's most famous diamond-producing town, with the largest man-made hole in the world. We also visit the nearby Diamond Museum and later on this evening, we will enjoy our final sumptuous dinner. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Kimberley, the Diamond Museum and Kimberley 'Big Hole'**

#### DAY 18 - Return home

Arrive into Kookrus station in the south of Johannesburg, where you will head to the Inbada Hotel for an included lunch before being transferred to the airport for your flight home.

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Kimberley



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## Your Itinerary

**Days 1 to 14 of your Grand Tour are as pages 48–49.**

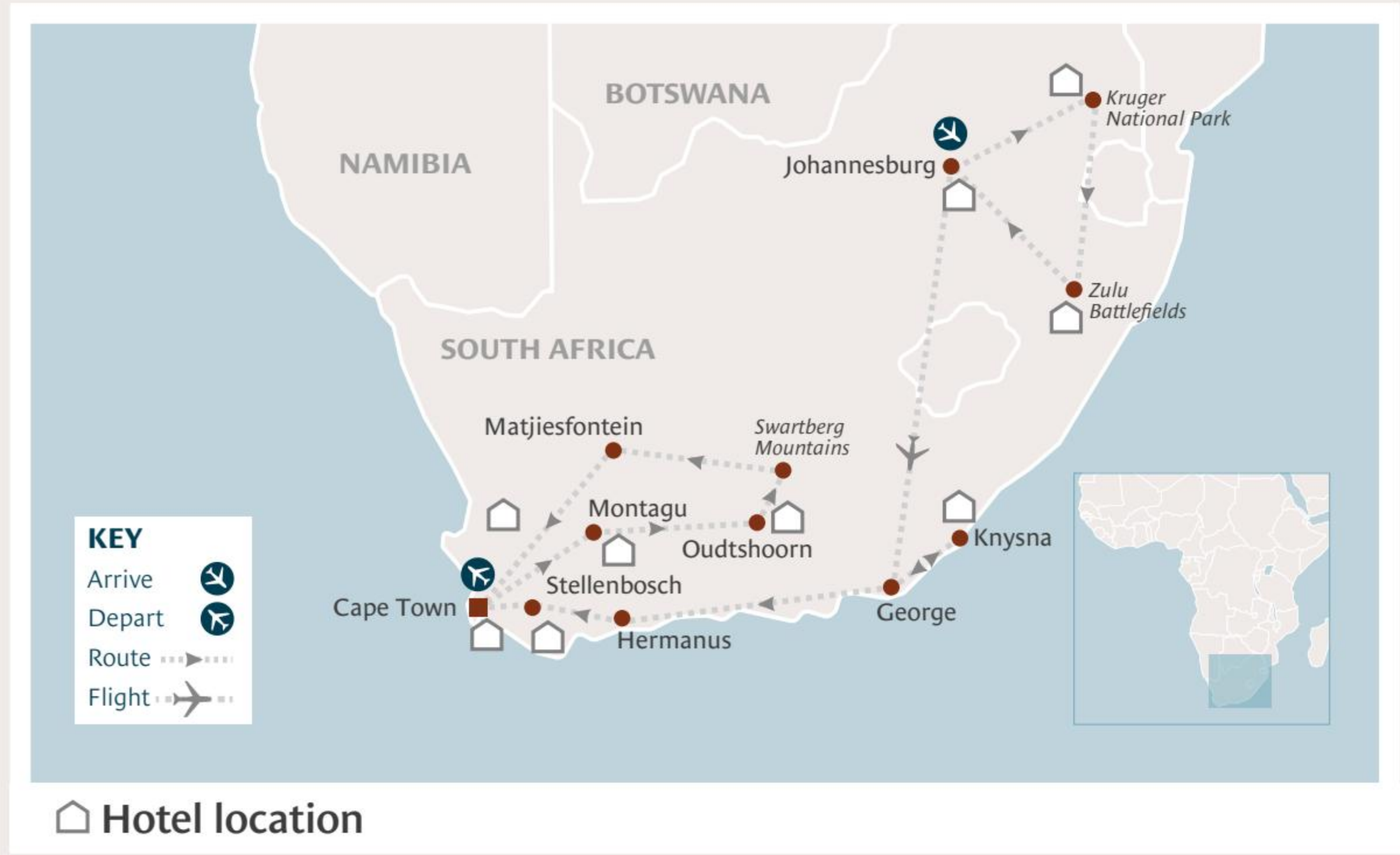
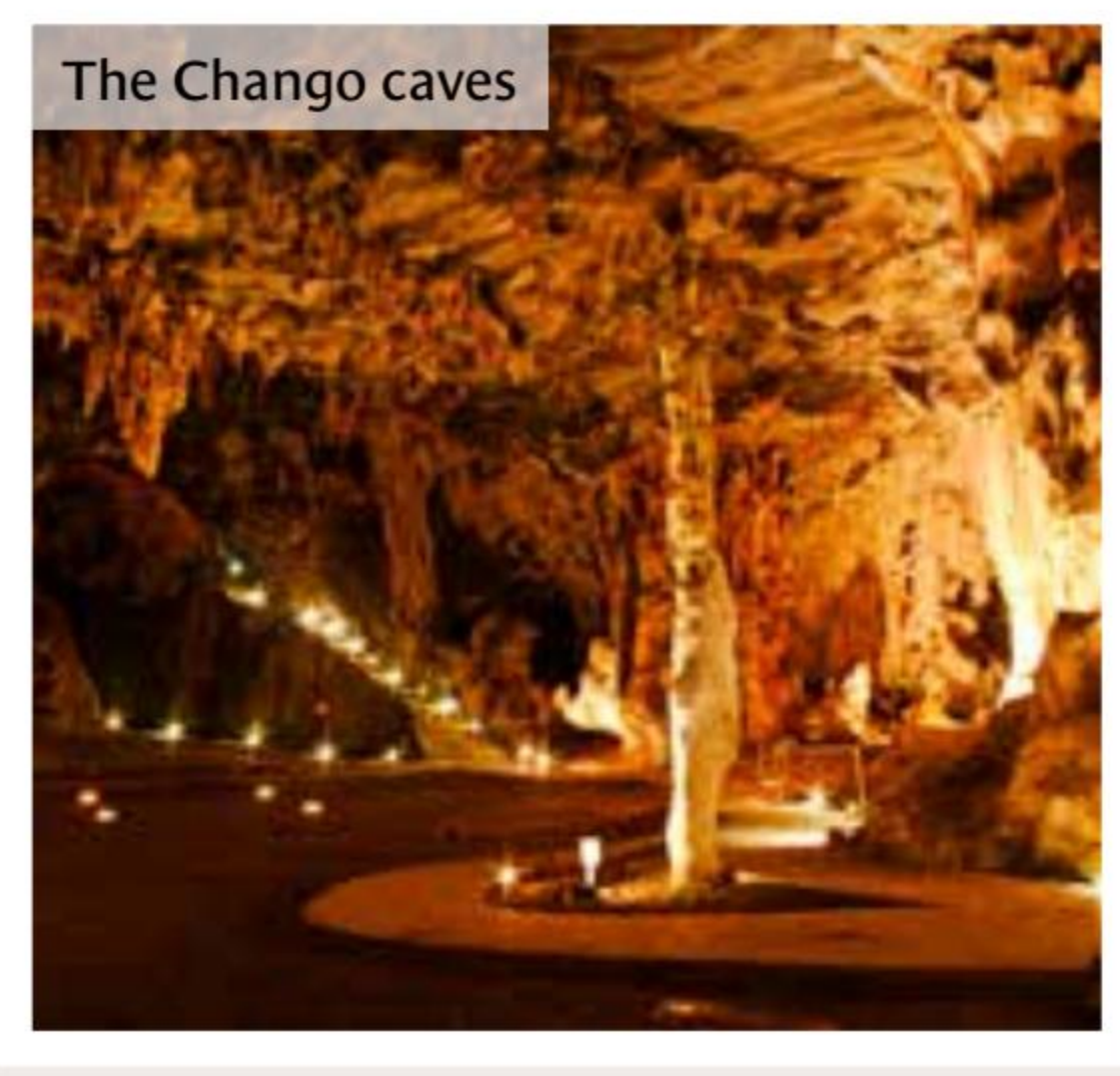
**DAY 15 – Viljoensdrift**  
Travel to the Winelands stopping at a local wine for a tasting before a boat ride along the river. Later, we’ll continue to Montagu. (B)  
**Included Experience** – Visit to Viljoensdrift Wine Estate with a boat ride along Breede River

**DAY 16 – Oudtshoorn**  
We’ll start the day with a brandy tasting at a local distillery. Later, we visit an ostrich farm, where we’ll also enjoy lunch. (B,L)  
**Included Experiences** – Tasting of Cape Brandy at a local distillery and visit to an Ostrich Farm

**DAY 17 – Swartberg Mountains**  
Today, we’ll head to the Swartberg Mountains for a drive through the nature reserve in 4x4 vehicles. Later, we’ll continue to the 200-million-year-old Cango Caves, South Africa’s best-known caves. (B,L)  
**Included Experiences** – Drive through Swartberg Nature Reserve in 4x4 vehicles and visit the famous Cango Caves

**DAY 18 – Matjiesfontein**  
Visit to Matjiesfontein, a living museum and a national monument thanks to its historical architecture. This evening, enjoy one last dinner with your fellow explorers. (B,D)  
**Included Experience** – Visit to Matjiesfontein

**DAY 19 – Depart**  
**DAY 20 – Return home**  
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*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*



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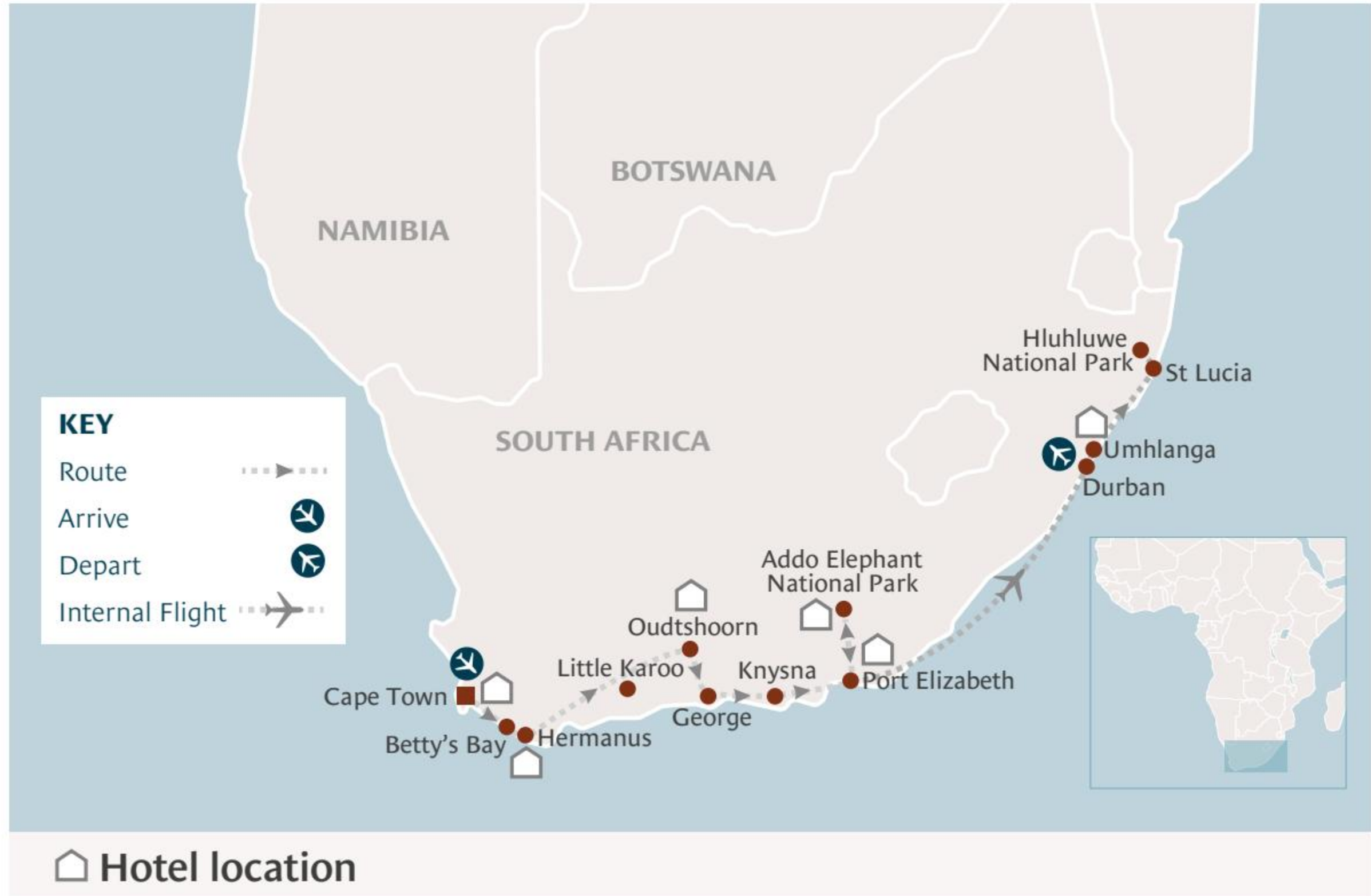
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## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Depart UK

### DAY 2 – Arrive in Cape Town

Arrive in Cape Town, with free time to explore. We have welcome drinks this evening.

### DAY 3 – Kirstenbosch Gardens and Cape of Good Hope

Today, in our small group, we visit Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, one of South Africa's top botanical sites. We then drive along the coast to Hout Bay and follow the dramatic Chapman's Peak Drive to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, renowned for its biodiversity, which culminates at Cape Point. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visits to Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens & Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve**

### DAY 4 – Winelands

We explore the verdant Winelands, starting in Stellenbosch. After time to wander, we enjoy a cellar tour and tasting at the award-winning Blaauwklippen Wine Estate. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of the Winelands**

### DAY 5 – Free day in Cape Town (B)

### DAY 6 – Betty's Bay

Follow the coastal route along False Bay to Betty's Bay. Here we visit the Stony Point Nature Reserve, home to African penguins. We then continue to our accommodation near Hermanus, where you'll have a free afternoon. (B)

**Included Experiences – Scenic coastal ride along False Bay & visit to the Stony Point Nature Reserve**

### DAY 7 – Hermanus

This morning, we head to Hermanus, famed for onshore whale watching. From the cliffs, spot southern right whales or choose an optional cruise for closer views. Outside of whale season, there's an alternative cruise focusing on marine life. Enjoy free time to explore before returning to the hotel early afternoon. (B)

**Included Experience – Onshore whale watching**

### DAY 8 – Oudtshoorn

Travel through Swellendam and Barrydale to a local distillery for a Cape Brandy tasting. Continuing along Route 62, we visit an ostrich farm for South Africa's only ostrich tractor safari. We'll learn about ostrich products before enjoying lunch at the farm's restaurant, featuring regional specialities – ostrich dishes are optional. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Brandy tasting and visit to an ostrich farm with lunch at the farm**

### DAY 9 – Little Karoo

Today, we journey through the Little Karoo, passing George, Knysna, and Jeffreys Bay. In our small group, we explore Tsitsikamma National Park, stopping at a coastal reserve to visit the legendary Big Tree – an 800-year-old Yellowwood. We continue to Storms River, where forest meets ocean in a dramatic setting. This evening, we arrive in Port Elizabeth for an overnight stay. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visits to the Tsitsikamma National Park & Storms River**

### DAY 10 – Addo Elephant National Park

This morning, we travel to our lodge in Addo Elephant National Park. Later, we head out on an evening safari – clinking glasses as we enjoy sunset drinks as the sun dips below the horizon, hoping to spot the park's noble elephants and other Big Five wildlife. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Evening safari in Addo Elephant National Park with sunset drinks**

### DAY 11 – Addo Elephant National Park

Today we explore the African plains of Addo Elephant National Park in our small group. It's here that we'll encounter the majestic elephants and keep your eyes peeled for other inhabitants too, including the elusive black rhino. After the morning game drive, we'll return to the lodge for lunch before heading out again for another afternoon adventure. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Game drive around Addo Elephant National Park**

### DAY 12 – Fly from Port Elizabeth to Durban

This morning, we have one final opportunity to head out on a morning game drive, before we transfer to Port Elizabeth for our flight to Durban. Upon arrival in Durban in the early evening, we'll make our way to the hotel in Umhlanga. (B)

**Included Experience – Morning game drive around Addo Elephant National Park**

### DAY 13 – St Lucia and Hluhluwe

After breakfast, we drive through KwaZulu-Natal to St Lucia, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and gateway to iSimangaliso Wetland Park. This biodiverse area around Lake St Lucia hosts flamingos, pelicans, hippos, and crocodiles. On a guided boat tour, we'll cruise past lounging hippos and unique birdlife. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Boat trip at St Lucia**

### DAY 14 – Hluhluwe National Park

Today, we head out on a full-day safari in Hluhluwe National Park, Africa's oldest game reserve. Located in KwaZulu-Natal, it's home to the Big Five and diverse wildlife. The park is renowned for its conservation work, especially protecting the White Rhino, which now has the world's largest population. Guided by expert rangers, we'll track wildlife and learn about the park's history and ecology. (B,D)

**Included experience – Full day game drive Hluhluwe National Park**

### DAY 15 – Depart (B)

### DAY 16 – Arrive home

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(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*



African penguins have dot-like markings on their white chests. Each of these patterns is completely individual, much like a fingerprint

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Cape Town



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

Arrive at the airport to take your overnight flight to Johannesburg.

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Livingstone

Arrive in Livingstone and transfer to your hotel where you have the rest of the day to relax and enjoy the facilities.

### DAY 3 – Victoria Falls

We approach Victoria Falls for an outstanding guided walking tour. During low water flow, an optional boat trip is available to Livingstone and for the ultimate view you can take an optional helicopter or even a 'micro-light' aircraft flight (essentially a powered hang-glider). This afternoon we cross the border to Botswana using the newly constructed Kazungula Bridge over the Zambezi River. Relax before we enjoy a sunset cruise along the Zambezi on the African Queen. We stay three nights half-board at a safari lodge. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided walking tour of Victoria Falls and sunset cruise along the Zambezi. Take in the spectacular views and marvel at the magnificent African sunset, join your fellow travellers for a sundowner drink while enjoying the sights and sounds of Africa.**

### DAY 4 – Cross the border into Botswana

Relax with a morning at leisure before heading across the border into Botswana and to our safari lodge in Chobe National Park. Today we cross the border into Botswana using the newly constructed Kazungula Bridge over the Zambezi River. Here we stay three nights half-board at a safari lodge, blending superbly with the natural surroundings of Chobe National Park.

### DAY 5 – Chobe safari

We start our game drive in the half-light of an African dawn. Using specially adapted 10-seater open-sided safari vehicles we look out for big cats, giraffe and elephants in Chobe National Park, a huge reserve of over 10,500 unfenced square kilometres. You will see a wide variety of game: beautiful impala, monkeys, warthogs, kudu, even leopards if we are lucky! The birdlife is also simply superb!

We return to our lodge mid-morning for some relaxation by the pool and lunch. Later we take a boat safari on the Chobe River. Home to the world's largest concentration of protected elephants, well over 100,000 of them, elephant and hippo sightings are virtually guaranteed all year-round in this area. Evening falls and we are treated to the multihued spectacle of an African sunset. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Game drive in Chobe National Park. Experience the most extraordinary wildlife up close during a boat safari through the Chobe National Park, home to the world's largest concentration of protected elephants.**

### DAY 6 – Free day in Chobe

Today is at leisure at your lodge. You may either relax and enjoy the facilities or take additional optional river safaris or game drives. (B,D)

### DAY 7 – Flight to Cape Town

From Livingstone airport we fly to Cape Town, via Johannesburg and transfer to our hotel. Backed by ever-present blue skies and the iconic Table Mountain, fringed with white sand beaches and the nearby valleys of the stunning Winelands, South Africa's 'Mother City', was the first settlement founded by Europeans. (B)

### DAY 8 – Cape of Good Hope

We drive to Cape Point, visiting the legendary Cape of Good Hope, via the fishing harbour of Hout Bay and scenic Chapman's Peak Drive, to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve. At Cape Point we'll see the confluence of the Indian and Atlantic Ocean currents before we visit Boulders Beach and its resident penguin colony. Lunch is included today. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Tour the Cape of Good Hope and visit Boulders beach**

### DAY 9 – Winelands

Tour the awesomely beautiful Winelands today: set in a wide valley backed by majestic mountains, rows of manicured vines and orchards stretch into the distance, studded by lime-washed, 300 year-old wineries built in the unique Cape Dutch style. Later you visit

Franschoek, then elegant Stellenbosch, home to South Africa's most prestigious university. Enjoy an included lunch and time to explore this delightful town before a cellar tour and tasting at the award-winning Blaauwklippen Wine Estate. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of the Winelands including cellar tour and tasting**

### DAY 10 – Free day in Cape Town

Cape Town, featuring British, Dutch and Cape Malay influences, is simply one of the world's most naturally beautiful cities and today is at leisure. No visit to Cape Town would be complete without taking the revolving cable car to the summit of iconic Table Mountain, and you should also visit Robben Island (weather permitting), where Nelson Mandela spent most of his 27 years incarceration. (B)

### DAY 11 Return flight

Your final morning is at leisure, before transferring to the airport for your return flight to Heathrow. (B)

### DAY 12 – Arrive home

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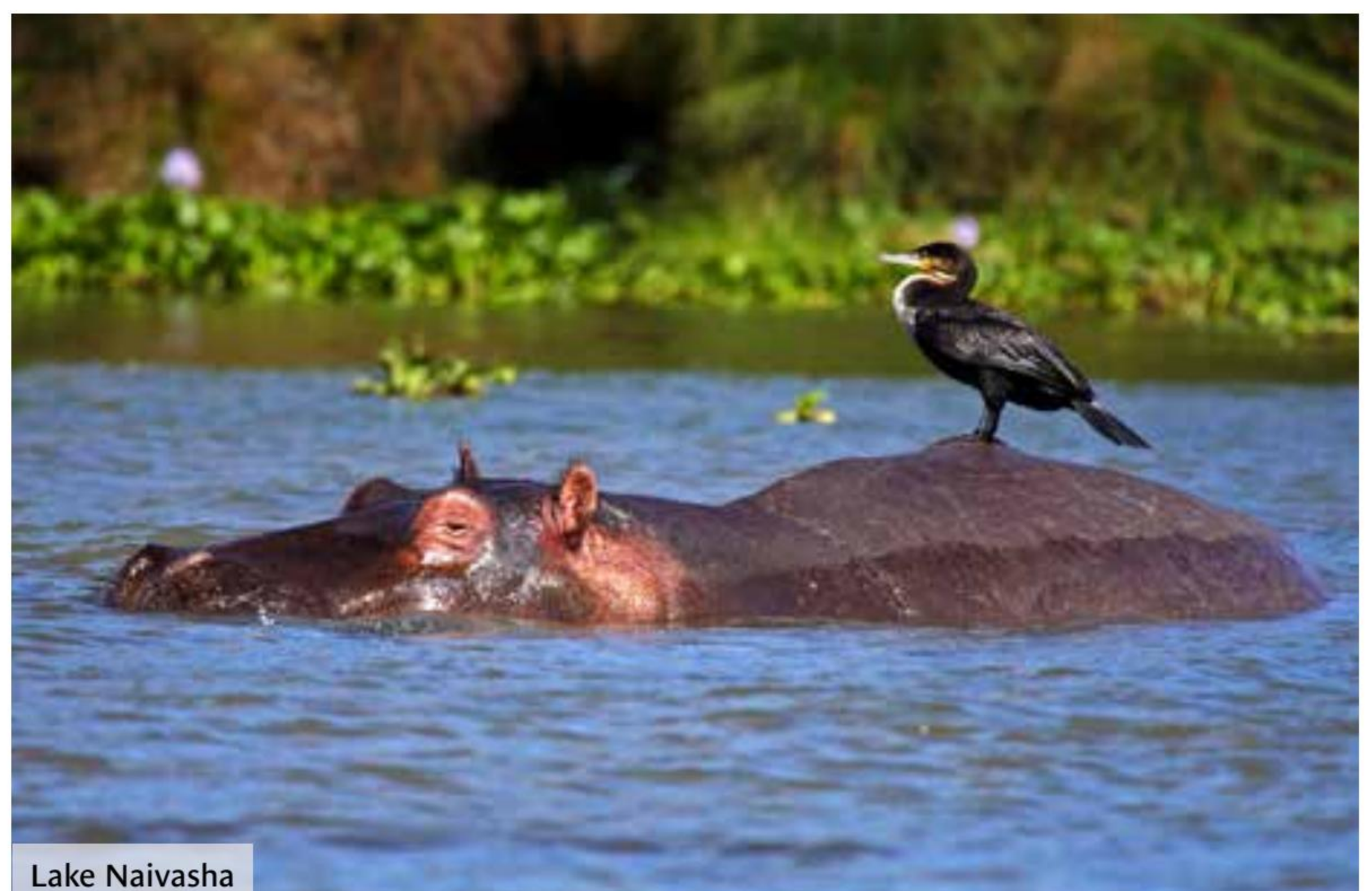
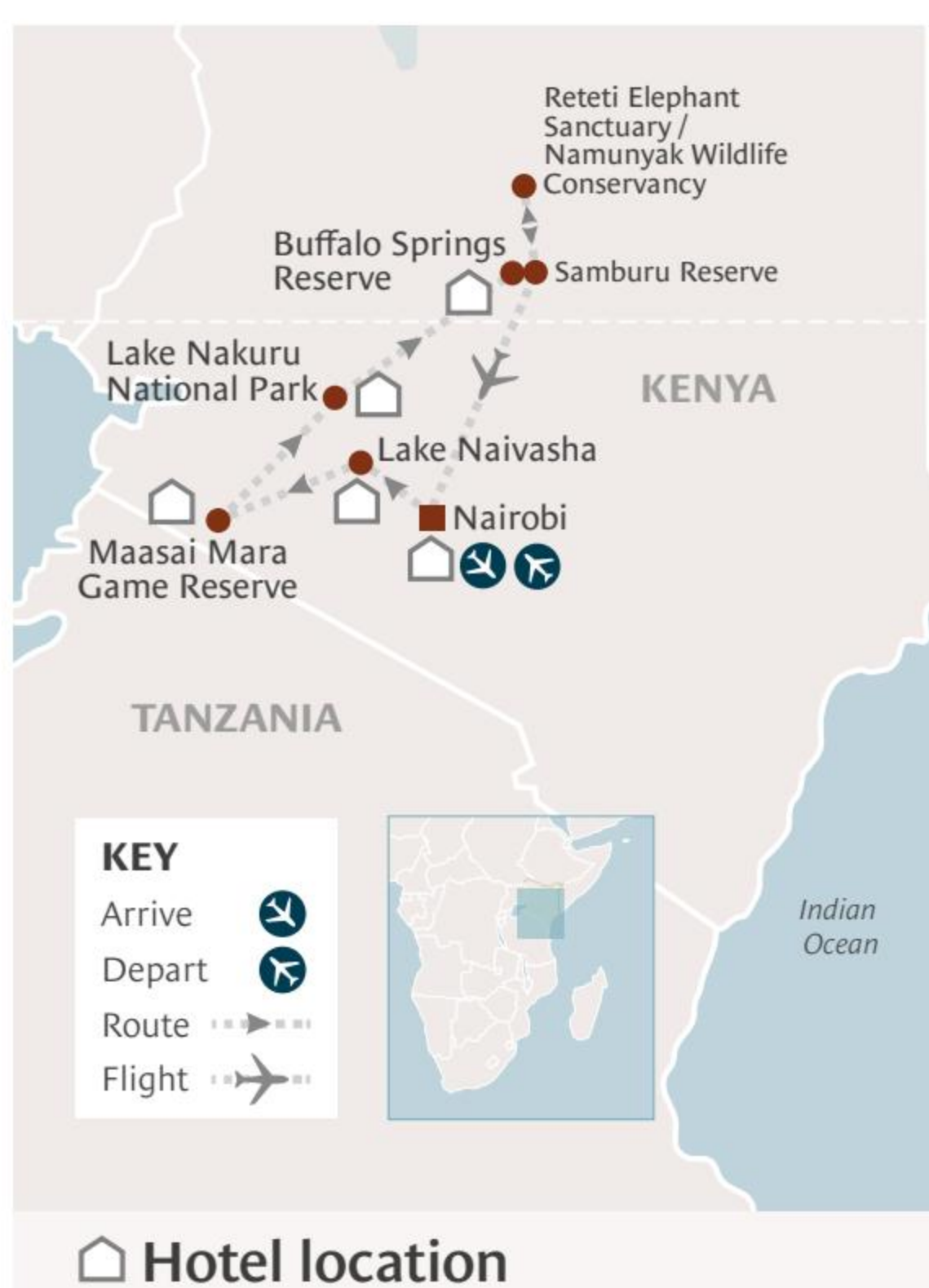
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## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Arrive in Nairobi

Arrive in Nairobi and check into our hotel.

### DAY 2 – Journey to Lake Naivasha

Spend the afternoon at leisure in our hotel for the night. The lake is a bird watchers' paradise, home to over 400 bird species. Lake Naivasha is most famous for its high population of flamingos and hippos; you are almost guaranteed to see one. (B,L,D)

### DAY 3 – Journey to Maasai Mara

Journey to Maasai Mara, Africa's best wildlife reserve, and enjoy an afternoon game drive in search of the 'Big Five' – African elephant, lion, leopard, rhinoceros and African buffalo. We'll look out for the herds of elephant, giraffe, gazelle and buffalo meandering through the savannah plains and hippos and crocodiles cooling off in the brown rivers of the Mara. The reserve is an ideal hunting ground for predators, so watch out for lions, leopards, cheetahs, spotted hyenas and jackals. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – A game drive through the Maasai Mara

### DAY 4 to 5 – Maasai Mara

Explore this vast reserve at your own pace with half or full day included optional game drives. Alternatively, visit a Maasai village, a wonderful opportunity to interact with the nomadic tribal people and get a glimpse into their culture. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Game rides through Maasai Mara, including an optional visit to a Maasai village. At the end of the afternoon game drive on day five, we park in a poignant location within the reserve and enjoy drinks and nibbles as the sun sets

### DAY 6 – Journey to Lake Nakuru

Travel north to the National Park and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Lake Nakuru. Arriving in time for lunch this afternoon, you can enjoy a game drive through Lake Nakuru National Park for a chance to spot zebra, gazelle, buffalo, waterbuck, Rothschild giraffe, and rhinoceros. It's also home to a shallow lake where you may spot flamingos grazing. (B,L)

**Included Experience** – A game drive in 4x4s through Lake Nakuru National Park

### DAY 7 – Lake Nakuru National Park & Crescent Island Game Sanctuary

Experience the wide ecological diversity and varied habitats ranging from Lake Nakuru to the woodland and bushy grassland surrounding it on a game drive or relax at the hotel. (B,D)

**Included Experience** – A game drive through Lake Nakuru National Park. Enjoy an afternoon boat ride on Lake Naivasha with a guided nature walk at Crescent Island. You're likely to spot interesting species on your nature walk through Crescent Island, as this privately owned game sanctuary boasts more animals per acre than any other Kenyan Park and the shores host abundant birdlife, including pelicans, cormorants and fish-eagles.

### DAY 8 – Journey to Buffalo Springs Reserve

Our route to Buffalo Springs Reserve takes us north to the Samburu region. We cross the equator in search of the Special Five – the reticulated giraffe, Grévy's zebra, Somali ostrich, gerenuk and beisa oryx. This stunning natural landscape of Buffalo Springs Reserve and Samburu Reserve are home to rare wildlife and natural landscapes, including the maneless lion and over 350 species of birds. (B,L)

**Included Experience** – A game drive through Buffalo Springs Reserve

### DAYS 9 to 10 – Buffalo Springs Reserve & Samburu Reserve

Spend the days at leisure with additional optional game drives and visit the Reteti Elephant Sanctuary, Africa's first community-owned elephant sanctuary, and a Samburu village, offering insight into their culture. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Full and half-day game drives and visits to a local Samburu village, and the Reteti Elephant Sanctuary. Enjoy a bush picnic breakfast in Namunyak Wildlife Conservatory

### DAY 11 – Return flight

Fly from Samburu to Nairobi before an overnight flight home. (B,L,D)

### DAY 12 – Arrive home

*All flights and transfers are included*

*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*

*Please note that when driving through parks, reserves and conservancy, the terrain is 'off-road', and in some locations, we'll encounter lots of natural bumpy tracks along the way, described locally as 'The Elephant Massage'.*

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## Imperial Cities of Morocco

Marrakesh, Rabat, Fez and Meknes – these are the imperial cities of Morocco. Their rich history comes alive in the narrow streets of the medieval medinas and the cool, mosaic lined courtyards of mosques and royal palaces.

### Your Itinerary

#### DAY 1 – Arrival in Marrakesh (D)

#### DAY 2 – Marrakesh & Casablanca

Visit the Jardin Majorelle Gardens, Berber Museum, Hassan II Mosque and enjoy dinner in Rick's Café. (B,D)

#### DAY 3 – Rabat & Fez

Travel to Fez for a guided walking tour of Rabat before free time to explore at leisure. (B,D)

#### DAY 4 – Fez

Begin with a guided walking tour of Fez, before an afternoon at leisure. Tonight, dine on typical Moroccan dishes in the traditional surroundings of a charming riad. (B,D)

#### DAY 5 – Volubilis, Meknes & Fez

Enjoy guided tours for Volubilis and Meknes. A wine tasting at *Domaine de la Zouina*\*. (B,D)

#### DAY 6 – Fez to Marrakesh

Travel back to Marrakesh, arriving late afternoon and spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B,D)

#### DAY 7 – Marrakesh & free afternoon

Take a guided tour of Marrakesh. *In the afternoon enjoy a Moroccan cooking class.\* This evening, we gather in Jemaa el-Fnaa for an evening drink.\** (B,D)

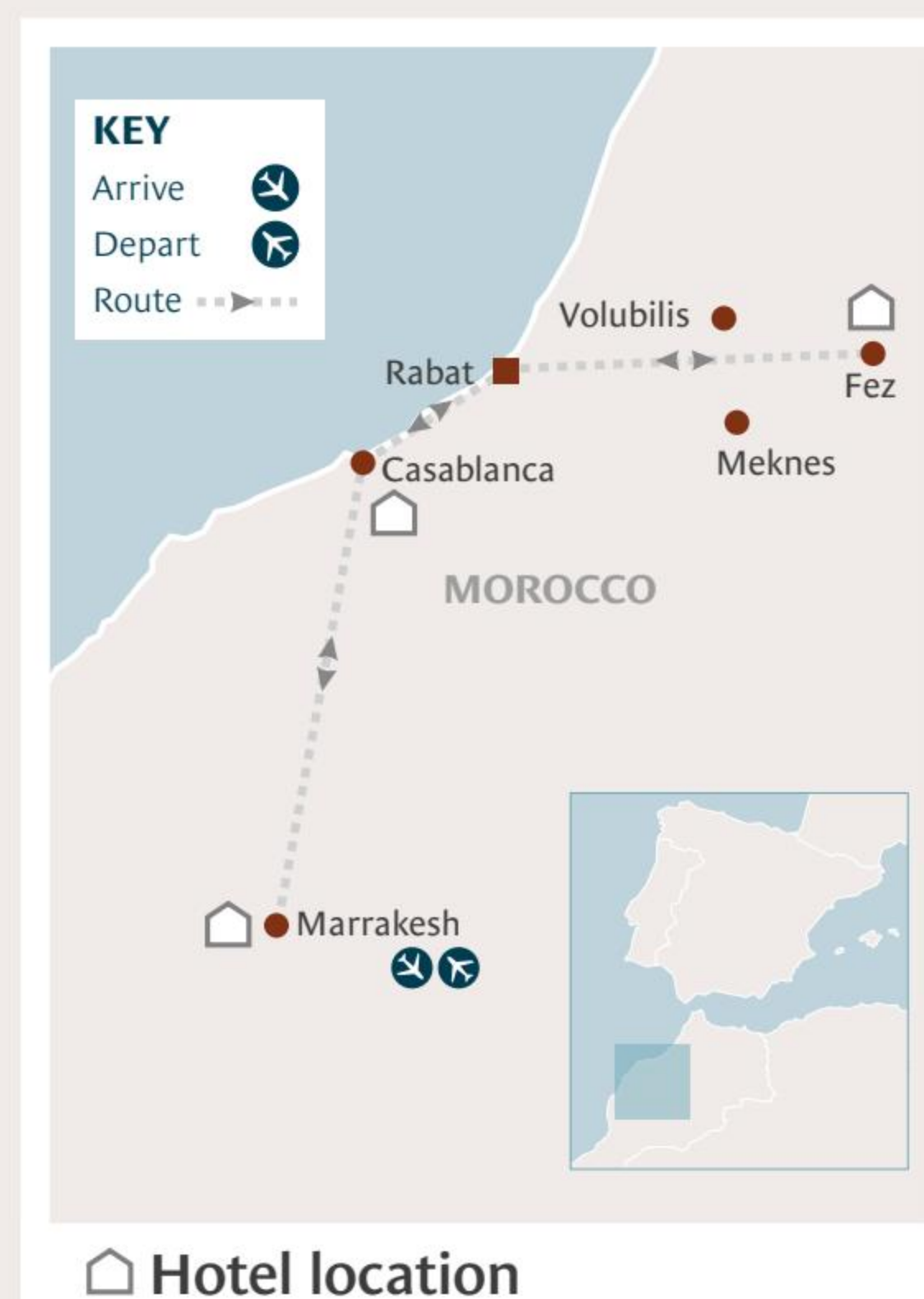
#### DAY 8 – Return flight (B)

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## Marrakesh & the Atlas Mountains

Experience the allure of Marrakesh, a city renowned for its ochre-hued charm, bustling souks, lively squares, and magnificent architecture. Discover the breathtaking beauty of the snow-capped Atlas Mountains, adding a dramatic natural backdrop to your journey.

### Your Itinerary

#### DAY 1 – Arrival in Marrakesh (B)

#### DAY 2 – Marrakesh & The Saadian Tombs

Take a guided tour of Marrakesh, then visit the Saadian tombs. After dinner at the hotel, we visit Jemaa el-Fnaa Square. (B,D)

#### DAY 3 – Marrakesh

Enjoy a guided tour of Marrakesh and the Jardin Majorelle Gardens before an afternoon at leisure. (B,D)

#### DAY 4 – Essaouira

Travel to Essaouira for time to explore. We also spend time at a women's co-operative and

discover the culinary and natural beauty benefits of the incredible Argan nut.\* (B,D)

#### DAY 5 – Atlas Mountains & Marrakesh

Sightsee as we journey through the Atlas Mountains. Visit Ourika Valley for a traditional Moroccan lunch.\* Later, we will visit Jemaa el-Fnaa with a sunset aperitif and then dine on authentic Moroccan cuisine.\* (B,D)

#### DAY 6 – Return flight

Transfer to the airport for our flight home. (B)

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(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner

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### Atlas Mountains



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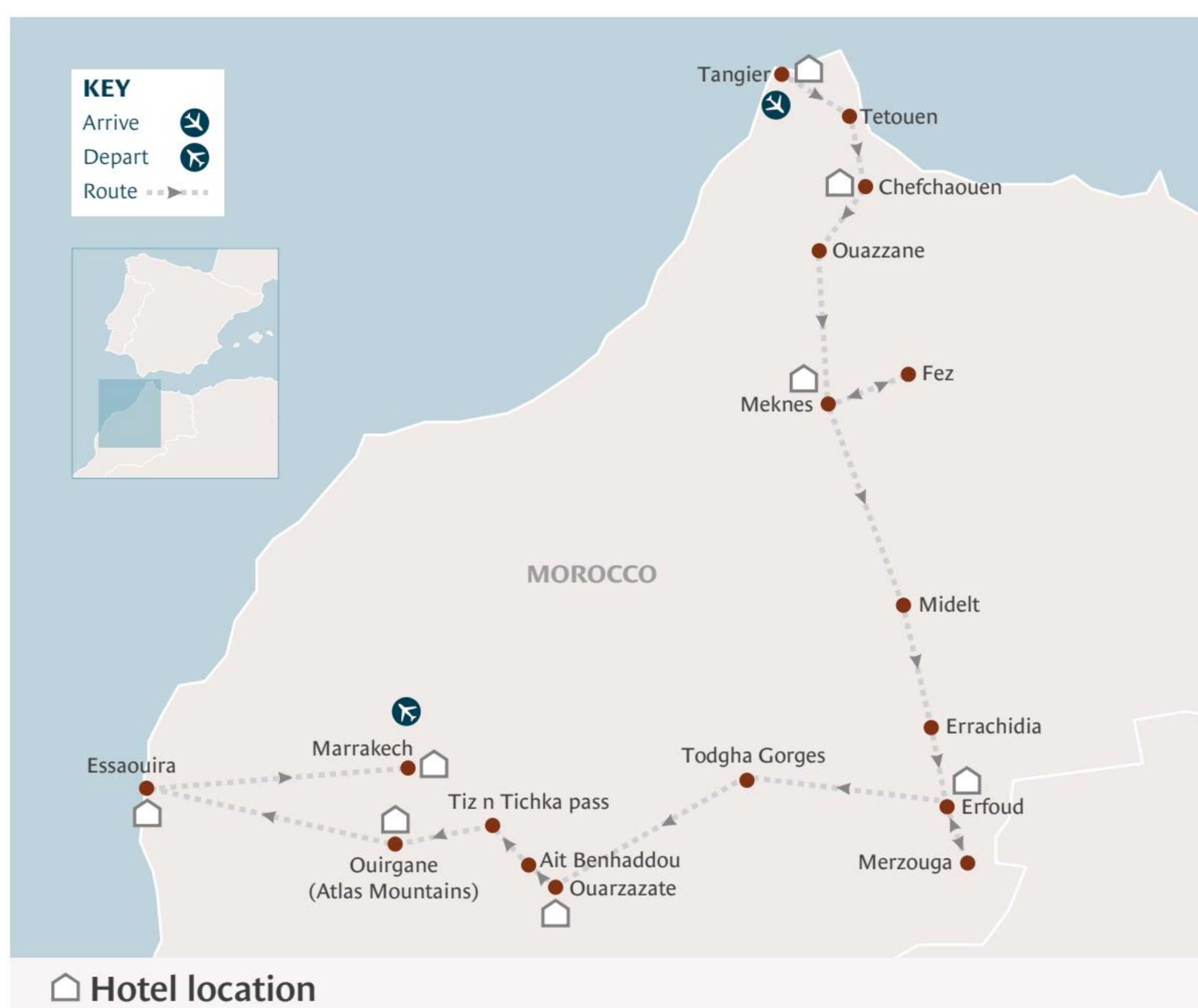
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## Grand Tour of Morocco

Step into Morocco's living tapestry, where every twist in the road reveals a new tale. With guided strolls through ancient alleyways, scenic drives across shifting landscapes, and quiet moments to soak it all in, this Signature tour is a mosaic of Morocco's soul.



Essaouira



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Tangier

Arrive at the airport and take your flight to Tangier, upon arrival transfer to the hotel. In the evening, enjoy a welcome dinner. (D)

### DAY 2 – Tangier

Enjoy a full-day guided tour of Tangier, exploring the Kasbah, archaeological museum, and bustling medina. Sip mint tea at historic El Hafa Café, visit the Soccos, Hercules Caves, and Cape Spartel. We'll also enjoy lunch and dinner at local restaurants to savour authentic Moroccan flavours. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Tangier & lunch at a local restaurant**

### DAY 3 - Chefchaouen

Travel from Tangier to Tetouan for a walking tour through its authentic medina, souk, and Spanish quarter. Continue to Chefchaouen, the dreamy blue town in the Rif Mountains. Explore its Kasbah, Ras Elma spring, and charming alleyways. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tours of Tetouan & Chefchaouen and visit the Kasbah in Chefchaouen**

### DAY 4 – Meknes

Travel via Ouazzane to Meknes for a guided tour of its historic highlights: Bab El Khemis, the medina, Great Mosque, Bou Inania Madrasa, El Hédim Square, and Moulay Ismaïl's Mausoleum. Visit the food reserve at Sahrij Souani and the Royal Stud Farm. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Meknes & visit to stud farm in Meknes**

### DAY 5 – Fez

Explore Fez's ancient medina with a local guide, discovering its spiritual heritage, lively souks, tanneries, and historic landmarks like Medresse el Attarine and a restored caravanserai. After lunch, continue to Meknes to visit Bab Mansour Gate, El-Hedim Square, and Heri Souani granaries – showcasing the city's imperial grandeur and cultural richness. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Fez**

### DAY 6 – Erfoud

Journey through the Middle Atlas to Erfoud, with scenic stops in Ouazzane, Midelt, and Errachidia. Enjoy views of Jbel Ayachi, meet

Berber nomads, and explore tribal regions. Capture stunning landscapes and cultural moments along the way. Includes lunch stop and refreshment breaks. (B,D)

### DAY 7 – Erfoud & Merzouga

Enjoy a leisurely morning before touring Erfoud's fossil shops and Rissani's ancient ksar and bustling souk. Travel through the Tafilalt oasis to Merzouga's golden dunes for a desert excursion. Experience sunset, drumming, and a traditional dinner in a nomadic tent before returning to Erfoud. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Merzouga desert visit & musical performance in desert tent, including dinner**

### DAY 8 – Todgha gorges, Kalaa megouna, Ouarzazate

Travel from Erfoud to Ouarzazate via Todra Gorge and Dades Valley. Admire dramatic cliffs, Berber villages, and scenic landscapes. Visit the Valley of Roses, Skoura's kasbahs, and floral distilleries. Enjoy lunch en route and explore the 'Valley of a Thousand Kasbahs' before arriving in Ouarzazate. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Todgha Gorges**

### DAY 9 – Ouarzazate & Ben Haddou

Explore Ouarzazate with visits to Tifoutoute Kasbah, Atlas Film Studios, and Ait Benhaddou's iconic red kasbahs. Enjoy a traditional lunch with mountain views. Return to visit Taourirt Kasbah, once a major trading stronghold, and browse local art and silver shops nearby. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tours of Ouarzazate & Ait Benhaddou village, and visit the Atlas Film Studios**

### DAY 10 – Atlas Mountains

Travel from Ouarzazate to Ouirgane through lush valleys and Berber villages. Enjoy scenic views, adobe architecture, and a glimpse into traditional Berber life. Cross the historic Tizi n'Tichka Pass, stop in Taddert, and pass the Zat, Ourika, and Ghighaya valleys. Lunch included en route. (B,L,D)

### DAY 11 - Atlas Mountains

Enjoy a relaxed morning before joining a guided trek through Ouirgane's scenic trails. Walk past cornfields and juniper hills,

and stop for a magnificent panorama of Jbel Toubkal mountain, which at 4,167 m is the highest in the range and lies in Toubkal National Park. Visit a local Berber family for mint tea, then enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Return to the hotel for dinner. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Guided walk in the Atlas Mountains**

### DAY 12 – Essaouira

Journey from the High Atlas through lush valleys and Berber villages to Essaouira. Visit Bab El Marse port, explore the UNESCO-listed Medina, and discover local crafts and argan oil production. Enjoy free time for shopping, seafood lunch, and beach views before returning to the town centre. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Guided walk through the UNESCO medina of Essaouira**

### DAY 13 – Free Day in Essaouira

Spend a day at leisure in the delightful port city of Essaouira. (B,D)

### DAY 14 – Marrakech

Travel from Essaouira to Marrakech and enjoy a relaxed afternoon. In the evening, stroll through Jemaa el-Fnaa Square, sip an apéritif on a rooftop, then dine at Dar Essalam palace with live oud music and belly dancing. Savour Moroccan specialities in an opulent historic setting. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Rooftop evening aperitif and cultural show & dinner**

### DAY 15 - Return Home (B)

*All flights and transfers are included*

*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*



The souks of Fez are known for their fresh produce, spices and handcrafted goods, including fabrics that are dyed using traditional methods to be used for clothing, rugs and decor



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# Jordan & Petra

From the wonders of Petra and the desert of Wadi Rum to the Dead Sea – Jordan offers breathtaking landscapes, rich history, and warm hospitality for every traveller seeking adventure and cultural immersion.

## Your itinerary

**DAY 1 – Arrival in Amman**

**DAY 2 – Wadi Rum**

Tour Wadi Rum by 4x4 before an afternoon at leisure and a traditional ‘zarb’ dinner. (B,D)

**DAY 3 – Little Petra**

Take a guided tour of Little Petra. (B,D)

**DAY 4 – Petra**

Enjoy a guided tour of Petra before a traditional Bedouin tea, then spend the afternoon at leisure. (B,D)

**DAY 5 – King’s Highway & Mount Nebo**

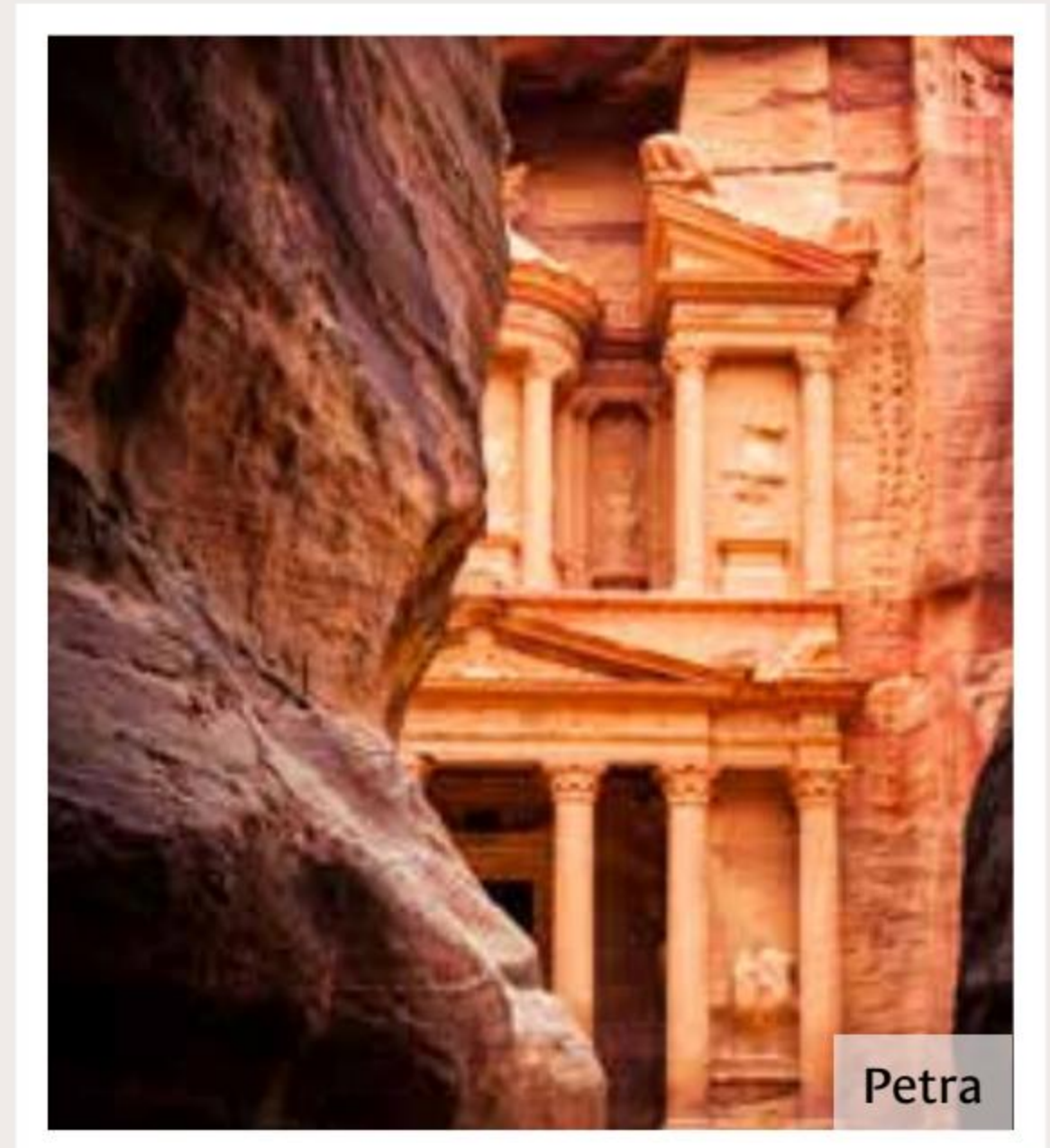
Visit Shobak, Mount Nebo and Mabada on our way to the Dead Sea, where we stay for two nights. (B,D)

**DAY 6 – Jerash**

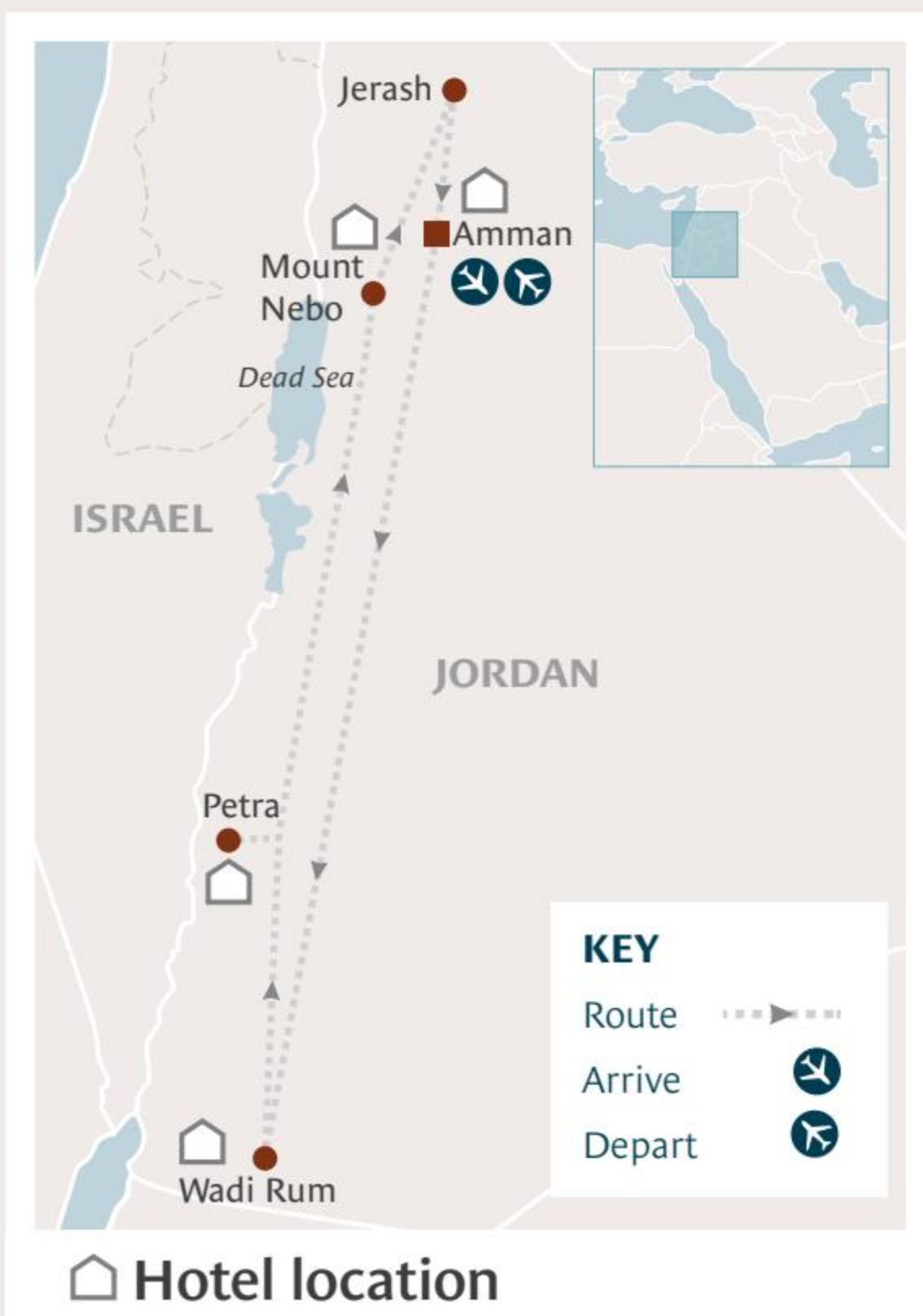
Take a guided tour of Jerash before returning to our hotel. At sunset, we enjoy drinks overlooking the Dead Sea. (B,D)

**DAY 7 – Return flight (B)**

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# The Silk Road

Discover the treasures of Uzbekistan’s Silk Road, where ancient mosques, madrassas, mausoleums, mosaics, and monuments reveal the history of the crossroads of Central Asia.

## Your itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Tashkent

Visit Amir Temur Square and the old city and enjoy a guided walking tour of Chorsu bazaar and Tashkent’s underground stations. (B,D)

### DAY 3 – Ayaz Qala Desert Fortress & Khiva

Visit the Ayaz Qala Desert Fortress and Khiva’s ancient walled town. (B,L)

### DAY 4 – Khiva & free afternoon

Guided walking tour of Kiva. (B,D)

### DAY 5 – Drive to Bukhara

Travel to Bukhara and check into our hotel. Later, visit the Lyab-i Khauz complex. (B,L)

### DAY 6 – Bukhara

Visit the Arc fortress and enjoy a colourful performance of traditional Uzbekistan dancing and songs. (B,D)

### DAY 7 – Bukhara

Visit Bukhara and the old summer palace. (B)

### DAY 8 – Drive to Samarkand

Travel to Samarkand, stopping to visit Gijduvan, where we’ll enjoy lunch. (B,L)

### DAY 9 – Samarkand

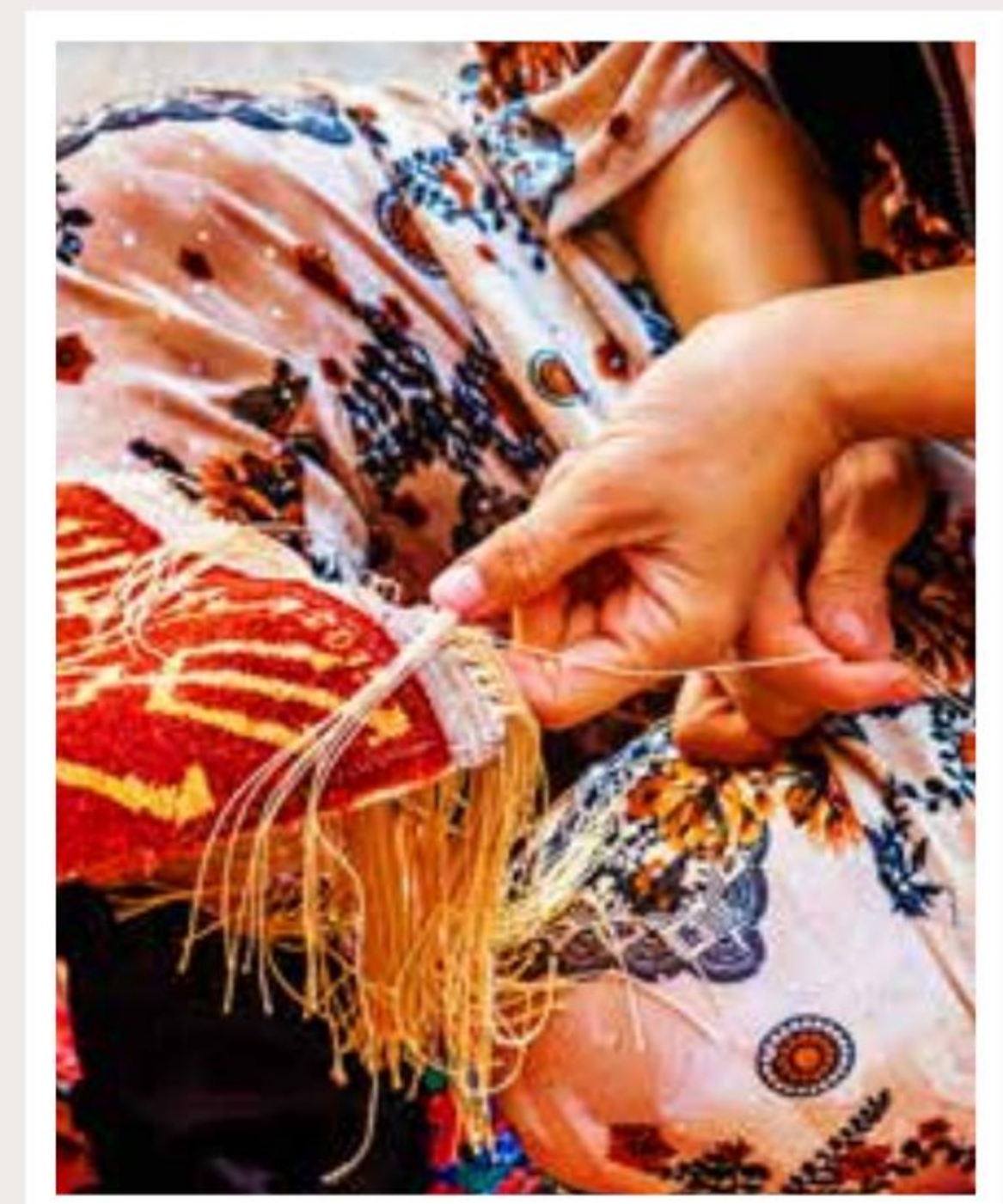
Visit Samarkand (B,L)

### DAY 10 – Tashkent

Visit Komi Ghil and the Afrosiyob museum before catching the train back to Tashkent. (B,L)

### DAY 11 – Return home (B)

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(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner



The Silk Road facilitated the movement of textiles, techniques, and artistic traditions across Asia, the Middle East and Europe, with styles shared and adapted by different cultures



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# The Americas

From the rocky peaks of Canada to the music-filled streets of New Orleans, and the lush rainforests of Costa Rica to the mysteries of Machu Picchu – every corner of the Americas is an invitation to adventure. We'll wander through the canopy, cruise past glaciers and swap stories with fellow explorers over ceviche or a classic cocktail. Our expertly crafted tours are ideal for explorers who'd rather collect new memories than fridge magnets. With so much to see, the only question is: Where shall we start?



## The Grand Canyon, USA

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*See pages 71-75*

## Banff National Park, Canada

The breathtaking Banff National Park offers iconic scenery, such as the breathtaking Lake Louise framed by towering peaks arguably the Canadian Rockies' most photographed spot. Don't miss the Columbia Icefield, the largest in the Rockies, stretching over 200 square miles with depths reaching over 1,000 feet – a true alpine marvel!

*See pages 66-70*



Lake Louise

Columbia Icefield





Banff National Park

Yellowstone National Park

Nova Scotia

The Grand Canyon

Nashville

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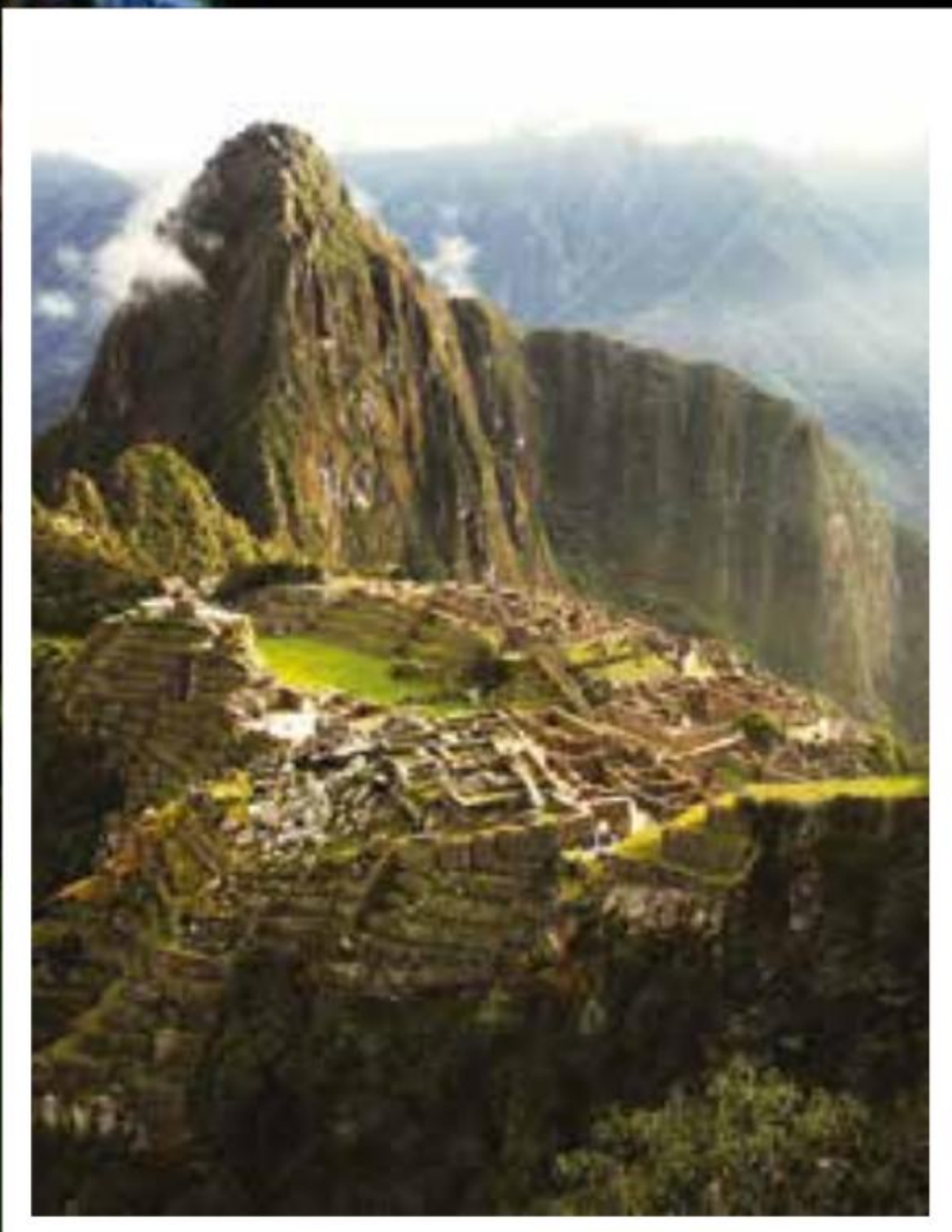
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Machu Picchu

Rio de Janeiro

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### **Machu Picchu, Peru**

Perched high on the eastern slopes of the Andes, Machu Picchu is the Inca Empire's most astonishing legacy – built as a royal retreat, mysteriously abandoned, and only revealed to the world in 1911. Step into its story and discover a place that leaves even seasoned explorers lost for words.

*See pages 78-79*



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## Canada's Rocky Mountaineer

Journey through Canada's majestic Rockies in unforgettable style, from Banff's glacier-carved landscapes to the iconic Rocky Mountaineer's panoramic rail route, before ending in vibrant Vancouver – an inspiring adventure of towering peaks, emerald lakes and untouched wilderness.



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Arrival in Calgary

Arrive at the airport for your flight to Calgary.

### DAY 2 – Calgary

Today we start our spectacular journey from Calgary across the gently rolling prairies of Alberta and soon the slate-grey, snow-capped peaks of the Rockies come into view. Carpets of wild flowers bedeck the green meadows spread beneath the towering glaciers – huge expanses of brilliant white ice and snow, contrasting with the muted greys and pinks of the jagged peaks.

**Included Experience – Tour of Calgary**

### DAY 3 – Banff

This morning our breathtaking journey is along the Icefields Parkway, one of the most spectacular roads in the world, with stunning mountain vistas. Our first stop is famous Lake Louise, completely encircled by high peaks, perhaps the most photographed view in the Rockies. We then take in Peyto Lake, one of the world's most beautiful azure-blue glacial waters. Finally we see the Columbia Icefield, the largest in the Rockies, covering an area of over 200 square miles with depths of over 1,000 feet. We'll ride on a giant 'Snocoach' (weather permitting) across the Athabasca Glacier for a closer inspection of the massive crevasses before returning to Banff.

**Included Experience – Travel on the Icefields Parkway**

### DAY 4 – Free day in Banff

Today we have a free day. Why not take a leisurely 'float' trip on the Bow River or a dip in Banff's relaxing hot springs. There are also helicopter trips on offer, or perhaps a ride up to the top of Sulphur Mountain at 7,500 feet on the Banff gondola. Several walks commence from the peak and there's also a restaurant with an open-air terrace. Also very popular is afternoon tea at the magnificent Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, built in the style of a massive Scottish baronial castle.

### DAY 5 – Rocky Mountaineer train

This morning we set off on what is one of the world's greatest train journeys! Crossing high passes, deep ravines and innumerable spectacular bridges, places that can only be seen by rail, the Rocky Mountaineer is acknowledged as the ultimate way to travel through the beautifully rugged terrain of



Lake Louise

Alberta and British Columbia. The train begins its spectacular two-day 585-mile journey following the wide Bow River valley before crossing the Continental Divide at Kicking Horse Pass. Through the famed spiral tunnels, an engineering marvel built 100 years ago, we follow the Columbia River, crossing the dramatic 500-foot steel span of Stoney Creek bridge. The excellent on-board commentary highlights the intriguing history of the towns en route and the building of the railway itself. Meals in SilverLeaf Class include hot meals served at your seat on each day, including complimentary snacks, tea and coffee, non-alcoholic drinks, plus beer and house wine with lunch, (bar service at extra cost). Upgrade to the excellent GoldLeaf Service provided in impressive Dome carriages. Our overnight stay is in a selection of hotels in the town of Kamloops. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Journey on the Rocky Mountaineer train**



### DAY 6 – Vancouver

Following the Fraser and Thomson River canyons, passing the Jaws of Death Gorge, Avalanche Alley and Hell's Gate Canyon, we criss-cross the river many times as we travel through some of British Columbia's most scenic country. We finally reach Vancouver during the afternoon after a truly once-in-a-lifetime journey. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Journey on the Rocky Mountaineer train**

### DAY 7 – Vancouver

Vancouver regularly features as one of the world's most naturally beautiful cities: the blue of the Pacific Ocean with its picturesque harbour, the glinting glass skyscrapers and the lush coastal mountains form a stunning backdrop. We tour the city stopping at Stanley Park, with its famous collection of totem poles and Prospect Point, affording lovely views. The afternoon is at leisure – there's plenty to see and do in this sophisticated city. A popular, easy walk starts from Vancouver's waterfront pedestrian promenade to the huge expanse of Stanley Park. The path continues along the seashore and offers stunning vistas across the bay until you reach English Bay's sandy beach, a lovely spot to watch the sunset.

**Included Experiences – Tour of Vancouver. Visit Stanley Park and Prospect Point.**

### DAY 8 – Return flight

This morning is at leisure. Those returning home will transfer to the airport for their flight, arriving next morning.

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# Grand Journey on Canada's Rocky Mountaineer & Alaska Cruise

Few journeys rival the awe of exploring the Canadian Rockies before sailing through Alaska's glacier-carved wilderness – a spectacular combination of world-class scenery and unforgettable wildlife encounters.



Icefields



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Arrival in Calgary

Fly to Calgary.

### DAY 2 – Calgary

We journey from Calgary across Alberta's rolling prairies before the snow-capped Rockies come into view.

**Included Experience – Tour of Calgary**

### DAY 3 – Banff

This morning, we journey along the Icefields Parkway, one of the world's most spectacular roads. Our first stop is much-photographed Lake Louise, encircled by high peaks. Then see Peyto Lake's azure glacial waters. Witness the Columbia Icefield, covering over 200 square miles with depths of over 1,000 feet. We'll ride a giant 'Snocoach' (weather permitting) across the Athabasca Glacier for a close-up of the massive crevasses.

**Included Experience – Travel on the Icefields Parkway**

### DAY 4 – Free day in Banff

Today we have a free day.

**Included Experience – Witness jaw-dropping views from the Colombia Icefield Skywalk\***

### DAY 5 – Rocky Mountaineer train

Set off on one of the world's greatest train journeys! Crossing high passes, deep ravines and dramatic bridges, the Rocky Mountaineer is the ultimate way to travel through the rugged terrain of Alberta and British Columbia, with onboard commentary. This two-day, 585-mile journey follows the wide Bow River Valley before crossing the Continental Divide at Kicking Horse Pass. Through the spiral tunnels, we follow the Columbia River, crossing the Stoney Creek steel bridge. SilverLeaf Service includes hot meals served at your seat daily, complimentary snacks, tea and coffee, non-alcoholic drinks, plus beer and house wine with lunch – bar service costs extra. Upgrade to the GoldLeaf Service, enjoyed in impressive Dome carriages. Our overnight hotel stay is in Kamloops. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Journey on the Rocky Mountaineer train**

### DAY 6 – Vancouver

Experience the Fraser and Thomson River canyons, passing the Jaws of Death Gorge, Avalanche Alley and Hell's Gate Canyon. We reach Vancouver this afternoon. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Journey on the Rocky Mountaineer train**



**Your ship:**

Koningsdam – see website

### DAY 7 – Vancouver

Vancouver boasts scenic highlights: a picturesque harbour, glinting glass skyscrapers, coastal mountains and more. We tour the city, stopping at Stanley Park, which offers lovely vistas. The afternoon is at leisure.

**Included Experience – Tour of Vancouver.**  
*A thrilling seaplane flight high above the beautiful city of Vancouver\**

### DAY 8 – Embark Koningsdam

We embark on our Holland America Line Inside Passage cruise. Our ship sails at 5pm, passing below Vancouver's Lion's Gate suspension bridge. (L,D)

### DAY 9 – At sea

During our first full day at sea, take in the amazing scenery of the Inside Passage. There is a variety of on-board talks and activities. This evening is the first formal night of the cruise. (B,L,D)

### DAY 10 – Juneau

Spend the morning cruising to the Tracy Arm Inlet, where you can join an excursion into the Fjord to witness the twin Sawyer Glaciers – look out for harbour seals. After lunch, we arrive in Juneau. Shore excursions include helicopter flights over a glacier, sledding with huskies and whale-watching. (B,L,D)

### DAY 11 – Skagway

After our 7am arrival in Skagway, there's plenty of time to explore this historic gateway to the Klondike. Shore excursions include glacier sightseeing by helicopter and an iconic ride on the White Pass & Yukon Route Railway through the pristine Alaskan wilderness, seeing wildlife galore. (B,L,D)

### DAY 12 – Glacier Bay

Our ship enters the Glacier Bay National Park, renowned for its eight actively calving glaciers. Surrounded by the peaks of the Fairweather Range, the waters teem with salmon and humpback whales. We spend the day cruising the vast marine waters. National Park Service rangers will come on board to

provide specialist commentary and answer your questions. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit to Glacier Bay National Park**

### DAY 13 – Ketchikan

After lunch we arrive at Ketchikan. Trips are available via seaplane into the Misty Fjords National Monument or the Tongass National Forest, where bears can be spotted fishing for salmon. Other excursions include salmon fishing, sea kayaking and a 'zip-line' through the forest canopy! (B,L,D)

### DAY 14 - At sea

Our last day is spent at sea, returning through the Inside Passage. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – A private cocktail party on board Koningsdam**

### DAY 15 – Return flight

We arrive in Vancouver in the morning with free time before transferring to the airport. (B)

### DAY 16 – Arrive home

*All flights and transfers are included*

*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*

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## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Arrival in Halifax, Nova Scotia

### DAY 2 – Halifax, Nova Scotia

Guided tour of Halifax & visit Fairview Lawn Cemetery. (B)

### DAY 3 – Peggy's Cove & Lunenburg, Nova Scotia

Visit Peggy's Cove, Lunenburg & Fort Anne. (B)

### DAY 4 – Ferry Crossing to Saint John, New Brunswick

Cruise across the Bay of Fundy to the Reversing Falls Rapids & travel to St Andrews-by-the-Sea. (B)

### DAY 5 – Free day in St Andrews-by-the-Sea, New Brunswick (B)

### DAY 6 – Fundy National Park, New Brunswick & Charlottetown, PEI

Explore Fundy National Park's, stop at Hopewell Rocks & visit Prince Edward Island. (B)

### DAY 7 – Green Gables & Charlottetown, PEI

Visit to the Anne of Green Gables Museum & guided tour of Charlottetown. (B)

### DAY 8 – Cape Breton Island

Take the ferry to Pictou to explore Cape Breton Island & visit the Alexander Graham Bell Museum. (B)

### DAY 9 – Cabot Trail & Cape Breton National Park

Visit Cape Breton National Park & see the Cabot Trail. (B)

### DAY 10 – Return home

### DAY 11 – Arrive home

All flights and transfers are included

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Hopewell Rocks were formed over 300 million years ago through erosion and tidal forces

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## Iconic National Parks of America

See North America’s wildest landscapes on a journey through some of the world’s finest national parks. Visit the Grand Canyon West and Hoover Dam – and discover the history and culture of American Indian tribes.

### Your Itinerary

**DAY 1 – Departure**

**DAY 2 – Grand Canyon West & Hoover Dam**

Visit the Grand Canyon West and Hoover Dam.

**DAY 3 – Valley of Fire State Park**

Drive through Valley of Fire State Park.

**DAY 4 – Bryce Canyon National Park**

Explore Bryce Canyon National Park. (B)

**DAY 5 – Antelope Canyon & Monument Valley**

Visit the Navajo Indian Reservation, see the Horseshoe Bend, Antelope Canyon and take a 4x4 tour of Monument Valley. (B)

**DAY 6 – Mesa Verde National Park**

Explore a lesser-known national park. (B)

**DAY 7 – Arches National Park**

See the park’s iconic stone arches. (B)

**DAY 8 – Canyonlands National Park**

Visit Utah’s largest national park. (B)

**DAY 9 – Drive to West Yellowstone**

Take an orientation tour of Salt Lake City.

**DAY 10 – Yellowstone National Park**

Explore this iconic national park. (B)

**DAY 11 – Grand Teton National Park**

Discover this dramatic national park. (B)

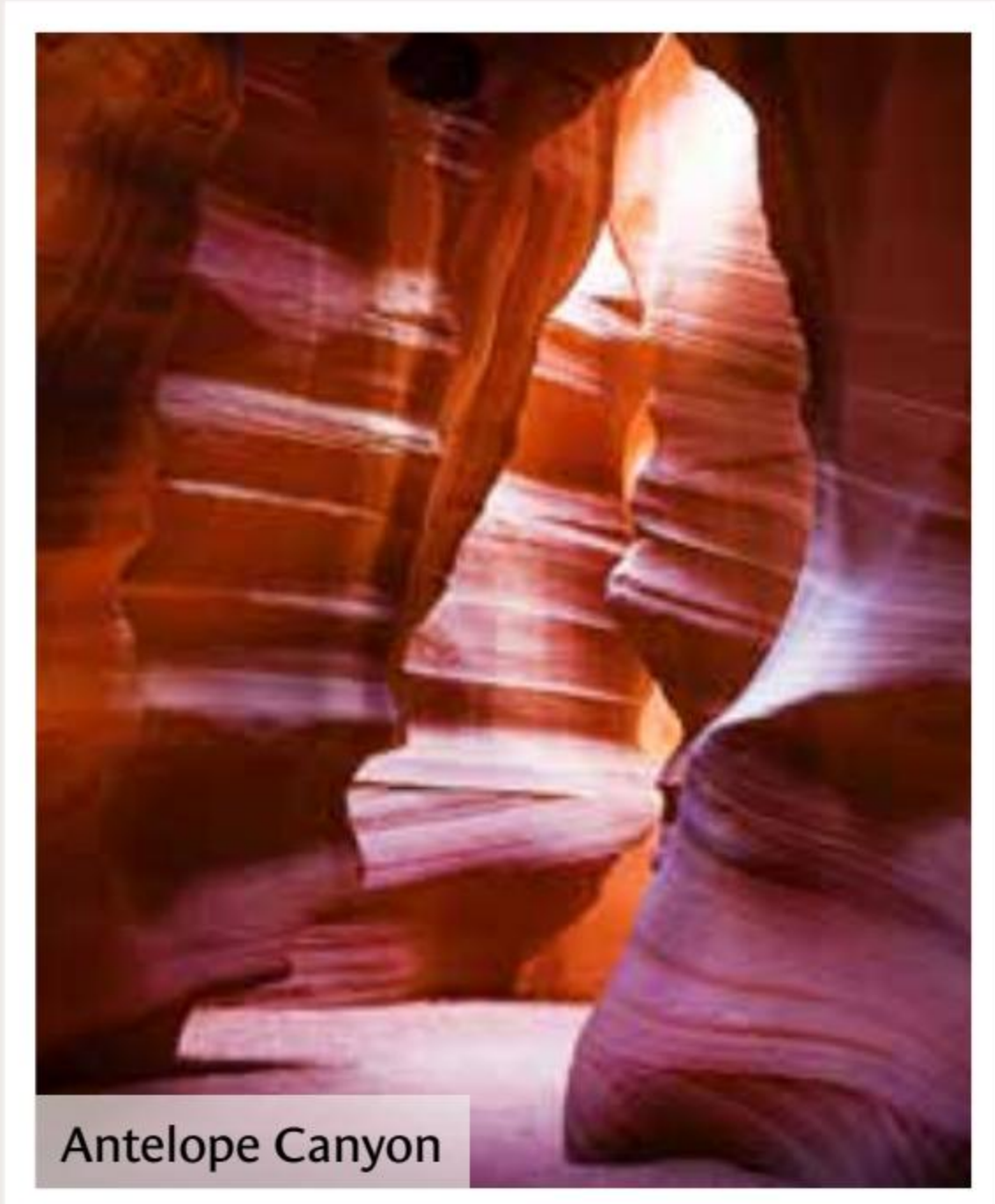
**DAY 12 – Great Salt Lake State Park & Antelope Island State Park**

Visit the Great Salt Lake and Antelope Island. (B)

**DAY 13 – Return flight (B)**

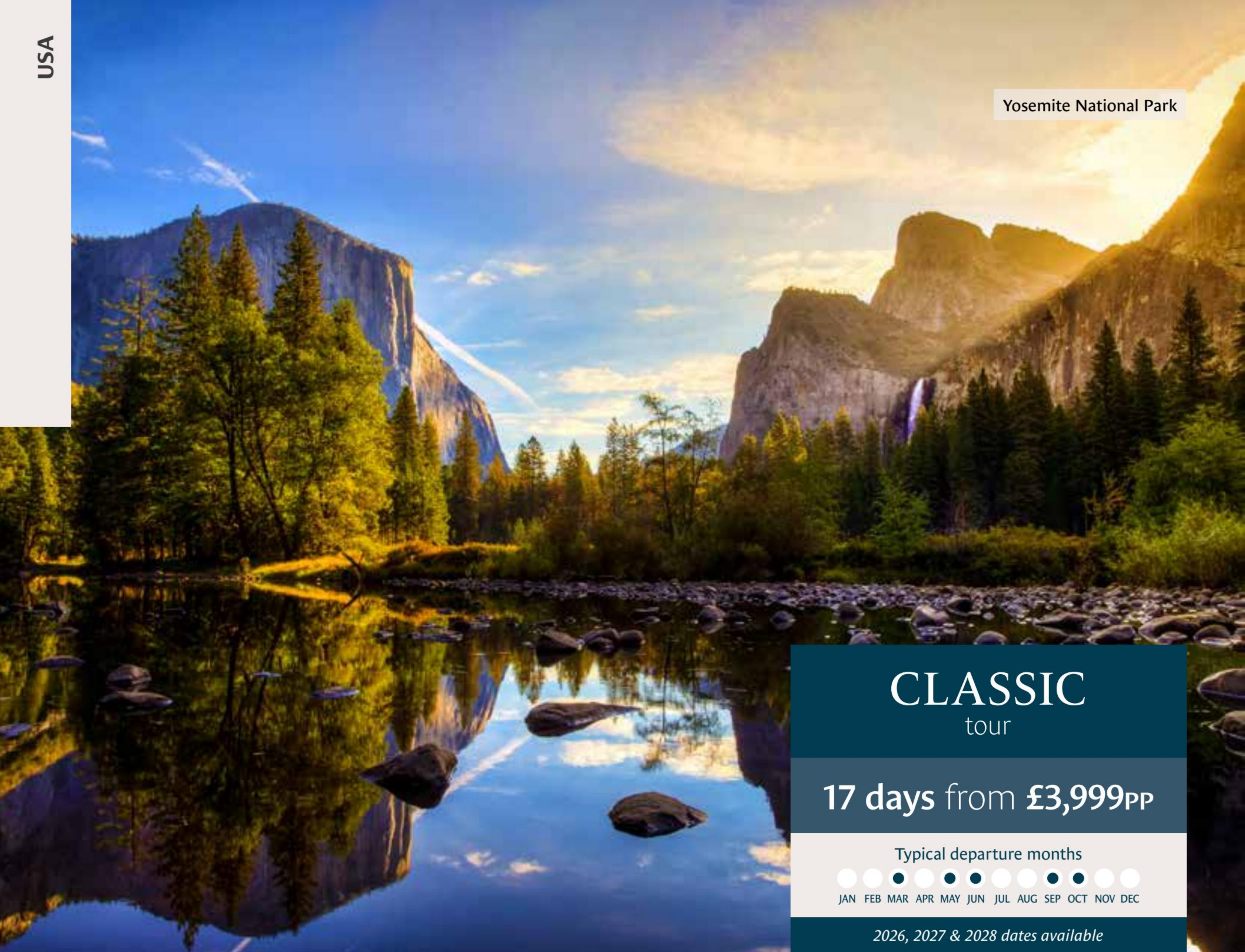
**DAY 14 – Arrive home**

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(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner



Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming is home to myriad species, including eagles, ospreys, black bears, bison, moose and more

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## Grand Tour of California & the Golden West

Explore three world-class Californian cities – San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego. Visit its incredible national parks and wine regions. Then see Las Vegas, the Hoover Dam and the Grand Canyon’s awe-inspiring West Rim.



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Fly to San Francisco (B)

#### DAY 2 – San Francisco

Today's orientation tour of San Francisco is your introduction to a city that's as colourful as its famous Painted Ladies. Glide past the Golden Gate Bridge and let the city's energy set the tone for your journey. (B)

**Included Experience** – Orientation tour of San Francisco

#### DAY 3 – Napa Valley & Sonoma

Today, we head north to the rolling vineyards of Napa Valley and Sonoma. Savour tastings at handpicked wineries, where each glass tells a story of the land and the people who tend it. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Visit Napa Valley & Sonoma wine regions with tastings

#### DAY 4 – Sonora

Onwards to Sonora, with a stop at Calaveras National Park. Marvel at the ancient giants – towering sequoias that have stood sentinel for centuries. (B)

**Included Experience** – Visit to Calaveras National Park

#### DAY 5 – Yosemite

Yosemite National Park calls. Stand in awe before El Capitan and the Half Dome, their sheer faces rising from the valley floor. Every turn reveals a new vista, each more breathtaking than the last. (B)

**Included Experience** – Visit to Yosemite National Park

#### DAY 6 – Monterey

The Pacific beckons as you reach Monterey. Stroll along Fisherman's Wharf, where sea lions bark and the scent of salt and seafood fills the air. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Tour of Monterey & visit to Fisherman's Wharf

#### DAY 7 – Carmel-by-the-Sea

Journey the legendary 17-Mile Drive to Carmel-by-the-Sea, a town that feels plucked from a storybook. White-sand beaches, art galleries, and cypress trees - this is California at its most enchanting. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Scenic drive along 17-Mile Drive & visit to Carmel-by-the-Sea



Giant sequoias

#### DAY 8 – San Luis Obispo

Continue south to San Luis Obispo, pausing at Pismo Beach. Dip your toes in the surf or simply watch the waves roll in. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Visits to Pismo Beach & San Luis Obispo

#### DAY 9 – Los Angeles

The road leads to Los Angeles, but not before a taste of Santa Barbara's Mediterranean charm and the sun-soaked sands of Santa Monica. Arrive in Venice Beach, where creativity and quirkiness reign. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Visits to Santa Barbara, Santa Monica & Venice Beach

#### DAY 10 – Los Angeles

Dive into LA's highlights with a guided tour. From the star-studded Dolby Theatre and the Hollywood Walk of Fame to the legendary Sunset Strip, you'll see the city's glitz and its hidden corners. (B)

**Included Experience** – Tour of Los Angeles

#### DAY 11 – San Diego

San Diego welcomes you with open arms. An orientation tour reveals a city where surf culture meets Spanish heritage. (B)

**Included Experience** – Tour of San Diego

#### DAY 12 – Free day in San Diego

Enjoy a day at leisure in San Diego. (B)

#### DAY 13 – Las Vegas

The desert shimmers as you drive to Las Vegas. Tonight, Sin City is yours to explore. (B)

#### DAY 14 – Hoover Dam & Grand Canyon

Stand atop the Hoover Dam, a marvel of engineering, before journeying to the Grand Canyon. Here, red rock layers tell a story millions of years in the making. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Visits to the Hoover Dam & Grand Canyon

#### DAY 15 – Free Day in Las Vegas

Spend a day at leisure in dazzling Las Vegas. (B)

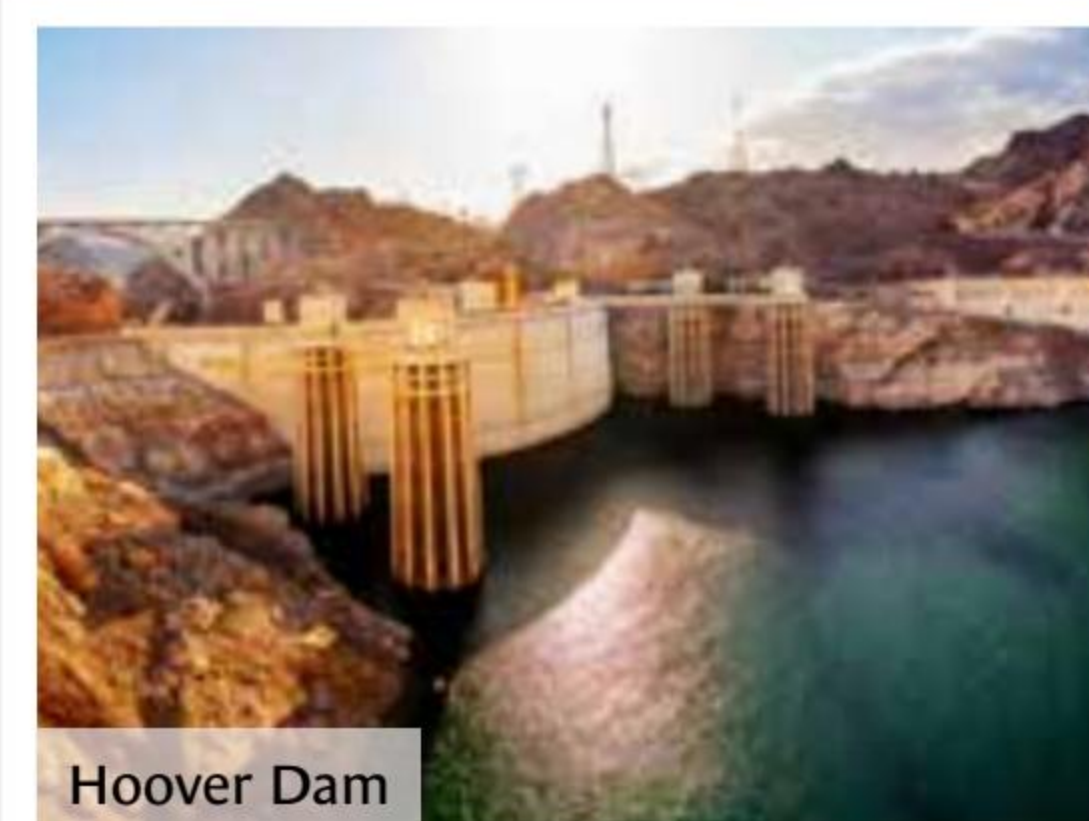
#### DAY 16 – Depart

Transfer to the airport for your overnight flight home. (B)

#### DAY 17 – Arrive home

*All flights and transfers are included*

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Hoover Dam

The Grand Canyon reveals nearly 2 billion years of Earth's history through its layered rock formations, making it one of the most complete geological records on the planet



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## Deep South USA plus Texas

Explore the Deep South, renowned for its gracious hospitality, Creole Upgrade to a and Cajun cuisine, charming southern drawl and popular music genres of – jazz, rock ‘n’ roll, the blues and country.

### Your Itinerary

#### DAY 1 – Arrival in Atlanta

#### DAY 2 – Nashville

Tour the Jack Daniel's Distillery. (B)

#### DAY 3 – Nashville

Visit the Country Music Hall of Fame & RCA Studio B. *Backstage tour of the Grand Ole Opry.\** (B)

#### DAY 4 – Memphis

Guided tour of Sun Studio. (B)

#### DAY 5 – Graceland & National Civil Rights Museum

Visit Elvis' Graceland mansion & the National Civil Rights Museum. (B)

#### DAY 6 – Memphis to New Orleans (B)

#### DAY 7 – New Orleans

Guided walking tour of the French Quarter & an evening jazz cruise with dinner on a steamboat. (B)

#### DAY 8 – Free day in New Orleans

Free day or visit the Oak Valley Plantation.\* (B)

#### DAY 9 – Houston & NASA

Guided tour of NASA's Johnson Space Centre. (B)

#### DAY 10 – San Antonio

Visit the Alamo. *Take an eco-friendly electric river boat trip.\** (B)

#### DAY 11 – Free day in San Antonio (B)

#### DAY 12 – Dallas

Visit Austin. Travel to Dallas and visit Dealey Plaza & the Stockyard District. (B)

#### DAY 13 – Return flight (B)

#### DAY 14 – Arrive home

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### Your Itinerary

**Days 1 to 12 of your Grand Tour are as pages 74.**

#### DAY 13 – Palo Duro Canyon State Park & Amarillo

Today, we'll drive from Dallas to Amarillo, stopping at Palo Duro Canyon State Park. Stay for one night in Amarillo. (B)

**Included Experience** – Visit to Palo Duro Canyon State Park

#### DAY 14 – Albuquerque

On our way out of Amarillo, we'll stop at Cadillac Ranch, a unique public art installation. Stay in Albuquerque for a one night. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Visit to Cadillac Ranch

#### DAY 15 – Williams

We'll travel to Williams, passing towns like Gallup – home to authentic Native American art. Next, we visit the Petrified National Forest, best known for its Triassic fossils, petrified trees and the Painted Desert. Stay in Williams for two nights. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Visits to Gallup and the Petrified National Forest

#### DAY 16 – Grand Canyon

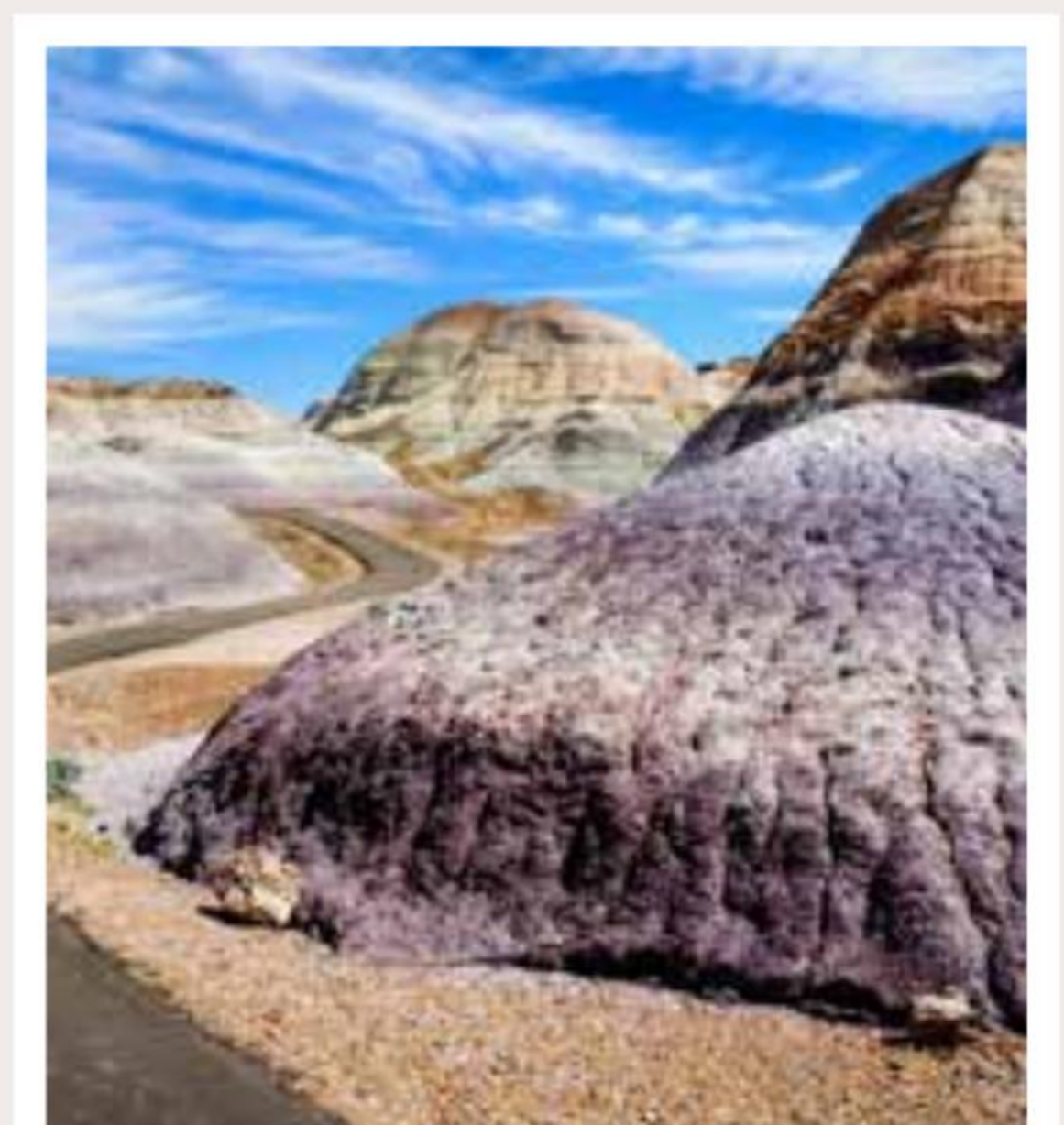
Explore Grand Canyon National Park. (B)  
**Included Experience** – Visit to the Grand Canyon

#### DAY 17 – Depart from Las Vegas

We will drive along the original Route 66 before a flight home. (B)

#### DAY 18 – Arrive home

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Fossils found in the Petrified National Park date back to the Late Triassic Period and many dinosaur tracks and bones have been discovered



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## Costa Rica: From the Caribbean to the Pacific

In Costa Rica every road seems to lead to another waterfall, coffee plantation, volcano, lush rainforest or tropical beach. From iridescent plumage of the Quetzal to three-toed sloths, explore one of the most bio-diverse countries.



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Arrival in San José

### DAY 2 – Tortuguero

Head to Costa Rica's Caribbean coast and board a boat for an adventure through the rainforest's canals - it's the only way to reach the eco-lodge, where we'll stay for two nights. We'll then visit the nearby town of Tortuguero and the Caribbean Conservations Corporation Museum, dedicated to studying Atlantic Green, Hawksbill and Leatherback turtles who come to lay their eggs on the protected beaches here. Tonight, enjoy a welcome drink to get to know your fellow travellers before dinner at the hotel. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Visits to Tortuguero and the Caribbean Conservation Corporation Museum**

### DAY 3 – Tortuguero

Start the morning with a fascinating walk on one of the nature trails around our lodge. This afternoon, we'll travel along the lush green waterways of this unique eco-system on a guided nature tour by boat. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Guided nature tour by boat**

### DAY 4 – Sarapiquí

This morning, we set off towards Arenal Volcano National Park, famous for Costa Rica's youngest volcano. We then visit a Pejibaye Plantation – Pejibaye is the fruit of the peach fruit palm tree native to the tropical forests of Central and South America. We'll learn about this ancient staple food source, how the fruit is incorporated into modern cooking and sit down to enjoy a local lunch. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Cooking class at a Pejibaye Plantation**

### DAY 5 – Arenal Volcano National Park

Roam the Hanging Bridges for a unique view of the jungle from up to 145 feet above the forest floor. You'll be able to see several species that inhabit the forest. En route to our hotel, we'll stop in La Fortuna to tour a Costa Rican coffee and chocolate farm. We'll get to see the coffee and cacao crops and taste the final products. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Arenal Volcano National Park and tour a Costa Rican coffee and chocolate farm**

### DAY 6 – Caño Negro Reserve

Today we'll head to the Caño Negro Wildlife Refuge for an adventure along the Frio River. We'll float downstream while our expert local guide points out the native birds and wildlife that call this place home. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Guided boat tour of the Caño Negro Reserve**

### DAY 7 – Rincon De La Vieja National

Park We'll stop at the town of Liberia before ascending into Rincon De La Vieja National Park, where we'll stay within the boundaries of the park for two nights. Then spend the morning meeting the extraordinary team at Las Pumas Wildlife Rescue Centre & Sanctuary – and the remarkable creatures they look after. We'll meet five of the six species of wildcat found in Costa Rica, in the company of a local naturalist. Before dinner, you can join an optional night walk in search of amphibian and small mammal nocturnal activity. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Visit Liberia and Las Pumas Wildlife Rescue Centre & Sanctuary. Optional evening nature walk.**

### DAY 8 – Free day in Rincon De La Vieja National Park

Today we'll wake early to witness the dawn chorus like never before. Exploring the forests surrounding our hotel, we'll be on the lookout for local birdlife from hawks to toucans, and – if we're lucky – the imposing king vulture. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Morning birdwatching walk**

### DAY 9 – Palo Verde National Park

Take a guided tour of Palo Verde National Park. Its large range of land and marine biodiversity make it one of Central America's most impressive natural habitats. Our local guide will lead us by boat through waterways to discover a unique combination of thick coastal forests, rivers, and mangrove lagoons. One of the park's most infamous and likeable inhabitants is the three-toed sloth, but there's plenty more to see. Later, we'll embrace the local culture and cuisine with a country-style lunch before driving towards the Pacific coast. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Guided tour to Palo Verde National Park**



### DAY 10 – Free day in Guanacaste (B)

### DAY 11 – Free day in Guanacaste

Take advantage of the hotel's facilities with another day at leisure or join our optional coastal catamaran boat tour. We'll breathe in the salty sea air – and keep a lookout for marine life – as the catamaran slices through the surf. As we sail, we'll drop anchor for a swim before heading back towards land. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner with your fellow explorers at a local restaurant in Tamarindo Beach. (B, D)

**Included Experiences – Excursion choice 1: Free day in Guanacaste**

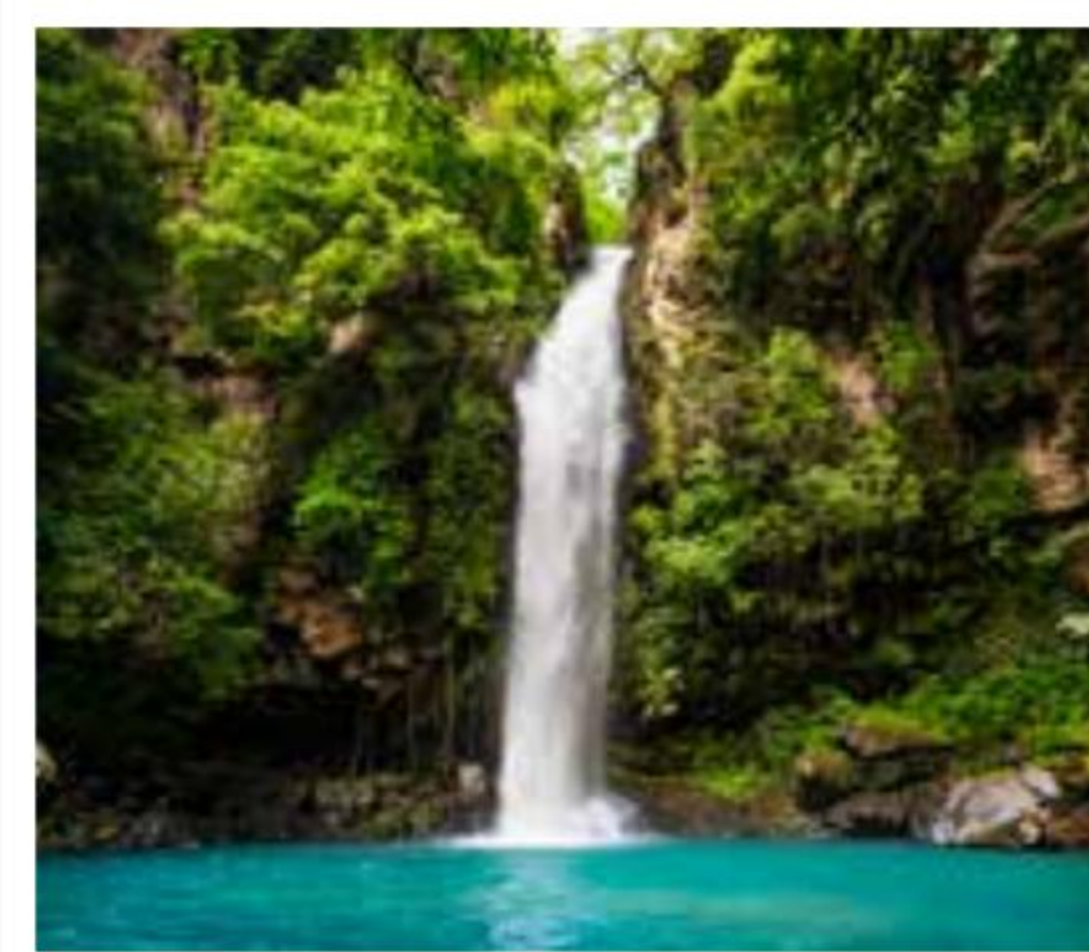
**Excursion choice 2: Coastal catamaran boat tour. Evening dinner at a local restaurant in Tamarindo Beach**

### DAY 12 – Return flight

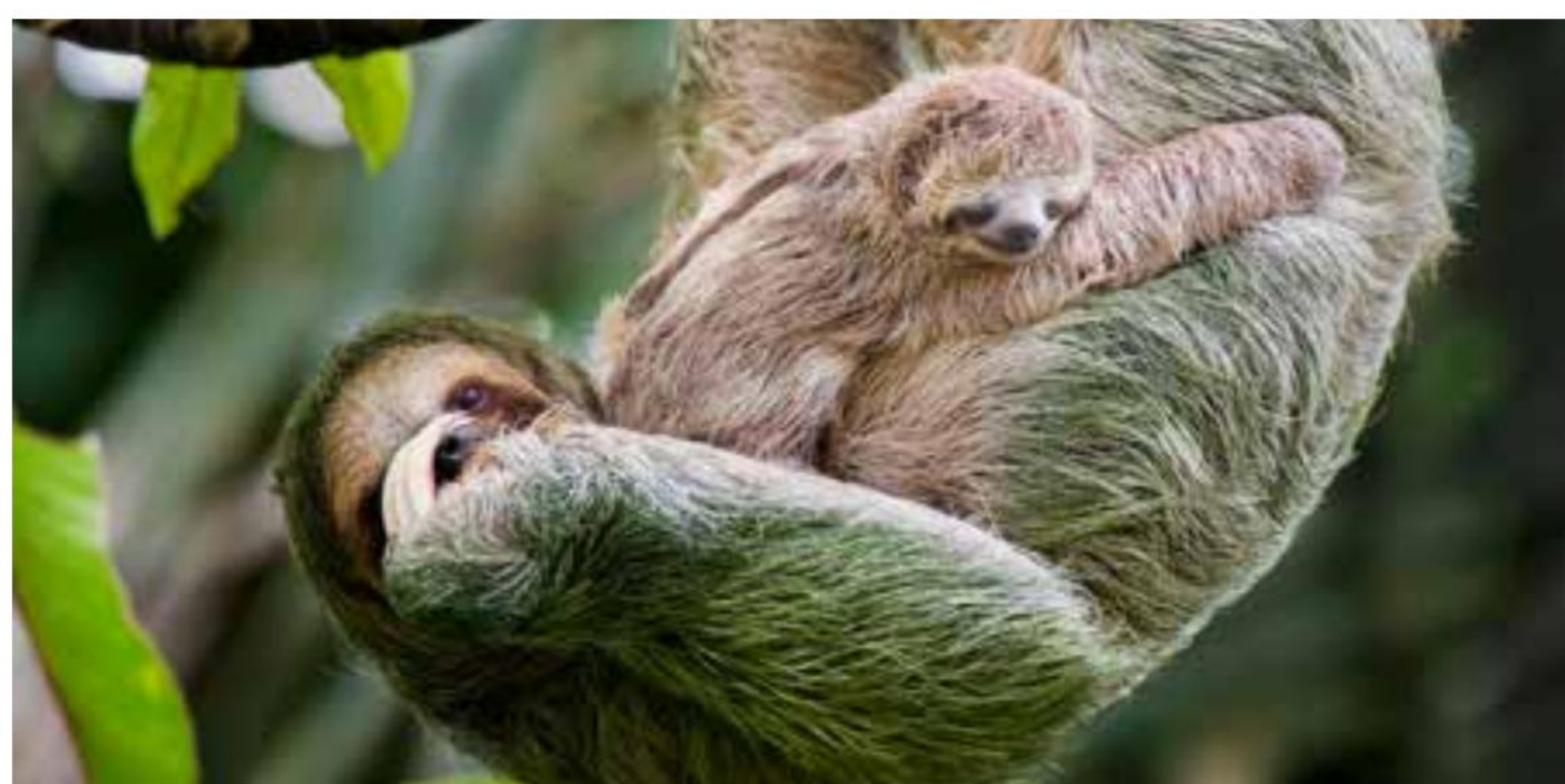
Transfer to San José or Liberia airport for your overnight flight home. (B)

### DAY 13 – Arrive home

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Rincón de la Vieja National Park is one of Costa Rica's most ecologically diverse and geologically active regions



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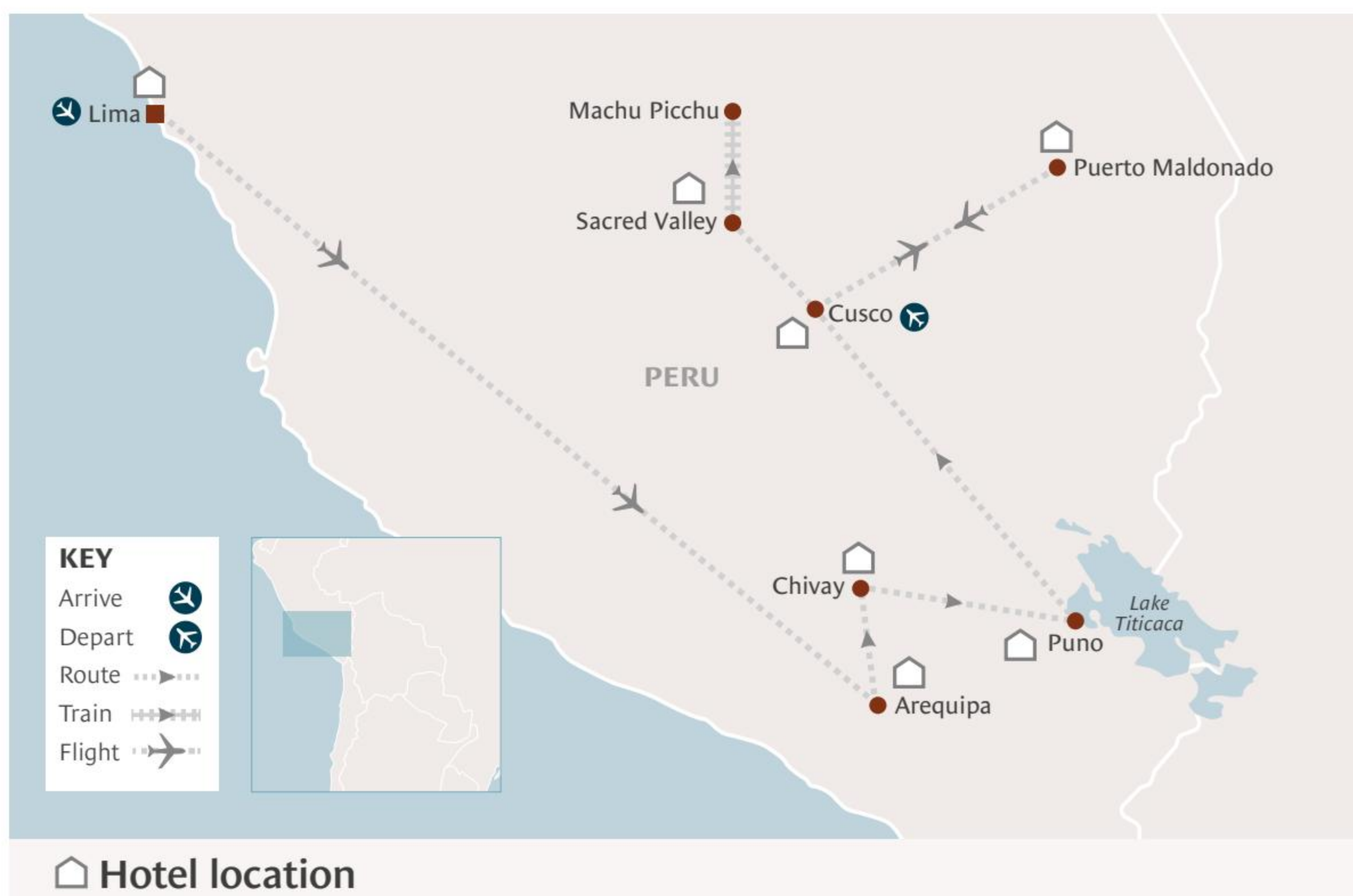
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## Grand Tour of Peru & the Amazon

Explore the civilization of the Incas, the colonial heritage of the Spanish Conquistadors and the colourful culture of present-day Peru and experience the Peruvian Amazon basin with a two-night stay at an eco-lodge in the jungle.



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

Overnight flight to Lima.

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Lima

City tour visiting Lima's Presidential Palace, Plaza de Armas and Casa Aliaga. (D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Lima**

### DAY 3 – Fly to Arequipa

At 7,660ft, Arequipa is good for acclimatising to higher altitude. (B)

### DAY 4 – Arequipa

The skyline is dominated by spectacular volcanoes. Our tour begins at Carmen Alto viewpoint, continuing through the Yanahuara quarter to the UNESCO-listed historic centre and Plaza de Armas, to see the church of La Compañía and cathedral and Monastery of Santa Catalina. Later, browse the market and try local trout or alpaca steak, with a pisco sour. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Arequipa**

### DAY 5 – Colca

Travel through Pampa Cañahuas Reserve with desert landscapes, rock formations and grasslands populated by vicuñas, llamas and Andean deer. At Pampa de Toccra Lake, flamingos reside in season. Reaching Mirador de los Andes at Patapampa we're over 16,000ft with incredible views. (B)

**Included Experiences – Pass through Pampa Cañahuas Reserve and Pampa de Toccra Lake**

### DAY 6 – Colca Canyon

Condor Cross provides a magnificent panorama of Colca Canyon. You may spot the Andean Condor. We continue to Puno on Lake Titicaca. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Visit Colca Canyon**

### DAY 7 – Lake Titicaca

Sail to the floating Uros Islands on Lake Titicaca, built using totora reeds, and visit the island of Taquile. Relax around the campfire with a steaming hot chocolate and a tempting sweet treat and watch from the lakeshore as a glorious sunset is reflected in the deep expanse of Lake Titicaca. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Cruise on Lake Titicaca and visit Taquile. Enjoy hot chocolate around the campfire while the sunsets over Lake Titicaca.**

### DAY 8 – Cusco

Drive through the altiplano observing llama, alpaca and thatch-roofed houses. Head to La Raya at 14,170ft and the church of the Andahuayillas. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Scenic drive through the altiplano**

### DAY 9 – Cusco

Tour Cusco, with colonial architecture and fascinating Inca remains. See its huge 16th-century cathedral, the Qorikancha (the Incas' principle sun temple) and extraordinary Sacsayhuaman with its vast stone walls. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Cusco**

### DAY 10 – Pisac & Sacred Valley

The Sacred Valley was the Inca empire's breadbasket and spiritual centre. Visit Pisac's fortress and market and the fortress and temple of Ollantaytambo, returning by train. Discover the skilled artisans of the Sacred Valley who still use ancient textile techniques and then experience the authentic atmosphere of a traditional Peruvian tavern where you'll also sample a typical local drink. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visit the Sacred Valley of the Incas, the temple of Ollantaytambo and Pisac. Meet the skilled artisans of the Sacred Valley & visit a traditional Peruvian tavern to sample a local drink.**

### DAY 11 – Machu Picchu

Travel to Machu Picchu aboard the stylish Vistadome train and enjoy the superb views from the panoramic windows which surround the comfortable seats. As you walk through its gates, temples and houses, our guide explains the significance of the location and the equinoxes – and how central mountain-worship was to the Incas. (B)

**Included Experiences – Travel to Machu Picchu on the Vistadome train. Guided tour of Machu Picchu.**

### DAY 12 – Amazon

This morning, take a short flight from Cusco to Puerto Maldonado. We make our way to the Madre de Dios River, where we travel by motorised canoe to the lodge. After lunch, we take a guided walk through the local nature trails. At dusk, we'll navigate the river by motorised canoe to spot nocturnal animals. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Guided walk in the Amazon**

### DAY 13 – Amazon

Today, we will use the motorised canoes to cross mirror-like oxbow lakes and visit the Tambopata National Reserve, home to many animals, including one of the world's biggest freshwater scaled fish. After a buffet lunch back at the lodge, we'll enjoy a walk through the rainforest's canopy walkway crossing the 7 hanging bridges that connect the treetops, with the chance to watch birds, monkeys and sloths. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Tambopata National Reserve**

### DAY 14 – Fly to Cusco

Take the motorised canoe back to Puerto Maldonado, and fly to Cusco. (B)

### DAY 15 – Return flight (B)

### DAY 16 - Arrive home

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## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Lima

Transfer by coach to Lima and after checking in, we'll take a guided tour seeing the Presidential Palace, the Plaza de Armas and the charming Baroque San Francisco church. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Lima**

### DAY 3 – Sacred Valley

Today we fly to Cusco, the ancient capital of the Incas. To help you acclimatise to the altitude, we spend two nights at the slightly lower altitude of the Urubamba Valley, the 'Sacred Valley of the Incas', just below Cusco. (B)

### DAY 4 – Pisac & Sacred Valley

We spend the day in the Sacred Valley, firstly visiting Pisac, famous for its colourful indigenous market with a huge range of local handicrafts. After an included lunch, we visit the hillside fortress of Ollantaytambo, the site of a rare Conquistador defeat. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Visit the Sacred Valley of the Incas**

### DAY 5 – Machu Picchu

Today you'll experience one of the highlights of your tour. We board the Explorer train on one of the world's most spectacular rail journeys through the increasingly narrow Urubamba River gorge to the legendary Machu Picchu. Nothing can prepare you for your first sight of the 'Lost City of the Incas', the only Inca settlement never discovered or destroyed by the Spanish – its wonder and mystique are simply astounding. We return by train to the Sacred Valley, from where we drive to Cusco. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Machu Picchu**

### DAY 6 – Cusco

Take a guided tour of Cusco, seeing its fusion of colonial architecture and Inca remains. Visit the main square, home to a 16th century cathedral, and Qorikancha, the Incan temple to the sun, the 'navel' of their world, and originally covered in sheets of pure gold.

Cusco is such a beautiful city, with so many fascinating corners to explore, that this afternoon is free for you to make your own discoveries. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Cusco**

### DAY 7 – Flight to Buenos Aires (B)

### DAY 8 – Pampas ranch

Drive out of the city to the Estancia Santa Susana in the Pampas plains west of Buenos Aires. Originally created by Irish migrants, it's still a working ranch spread across almost 3,000 acres. The original house is beautifully preserved, offering a fascinating glimpse into life here during the late 19th century. Lunch is a typical Asado, featuring Argentinian beef on the barbecue, which you can enjoy with local songs and dances. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Visit a Pampas ranch with an included lunch**

### DAY 9 – Buenos Aires & tango show

Today we explore Buenos Aires. Known as the Paris of South America, with its tree-lined avenues, squares, parks and grand public buildings. We'll visit the Plaza de Mayo and the Presidential Palace, from where Eva Perón used to speak to huge rallies. We'll see the colourful barrios (districts) of San Telmo and La Boca, and also visit Recoleta Cemetery to see Eva Perón's final resting place. This evening we enjoy a visit to one of the city's best tango shows, with dinner included. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Buenos Aires with an included tango show**

### 10 – Fly to Iguazu Falls

After a short flight to Iguazu Falls, we see the falls from the Brazilian side, where you are literally surrounded by falling water! (B)

### DAY 11 – Iguazu Falls

Explore the Argentinian side of the falls along wooden boardwalks through lush forest. We also catch the open-sided 'jungle train' to the head of the falls. For the more adventurous, there is the option to take a jetboat ride to the foot of the falls on the Iguazu River – you will get seriously wet! (B)

**Included Experience – Discover the wonder of the Iguazu Falls**

### DAY 12 – Fly to Rio de Janeiro (B)

### DAY 13 – Rio de Janeiro

Visit the statue of Christ the Redeemer, a highlight of the tour. Reached by a Swiss-built cog railway through the Tijuca Forest National Park. The views in all directions are simply outstanding. Later, we take a walk through the Botanical Gardens before lunch of Brazilian barbecued meats (a vegetarian option is available). (B,L)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Rio de Janeiro**

### DAY 14 – Rio de Janeiro

Board a cable car to the top of Sugarloaf Mountain, which overlooks some of Rio's most spectacular bays and beaches. We follow this with a tour through the centre of Rio and an included lunch at the belle époque Confeitaria Colombo – an iconic Rio restaurant. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Visit Sugarloaf Mountain**

### DAY 15 – Return flight (B)

### DAY 16 – Arrive home

*All flights and transfers are included*

*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*

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Christ the Redeemer was struck by lightning multiple times (not uncommon for tall structures), but the statue has been repaired each time!



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## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

Fly overnight to Quito.

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Quito

Quito was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1978 and our tour of this beautifully-preserved, colonial city includes the leafy Independence square, overlooked by the Presidential Palace, cathedral and Archbishop's Palace. This evening enjoy a welcome dinner to get to know your fellow travellers better. (D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Quito**

### DAY 3 – Cross equator line

Enjoy the experience of standing on both the north and southern hemisphere before we continue to Mindo, staying in a lodge, amongst the exotic cloud forest and birdlife. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit the Equator line**

### DAY 4 – Mindo Cloud Forest

We explore the pristine cloud forests and hike along waterfalls. At an altitude of 1,300m, Mindo has a year-round mild climate and the plentiful rainfall, has created lush forests, perfect for a variety of birdlife. Explore the marked trails around the hotel, try out the optional zip-line tour or learn how Ecuadorian chocolate is made. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit the Mindo cloud forest**

### DAY 5 – Pululahua Crater

Taking the Pan-American highway we drive along the Avenue of the Volcanoes, towards the Cotopaxi National Park, stopping at Pululahua, the third largest inhabited volcano crater in the world to savour the views. Lunch is included. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Visit Pululahua**

### DAY 6 – Cotopaxi & Riobamba

This morning we reach Cotopaxi National Park, the world's highest active volcano. Snow-capped year-round, the perfectly symmetrical volcanic cone is one of South America's greatest sights. Lunch is included today. This afternoon we'll visit one of the region's rose farms. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visit Cotopaxi National Park and rose farm**

### DAY 7 – Riobamba & Cuenca

This morning is free to relax, before we continue to Cuenca. Dinner is included tonight. (B,D)

### DAY 8 – El Cajas National Park

Today we visit the spectacular El Cajas National Park, with its 786 lagoons. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit El Cajas National Park**



Cuenca



### DAY 9 – Cuenca

A UNESCO World Heritage site, Cuenca is a treasure-trove of charming colonial churches, mansions and squares, and vast cathedral and is also famed for its locally produced Panama hats! Following our tour, we visit a Panama hat factory. This afternoon we will fly from Cuenca to Quito. (B)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Cuenca and visit a Panama hat factory**

### DAY 10 – Fly to San Cristobal Island

The first island to be visited by Charles Darwin in 1835, on arrival we settle into our hotel before exploring the wildlife along La Loberia's white sand beach, with a chance to swim or snorkel. Dinner at a local restaurant is included. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Explore La Loberia's white sand beach**

### DAY 11 – San Cristobal & Isla Lobos

A short boat trip takes us to Isla Lobos, to discover frigate birds and blue footed boobies. Although the path is uneven and rocky in parts, the effort is worth it to see these iconic birds up close. Later we visit the San Cristobal Interpretation Centre to learn about their conservation work. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Boat trip to Isla Lobos and visit to the San Cristobal Interpretation Centre**



### DAY 12 – Santa Cruz Island

We catch the speedboat ferry service to Santa Cruz island. On arrival, we'll visit the famous giant tortoises in El Chato tortoise reserve – an unforgettable experience! Explore one of several underground lava tubes, legacies from the island's volcanic past. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visit Santa Cruz Island and the El Chato tortoise reserve**

### DAY 13 – Santa Cruz

This morning we have a boat tour of nearby Academy Bay. Snorkel perhaps to spot sea lions, rays and even sharks. After an included lunch, we enjoy a tour of the Charles Darwin Research Station where baby giant tortoises are nurtured before being released into the wild. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Boat tour of nearby Academy Bay**

### DAY 14 – Free day in Santa Cruz

Enjoy Santa Cruz at your own pace; meander around Puerto Ayora or relax at Tortuga Bay. (B)

### DAY 15 – Return flight

Fly home via Quito, arriving the next day. (B)

### DAY 16 – Arrive home

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# Australasia

From misty fjords to sun-drenched Outback, nature in Australasia is nothing short of spectacular. Spot kangaroos, stroll golden beaches and sip wine in cities that radiate laid-back charm. Māori legends meet Aussie icons, rainforests meet reefs, and every day brings fresh discoveries. Whether you're chasing adventure or soaking up serenity, you'll find cultures as warm as the welcome – perfect for explorers who savour the journey as much as the destination.



## Uluru, Australia

In Australia's Red Centre, Uluru rises taller than the Eiffel Tower – its ancient sandstone glows with every sunrise. For the Aboriginal people, this monolith is a living landscape – formed by ancestral beings during the Dreamtime. Every curve and colour is a reminder of the sacred stories passed down through generations.

*See pages 90-91*

## Rainforest Railway, Australia

Let the Kuranda Scenic Railway whisk you through World Heritage Rainforest. Gaze at breathtaking valleys, pass through century-old tunnels and over marvellous bridges, not to mention the epic Baron Falls. Every moment is a snapshot of tropical wonders – be sure to keep your camera handy!

*See pages 90-91*





Rainforest Railway

Uluru

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Sydney

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Franz Josef Glacier

### **Franz Josef Glacier, New Zealand**

Franz Josef is a welcoming gateway to its namesake glacier – five kilometres of dazzling ice winding down alpine valleys. For the most breathtaking views, take a scenic helicopter flight and land high above the clouds, directly on the icy giant. Every curve and crevasse whisper stories of Māori tales and centuries of exploration.

*See pages 86-88*



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Auckland



## Your itinerary

### DAYS 1 & 2 – Travel to Auckland

Travel to the airport for your overnight flight to New Zealand, which – because of the time difference – will arrive in Auckland on Day 3.

### DAY 3 – Arrival in Auckland

Arrive in Auckland – ‘The City of Sails’ – and transfer to your hotel. The rest of your day is at your leisure.

### DAY 4 – Bay of Islands

Departing Auckland, we head north over the Auckland Harbour Bridge along the Hibiscus Coast to view giant Kauri trees at the Parry Kauri Park. We reach Paihia in the Bay of Islands in the afternoon to enjoy a guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty House, where in 1840 Māori chiefs and the original European settlers signed the Treaty of Waitangi, the basis of the future governance of New Zealand. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visit Parry Kauri Park and guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty House**

### DAY 5 – Bay of Islands cruise

This morning, we see the Bay of Islands in the best way possible – via boat. If you’re lucky, you may see wild dolphins, which are common in the Bay of Islands. Continue on to Cape Brett and the famous ‘Hole in the Rock’. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure.

**Included Experience – Boat cruise in the Bay of Islands**

### DAY 6 – Auckland

This morning, we leave the Bay of Islands, travelling south on the Twin Coast Discovery Highway through Whangarei and across Harbour Bridge, arriving in Auckland for a sightseeing tour. Our tour includes the panoramic city and harbour views from Bastion Point, trendy Parnell Village, the lovely bays of the waterfront drive and the vibrant Viaduct Harbour area. We also visit the Auckland Museum to see the taonga (treasures) of the Māori. Your afternoon is free to explore independently. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Auckland**

### DAY 7 – Waitomo Caves & Rotorua

Leaving Auckland, we’ll head south and journey to the rural area of Waitomo. Here, we’ll go underground to explore the famous Waitomo Caves – an ancient labyrinth of caves and grottos famous for their fascinating limestone stalagmites and stalactites formed over thousands of years. You can also enjoy

a silent underground boat ride to the starry wonderland of the magnificent glowworm grotto. Next, we’ll visit Rotorua, famous for its thermal activity – mud pools, geysers, hot springs - as well as its Māori cultural activities. We’ll visit Te Puia – where our local Māori guide will explain traditional Māori arts and crafts - and we’ll view the famous Pohutu Geyser in the Whakarewarewa Thermal Valley. After our guided tour, our evening begins with a delicious buffet dinner, including food from the hangi – a traditional Māori method of cooking before a powerful cultural performance in the fully carved Te Aronui-a-Rua meeting house.

**Included Experiences – Visit the Waitomo Caves and Rotorua, enjoy a Māori feast**

### DAY 8 – Free day or Hobbiton

Today you can have a free day exploring Rotorua, or visit the Hobbiton Movie Set for a guided tour. Plucked from the pages of J.R.R. Tolkien’s famous novels and transformed for the big screen by Peter Jackson, we’ll follow our guide around the ten-acre site. We’ll see structures made for both the Lord of the Rings and Hobbit films. After exploring, we’ll enjoy a complimentary drink in the Green Dragon Inn and return to the Shires Rest before returning to Rotorua for an afternoon at leisure. (B)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Hobbiton**

### DAY 9 – Napier

We travel to the lakeside town of Taupo, stopping en route at Huka Falls. Then it’s on to Napier, known as the Art Deco capital of the world. On arrival we meet our local guides and take a fascinating walking tour. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visit Huka Falls and a guided tour of Napier**

### DAY 10 – Wellington

Continue south to Wellington for one night in New Zealand’s capital. Enjoy a sightseeing tour with free time to explore the vibrant

waterfront and beautiful gardens. We also visit Te Papa, New Zealand’s outstanding National Museum (self-guided) to learn about the land’s diverse peoples, wildlife and landscapes. (B)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Wellington and visit Te Papa National Museum**

### DAY 11 – Nelson

Today we cruise to the South Island, across the Cook Strait by Interislander ferry, through the Marlborough Sounds. We continue to Blenheim, and the famous wine-producing region of Marlborough, where we stop for some wine tasting, arriving in Nelson later in the day. (B)

**Included Experience – Wine tasting in Marlborough**

### DAY 12 – Abel Tasman cruise

This morning, we join a catamaran cruise along the shoreline of Abel Tasman National Park. En route, you’ll learn about the history of the park and view the famous Split Apple Rock, a fur seal colony and the park’s golden beaches. For the more adventurous, there is the option of landing ashore at Kaiteriteri and taking a walk to Apple Tree Bay (approx. 2hrs) to Anchorage. Our boat will collect the walkers at Anchorage on its return down the coast. A packed lunch is included today. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure in Nelson. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Catamaran cruise along Abel Tasman National Park shoreline**

### DAY 13 – Christchurch

Travelling south through the Maruia Forest and over the Lewis Pass we’ll arrive at the alpine village of Hanmer Springs for a lunch stop (not included) before continuing to the ‘garden city’ of Christchurch. We have the opportunity to visit the Re-Start Mall, the controversial ‘Cardboard Cathedral’ and the Botanic Gardens. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visit to Hanmer Springs and Christchurch**



Franz Josef Glacier



Hobbiton

**DAY 14 - Tranzalpine train & helicopter flight**

Today we'll traverse the Southern Alps aboard the world-famous TranzAlpine train to Arthur's Pass. From your modern panoramic carriage, you'll pass spectacular gorges and river valleys of the ice-fed Waimakariri River, crossing bridges and viaducts en route. At Arthur's Pass, we'll be met by our coach for the journey to the West Coast, stopping in Hokitika to visit a Greenstone workshop where the local jade-like stone, highly prized by pre-European Māori, is crafted into exquisite jewellery. We'll continue south through forests and farmland to the village of Franz Josef. This magnificent glacial alpine environment offers a 20-minute scenic helicopter flight to view the incredible glacier as it winds down the ice-carved valleys. This exhilarating experience finishes with an alpine landing (subject to poor weather conditions. Alternative flights are in Queenstown or Mount Cook). (B)

**Included Experiences – Travel on the Tranzalpine train and experience a helicopter flight to the Franz Josef Glacier**

**DAY 15 - Queenstown**

Continuing south, we'll travel through part of the South West New Zealand World Heritage Area - designated for its dramatic forest, mountain scenery and natural resources - and over the Haast Pass to the popular Lake Wanaka, and finally arriving in Queenstown. (B)

**Included Experience – Travel through South West New Zealand World Heritage Area**

**DAY 16 - Free day in Queenstown**

Today is at leisure to enjoy all that 'adventure capital of the world' has to offer. Experience the thrill of a jet-boat ride along the Shotover River, scenic helicopter flights, guided walks, a cruise across Lake Wakatipu on the 100-year old vintage steamboat TSS Earnslaw, or ride the Skyline Gondola high above Queenstown for superb views of the area. (B)

**DAY 17 – Milford Sound cruise**

Leaving Queenstown, we'll skirt the shores of Lake Wakatipu, and travel via Te Anau through the Homer Tunnel into the spectacular Cleddau valley and famous Milford Sound, arguably the most spectacular fjord in the country, within the Fiordland National Park, part of the UNESCO South West New Zealand World Heritage Area. A boat trip on the deep fjord, a Thermal pool in Waiotapu, Rotorua waters between sheer granite cliffs rising thousands of feet, affords wonderful views of mile-high Mitre Peak and the 500-foot Stirling Falls. There is a good chance of seeing dolphins, fur seals or penguins during our trip before we return to the charming small lakeside resort of Te Anau. A packed lunch is included today. (B,L)

**Included Experience – Cruise around Milford Sound**

**DAY 18 – Omarama**

Today we travel back north and visit Arrowtown, with its colourful history as a gold-mining boomtown. We continue through the rugged Kawarau Gorge, past Lake Dunstan, across the distinctive Central Otago

countryside (where many scenes from The Lord of the Rings were filmed) and over the Lindis Pass to the vast Mackenzie Basin. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit Arrowtown**

**DAY 19 – Mount Cook**

A day with some more spectacular sights. We'll head north alongside the azure glacier-fed Lake Pukaki to Mount Cook, at 12,316ft, New Zealand's highest mountain and surrounded by jagged snow-covered peaks. We'll continue towards Lake Tekapo and visit the Church of the Good Shepherd, before crossing Burkes Pass and the Canterbury Plains back into Christchurch. (B)

**Included Experiences – Visit to Mount Cook and Lake Tekapo**

**DAY 20 – Return home**

Transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

**DAY 21 – Arrive home**

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## Your Itinerary

**Days 1 to 19 of your Grand Tour are as pages 86-88.**

### DAY 20 – Melbourne

Introductory tour of Melbourne, including the Old Treasury Building and the Exhibition buildings, the famous Melbourne Cricket Ground and Rod Laver Arena, parklands and the War Memorial. (B)

### DAY 21 – Puffing Billy & Philip Island

Ride a steam train through The Dandenong Ranges, visit the animals of Koala Centre and the marine life of Nobbies Centre and see the Penguin Parade. (B)

### DAY 22 – Fly to Sydney (B)

### DAY 23 – Sydney

Visit The Rocks and explore Sydney on a guided tour, visiting Bondi Beach, Mrs Macquarie’s Chair, and the famous Sydney Opera House, where we’ll have a guided tour. (B)

### DAY 24 – Free day in Sydney

Today is free to see Sydney. This evening, enjoy a cruise through Sydney Harbour as the sun sets with a delicious 3-course dinner (drinks not included). (B,D)

**Included Experience – Sydney Harbour dinner cruise**

### DAY 25 – Return home (B)

### DAY 26 – Arrive home

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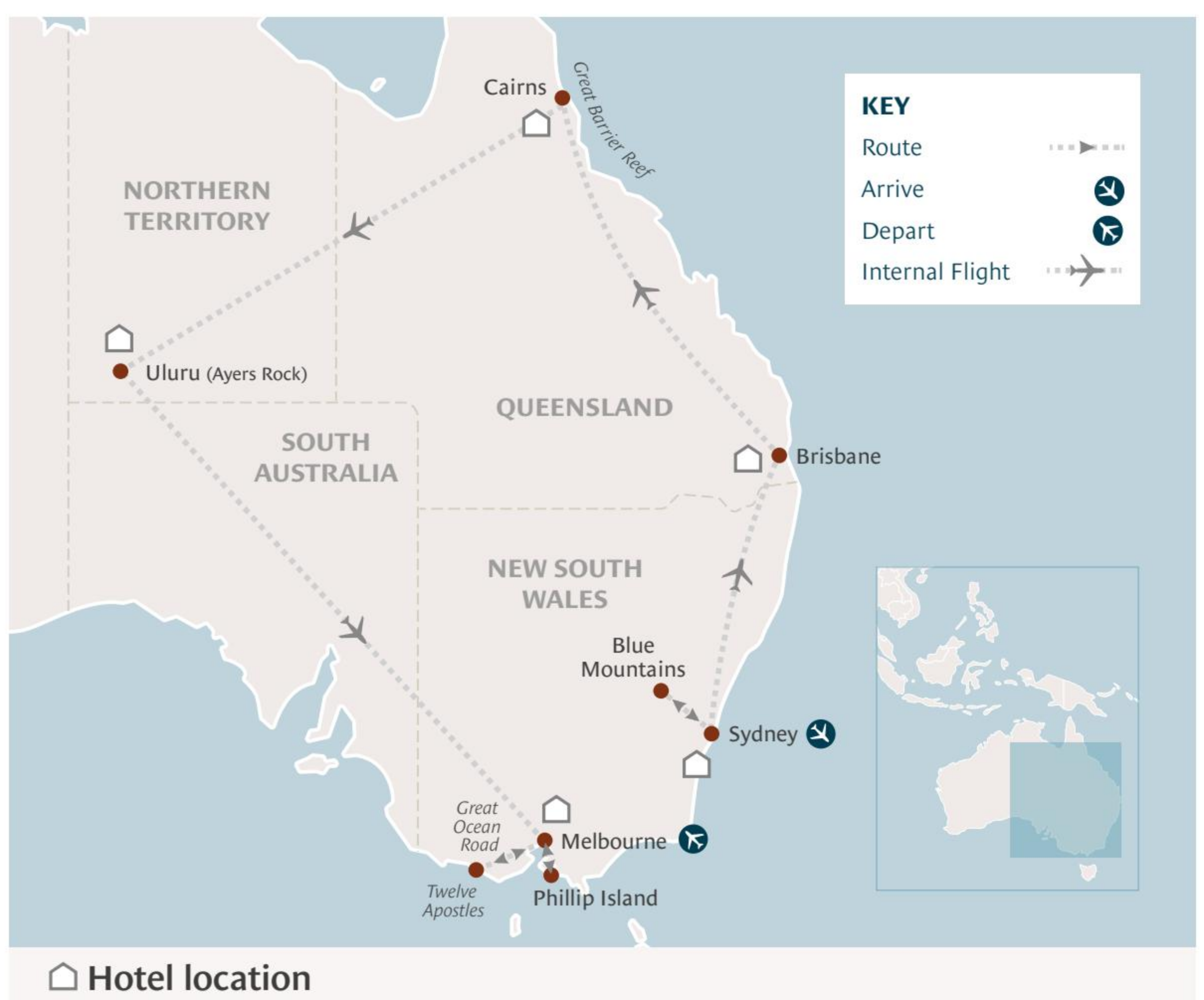
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### DAY 1 – Overnight flight to Sydney

### DAY 2 – Sydney

### DAY 3 – Free day in Sydney

Join your Tour Manager for an orientation tour or explore alone. (B)

### DAY 4 – Sydney

Start the day with a visit to The Rocks, where the First Fleet landed in 1788. Next, it's time to visit iconic Bondi Beach for free time for lunch, we'll head to Mrs Macquarie's Chair, a carved sandstone rock with spectacular views of Sydney Harbour and Opera House. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Visit The Rocks, Bondi Beach, Mrs Macquarie's Chair and Sydney Opera House

### DAY 5 – Blue Mountains

Head out to discover the Blue Mountains to view the Three Sisters rock formation. Visit Scenic World for a ride on the world's steepest incline railway, then walk the boardwalk, before riding the cable car through the World Heritage Listed Jamison Valley.

**Included Experience** – Visit to the Blue Mountains, including Scenic World

### DAY 6 – Brisbane

Fly north to Brisbane to visit the Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary, home to kangaroos, wombats, Tasmanian devils and koalas.

This afternoon, hop on board a Brisbane river cruise to see the city from a unique perspective. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Trip to Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary, and the Brisbane River cruise

### DAY 7 – Free day in Brisbane (B)

### DAY 8 – Cairns

Travel further north to Cairns and spend the afternoon at leisure.

### DAY 9 – Kuranda Scenic Railway

Take the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway across the lush canopy of Australia's Wet Tropics World Heritage Area to visit the mountain village of Kuranda. Next, we'll board the historic Kuranda Scenic Railway through the World Heritage-listed Barron Falls National Park.

**Included Experiences** – Visit Kuranga village, ride the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway and take a trip on the Scenic Railway



### DAY 10 – Great Barrier Reef

Today, we'll board a catamaran to Michaelmas Cay - part of the Great Barrier Reef, and a seabird sanctuary surrounded by coral gardens. We'll have time to enjoy some snorkelling or take a ride on a glass-bottom boat, all topped off with an included buffet lunch. (B,L)

**Included Experience** – A catamaran trip to Michaelmas Cay to see the Great Barrier Reef

### DAY 11 – Free day in Cairns (B)

### DAY 12 – Cairns to Uluru

Fly to Uluru and this afternoon, and travel to the mystical Kata Tjuta, stopping at a lookout for panoramic views, before exploring the Walpa Gorge. This evening, we head to 'Sunset Strip' to admire Uluru at sunset with drinks and nibbles. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Visit to Kata Tjuta, Walpa Gorge, and Uluru at sunset

### DAY 13 – Uluru – Kata Tjuta National Park

Wake early today to see Uluru at sunrise before a Mala Walk to the edge of the Kantju Gorge, learning about the powerful spiritual significance of Uluru and how Anangu traditional owners and rangers are looking after the park together. Next, walk along the Mutitjulu Waterhole, home to an ancestral water snake or rainbow serpent. The afternoon is at leisure. This evening, choose an optional dining experience or enjoy dinner at the hotel. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Uluru at sunrise, take the Mala Walk and visit Mutitjulu Waterhole

### DAY 14 – Melbourne

Fly to Melbourne and spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

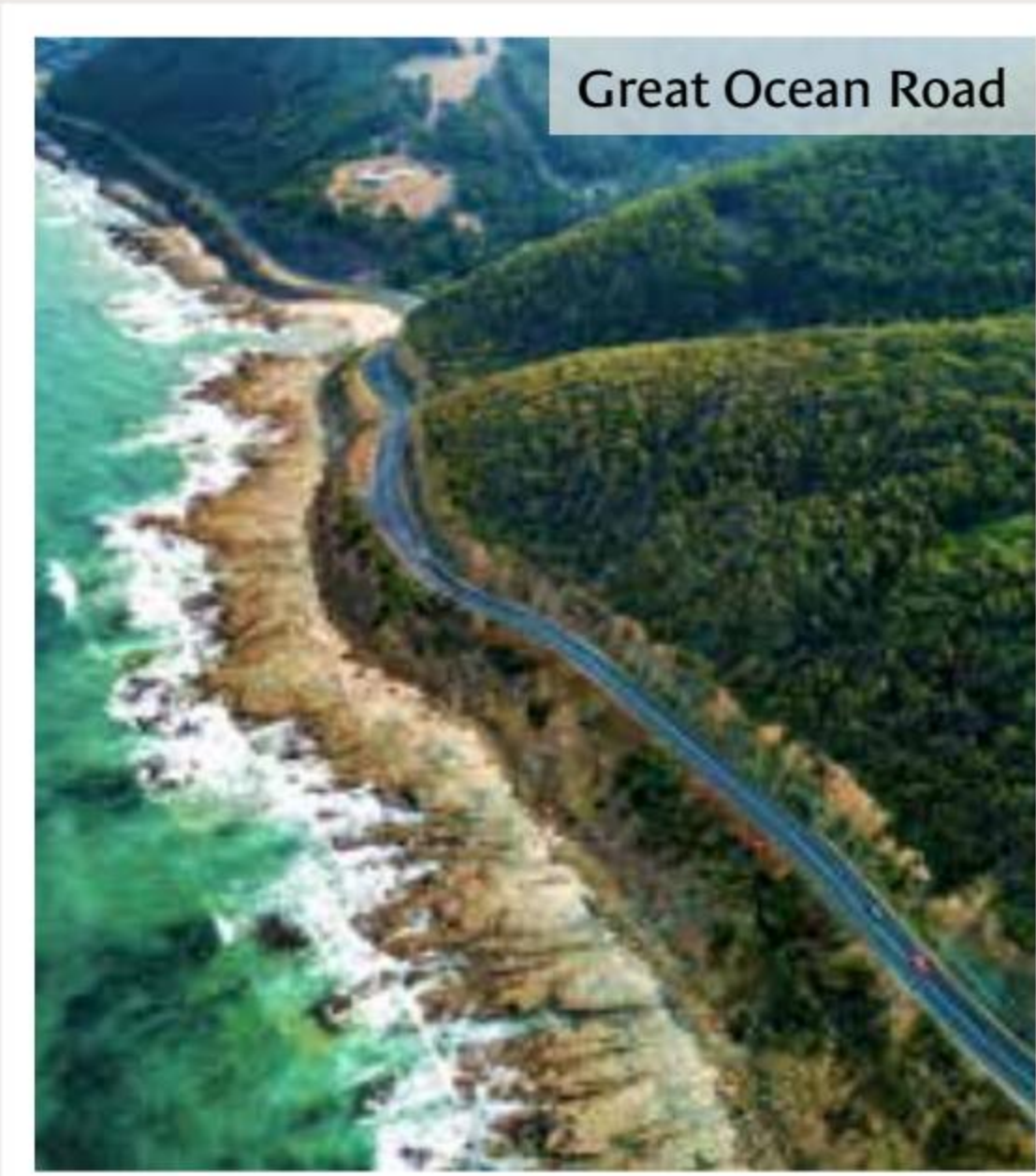
### DAY 15 – Melbourne

Enjoy an introductory tour of Melbourne, including Melbourne Cricket Ground and Rod Laver Arena, the parklands, the War Memorial and Federation Square, before an afternoon at leisure. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Introductory tour to Melbourne



The Great Barrier Reef is the largest living structure on Earth, visible even from outer space!



### DAY 16 – Great Ocean Road

Get an early start as we set off to the Great Ocean Road, one of the most beautiful coastal routes in the world, stopping en route for photos of the famous Twelve Apostles. Return to Melbourne after lunch at leisure. (B)

**Included Experience** – Drive along the Great Ocean Road

### DAY 17 – Puffing Billy & Phillip Island

Explore the rolling hills of the Dandenong Ranges today on Puffing Billy – a traditional steam train. Afterwards, we'll take the coach to Phillip Island, where we'll wander tree-top boardwalks and watch koalas at the Koala Centre, then visit Nobbies Centre to see marine life. After an included dinner, we'll watch the famous Penguin Parade as the sun sets. (B,D)

**Included Experiences** – Ride on Puffing Billy steam train, visit Phillip Island Koala Centre and Nobbies Centre, and watch the Penguin Parade

### DAY 18 – Depart Australia

### DAY 19 – Arrive home

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Saigon



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Travel to Saigon

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Saigon

After your journey, you could relax at the hotel or take a stroll to explore nearby sights.

### DAY 3 – Saigon

Begin your morning with a guided tour of Saigon's key sights, including the Reunification Palace, War Remnants Museum, and lively Ben Thanh Market. Capture the charm of the Central Post Office's colonial architecture before returning to the hotel. The afternoon is at leisure. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Saigon City**

### DAY 4 – Cu Chi Tunnels

Head to the Cu Chi Tunnels—an extraordinary network of underground passages used by the Viet Cong. Located 30 miles from Saigon, the tunnels housed command posts, kitchens, and hospitals, surviving intense bombing. There's also an optional visit to a firing range with historic weapons. The afternoon is at leisure. (B)

**Included experiences – Tour of Cu Chi Tunnels**

### DAY 5 – Board the ship

After lunch, transfer to My Tho Port to board the Riviera Alba and, as the ship sets sail, raise a glass during the welcome reception and safety briefing. (B,D)

### DAY 6 – Cai Be – Sa Dec

After breakfast, board small wooden boats and glide through the canals to visit a local village for a tasting of seasonal fruits. After lunch onboard, continue to Sa Dec for a walking tour of this vibrant place. Visit the house referred to in the novel 'The Lover' by French writer Marguerite Duras, now a museum and experience the colourful Chinese temple as well as the sights and smells of the local market. (B,L,D)

**Included experiences – Visits to Cai Be & Sa Dec**

### DAY 7 – An Giang – Dong Thap

Begin with a guided walk in An Giang province, known locally as 'Mango Island'. Visit a village where bamboo baskets are crafted; sample sweet mangoes; and see a century-old Catholic church and colonial-style home. In the afternoon, cruise to a village in



the Dong Thap region, passing floating fish farms en route and enjoy a lively 'unicorn dance'. (B,L,D)

**Included experiences – Guided tours of Gieng Island & Village in Dong Thap**

### DAY 8 – Cruising the Mekong

Enjoy a leisurely day aboard as the ship cruises towards Cambodia. Take part in optional activities on board or simply relax. (B,L,D)

### DAY 9 – Phnom Penh

Hop into a tuk-tuk for a guided tour of Phnom Penh, including the Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda, and National Museum. The afternoon is at leisure before a traditional Apsara dance performed by local children and dinner this evening on board. (B,L,D)

**Included experience – Guided tour of Phnom Penh**

### DAY 10 – Phnom Penh

Begin the day with a poignant visit to Choeung Ek, one of Cambodia's infamous Killing Fields, where a glass stupa filled with skulls honours victims of the Khmer Rouge. Continue to the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum, offering sobering insight into Cambodia's dark past. The afternoon is at leisure in Phnom Penh before we begin sailing again. (B,L,D)

**Included experiences – Visits to Choeung Ek Memorial & Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum**

### DAY 11 – Wat Roka Kaong – Opopel Village

After breakfast, visit Wat Roka Kaong, which was restored after the discovery of a sacred statue. Later, cruise to Opopel Village for a guided walk and a chance to meet locals, visit the village school, and pause at the

monastery. In the evening, enjoy a farewell celebration hosted by the crew, followed by a special Cambodian dinner. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Visits to Wat Roka Kaong and Opopel Village**

### DAY 12 – Kampong Cham – Siem Reap

This morning, bid farewell to the ship and travel by coach to Siem Reap, stopping at the Kampong Kdei Bridge. After lunch at a local restaurant, enjoy a relaxed afternoon at the hotel. In the evening, attend the Phare Cambodian Circus. (B,L)

**Included experiences – Visit to Kampong Kdei Bridge & watch a Phare Circus performance**

### DAY 13 – Temples of Angkor

Rise early to explore Angkor beginning at Angkor Thom, the former royal city. After lunch, explore Ta Prohm, where ancient roots entwine with crumbling walls in a dramatic jungle setting. End the day at Angkor Wat, perfectly positioned for sunset. (B)

**Included experience – Guided tour of the Temples of Angkor**

### DAY 14 – Siem Reap and Hanoi

After a leisurely morning and lunch, transfer to the airport for your early evening flight to Hanoi. (B,D)

### DAY 15 – Hanoi

This morning, enjoy a guided tour through Hanoi, seeing the Temple of Literature and the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum. Return to the hotel for lunch at leisure and a chance to freshen up before your overnight flight home. (B)

**Included experience – Guided tour of Hanoi**

### DAY 16 – Arrive home

All flights and transfers are included  
(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner

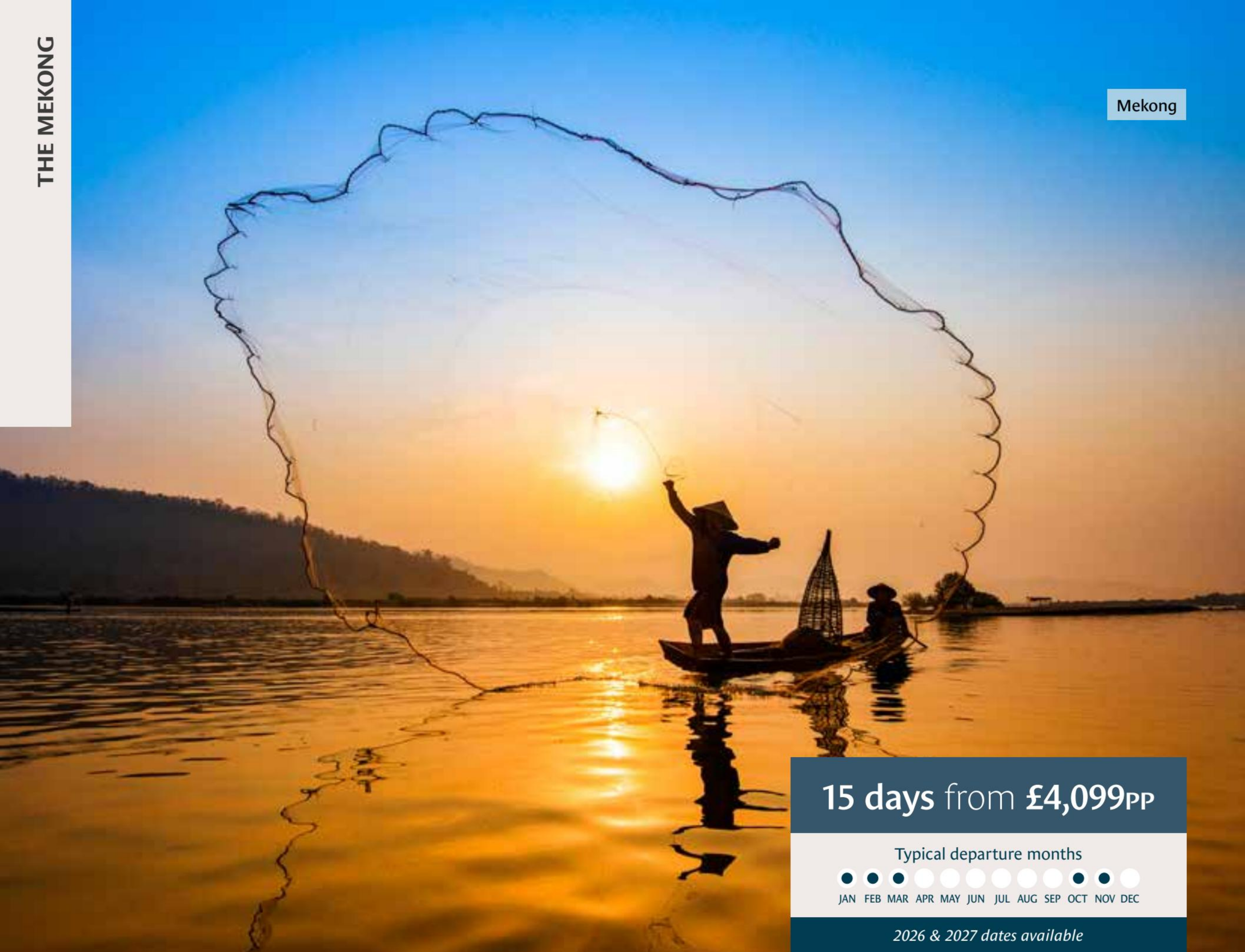
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Explore Vietnam and Cambodia, on a cruise along the mighty Mekong experiencing their fascinating blend of French colonial culture, local heritage and beautiful scenery and exploring their water-borne worlds, from rural villages to colourful markets.

*This tour is also available operating in reverse on our Downstream Cruise: From Siem Reap to Saigon, with indirect outbound flight to Siem Reap.*



Reunification Palace tank

## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Saigon

Check into your hotel for a two-night stay in Saigon. Flight time permitting, enjoy a tour of the city this afternoon. (B)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Saigon**

### DAY 3 – Cu Chi Tunnels

We visit the famous Cu Chi tunnels, a complex underground network stretching for 124 miles, which included hospitals, meeting rooms, sleeping quarters and kitchens. The tunnels provided a base for the Vietcong from which to attack US forces within just 30 miles of Saigon, our visit offers insight into these troubled times. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels**

### DAY 4 – Board the ship

After a stop at the picturesque Cholon market and a lacquer workshop, we board the superb four-star RV La Marguerite. This evening, enjoy a traditional performance of Mekong music. (B,L,D)

### DAY 5 – Vinh Long & Ben Tre District

Depart your river cruise ship on smaller boats to discover a canal lined with brick kilns and local factories in the nearby Mang Thit district in Vinh Long province – the Kingdom of Bricks. Return to the ship for lunch, and this afternoon, see the coconut market in the Ben Tre District and visit Vinh Buu pagoda. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Visits to brick factories in Mang Thit, the coconut market & Vinh Buu pagoda**

### DAY 6 – Cái Bè & Sa Dec

Sail to the island of Tan Phong in small boats to take a walk to see the local craft villages. Continue by small vehicles to visit local fruit fields and learn about the many exotic fruits this area is known for. Later, see the Gothic cathedral of Cai Be, ending with a visit to a family who make rice paper and coconut candies. This afternoon, visit Sa Dec for a city tour.

**Included experiences – Visit of Cái Bè & guided city tour of Sa Dec**

### DAY 7 – Tan Chau

We moor at Tan Chau, near Cambodia, and transfer to small boats to explore the



**Your ship:**

RV La Marguerite – *see website*

town of Tan Chau – Vietnam's leading silk centre. Slipping our moorings, we cross into Cambodia and continue into the evening with a chance to enjoy pre-dinner drinks in the lounge. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Tan Chau**

### DAY 8 – Phnom Penh

Called the 'Paris of the East' during colonial times, Phnom Penh has preserved much of its wonderful rustic charm, elegance and French allure. We'll see the Royal Palace and the Silver Pagoda, and visit the National Museum to see exhibits relating to Khmer history. In homage to Cambodia's tragic recent history, we next visit the Tuol Sleng Genocide museum. We also head to the hill Vat Phnom to see the picturesque sanctuary dedicated to Mrs Penh, who gave her name to the city. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Phnom Penh & visit the Tuol Sleng Genocide museum**

### DAY 9 – Silk Islands & Phnom Pehn

Explore Silk Island to discover a delightful silk weaving village, travelling by tuk-tuk before a free afternoon in the Cambodian capital.

**Included Experience – Visit to Silk Island**

### DAY 10 – Upper Mekong Angkor Ban

We arrive at Angkor Ban to witness a slice of Cambodian rural life. Back on board, we continue our journey north. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Angkor Ban**

### DAY 11 – Siem Reap

Disembark our ship in Kampong Cham and travel to Siem Reap, stopping at the Kampong Kdei Bridge, dating from the Angkorian period. (B)

**Included experiences – Visit the Kampong Kdei Bridge**

### DAY 12 – Angkor Wat

Today, we see the temples of Angkor Wat, one of the largest religious structures in the world. We visit the huge, fortified 13th-century city of Angkor Thom. Its centre contains one of Angkor's most astonishing sites, the temple of Bayon. Crowned by over 50 towers, each with four colossal carved heads looking out in every direction, this is an extraordinary masterpiece of Khmer art. (B)

**Included Experience – Visit the temples of Angkor**

### DAY 13 – Free day (B)

### DAY 14 – Return flight

Enjoy an included afternoon tea in the Damnak Lounge at the Borei Angkor Hotel (flight time permitting) before your flight home. (B)

### DAY 15 – Arrive home

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Phnom Penh



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Travel to Ho Chi Minh City

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Saigon

On arrival, we'll transfer to our hotel and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

### DAY 3 – Saigon

We'll enjoy a comprehensive tour of Ho Chi Minh, including the Reunification Palace, the Central Post Office and the Saigon Opera House. Then, enjoy an afternoon at leisure in Saigon. (B)

**Included Experience** – Guided tour of Saigon city

### DAY 4 – Cu Chi Tunnels

We'll visit the Cu Chi tunnels, a complex underground network stretching 124 miles, which includes hospitals, meeting rooms, sleeping quarters and kitchens. Begun during the last years of French rule and vastly expanded during the 1960s, the tunnels provided a base for the Vietcong from which to attack US forces. The afternoon is at leisure in Saigon. (B)

**Included Experience** – Visit to Cu Chi Tunnels

### DAY 5 – Board the ship

Transfer to Can Tho – the heart of the Mekong Delta, stopping at the riverside town of Cai Be for lunch, before embarking on the Victoria Mekong. This evening, enjoy a traditional Southern Vietnamese folk music performance, known as Don Ca Tai Tu, and a Vietnamese buffet dinner. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Southern Vietnamese folk music performance onboard

### DAY 6 – Long Xuyên & Tiger Island

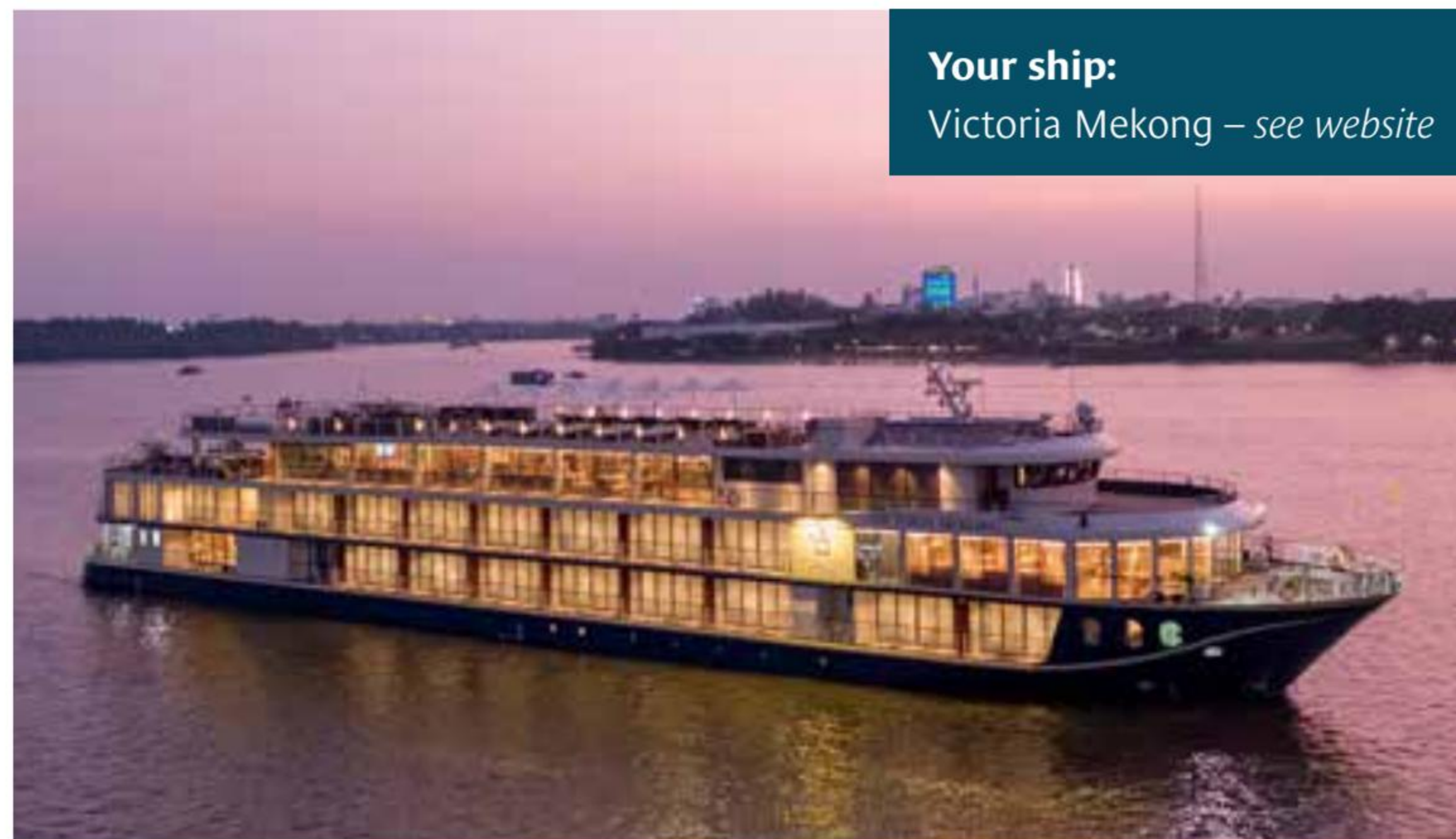
Visit the authentic Long Xuyên Floating Market by Sampan, enjoying its authentic, rustic atmosphere with boats selling fruits, vegetables, flowers, fish and more. This afternoon, we'll visit Tiger Island on a walking tour and hear how the island got its name. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visit to Long Xuyên Market & a guided tour of Tiger Island

### DAY 7 – Phú Tân & Tân Châu

Visit a local village and enjoy a glimpse of rural life along the Mekong passing some of the many floating fish farms. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visits to local villages



### DAY 8 – Cruise to Phnom Penh

Relax with a full day sailing towards Cambodia. Tonight, we'll enjoy Khmer Apsara dancing. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Traditional dance performance onboard

### DAY 9 – Phnom Penh

Called the 'Paris of the East' during colonial times, Phnom Penh has rustic charm, elegance and French allure. We'll take a guided tour on a three-wheeled cyclo, seeing the Royal Palace and the Silver Pagoda, followed by a visit to the National Museum. Later, we'll head outside the city for a poignant visit to Choeung Ek, one of the mass grave sites of the Killing Fields, before ending the day with a cocktail at the famous Elephant Bar of the Raffles Hotel. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Guided tour of Phnom Penh, visit to the Killing Fields Memorial & a cocktail at the Elephant Bar in Raffles Hotel

### DAY 10 – Koh Chen & Koh Dach

Enjoy a walking tour of Koh Chen to visit its famed ornamental silver and copper smiths before journeying to Cambodia's ancient capital, Oudong. Here, we'll see the Vipassana Dhura Buddhist Meditation retreat. This afternoon, we'll visit Silk Island (Koh Dach) to learn more about its time-honoured silk-weaving craft. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Walking tour of Koh Chen, visit to Oudong & tuk-tuk tour of Silk Island

### DAY 11 – Angkor Ban & Kampong Cham

Visit Angkor Ban, one of the very few villages that survived the Khmer Rouge period, for a slice of Cambodian rural life. We'll then enjoy a walking tour of Kampong Cham. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Guided tour of Angkor Ban & guided walk of Kampong Cham

### DAY 12 – Kampong Cham & Siem Reap

Disembark the Victoria Mekong and travel to Siem Reap, stopping at the Kampong Kdei Bridge. We'll end our journey in a local restaurant for lunch before the rest of the day at leisure in our hotel. (B,L)

**Included Experience** – Photo stop at Kampong Kdei Bridge

### DAY 13 – Highlights of Angkor

Today, we see Angkor Wat, one of the largest religious structures in the world. Visit the huge, fortified 13th-century city of Angkor Thom. Its centre contains one of Angkor's most astonishing sites, the temple of Bayon. (B)

**Included Experience** – Guided tour to the temples of Angkor

### DAY 14 – Tonlé Sap Lake

Today, we'll visit Tonlé Sap Lake – the largest freshwater lake in Southeast Asia. Home to thousands of waterbirds, we'll take a boat ride to see the village of Kompong Khleang, built high on stilts. Spend the afternoon at leisure, then, this evening, enjoy a performance by the Phare Cambodian Circus. (B)

**Included Experiences** – Tour to Tonlé Sap Lake & Phare Circus performance

### DAY 15 – Return home

### DAY 16 – Arrive home

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## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 - Depart UK

### DAY 2 - Arrive in Beijing

Arrive at the hotel, spend the afternoon at leisure and enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

### DAY 3 – Beijing

See the sights of Beijing on a guided tour, including Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City, and visit Summer Palace. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Tour of Beijing and visit to Summer Palace**

### DAY 4 – The Great Wall of China

Begin with a visit to the Great Wall of China. This afternoon, we return to Beijing to visit the Temple of Heaven before a delicious Peking duck dinner at a local restaurant. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Visits to the Great Wall of China and the Temple of Heaven**

### DAY 5 – Chongqing

Fly from Beijing to Chongqing, where we'll head to Ciqikou Ancient Town. Later this afternoon, we embark on the Century Legend and prepare for a welcome party this evening. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Visit to Ciqikou Ancient Town**

### DAY 6 – Fengdu

Take a guided tour of Fengdu Ghost City, ascending by cable car. Return to the ship for a lecture about the Three Gorges. This evening, enjoy a large-scale outdoor performance showcasing the culture and history of the Three Kingdoms. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Fengdu Ghost City, expert talk onboard and War Fire of the Three Kingdoms Show**

### DAY 7 – Fengjie

Today, you could take a guided tour of the White Emperor City - an ancient fortress and temple complex - or visit the 'Peak of the Three Gorges' with views over the Yangtze River and the Three Gorges. This afternoon, enjoy a scenic sail past the Qutang and Wu Gorges. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Option 1: Guided tour of the White Emperor City or Option 2: Visit to the Peak of the Three Gorges. Scenic sailing past Qutang and Wu Gorges**



Century Legend



### Your ship:

Century Legend – see website

### DAY 8 – Yichang

This morning, we see the Three Gorges Dam, soaking in panoramic views of the Three Gorges Dam at the River Closure Memorial Park before continuing to the Three Gorges Project Museum, where we'll learn more about this feat of engineering. This afternoon, we sail through the scenic Xiling Gorge and enjoy an on-board lecture about the Three Gorges and Ship Lock system. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of the River Closure Memorial Park and Three Gorges Dam Project Museum, and scenic sailing of Xiling Gorge with onboard lecture**

### DAY 9 – Jingzhou

On our visit to Jingzhou, choose a guided tour of the city and Jingzhou Museum or a visit to the Xióngjiā National Archaeological Park to see the tomb of the Xióngjiā Zhǒng. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Option 1: Guided tour of Jingzhou and Jingzhou Museum or Option 2: Guided tour of Xióngjiā National Archaeological Park**

### DAY 10 – Wuhan

In Wuhan, take a guided tour up Snake Hill to explore the Yellow Crane Tower and visit the Hubei Provincial Museum for a look at its collection of over 2 million artefacts. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of the Yellow Crane Tower and the Hubei Provincial Museum**

### DAY 11 – Jiujiang

Today, enjoy a tour of Jingdezhen Porcelain Town, seeing an ancient kiln porcelain factory. Alternatively, join our full-day excursion to Mount Lushan, where we'll ascend by cable

car to enjoy scenic views of the lake and mountains. (B,LD)

**Included Experience – Option 1: Guided tour of Jingdezhen Porcelain Town or Option 2: Full day tour to Mt Lushan**

### DAY 12 – Chizhou

Today, you could enjoy a full-day excursion to Mount Jiuhua to see some of the 99 temples that are entombed within the forests. Alternatively, enjoy a shorter excursion to Jindizang Temple to see its sweeping eaves, imperial-style architecture, and giant Buddha statues. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Option 1: Guided tour of Mount Jiuhua or Option 2: Guided tour of Jindizang Temple**

### DAY 13 – Nanjing

Today, we'll learn more about the twin peaks of Mount Niushou during a guided tour of the newly developed Mount Niushou Cultural Park. It houses one of Buddhism's most sacred relics. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour to Mt. Niushou Cultural Park**

### DAY 14 – Yangzhou

Our last full day onboard takes us to the quaint city of Yangzhou. We'll visit its crown jewel: the Slender West Lake, an excellent example of classical Chinese garden design. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit to Slender West Lake**

### DAY 15 – Shanghai

Visit Yuyuan Gardens to explore the beautiful walled gardens. Later, visit the Jade Buddha Temple, home to two massive Jade Buddhas, one of Shanghai's most revered Buddhist monasteries. (B,L)

**Included Experiences – Visits to the Yuyuan Gardens and the Jade Buddha Temple**

### DAY 16 – Return home

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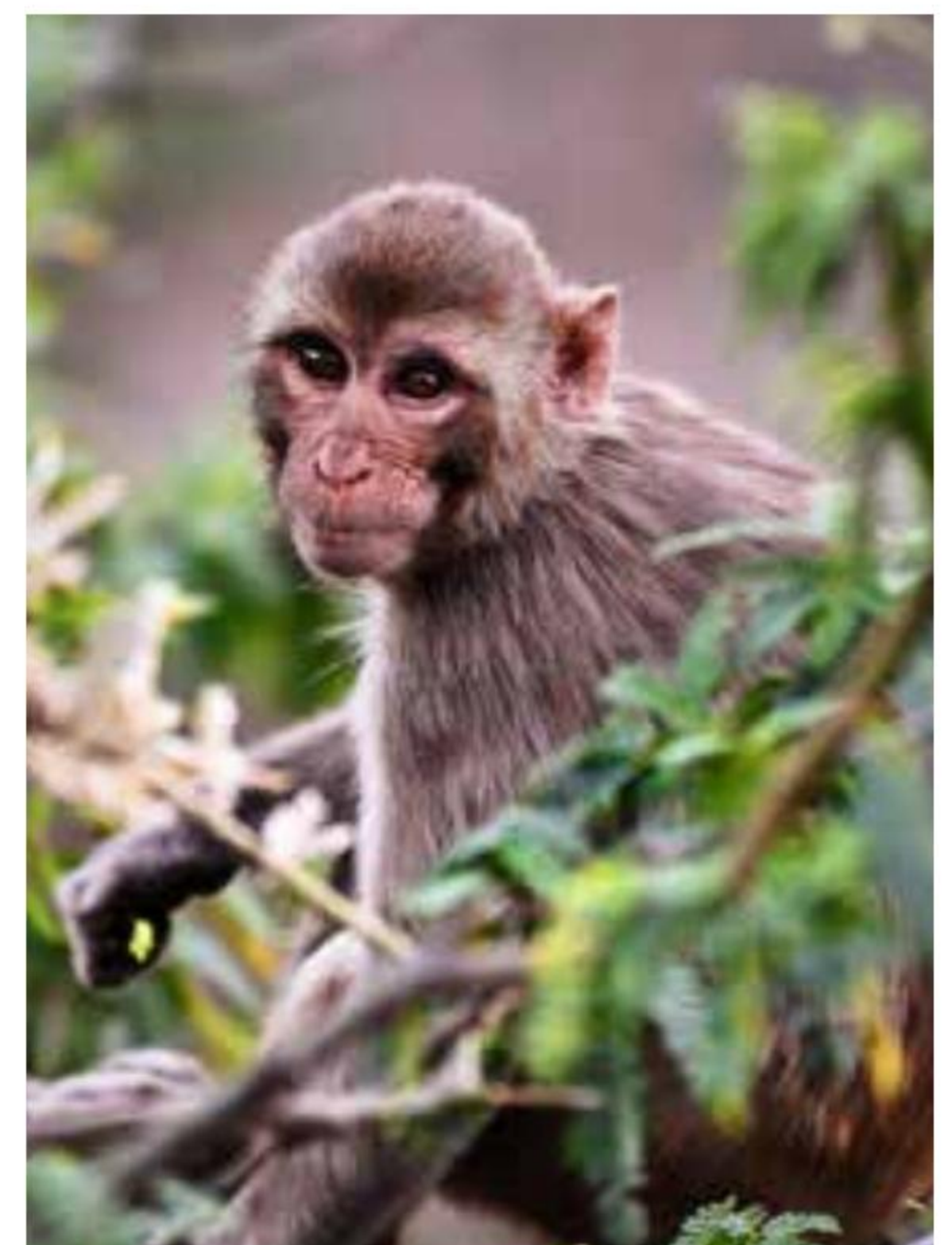
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Amber Fort



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Departure

### DAY 2 – Arrival in Delhi

Transfer to our hotel and settle in before heading out on a guided tour of New Delhi, including the city centre, the Presidential Palace and the Qutub Minar. After your tour, return to the hotel for free time before dinner. (D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of New Delhi**

### DAY 3 – Delhi and Agra

Continue our exploration with a guided tour of Old Delhi, including Raj Ghat – a moving memorial to Mahatma Gandhi and the Gurudwara Bangla Sahib Temple – one of Delhi's most prominent Sikh places of worship. In the afternoon, we'll journey to Agra. (B,D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Old Delhi**

### DAY 4 – Taj Mahal

See the Taj Mahal bathed in the soft morning light on a guided tour. After ample time to explore, we'll return to the hotel for breakfast. Later, we'll visit the remarkable Agra Fort, before continuing our journey to Jaipur. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tours of the Taj Mahal & Agra Fort**

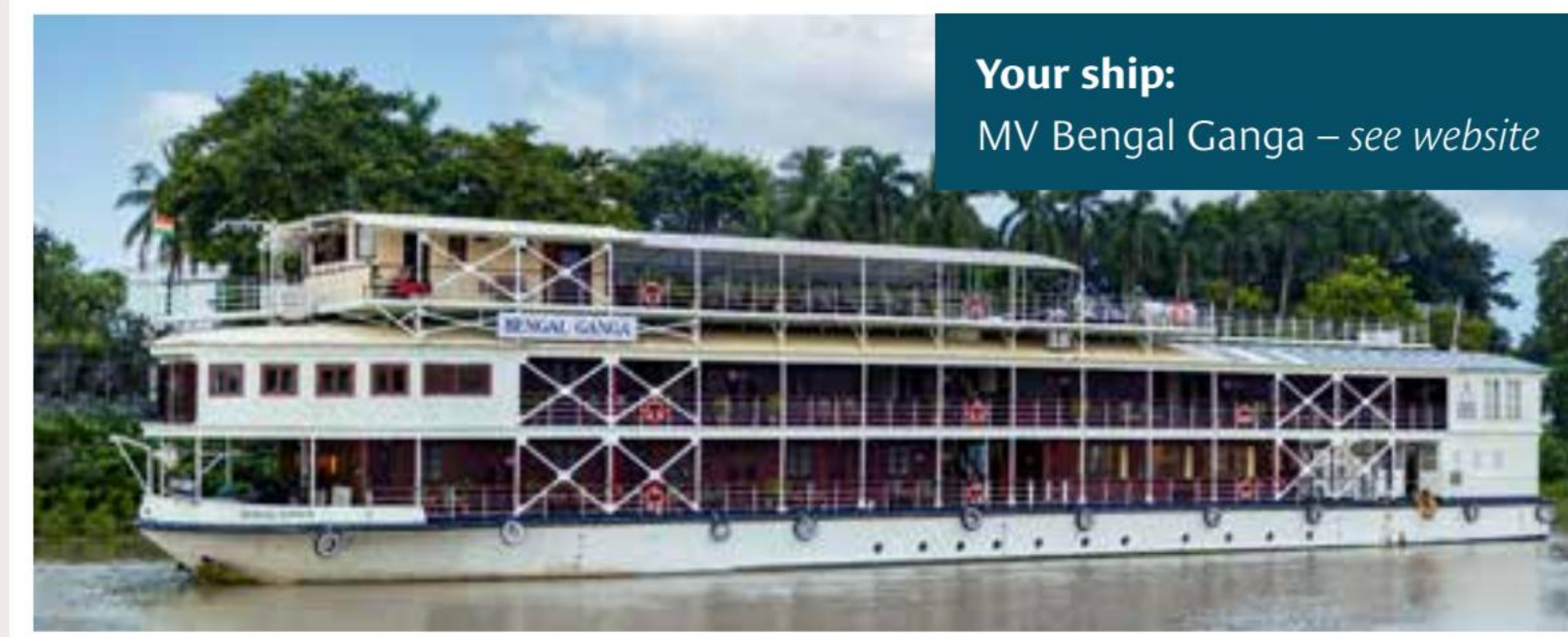
### DAY 5 – Amber Fort & Jaipur

Our tour of Jaipur – the Pink City – includes Amber Fort, where we'll explore the Maharaja's wives' quarters and the Hall of Mirrors. We'll stop for photos at the Palace of the Winds and visit the City Palace before ending our tour at the Jantar Mantar observatory. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tours of Amber Fort & Jaipur**

### DAY 6 – Kolkata

Fly to Kolkata and transfer to the hotel. Spend the afternoon at leisure before an evening at the Glenburn Penthouse, for a traditional



Bengali dinner and an expert talk on Bengal's rich history. (B,D)

**Included Experiences – Private talk and dinner at Glenburn Penthouse**

### DAY 7 - Kolkata and embarkation

Transfer to our ship, MV Bengal Ganga, for lunch on board, then enjoy an introductory tour of Kolkata, including key landmarks such as Dalhousie Square, the historic St. John's Church, and the iconic Victoria Memorial. The ship will be moored in Kolkata for your first night on board. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Kolkata city**

### DAY 8 – Kolkata – Bally Bridge

Today, we continue our exploration of Kolkata with a visit to the vibrant Flower Market and Kumartuli. After returning to the ship for lunch, we'll begin our river cruise. As we sail upstream past the Howrah Bridge, enjoy the views of colonial-era buildings lining the riverbanks en route to Bally Bridge. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Tour of Kolkata, including the Flower Market, & Kumartuli**

### DAY 9 – Hooghly Imambara, Bandel

Enjoy a leisurely morning sailing and a delightful lunch on board. Then step ashore to visit the impressive Imambara in Hooghly. Following our visit, we will return to the ship and continue our journey towards Bandel,

where we will dock for the night. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Hooghly Imambara**

### DAY 10 – Kalna

Savour breakfast and lunch on board as we begin our day sailing. In the afternoon, we'll arrive at Kalna, where we hop aboard an e-rickshaw for a guided tour through this historic town, including the Nabakailis temple, featuring two concentric circles of 108 eightslope-roofed shrines dedicated to Lord Shiva. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Guided tour of Kalna**

### DAY 11 – Nabadwip & Mayapur

After a morning sailing, we arrive at Nabadwip to explore the riverside village known for its traditional handloom weaving. Afterwards, we'll cross the river by boat to reach Mayapur, one of nine revered pilgrimage islands in the region. Our guide will lead us to the striking ISKCON temple, the global headquarters of the Hare Krishna movement. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Visits to Nabadwip & the ISKCON temple in Mayapur**

### DAY 12 – Guptipara – Fulia

After breakfast, we'll explore Guptipara, visiting a local potter's home, where you can observe traditional techniques and chat with artisans about their craft. After lunch on board, we'll cross to the opposite riverbank to visit Fulia, a weaving village renowned for its sari production. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Visit to Guptipara & Visit to Fulia**

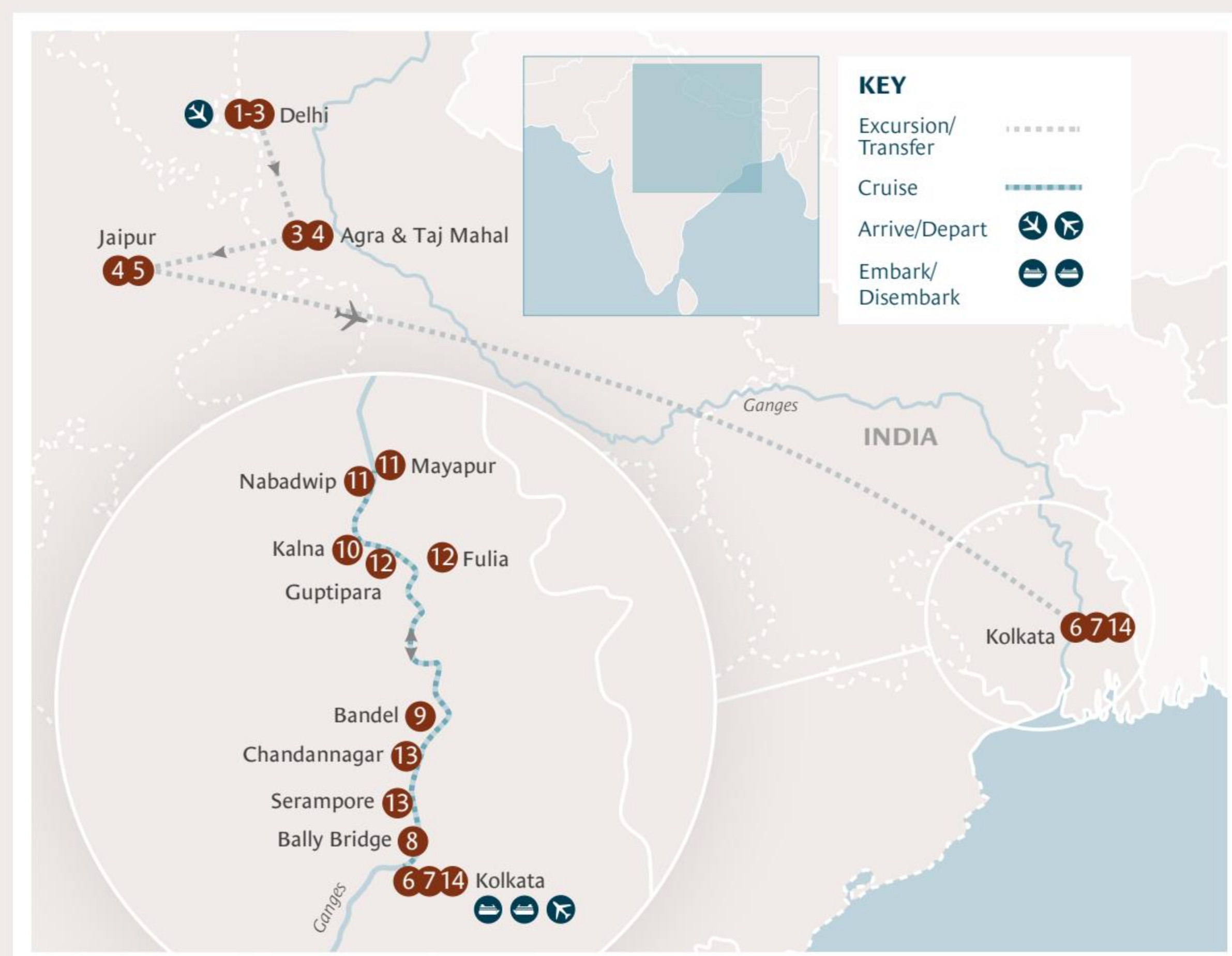
### DAY 13 – Chandannagar & Serampore

Enjoy a guided tour of Chandannagar, including the Sacred Heart Church and the Chandannagar Museum. Later, we cruise downstream to Serampore for a walking tour of the Old Quarters. This evening, we sail back to Kolkata. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences – Guided tour of Chandannagar & walking tour of Serampore**

### DAY 14 - Return home (B)

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The Nile



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Arrival in Cairo

Arrive in Cairo and transfer to MS Darakum. (D)

### DAY 2 – The Pyramids, Sphinx & Coptic Museum

Drive to the Giza plateau for a close-up view of the Great Pyramids. Pyramid entry is available at extra cost payable locally. For the Great Pyramid of Cheops there's a daily visitor limit, so there's no guarantee of entry. Also marvel at the mighty Sphinx, one of the world's largest free-standing sculpture. Later we'll explore Old Cairo's Christian history and see the 'Hanging Church', the Coptic Museum and the Ben Ezra synagogue. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visit the Great Pyramid of Giza & the Coptic Museum

### DAY 3 – Saqqara & Grand Egyptian Museum

Visit the Step Pyramid of Saqqara this morning, before exploring the extensive collection of treasures at the new Grand Egyptian Museum. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visit the Step Pyramid of Saqqara then the Grand Egyptian Museum

### DAY 4 – Full-day sail

Sailing out of Cairo, we pass small farms, canals and date palm plantations. Enjoy fascinating lectures on both modern and ancient Egypt. We moor at Beni Suef. (B,L,D)

### DAY 5 – Full-day sail

Relax under shaded sun loungers or Balinese-style canopied day-beds. Moor in Minya. (B,L,D)

### DAY 6 – Beni Hassan Tombs

Visit Tuna El Gebel, the necropolis of Hermopolis, and explore the tomb of Petosiris and the catacombs. Later, tour the tombs at Beni Hassan, with wonderful valley views. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visit Tuna El Gebel and the Tombs of Petosiris and Beni Hassan

### DAY 7 – Amarna

See Pharaoh Akhenaten's tomb before we continue, sailing by Coptic monasteries and mooring in Asyut. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Visit Pharaoh Akhenaten's tomb



**Your ship:**  
MS Darakum – see website



### Extend your holiday

Luxor to Aswan Extension – The tour continues to the Valley of the Kings and Aswan.

## Luxor to Aswan extension

### DAY 11 – Luxor West Bank & Valley of the Kings

Cross the Nile to the West Bank for the Valley of the Kings! We also visit Howard Carter's house and the newly-opened replica of King Tut's tomb, as well as the mortuary temple of Hatshepsut, the first female pharaoh. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visit the Valley of the Kings, Howard Carter's House & the Temple of Hatshepsut

### DAY 12 – Karnak & Luxor Temples

Visit the Temple of Karnak and the astounding Hypostyle Hall. Then explore the Temple of Luxor. Later we sail for Edfu. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visit the Temples of Karnak and Luxor

### DAY 13 – Kom Ombo

After our visit to the temple of Kom Ombo, relax on board during your final afternoon of sailing. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Visit the Temple at Kom Ombo

### DAY 14 – Aswan

Marvel at the Aswan High Dam. Then continue to the temple of Philae and the Nubian museum. Finally, we enjoy sailing on a felucca as the sun sets in the west to Kitchener Island, which the general converted to a botanical park. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visit the Aswan High Dam, the Temple of Philae and the Nubian Museum and sail to Kitchener Island

### DAY 15 – Return flight

Transfer to the airport for our flight home, via Cairo. (B)

*All flights and transfers are included*

*(B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner*

### DAY 8 – Full-day sail

Relax and enjoy cruising! (B,L,D)

### DAY 9 – Abydos

Abydos, with the Great Temple of Seti I as its centrepiece, is known for its Gallery of the Kings. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Visit the Temple of Seti I

### DAY 10 – Dendera

Gaze upon the temple of Hathor in the Dendera complex, one of the best-preserved temples in Egypt. We sail on to Luxor. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Visit the Temple of Hathor

### DAY 11 – Return flight

Transfer to Luxor airport to fly home via Cairo. (B)



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Aswan



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Late arrival in Aswan (D)

#### DAY 2 – Aswan

After a morning at leisure and breakfast and lunch on board, we visit one of modern Egypt's greatest achievements – the Aswan High Dam, this afternoon. We continue to the Temple of Philae, which had to be rescued from the rising waters of Lake Nasser. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visits to the Aswan High Dam and the Temple of Philae**

#### DAY 3 – Kom Ombo

After a leisurely morning sailing, join your guide for a visit to the Temple at Kom Ombo – dedicated to two gods, Horus (the falcon-headed god) and Sobek (the crocodile god). We sail to Edfu and moor overnight. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit to the Temple of Kom Ombo**

#### DAY 4 – Edfu

Today begins with an early visit to one of the best-preserved temples from the Ptolemaic era: the Temple of Edfu. This enormous structure offers a unique glimpse into ancient Egypt's religious and cultural practices, featuring towering columns and intricate hieroglyphics. The rest of the day at leisure, sailing to Luxor. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit to the Temple of Edfu**

#### DAY 5 – Luxor West Bank and Valley of the Kings

Cross the Nile to the West Bank for the 'main event' – the Valley of the Kings. The incredible state of preservation and the vividness of the paintings and hieroglyphics is simply astounding. We will also visit the mortuary temple of Hatshepsut, the first female pharaoh. After lunch back on board, we visit the Temple of Karnak. Its Hypostyle Hall is said to be the largest religious centre of the ancient world. Later, we visit the Temple of Luxor, which was originally connected to Karnak via the 2-mile-long Avenue of the Sphinxes. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visits to the Valley of the Kings, the Temple of Hatshepsut, Karnak Temple and Luxor Temple**

#### DAY 6 – Dendera

Enjoy a morning's sailing towards Qena and savour lunch on board before your afternoon visit to the Temple of Hathor at Dendera. The Temple of Hathor is one of the most complete and best-preserved in all of Egypt. We sail on to Naga Hammadi, where we moor overnight. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit to the Temple of Hathor**

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#### DAY 7 – Abydos

Abydos remains one of ancient Egypt's most mysterious sites, with the Great Temple of Seti I as its centrepiece. Dedicated to the cult of Osiris, god of the dead, Abydos was a pilgrimage centre for thousands of years. This afternoon, relax as we sail. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit to the Temple of Seti I**

#### DAY 8 – Full day sail

Today we continue our journey northwards, with a full day's cruising. You'll cruise through a lock towards Tel El Amarna, pausing in front of Prince Tawdrous Monastery for a view from the ship. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 9 – Amarna

Arrive in Amarna, the site of the capital of the Pharaoh Akhenaten and his queen Nefertiti, parents to the more well-known Tutankhamun. Amarna is dedicated to a short-lived monotheistic cult centred on the sun god, Aten, with temples and altars open to the sky. We'll visit Akhenaten's tomb, as well as those of some of his courtiers. The afternoon is at leisure, sailing towards Minya. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit Pharaoh Akhenaten's tomb**

#### DAY 10 – Beni Hassan Tombs

We continue with a tour of the little-visited tombs at Beni Hassan, set high above the Nile at the foot of a cliff, with wonderful

views across the valley. The tombs belong to the 11th dynasty governors of the region, and unlike more imposing royal tombs, here you'll find wall paintings showing charming glimpses of real daily life. This afternoon, we sail to the small town of Beni Suef where we moor overnight. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visit to the tombs of Beni Hassan**

#### DAY 11 – Cairo

Enjoy a final morning's sail before exploring Old Cairo for insight into its Christian history, before a visit to the Coptic Museum and the nearby Ben Ezra synagogue – said to be where the Pharaoh's daughter found Moses in his basket. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Tour of Old Cairo, with a visit to the Coptic Museum**

#### DAY 12 – Pyramids of Giza, Sphinx and Grand Egyptian Museum

We'll drive out of the city towards the Giza plateau for our first close-up view of the Great Pyramids and Sphinx. After lunch back on board, see the vast collection of Egyptian treasures on display at the newly opened Grand Egyptian Museum. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience – Visits to the Great Pyramid of Giza and the Sphinx, and the Grand Egyptian Museum**

#### DAY 13 – Return home (B)

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Abydos



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The Nile



## Your Itinerary

### DAY 1 – Arrival in Cairo

Fly to Cairo, transfer to our hotel and settle in for a three-night stay. (D)

### DAY 2 – The Pyramids, Sphinx & Grand Egyptian Museum

Drive to the Giza plateau for a close-up view of the Great Pyramids. Also marvel at the mighty Sphinx, one of the world's largest free-standing sculptures. This afternoon, we visit King 'Tut's' tomb; its treasures form the centrepiece of the newly opened Grand Egyptian Museum. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visit to the Great Pyramid of Giza and Sphinx & the Grand Egyptian Museum

### DAY 3 – Coptic Cairo & Citadel

This morning, we'll explore Old Cairo's Christian history and see the 'Hanging Church', the Coptic Museum and the Ben Ezra synagogue. Then enjoy a guided tour of the Citadel of Cairo, seeing the Mosque of Muhammad Ali and the Khan El-Khalili Souk. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Guided tours of Coptic Cairo & Citadel of Cairo, including Muhammad Ali Mosque & Khan El-Khalili Souk

### DAY 4 – Cairo to Luxor

Fly from Cairo to Luxor today to board your cruise and settle in on board, the Steigenberger Regency ship, your home for the next 7 nights. Flight time permitting, we'll visit Luxor Library and Heritage Centre. This evening, we'll enjoy a visit to Luxor Temple – famous for its statues, unique artwork and wall carvings. (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visits to the Luxor Library & Heritage Centre (flight time permitting) & the Temple of Luxor

### DAY 5 – Dendera

Gaze upon the temple of Hathor in the Dendera complex, one of the best preserved temples in Egypt, before an afternoon at leisure. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Visit to the Temple of Hathor in Dendera

### DAY 6 – Kom Ombo

Relax with a morning sailing. Later, we'll arrive in Kom Ombo and visit the magnificent temple. Unusually it's dedicated to two gods, Horus (the falcon-headed god) and Sobek (the local crocodile god). (B,L,D)

**Included Experiences** – Visit to the Temple of Kom Ombo



### Your ship:

Steigenberger Regency – *see website*

### DAY 7 – Aswan

Marvel at the Aswan High Dam. Then continue to the Temple of Philae, Unfinished Obelisk and the Nubian Museum. Finally, we enjoy sailing on a felucca. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Visit to the Aswan High Dam, the Temple of Philae, the Unfinished Obelisk and the Nubian Museum and a ride on a traditional felucca

### DAY 8 – Aswan or Abu Simbel

Spend the day moored in Aswan taking advantage of the ship's facilities or join our optional excursion to Abu Simbel. This evening, we'll head back to the Temple of Philae for a sound and light show. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Sound and light show at Philae Temple

### DAY 9 – Edfu

Free morning sailing along the Nile before reaching Edfu to visit Egypt's second largest temple. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Visit to the Temple of Edfu

### DAY 10 – Temple of Karnak

Visit the Temple of Karnak and the astounding Hypostyle Hall. Then head to a local papyrus workshop to find out how this ancient writing material is made before an afternoon at leisure. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Visit to the Karnak Temple

### DAY 11 – Luxor West Bank & Valley of the Kings

Disembark the ship this morning and cross the Nile to the West Bank for the Valley of the Kings! We also visit the Colossi of Memnon, as well as the mortuary temple of Hatshepsut, one of Egypt's first female rulers. We'll complete your day with a visit to the beautiful Medinet Habu Temple. (B,L,D)

**Included Experience** – Guided tour of the West Bank, inc. Valley of the Kings, the Temple of Hatshepsut and Habu Temple

### DAY 12 – Luxor

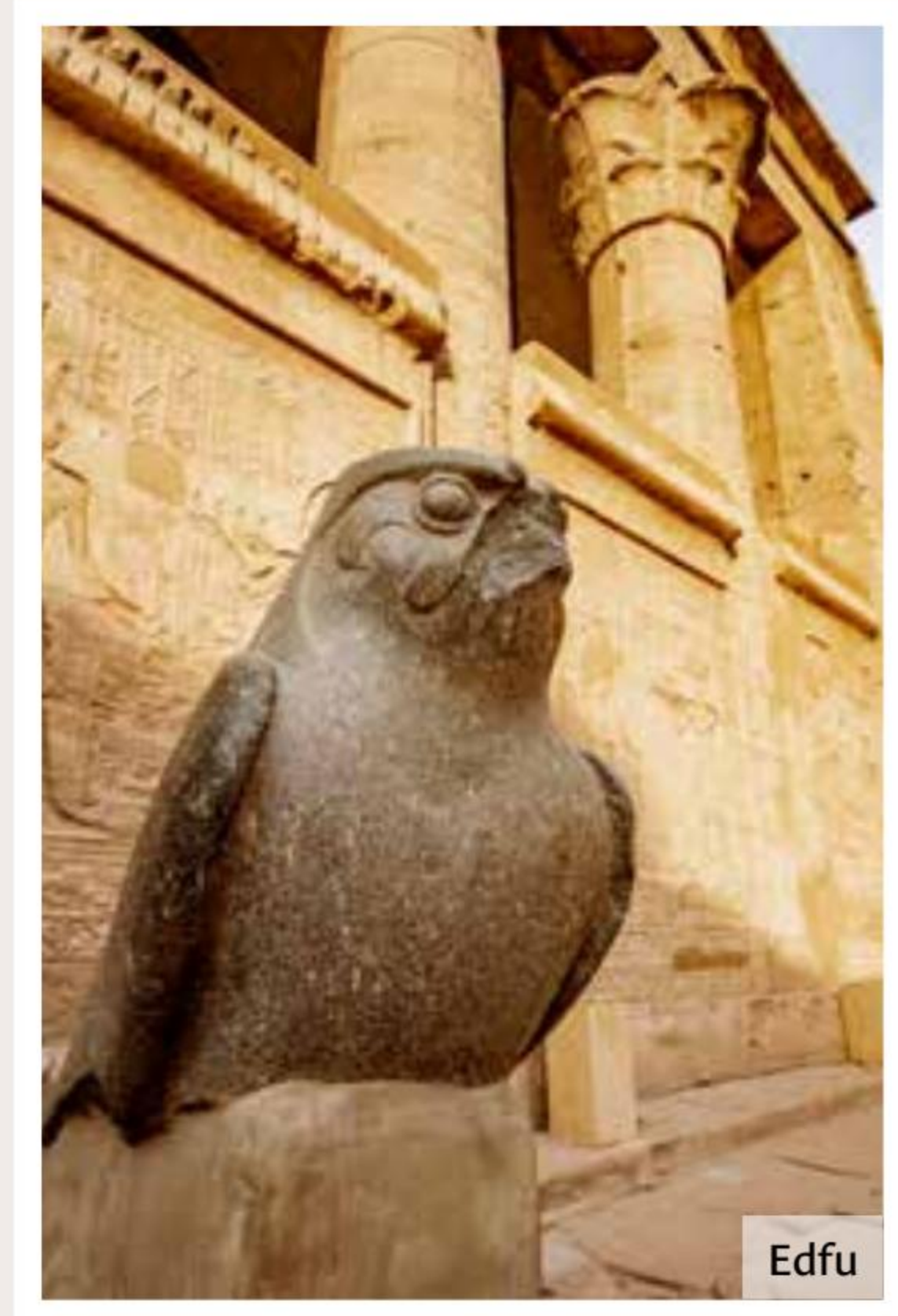
Visit the Luxor Museum to see its small but superb collection of high-quality artworks and artefacts, dating from the Predynastic period to the Islamic era. Free afternoon to enjoy the facilities at your hotel. (B,D)

**Included Experience** – Visit to Luxor Museum

### DAY 13 – Return flight (B)

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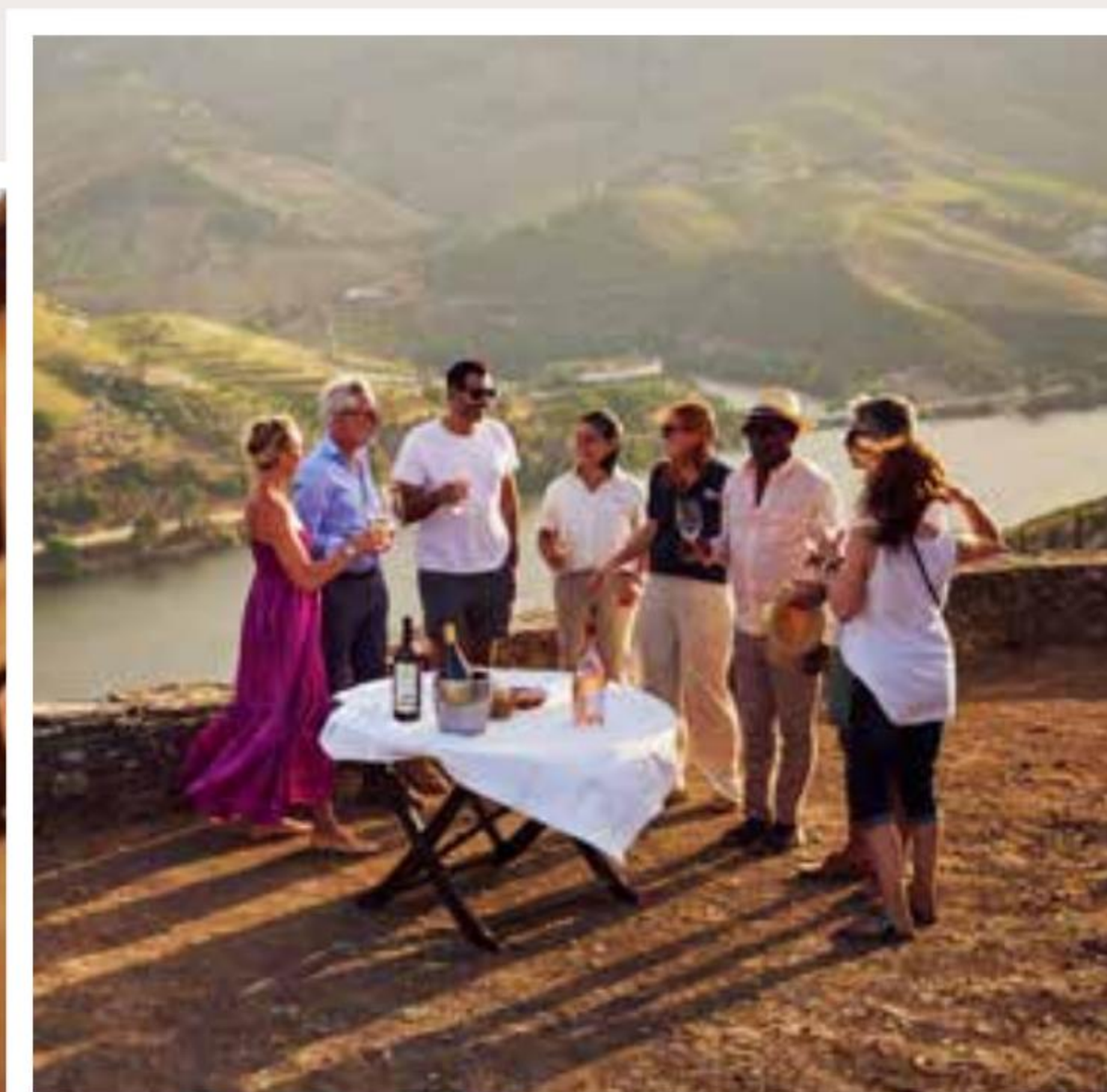
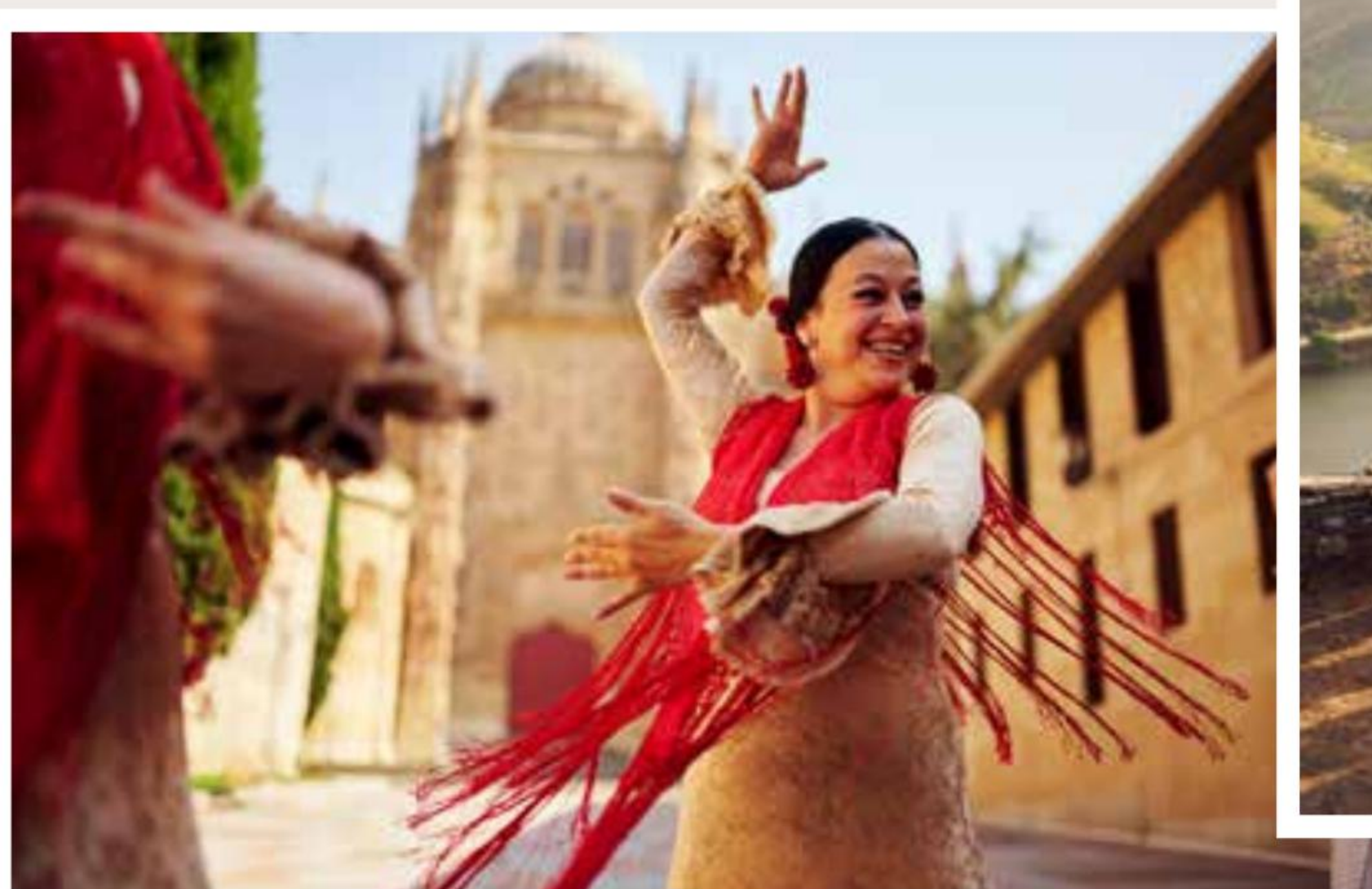
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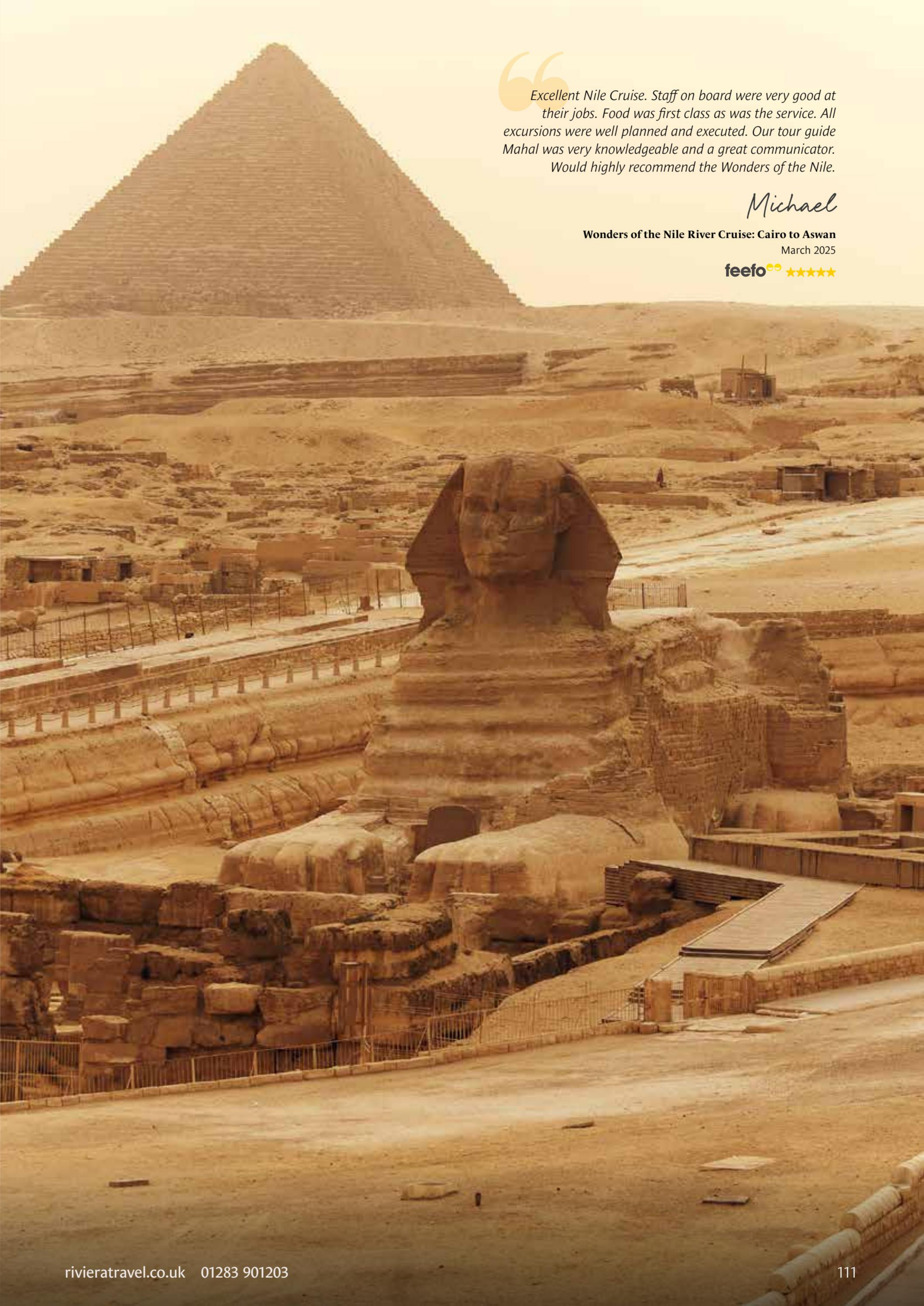
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