



Adventure World

Travel with Purpose



Tailor-Made

Africa & Middle East • Asia & India
South & Central America • Canada & Alaska • Nordics



The Art of Tailor-made

This collection is a distillation of the world's most profound encounters, forged from the first-hand expertise of our specialists. We look beyond the ordinary, pairing unique properties that harmonise with their environments and journeys enriched by the wisdom of local storytellers.

By prioritising depth over distance, our experts provide exclusive access to the elders, artisans, and specialists who breathe life into a destination. Their narratives ensure your presence supports the preservation of the cultures, communities, and wildlife you have come to admire.

Consider these pages a framework for inspiration, a starting point for a journey crafted entirely for you. Whether you seek the quiet majesty of the remote wilderness or a vivid connection with the natural world, we are here to calibrate every detail to your pace and passion.

Neil Rodgers, Managing Director

Your remarkable reality starts here.

What we're about...

We specialise in travel that goes beyond the surface. We combine trusted expertise with a tailor-made approach to take you to the heart of every destination.

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Designed to Inspire, Born to be Recycled

While we hope these pages stay on your coffee table until your next departure, we've ensured that when their journey ends, they don't leave a trace. You can explore these destinations with a clear conscience, knowing your inspiration hasn't come at the Earth's expense.

**100% Recyclable. Sustainably Sourced.
Earth-First Materials. Independently Verified.**

Crafted for You by Travellers, Not Tourists

The foundation of every journey we create is our people. Our Destination Specialists are passionate travellers who have spent years building deep, authentic connections with the corners of the globe they represent.

They return regularly to unearth new ideas and local secrets, ensuring your itinerary is built on current, first-hand knowledge. This deep-rooted expertise allows us to guide you to the places others miss and show you the icons in an alternative light. We don't just hear you; we listen. Through insightful conversation, we uncover your aspirations to build a journey that resonates with who you are.



“With 30 years of expertise and more than 40 journeys across the region, Asia is part of my DNA. From the remote jungles to the electric energy of sprawling cities, this land offers a sensory experience like nowhere else on Earth. I use a lifetime of deep-rooted knowledge to forge memories that don't just last a season, but a lifetime.”

Michelle Cochrane,
Master of the Asian Tapestry



THE EXPERTISE

Passionate specialists

Our specialists possess first-hand knowledge of the regions they curate

Expert guidance

Real-time advice and personal recommendations

THE EXPERIENCE

Extraordinary curation

We go beyond the obvious, finding the hidden gems that exceed your expectations

Bespoke freedom

Start with our proven itineraries; finish with your personal masterpiece


THE EXECUTION

Meticulous planning

From logistics to luxury, we handle the complexity so you can enjoy the immersion

Proven excellence

Every detail - flights, stays, and guides - is organised with obsessive care



Expertise as deep as the *horizons we explore*:
Hear from a few of the Destination Specialists
crafting your journeys



“South America is not just a destination to me, but my home, my roots and my story. A land full of contrast, colours, traditions and hidden gems waiting to be shared with the world. I love introducing travellers to destinations that might feel far away, yet once you experience them, they feel surprisingly close to your heart.”

Rosie (Rocio) Garcia,
Ambassador of the Andes



“I am the bridge between a traveller’s dream and the ethereal beauty of the North. At Adventure World, we don’t simply sell trips; we curate exclusive, responsibly designed experiences that go far beyond the typical itinerary. My mission is to ensure every journey into the Nordics is seamless, authentic, and utterly unforgettable.”

Melissa Bennett-Allen,
Curator of Nordic Legacies



“Africa is a destination that becomes part of your identity; after twelve years specialising here, I feel an eternal affinity for its wild heart. I envy those landing on African soil for the first time, it is a moment that leaves you forever changed. By blending raw passion with meticulous detail, I ensure every itinerary is a transformative, seamless masterpiece.”

Morgan Taylor,
Soul of the Savannah



“Specialising in the vast frontiers of North America is a profound privilege. My recent expedition to Alaska, where I witnessed the celestial dance of the Northern Lights three times, deepened my hands-on expertise. I return with more than just knowledge; I bring the raw energy of the Arctic to every guest, ensuring their journey is as legendary as the landscapes themselves.”

Nadia Paulsen,
Guardian of the Great North

Travel Shaped Around You

The core of Adventure World is the freedom to explore on your own terms. Our suggested itineraries are designed to work beautifully as they are, but they truly come alive when *gently tailored with purpose*.

Whether you crave the wow of a rugged landscape or the quiet depth of a cultural immersion, we ensure the pace is yours and the path is new.



THE DISCOVERY

We start with a conversation, not a booking form. Our specialists ask the right questions to understand your ‘why’, uncovering the specific landscapes, cultures, and places that move you.



THE DESIGN

Using our proven itineraries as a canvas, we paint in the details. We tweak, pivot, and refine until the blueprint matches your vision.

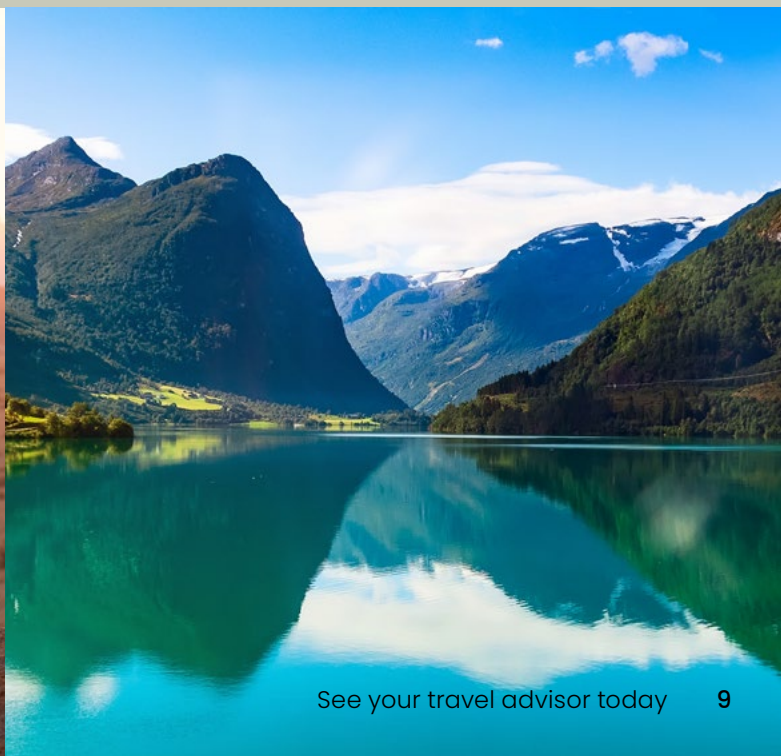


THE DEPARTURE

With every flight, transfer, and expert local guide seamlessly locked in, you step into your journey with total confidence. We handle the complexity; you embrace the extraordinary.



We provide the inspiration; *you provide the soul.*
Together, we create a journey that flows naturally, allowing
for deep discovery without sacrificing the defining
moments that make a destination extraordinary.



The Adventure World Difference

To understand how we create our extraordinary journeys, it helps to understand our 'un-tourist' philosophy, the standards we set and the shortcuts we refuse to take.



What we do

Bespoke Curation

Our proven itineraries provide inspiration, but customisation is our core.

Deep Immersion

We unveil the lifeblood of a destination through intimate local encounters and meaningful connections.

A Human-Centric Approach

Our Destination Specialists use their first-hand knowledge of their specific corners of the globe to exceed your expectations.

Transformative Growth

We curate journeys designed to foster a deeper connection to the world and your place within it.



What we don't do

Cookie-Cutter Itineraries

We don't believe in 'one size fits all' travel. You won't find mass-produced tours here.

Surface-Level Sightseeing

We avoid crowded tourist traps, and generic photo-op stops that only scratch the surface.

Impersonal Planning

To us, you aren't just a booking number in a computer system.

Passive Travel

We don't just move you from point A to point B or provide a place to sleep.

We've built our reputation on moving away from the standard to the sublime.



How We Travel

Storytellers, not just guides

Your journey is defined by discovery, not crowds. You won't just follow a path; you'll meet the people who define the land – conservationists, village elders, and artisans who offer perspectives no guidebook can capture.

Real connection to place

We trade tourist routes for the soulful lifeblood of a destination. By opening doors usually kept closed, from a family's private table to silent wildlife encounters, we bring you into the quiet, beating heart of the land.

Stays with character

We hand-pick more than just a night's sleep. From heritage lodges pulsing with history to eco-sanctuaries sculpted from local stone, our stays are chosen for their harmony with the environment and their sense of place.



The perfect rhythm

We understand the nuance of travel: knowing when to be modest and when to be magnificent. We choreograph your days to balance simple charm with extravagant show-stoppers, managing the logistics, so you can stay immersed in the moment.

An invisible safety net

Explore with the thrill of total independence. Our 24/7 support team handles the 'what-ifs' in the background, giving you the confidence to roam freely, while we clear the path ahead.

Tried & Tested: Our Exacting Standards

By the time a property, mode of transport or experience reaches you, it has survived our most exacting criteria, so you can explore our collection with the absolute confidence that every single moment, destination and encounter has been personally checked.

The architects of our itineraries are our team of passionate Product Managers who scout remote trails, vet boutique and unique stays, and seek out authentic local activities and off-the-beaten-track places. Their sole mission is to find and secure the most life-affirming and memorable encounters the world has to offer. The result is a meticulous selection of travel experiences that perfectly match our exacting standards, and exceed yours.



I focus on uncovering partnerships that *empower the destination* and provide a renewed sense of purpose

“Being from South America, sourcing our encounters here is deeply personal. The most extraordinary, off-the-beaten-track places are fiercely guarded by local communities. I focus on uncovering partnerships that empower the destination and provide a renewed sense of purpose. I find the hidden encounters that create real, tangible change, giving our Destination Specialists the perfect elements to build a journey with genuine, lasting impact.”

Ana Salazar, Product Manager,
South & Central America



To truly appreciate the soul of Asia, you have to *look beyond* the famous monuments.

“Ticking off Delhi and the Taj Mahal in a week barely scratches the surface. Instead, I immerse myself in the living history, seeking out vibrant culinary traditions, local artisans, and the genuine warmth of the people. I thoughtfully secure these deep cultural connections so our Destination Specialists can build you an itinerary that celebrates the authentic heartbeat of the subcontinent.”

Eric Finley, Product Manager,
Asia & India



I seek out the region’s deep *connection to nature* and *thoughtful living*.

“What continually draws me back to the Nordics is the undeniable sense of balance and wellbeing. I seek out the region’s deep connection to nature and thoughtful living. The real secret here is understanding how the timeless elegance of Danish design or Norway’s dramatic fjords fundamentally connect back to that lifestyle. I uncover these pristine, untouched locations so our Destination Specialists can design an itinerary that invites you to slow down and slip into an Icelandic lagoon.”

Lubi Sibikova, Product Manager,
Nordics



Africa constantly evolves; *no two journeys are ever the same*.

“My role as a travel architect is to hunt down the real magic where new conservation stories are emerging. I spend my time on the ground, side-by-side with anti-poaching and education programs. I secure these exact encounters so our Destination Specialists can weave you directly into the front lines of responsible travel, creating an adventure that actively protects the wildlife we love.”

Samantha Van Eldik, Product Manager,
Africa & Middle East



I am always in search of the raw, *thrilling moments*.

“The secret is extreme local knowledge and precise access. I secure the absolute best experiences to create our itineraries, such as finding the exact, quietest window to watch a spirit bear emerge from the forest. This way, our Destination Specialists can curate a seamless, custom-built adventure just for you and your travel dreams.”

Kristy Prince, Product Manager,
Canada & Alaska

Your Blueprint to Discovery

The pages ahead are more than a collection of trips; they are a curated gallery of possibilities. Use them to spark your imagination, then let us provide the tools to build your personal travel masterpiece.



The inspired itinerary

Every journey featured represents our specialists' recommended routes, a flow perfected over decades to balance iconic landmarks with immersive, hidden sub-plots. You can engage with these itineraries in two ways:

Use them as

These routes are expertly crafted and work beautifully exactly as written.

Use them as a base

Consider these itineraries a proven foundation for further tailored customisation.

Navigating Your Options

Look for these markers throughout the brochure to help tailor your journey:



+ **Go further** – Specific, high-impact excursions designed to add a deeper layer to your itinerary.



+ **Go deeper & stay longer** – Recommended extensions to increase your immersion in key hubs or experience a different side of the local culture.

Map legend



Start location



End location



Visited location



Overnight



Flight



Cruise/ferry



Train



Two Ways _____ _____ to Discover

- 1. EXPERIENCE (Inspiration)**
Flip to these pages to find the uncovered soul of the region. These are singular, high-definition moments, from vibrant festivals to private culinary tours, that we weave into your personal narrative.
- 2. EXPLORE (Place)**
These pages provide the tactical details on specific regions and unique highlights. Use these to identify the geographical must-sees that we recommend for your bespoke trip.



The Art of the Journey

Accommodation: stays with a sense of place

At Adventure World, we believe your accommodation should be more than just a place to rest, it should be a gateway to the culture, history, and soul of your destination. Our product portfolio is handpicked and highly diverse, curated by experts who prioritise authenticity above all else. Whether it is a lead-in value property chosen for its unbeatable location or a boutique sanctuary that redefines luxury, every stay must make the cut.

Strategic value: Quality properties chosen for their proximity to iconic landmarks.

Boutique character: Intimate stays that offer a deep dive into local design and hospitality.

Ultimate luxury: Extraordinary, dare we say, 'luxurious' estates that offer world-class refinement.

Pricing & Value:

A Personalised Approach

Because every Adventure World journey is as unique as the individual taking it, there is no such thing as a 'one size fits all' price. Your final investment is shaped by the choices you make, the season you travel, the bespoke mix of accommodation you select, and the specific experiences you weave into your itinerary. For this reason, we refrain from providing static pricing within these pages. To help you begin your planning, you will always find lead-in pricing on our website to serve as a guide.

The hybrid approach: tailoring your stay

The true art of the journey lies in flexibility. We don't believe you have to choose just one tier for your entire trip. Our itineraries allow you to mix and match accommodation styles to suit your particular budget or preferences. You might choose a high-value property to stay in the heart of a bustling city, then splurge on a remote boutique retreat to end your journey in total serenity.

Transport: the art of moving locally

How you move through a destination is as vital as where you sleep. We ensure your mode of transport reflects both the landscape and your personal style:

- **Private drivers and guides** for ultimate flexibility and local insight.
- **Small group experiences** for shared discovery and camaraderie.
- **Rail journeys** for scenic relaxation and timeless charm.
- **Small ship expeditions** for intimate coastal voyages or epic ocean expeditions.
- **Self-drive options** for the freedom of the open road.

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Serengeti, Tanzania

Africa & Middle East

There's something magical about Africa. Rich in natural beauty and mind-blowing wildlife experiences, travelling here is a deeply immersive experience that touches your soul. In southern Africa, track the Big Five (lion, leopard, elephant, rhino and buffalo) in iconic national parks, feel the spray of mighty Victoria Falls and be awed by Namibia's dramatic desert landscapes. East Africa lays claim to nature's greatest wildlife spectacle with the Great Migration across the Serengeti, the vibrant culture of the Maasai people and life-changing encounters with mountain gorillas. The Middle East's history is astounding, from Egypt's inimitable pyramids and its lifeblood Nile to Morocco's imperial cities, ancient medinas and exotic souks.

Peak Travel Periods

May–September is prime safari season, with excellent wildlife viewing around waterholes. **August** showcases the Great Migration, while **November** offers birdwatching in Botswana, and ideal Garden Route touring in South Africa. Egypt is year-round, with cooler conditions **October–April**.

Expert Advice

February's calving season delivers dramatic predator encounters and newborn wildlife. **November–April's** green season brings vibrant landscapes, fewer crowds, and rewarding, more intimate safari experiences.



Etosha National Park, Namibia

Experience

Africa is packed with experiences that even the most intrepid of travellers dream about, from magnificent gorillas in the wild to the famed Big Five. It's a place that leaves you speechless with wonder from the moment you arrive. The sights and sounds, extraordinary flora, fauna and people make an everlasting impression.

Spotting the Big Five

Botswana, Kenya, Namibia, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe

There's nothing like spotting your first Big Five animal in the wild. Whether it's a herd of elephants by a waterhole, a lion pride resting in the shade or a leopard silently gliding past your safari vehicle, it's a moment you'll remember for life. Witnessing the Big Five is a high probability on any of Adventure World's itineraries, with expert guides that lead the way and observe strict animal welfare guidelines for meaningful, ethical encounters and wildlife conservation.

PHOTOGRAPHY: GETTY/MURTAZART (RHINOS); GETTY/OLEH SLOBODENIUK (PYRAMIDS); GETTY/TAMER_DESOUKY (FALLS); GETTY/HENK BOGAARD (WILD DOGS)



Private game reserves and conservancies

Africa

Whether it be a luxury lodge (complete with day spa and swimming pool), a unique tented camp where you sleep in 'nests' elevated among the trees, or traditional rondavels with views across the Serengeti, Adventure World's handpicked accommodation sits within exquisite natural settings that seamlessly blend the wild and untamed with luxury.

Victoria Falls

Zimbabwe and Zambia

Forming a natural border between Zimbabwe and Zambia, Victoria Falls – also known as Mosi-oa-Tunya or 'The Smoke that Thunders' – is one of the greatest waterfalls on Earth. Plunging 108 metres into the Zambezi River, the roar of these powerful falls can be heard from up to 40 kilometres away. Feel the spray of this unforgettable natural wonder with many of our Zimbabwe and Zambia itineraries.



Intimate wildlife encounters

Botswana, Kenya, Namibia, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Africa offers one of the most incredible wildlife displays on the planet. From the Big Five to gorillas in Rwanda and the spectacle of the Great Migration, this region also offers the privilege of seeing rare species such as the white rhino in the Greater Kruger National Park and the serval in the Serengeti. In Chobe, you'll see the mighty hippopotamus and a vast array of birdlife.

Explore

Sprawling savannahs, stark deserts, verdant deltas and glittering coastlines: Africa comprises a true kaleidoscope of landscapes.

With such diversity comes an incredible range of experiences, including safari game drives, river cruises, wine tasting, city tours and cultural immersion.

Greater Kruger

South Africa

Experience the thrill of a safari in the Greater Kruger, staying within an exclusive private game reserve, where wildlife encounters unfold away from the crowds. Only guests are permitted on drives, ensuring an intimate and uncrowded safari experience. Between adventures, relax in beautifully appointed accommodation and savour exceptional South African cuisine and wine for a safari that blends wilderness, comfort, and unforgettable moments.



Cape Town

South Africa

Cape Town is a buzzing metropolis nestled among mountains, beaches and vineyards. Packed with history and culture, this fascinating city is crowned by Table Mountain, which can be explored by foot or cable car and is fringed by the V&A Waterfront, a historic working harbour with a plethora of shops and dining options. Ferries leave from here to visit UNESCO-listed Robben Island; during Apartheid, it held political prisoners, including Nelson Mandela. Add an extra day to discover South Africa's Mother City.



Etosha National Park

Namibia

This national park in Namibia is an enormous salt pan that formed some 100 million years ago. It now spans 130 kilometres by 50 kilometres, and this striking landscape, which can even be seen from space, is a sight to behold. Despite its dramatic conditions the park is abundant in wildlife, with animals frequently gathering around the many waterholes. It's home to elephants, the endangered black rhino, lions, giraffes and leopards, as well as 340 bird species, including flamingos and ostrich. Visit the park with our **Namibia's Natural Treasures** or **Ultimate Namibia Private Tour** itineraries.



Okavango Delta

Botswana

Experience the magic of one of Africa's most extraordinary wilderness areas. This vast inland waterway transforms the Kalahari sands into a lush oasis, offering a rare combination of land and water-based safari experiences. Explore by open 4WD in search of predators and plains game, glide through reed-lined channels in a traditional mokoro, join guided walking safaris, or see the Delta's intricate patterns from above in a helicopter. With intimate camps and few guests, the Okavango promises exclusivity and unforgettable encounters. Discover this on our **Wildlife and Waterways** itinerary.

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Authentic Southern Africa

Johannesburg to Greater Kruger, South Africa

12 days / 11 nights

“A journey that inspires with nature’s majesty, this exploration of Southern Africa’s Golden Triangle takes in the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Victoria Falls and Table Mountain, as well as safaris through Chobe National Park and the Greater Kruger region.”

Brittney Scott, Destination Specialist



Kruger National Park, South Africa



Cape Town, South Africa



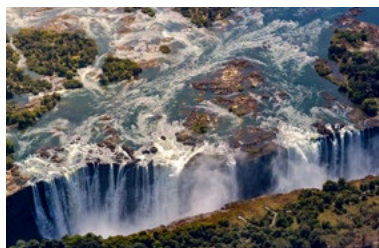
DAYS 1-2

Johannesburg + Victoria Falls

Welcome to the energetic city of Johannesburg. After a short flight, you'll arrive at Victoria Falls, your home for the next few days. Your lodge boasts uninterrupted views of the bushveld and its own waterhole, which is frequented by wildlife such as elephants, kudu and buffalo. Spend time observing the impressive fauna, relaxing in the pool and enjoying sundowners with fellow guests. Come nighttime, experience delicious local cuisine while being entertained by a drum show.

Victoria Falls

At almost two kilometres in width and 100 metres in height, this natural wonder is truly a sight to behold. You'll view the falls during a guided walking tour, where you'll feel the spray and learn about its geology. You'll also have the chance to support local artisans during a visit to a handicrafts market, and take a breather during a sunset cruise along the mighty Zambezi River.



+ Go further: Fly over the falls

Take a scenic helicopter tour above Victoria Falls. You'll get a different perspective of the power and sheer size of this natural wonder.

DAY 4

Chobe National Park

This day is a highlight for many visitors. You'll start with a safari drive in Chobe National Park, spotting the many elephants that call this place home, and will then board a boat for a river cruise, where you'll spot an array of wildlife coming to the water's edge for a drink.



Cape Town

After breakfast you'll fly to Cape Town. This is a city of cultural diversity and natural beauty, from golden beaches to rugged mountains and wine regions. World-famous Table Mountain is an ever-present backdrop, and you'll take a cable car to the top for panoramic views. While in Cape Town, you'll also tour the Bo-Kaap (Malay Quarter), Castle of Good Hope and the Diamond Works. Your accommodation is located within the buzzy V&A Waterfront area, placing you steps from incredible dining and shopping – the perfect place to wander during your downtime. ▶



DAYS 5-6



Kruger National Park, South Africa




Kruger National Park, South Africa

Cape Town

Take a scenic drive along the Atlantic coastline to the Cape Peninsula and see a thriving penguin colony at Boulders Beach. You'll then have the chance to visit the scenic valleys of Paarl, Stellenbosch and Franschhoek, home to some of the country's best wine estates; while you're there, be sure to sample some of their best drops.

DAYS 7-8

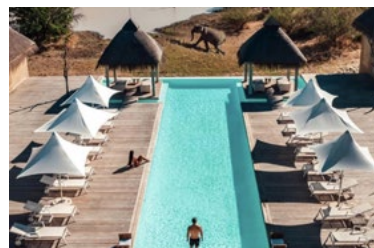


 + *Go further: Seek out the seals*
In Hout Bay, one of Cape Town's best kept secrets, hop onboard a short boat trip to Duiker Island to view its thousand-strong colony of Cape fur seals.

Private game reserve

After being transported to a luxury tented camp you'll spend the next few days exploring a private game reserve, which sprawls over 15,000 hectares within the Greater Kruger region. Take daily game drives to seek out some of the 140 mammal species within the reserve (including the Big Five), as well as hundreds of bird species. This vast wilderness is also home to the endangered white rhino, so keep your eye out for these rare animals that roam freely here.

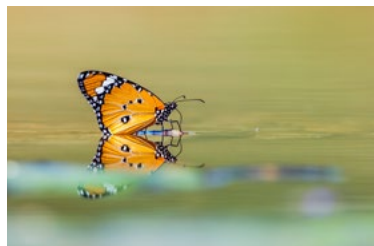
DAY 9



Private game reserve

Daily morning and afternoon drives are included during your time at the private game reserve, so as the sun begins to disappear you may be able to spot nocturnal animals rising from their slumber when you head out on a safari. There will also be downtime to relax in the lodge's pool, and to enjoy treatments in the day spa.

DAYS 10-11



 + *Go further: Micro wonders*
Head out on a walking tour for insight into the reserve's smaller scale wonders, including insects, rare flora, medicinal plants and traditional ways of the land.

DAY 12

Onward bound

Your southern Africa journey concludes after breakfast. From here, you'll be transferred to the airport for your onwards arrangements and next adventures.



“Witnessing a wildebeest giving birth in the Okavango Delta remains one of the most powerful moments I’ve experienced. It was quiet, raw and humbling, an intimate reminder of the privilege of being present in truly wild places.”

Samantha Van Eldik, Product Manager



Chobe National Park, Botswana

Go deeper...

Garden Route

Moving from the bushveld to the coast, the Garden Route offers a change of scenery, including dramatic coastal vistas, forests and mountain passes. Add on our eight-day self-drive itinerary from the Eastern Cape through the Klein Karoo to Cape Town’s Winelands district to discover a mix of experiences from forest hikes to cave tours, as well as opportunities to visit farm stalls and wine estates. Add our **Explore the Garden Route** to your itinerary.

Stay longer...

Botswana

Extend your Southern Africa journey with time in Botswana, one of Africa’s most exclusive and wildlife-rich safari destinations. From the water channels of the Okavango Delta to the elephant herds of Chobe National Park and the predator-filled plains of Moremi Game Reserve, Botswana offers exceptional game viewing in pristine, uncrowded settings. Our **Authentic Botswana** itinerary includes a nine-day journey that combines water and land-based safari activities.

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Southern Africa

Zambia & Malawi Grand Tour

Livingstone, Zambia to Lilongwe, Malawi

14 days / 13 nights

“Southern Africa is celebrated for the iconic Golden Triangle of Cape Town, Victoria Falls, and Kruger National Park, but beyond these highlights lies a world of extraordinary beauty. From the dramatic landscapes of Zimbabwe and Botswana to the vast wilderness of Namibia and the untamed charm of Zambia, this remarkable region offers a tapestry of culture, wildlife, and breathtaking scenery. This curated itinerary is perfectly complemented by time on the shores of Lake Malawi, where the relaxed ‘island-time’ atmosphere creates an idyllic escape.”

Sarah Brown, Destination Specialist



Namib Desert, Namibia



Green Safaris Nest Camp Busanga Plains, Zambia



DAYS 1-2

Livingstone

Welcome to historic Livingstone, an adventurous hub named for explorer David Livingstone. Watch life unfold on the Zambezi River, observing crocodiles and hippos, wandering herds of elephants, and monkeys swinging in the canopy above. Take a guided visit to the mighty Victoria Falls, a UNESCO World Heritage site that will take your breath away. See education projects in action at a local school and browse colourful markets filled with handcrafted wares.

DAYS 3-4

Central Kafue

One of Africa's largest and oldest national parks, Kafue is a wild and unspoiled land. Wake to the sounds of birdsong and set out on a guided walk, reading the morning's stories in the tracks and calls of the birds. Embark on a boat safari to explore Kafue's channels and floodplains.

**+ Go further: Community visit**

For a travel with purpose experience, visit a nearby community to learn about local history, culture, and daily life directly from the people of Kafue.

DAYS 5-7

Busanga Plains

Fly north to Busanga Plains, where you'll sleep in elevated 'nests' among the trees; you'll have an advantageous view of wildlife in the surrounding grasslands. To cover all ground, you'll explore the expansive plains by foot, e-bike and vehicle in search of lion prides, cheetahs and abundant antelope. At nightfall, dine under lanterns to the nocturnal soundtrack. After dark, lift your gaze to a star-studded sky, Busanga by night is pure magic. Rise before dawn for coffee on your private deck as mist lifts off the floodplains, then roll out

in a silent, solar-powered e-Cruiser across open grasslands where puku, red lechwe, and roan graze, while lions work the tree islands.

DAYS 8-10

South Luangwa National Park

South Luangwa National Park is renowned for its predator density and rich biodiversity. Home to leopard, lion and other elusive cat species, the park supports herds of zebra and buffalo, thriving populations of wild dogs, and fascinating nocturnal species, such as genets, civets and hyenas, which you'll search for on both day and evening safaris. Picnics under the shade of albid trees and fireside nightcaps add to the magic.

DAYS 11-14

Likoma Island + Lilongwe

Fly from the Luangwa wilderness to Lake Malawi, where clear freshwater stretches to the horizon. As Likoma Island appears below, the pace shifts from safari to island-time serenity. Meaning 'maybe tomorrow', Kaya Mawa embodies relaxed Malawian hospitality with a barefoot luxury polish. As the sun dips, a lakeside spa treatment is a perfect wind-down. Explore the community farm, swim in gin-clear water, or laze on the beach with a cool drink as the sky turns gold. Transfer to Lilongwe for your onward arrangements.

**+ Go deeper: Chobe River**

Botswana is the ideal choice to go deeper into this remarkable part of Africa. The stunning Chobe River from Botswana to Namibia offers relaxing river safaris, where you'll see myriad species of wildlife and birdlife that inhabit this serene waterway on our incredible **Indepth Chobe** itinerary.

Hwange and community outreach Zimbabwe

Travel in Africa offers more than remarkable landscapes and wildlife encounters – it creates meaningful connections with the communities and conservation initiatives that protect them. Many lodges partner with local villages, supporting education, healthcare and small enterprise development in remote areas. Our **Wild Hwange** itinerary adds purpose to your journey, directly benefiting people and wildlife alike.



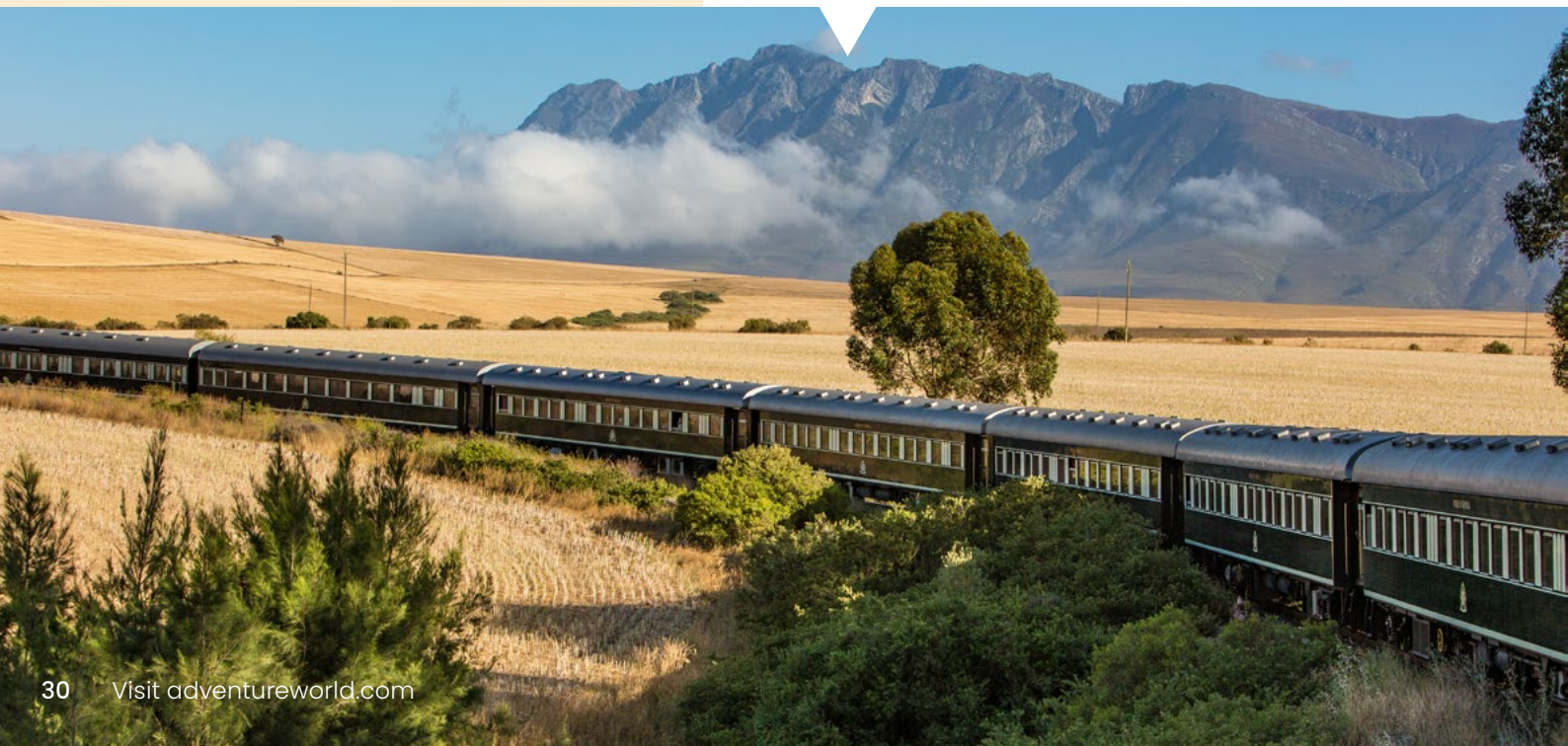
Experience

Wildlife encounters are truly awe-inspiring, and with game drives and forest treks to discover, Southern Africa has these in spades. Layer these iconic experiences with stays that benefit local communities and luxury train travel that unfurls the striking scenery in style.

Rail safari

South Africa and Zimbabwe

Experience Africa by rail on a luxurious journey where time slows and the landscape unfolds beyond your window. Travel in beautifully appointed cabins with ensuite facilities, elegant lounges and observation decks designed for relaxed viewing. As the train glides through ever-changing scenery, from savannah plains to mountain passes and arid horizons, each day reveals a new perspective of the continent. Indulge in exceptional cuisine paired with fine regional wines, impeccable service and curated off-train excursions. With limited guests on board, rail travel offers refined exclusivity and a distinctive safari experience unlike any other.



Explore

The incredible diversity of Southern Africa extends well beyond the famous Golden Triangle. From the stunning Madikwe National Park to the incredible desertscape of Namibia, there's much to explore in this paradise.



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Desert safari

Namibia

Swap the bush for the desert on a self-drive tour through Namibia, a land of striking contrasts, where you can spot wildlife that's adapted to the extreme conditions and engage with indigenous communities. A highlight is a desert safari in the Namib Tsaris Conservancy, just 30 minutes from Sossusvlei and the UNESCO World Heritage site of Namib Sand Sea. The camp experience includes nature drives, walks, mountain biking, visits to Sossusvlei and Deadvlei, and nights around the campfire.

Madikwe National Park

South Africa

Experience the exceptional wildlife of Madikwe Game Reserve, a safari destination just four hours north of Johannesburg. Known for its predator-rich landscapes, Madikwe offers outstanding sightings of big cats, wild dog and both black and white rhino. Set within a diverse semi-arid environment of open plains and rocky hills, distinct from the traditional bushveld settings, the reserve delivers a unique safari backdrop. With limited lodges and controlled vehicle numbers, guests enjoy an exclusive, uncrowded experience paired with a variety of accommodation options and expertly guided game drives.

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East Africa

Authentic East Africa

Nairobi, Kenya to Arusha, Tanzania

13 days / 12 nights

“East Africa dials up the drama. Famously, it’s home to the Great Migration – the most mind-blowing wildlife spectacle on Earth – which sees more than a million wildebeest, zebra and gazelle traverse from Tanzania’s Serengeti to Kenya’s Masai Mara. The Ngorongoro Crater in Tanzania is dubbed a natural zoo, where 20,000 animals from the Big Five to hippos, cheetahs and more roam freely.

In Rwanda and Uganda’s forests, spotting gorillas is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. This itinerary takes you from open plains and riverine forests to the croc-infested Mara River, leaving you gobsmacked by wildlife encounters.”

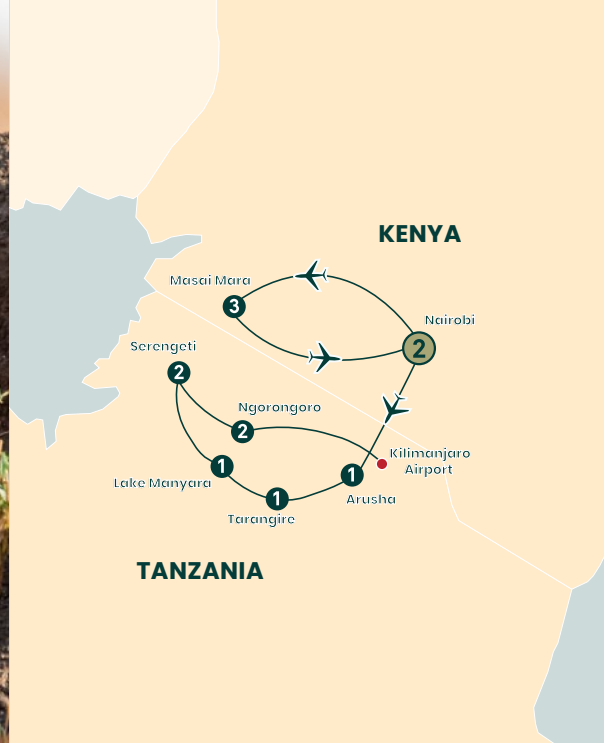
Samantha Van Eldik, Product Manager



Masai Mara, Kenya



Serengeti National Park, Tanzania



DAYS 1-2

Nairobi

Kenya's cosmopolitan capital is home to the world's only national park set within a capital city. Enjoy a game drive to see the abundant animals, including black rhino, and witness the fantastic work the Sheldrick Trust Elephant Orphanage does.

DAYS 3-5

Masai Mara

Pinch yourself as you arrive at the setting for the annual Great Migration, the mass arrival of zebras and wildebeest. Masai Mara has an incredible array of game, including elephants, giraffes, antelope, big cats, rhinos and diverse birdlife. You'll also visit a village to discover the unique indigenous culture.



+ Go further: Float above the plains

Grasp how immense the Mara Plains are, taking in its riverine forests and savannahs, by floating above in a hot-air balloon.

DAY 6

Arusha

Unwind on the edge of Lake Duluti in Arusha, the gateway to the Serengeti.

DAY 7

Tarangire National Park

See everyday life unfold as you drive through the Masai Steppe, past maize, coffee and banana plantations, to Tarangire National Park. This is home to the elusive leopard and more than 400 bird species, and has one of the most significant concentrations of elephants in Africa.

DAY 8

Lake Manyara

Tanzania's Lake Manyara National Park is known for its tree-climbing lions, a huge population of elephants, and the flamingos that frequent its namesake lake. Spot them on a game drive.

DAYS 9-10

Serengeti National Park

Step into this legendary landscape that's dotted with acacia trees and riverine forests. It's best known for being a pathway for the Great Migration but is spectacular year-round. Enjoy morning and afternoon game drives and soak in your lodge's infinity pool overlooking the plains.

DAYS 11-12

Ngorongoro Crater

The Ngorongoro Crater is the world's largest intact and unfilled volcanic caldera cradling diverse landscapes and a wide array of wildlife. During your visit, you'll descend into the crater for a spectacular game drive, followed by a scenic picnic lunch on the crater floor.

DAY 13

Arusha

Return to Arusha for your onward arrangements, passing many villages on the way.



+ Go deeper: See gorillas in Rwanda

Experience the life-changing opportunity to see mountain gorillas in Rwanda, trekking through Volcanoes National Park on our incredible **Gorillas through the Mist** or **Authentic Gorillas and Masai Mara** itineraries.



+ Stay longer: Zanzibar

Extend your time with a relaxed stay in tropical Zanzibar off the coast of Tanzania. Wind down on the beaches of this glorious white-sand archipelago.

Experience

East Africa is filled with pinch-me moments, such as watching the Great Migration in action and getting close to gorillas on a trek through Rwanda's lush and verdant Volcanoes National Park.

The Great Migration

Tanzania and Kenya

The Great Migration is regarded as one of the most spectacular wildlife spectacles on Earth. Around March each year, after thousands of calves are born, wildebeest herds in the Serengeti move north to Masai Mara in search of greener pastures. It's an 800 kilometre circular journey that's fraught with risks, such as crossing croc-infested waters and escaping the lions of the Serengeti. Catching sight of millions of wildebeest and masses of zebra and gazelle as they graze on and cross the lands in unison is a once-in-a-lifetime experience.



Gorilla trekking

Rwanda

A trekking expedition within the dense forests and mist-shrouded landscapes of Volcanoes National Park to see gorillas in their natural habitat is a life-affirming experience. Get up close to witness the social interactions, playful antics and soulful nature of these gentle giants, while contributing to their conservation and the preservation of their fragile ecosystem.

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Ngorongoro Crater

Tanzania

The Ngorongoro Crater is the world's largest intact and unfilled volcanic caldera, forming a breathtaking natural amphitheatre that shelters an extraordinary diversity of landscapes, from lush forest and freshwater springs to open grasslands and soda lakes. This remarkable ecosystem supports an exceptional concentration of wildlife, including lion, elephant, buffalo and the rare black rhino. See it with our **Serengeti and Crater Explorer** itinerary.

Explore

Although East Africa is best known for the Serengeti and Masai Mara, the region has many other wondrous places, such as the Ngorongoro Crater, filled with a diversity of flora and fauna, and the crystalline waters of tropical Tanzania.



Zanzibar

Tanzania

Adding a chilled-out beach holiday to the end of your safari adventure is always a good idea. Soak up the tropical vibes in Zanzibar, a white-sand archipelago off the coast of Tanzania. Spend time lazing under palm trees, snorkelling among coral, wandering the historical Stone Town and exploring the many spice plantations. Add Zanzibar onto your **Authentic East Africa** itinerary.

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Middle East

Authentic Egypt

Cairo to Cairo, Egypt

10 days / 9 nights

“The Middle East is a region where desert landscapes, ancient trade routes and layered civilisations have shaped some of the world’s most compelling stories. Egypt, Morocco and Jordan – all historic crossroads of culture and commerce – are rich in history, architecture and enduring tradition. This itinerary will have you standing before the Pyramids of Giza, gazing up at the great Sphinx and experiencing many more magical moments as you explore Egypt.”

Melanie Bartram, Destination Specialist



Giza, Egypt



Luxor, Egypt



DAYS 1-3

Cairo + Giza

You'll be awe-struck after exploring the Giza Plateau, home to the legendary pyramids and Great Sphinx, with an Egyptologist. Delve deeper with a visit to the Grand Egyptian Museum, which holds a vast collection of artefacts - including an entire gallery dedicated to Tutankhamun.

+ *Go further: Ancient wonders by night*

Once night falls, settle in to watch the Pyramids Sound and Light Show, which adds to the magic of this landscape.

DAY 4

Luxor

Today marks the beginning of your four-night cruise along the storied River Nile. Your first stop on the East Bank is to see the immense Luxor and Karnak Temple complexes; the latter becomes the backdrop for another captivating evening light show.

DAY 5

Luxor + Esna

The West Bank of Luxor holds many treasures, including the Valley of the Kings (where many pharaohs were buried), 15th century temple complex Deir El-Bahari, and the two massive stone statues of the Colossi of Memnon. Enjoy traditional Egyptian Tanoura and belly dancing this evening in Esna.

DAY 6

Esna + Kom Ombo

Your ship will cross from Esna to the city of Edfu, home to the temple dedicated to the god Horus. After arriving in the town of Kom Ombo, visit its

temple dedicated to two deities: the crocodile god Sobek and the falcon-headed Haroeris.

DAY 7

Kom Ombo + Aswan

In Aswan, you'll explore the Unfinished Obelisk (which was abandoned mid-construction some 3,500 years ago), the High Dam and Philae Temple. As the sun melts into the horizon, board a felucca to cruise around the archaeological treasure-filled Elephantine Island.

DAY 8

Aswan + Abu Simbel + Cairo

Disembark your Nile cruise and journey to Abu Simbel, a site renowned for its massive rock temples constructed during the reign of Pharaoh Ramses II. Learn the stories behind the detailed bas-reliefs and hieroglyphs with an Egyptologist. Afterwards, fly to Cairo, where your journey ends.

+ *Stay longer: Morocco*

Morocco offers a plethora of maze-like markets, traditional souks and stunning palaces to explore, not to mention the royal landmarks of Rabat. Our **Grand Tour of Morocco** itinerary will leave you speechless at the beauty of this destination.

+ *Go deeper: Petra*

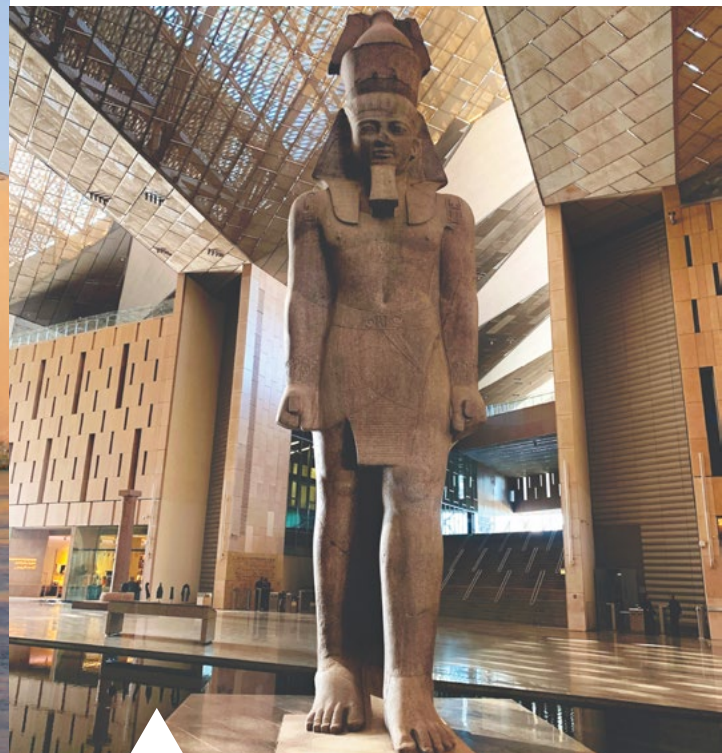
The famous ancient city of Petra in Jordan must be seen to be believed. On our **Authentic Jordan** itinerary, you can sleep in a Bedouin tent in the desert and soak up the history and culture of this enchanting destination.



Life on the Nile

Egypt

No trip to Egypt would be complete without exploring its lifblood, the River Nile; the world's longest river plays a vital role in the country's agriculture and history. Cruising along this waterway – where life bustles on its banks and traditional feluccas still sail – is like a journey through an open-air museum. You'll see stone-hewn cities and well-preserved temples, following the same route the pharaohs would have travelled. Filled with revelations and romance, a Nile cruise is a highlight on any Egypt itinerary.



Experience

Romantic, intriguing and awe-inspiring Egypt, Jordan and Morocco have it all: the legendary Nile, well-preserved ancient cities, fascinating ruins, colourful souks and museums filled with antiquities. Your imagination will be blown.

Grand Egyptian Museum

Egypt

The Grand Egyptian Museum is the country's latest jewel. Dubbed the world's largest archaeological museum, it holds some 100,000 artefacts, state-of-the-art facilities and interactive exhibits. Dive deeper into the country's staggering history in an immersive way as you're guided through the museum by your own personal Egyptologist, providing fascinating insights as you tour this magnificent collection.



Explore

Standing in front of the Pyramids of Giza is a life-changing moment on many wish-lists.

But go beyond the region's world-famous landmarks to see other ancient wonders, stunning landscapes and rich cultures.

Petra

Jordan

Jordan's ancient city of Petra is a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. Inhabited since prehistoric times, the Nabataean city was built within a narrow desert gorge, carved from sandstone that's taken on a pink hue over time. Petra's location between the Red and Dead Seas made it a significant cultural crossroads, and it's now one of the world's most fascinating archaeological sites. See it on our **Classic Jordan** itinerary.



Marrakesh

Morocco

Explore Morocco's most vibrant and atmospheric city: a sensory feast of colour, craftsmanship and culture, Marrakesh blends ancient tradition with modern flair. Wander through the bustling souks surrounding Jemaa el-Fnaa, relax within the tranquil courtyards of a traditional riad and explore the cobalt-hued beauty of Jardin Majorelle. Our **Grand Tour of Morocco** and **Marrakesh Uncovered** allows you to experience the city's history and artistry, and to feel its unmistakable sense of place.

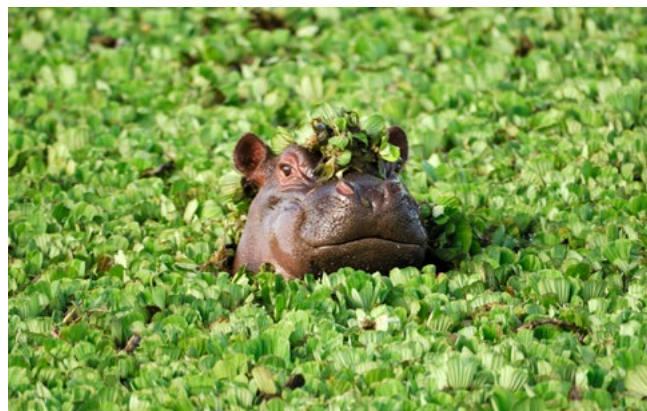
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Wild Hwange

Victoria Falls to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe
6 days / 5 nights

Zimbabwe's Hwange National Park is one of Africa's last great wildernesses. This tour embraces slow travel by safari and train (The Elephant Express) and offers meaningful experiences that support community and conservation. Get up close to elephants, meet the rangers who protect this wildlife, take part in drives that ensure the park's waterholes are supplied with water even in the dry season, and visit a village to connect with the local community members.



Indepth Chobe

Kasane to Kasane, Botswana
4 days / 3 nights

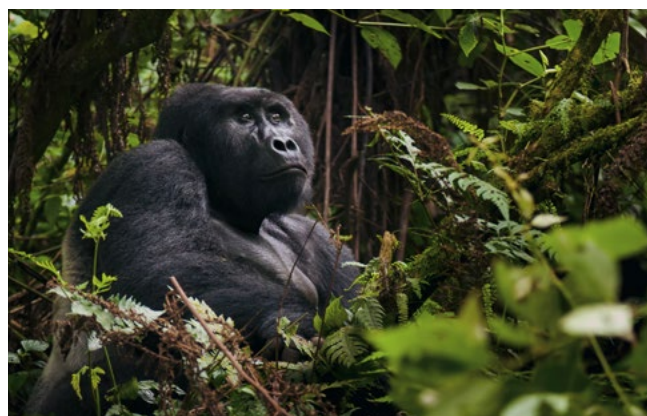
For a refreshing alternative to a land-based drive, journey along Botswana and Namibia's Chobe River onboard the Chobe Princess houseboat. During the day you'll head out on river safaris to see elephants, hippos and buffalo, and enjoy time in the onboard plunge pool with an ever-changing landscape floating by. When the day begins to wane, sip sundowners to the soundtrack of the prolific birdlife as the world glides slowly by.



Rovos to the Falls

Pretoria, South Africa to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe
4 days / 3 nights

Step back to the Golden Age of rail onboard this luxurious Rovos Rail journey that travels between Pretoria and Victoria Falls with elegant dining and impeccable service. Ride through the dramatic landscape of Zimbabwe's Baobab Country and disembark for an unforgettable game drive through Hwange National Park, home to elephants, lions, buffalo and more. Your journey culminates at Victoria Falls, one of the world's greatest natural wonders.



Authentic Gorillas and Masai Mara

Kigali, Rwanda to Nairobi, Kenya
9 days / 8 nights

Embark on a journey through the rainforests of Rwanda, where you'll trek through Volcanoes National Park for a life-affirming experience: seeing mountain gorillas in their natural habitat. You'll visit the Ellen DeGeneres Campus of the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund and learn about gorilla preservation. Kenya's Masai Mara is just as memorable - this is a landscape of sweeping savannahs, where the iconic Big Five roam and the Great Migration takes place.



Madagascar's Magical Encounters

Nosy Be to Nosy Be, Madagascar
8 days / 7 nights

You'll be based on the island of Nosy Komba for seven blissful days, blending barefoot luxury and nature-filled adventure. Take day trips to the surrounding marine reserves, where you can snorkel among sea turtles and colourful fish. Relax on white-sand beaches, enjoy a cruise through mangroves and head to Lokobe Nature Special Reserve, home to rare lemurs and chameleons. Immerse yourself in the rich culture of Nosy Komba during a village tour.



Authentic Jordan

Amman to Amman, Jordan
8 days / 7 nights

Jordan is an enthralling destination of history, culture, faith and natural beauty, and from the ancient Nabataean city of Petra to the serene beauty of the famed Dead Sea, this brilliant itinerary takes it all in. Spend a night in a Bedouin tent set within the enchanting desert landscape of Wadi Rum, visit sacred sites in Bethany and Mount Nebo (including where Moses viewed the Promised Land), and wander around the well-preserved Roman city of Jerash.



Grand Tour of Morocco

Casablanca to Casablanca, Morocco
13 days / 12 nights

Morocco will leave an impression, from its grand cities and maze-like medinas to the still Sahara and its star-studded skies. Explore the royal landmarks of Rabat, shop in Fez's markets, visit the vineyards of Meknes, and enjoy a desert safari featuring a candlelit dinner and Berber music. See Marrakesh's vibrant assortment of palaces, gardens and souks, as well as the fortified medina of Essaouira and its fishing harbour and beaches.



Authentic Namibia

Windhoek to Windhoek, Namibia
11 days / 10 nights

Drive at your own pace to visit Namibia's highlights. Begin in Windhoek before heading to Okonjima Nature Reserve, home of leopard research at the AfriCat Foundation. Continue to Etosha National Park for exceptional wildlife viewing. Travel onward to Damaraland to track elephants and explore ancient rock engravings. Enjoy coastal charm and marine experiences in Swakopmund, then venture into the Namib Desert to discover Sossusvlei's iconic red dunes and Sesriem Canyon before returning to Windhoek.

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Angkor Wat, Cambodia

Asia & India

Home to ancient cultures, historic cities, dramatic landscapes and vivid colour, Asia and the Indian subcontinent reveal some of the world's most rewarding journeys. From the tropical jungles of Borneo to Cambodia's enchanting ruins, the winding waterways and white-sand beaches of Vietnam, and the cultural heart of Sri Lanka – every experience is richly steeped in heritage, flavour and vibrancy. A place to both enliven senses and restore calm, countless discoveries await guests as they travel this remarkable region.



Peak Travel Periods

Vietnam is mostly dry from **December–April**, but varies regionally. India shines in the dry, festival season from **October–March**, and Sri Lanka is nice all year-round, but especially from **December–April**. Borneo is driest from **April–September**.

Expert Advice

Visit Vietnam's northern hills **May–October** to see rice terraces transform into vivid green. Sri Lanka offers excellent wildlife viewing from **April–September** with the drier months bringing increased elephant activity. North India is humid with some rain in **August–September**, but offers low season prices.



Journee is a resident at Animals Asia's Tam Dao Bear Sanctuary, Vietnam

Experience

Asia is famed for its lively markets, vibrant flavours, historic towns, and rugged natural landscapes. There's so much to experience – cruising the mighty Mekong, discovering ancient cities, spotting wildlife in tropical rainforests, and experiencing the renowned cultures, traditions and hospitality of its people. These are just a few of the unmissable experiences of this incredible region.

Animals Asia's rescued bears

Vietnam

See rescued moon and sun bears thriving in peaceful, forested havens at Animals Asia's Tam Dao sanctuary in northern Vietnam. You can encounter these incredible animals, learn about their rescue and rehabilitation from bear bile farms, and see the impact of care first-hand. Visits are limited and available by prior arrangement, offering a meaningful behind-the-scenes experience exclusive to Adventure World. Visit with our **Authentic Indochina** itinerary.

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Cruise the Mekong River

Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos

Experience the unique river lifestyle and landscapes of Southeast Asia's lifeblood, the Mekong River. Whether it's an overnight cruise on a timber rice barge-style vessel or a week-long cruise on a luxury small ship between Vietnam and Cambodia, travelling the Mekong is one of Asia's iconic experiences. See it on our **Through the Mekong** itinerary connecting Vietnam with Cambodia, or on a luxury cruise between Siem Reap and Ho Chi Minh City.

Serene riverscapes and glittering temples

Laos

Wander through markets and timeless old towns where daily life unfolds in colour, scent and sound. Explore laneways, historic temples and colonial streetscapes, browse handcrafted wares and sample local flavours straight from the source. These immersive experiences offer a fascinating insight into community, tradition and culture, bringing each destination's heritage vividly to life. Experience it all with our **Authentic Laos** itinerary.



Wat Xieng Thong



Pu Luong and Ninh Binh

Vietnam

Go further when you discover the spectacular, less-visited hills of Pu Luong in Thanh Hoa Province. Staying at a resort built in local style, you'll walk to local tribal villages and rice paddies as part of the experience. Nearby Ninh Binh is a stunning UNESCO-protected site that offers boat rides along canals into hidden limestone valleys. Our **Authentic North Vietnam** itinerary is ideal for a visit to this region.

Explore

From Halong Bay's towering islands to the vibrant greens of the Mu Cang Chai rice terraces, and Laos and Cambodia's ancient Buddhist temples, explore Asia's extraordinary diversity.

Halong Bay

Vietnam

With more than 1,600 limestone islands rising dramatically from emerald waters, Vietnam's UNESCO World Heritage gem is truly a sight to behold. After settling into your spacious cruise cabin, take in the breathtaking vistas from the upper viewing deck, visit island caves and villages, and perhaps rise early for a sunrise tai chi session on deck. Find it on our **Authentic North Vietnam** itinerary.



Hoi An

Vietnam

Hoi An's long trading history has given it a character all its own, including a charming and colourful old town that comes alive at night when hundreds of silk lanterns are lit. With distinct cuisine, traditional crafts, and a host of town and countryside activities, including cycling and farming experiences to cooking classes, cafes, local clothing, jewellery and crafts, there's much to enjoy. A long stretch of beach nearby makes Hoi An Vietnam's most loved destination. Go there with our **Flavours of Vietnam** itinerary.



Rice Terraces of Mu Cang Chai Vietnam

This itinerary ventures northwest of Hanoi into one of Asia's most spectacular terraced landscapes, Mu Cang Chai. Visit river valleys for incredible views, and walk to Hmong and Black Thai hill tribe villages to understand the traditional way of life. Your base is a designer hotel with more unforgettable vistas, stylish rooms and an inviting pool on our **Rice Terraces of Mu Cang Chai** itinerary.



Temples of Angkor Cambodia

Cambodia's majestic temple complexes rise from jungles like a lost kingdom rediscovered. Explore towering sandstone spires and faces, intricate bas-reliefs and hidden corridors as temples are sunlit through towering trees. The world's largest religious complex Angkor Wat and its remote outliers are a must for those seeking ancient art, myth and architecture. See them on our **Authentic Siem Reap** itinerary.

Luang Prabang Laos

Explore the former royal capital of Luang Prabang with its intimate Buddhist monasteries, temples and night markets, take boats along the Mekong River to sacred caves, and visit villages and jungle-shaded waterfalls on our **Authentic Laos** itinerary. Try cycling for a relaxed way to explore Luang Prabang's charms. Take quiet roads at your own pace, passing hidden temples and stupas, traditional timber houses and colonial shophouses.



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Authentic Indochina

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam to Siem Reap, Cambodia

17 days / 16 nights

“Embark on a captivating journey through Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, where ancient temples, bustling cities and serene Mekong landscapes reveal centuries-old cultures, vibrant flavours and unforgettable experiences through these three fascinating nations of Indochina.”

Eric Finley, Product Manager



Angkor Wat, Cambodia



Hoi An, Vietnam



DAYS 1-2

Ho Chi Minh City

After a free night in your downtown hotel, begin your exploration of Saigon and its tumultuous history, local and colonial styles, and lively street life. Visit colonial-era landmarks and Reunification Hall, which played a central role in the fall of Saigon, before checking out the bustling Ben Thanh Market.

DAY 3

**Mekong Delta**

Take a two-hour drive south to the Mekong Delta, where you'll enjoy a sampan ride beneath the canopy of water coconut trees. Watch local women create *keo dua* (coconut candy), dine at a riverside restaurant serving local specialties, and sample a range of local fruits from a typical Delta farm.

DAYS 4-6

Hoi An

Spend the next few days exploring the charming port town of Hoi An. Immerse yourself in local life at a village famous for its fresh herbs, where you can join farmers tending their crops. Afterwards, unwind with a soothing herbal foot massage before helping a local family prepare delicious dishes using herbs and vegetables straight from their garden.

**+ Go further: Cycling tour**

Cycle through Hoi An's countryside, on quiet scenic backroads, meeting locals, while soaking

DAYS 4-6



in lush landscapes, traditional villages and authentic rural experiences.

DAY 7

Hue

Pass coastal hamlets, rice fields and peaceful lagoons on the way to Hue. Home to the country's last emperors, the city is dotted with remnants of past grandeur. Explore the Imperial Citadel, the riverside Thien Mu (Celestial Lady) Pagoda and Emperor Tu Duc's tomb, and be sure to try its unique cuisine, influenced by its royal and Buddhist history. Finish the day taking in the view across Perfume River and the Royal Valley from Vong Canh Hill.



DAYS 8-9

Hanoi

It's time for a change of pace as you head to Vietnam's bustling capital. Enjoy an evening street food tour through the vibrant Old Quarter, sampling local dishes. The next day brings one of the tour highlights: a visit to one of Animals Asia's bear sanctuaries, which provide a refuge for dozens of bears saved from bile farming.



Luang Prabang, Laos



Angkor Wat, Cambodia

DAYS 10-11

Halong Bay

Take in the breathtaking sight of thousands of limestone islands rising from the sea while cruising the waterways of Halong Bay and Lan Ha Bay. Explore Trung Trang Cave on Cat Ba Island and relax on deck as the sun goes down over the bay before enjoying a delicious dinner on your ship. There's tai chi at sunrise for the early risers, then you'll cruise back to Hanoi for a delicious dinner at a not-for-profit social enterprise that provides hospitality training to local young people from disadvantaged backgrounds.



DAYS 12-14

Luang Prabang

Take a short flight to Laos and spend the next few days exploring this UNESCO World Heritage jewel. The old town is a unique blend of French colonial villas and sparkling Buddhist temples, backed by limestone hills and the Mekong River. Marvel at the beauty of the tiered Kuang Si Falls, then sip a refreshing Beerlao or two while watching the sun dip over the Mekong on a dusk river cruise.

DAYS 15-17

Siem Reap

End your journey in Cambodia, where you'll spend a day exploring the magnificent Angkor temples near Siem Reap, including the famous Ta Prohm, entwined with massive tree roots and vines, and the imposing giant stone faces of the Bayon.



+ Go further: Explore Battambang

Extend your stay to visit Battambang, a charming rural town with colonial streetscapes, galleries and peaceful temples.



+ Go deeper: Pu Luong and Ninh Binh

Just a couple of hours' drive from Hanoi, relax among some of Vietnam's most beautiful hill scenery in Pu Luong and Ninh Binh. Staying in a tropical resort or a hillside eco retreat, spend your days strolling in rice terraces and tribal villages, and take boat trips along canals through spectacular limestone peaks.



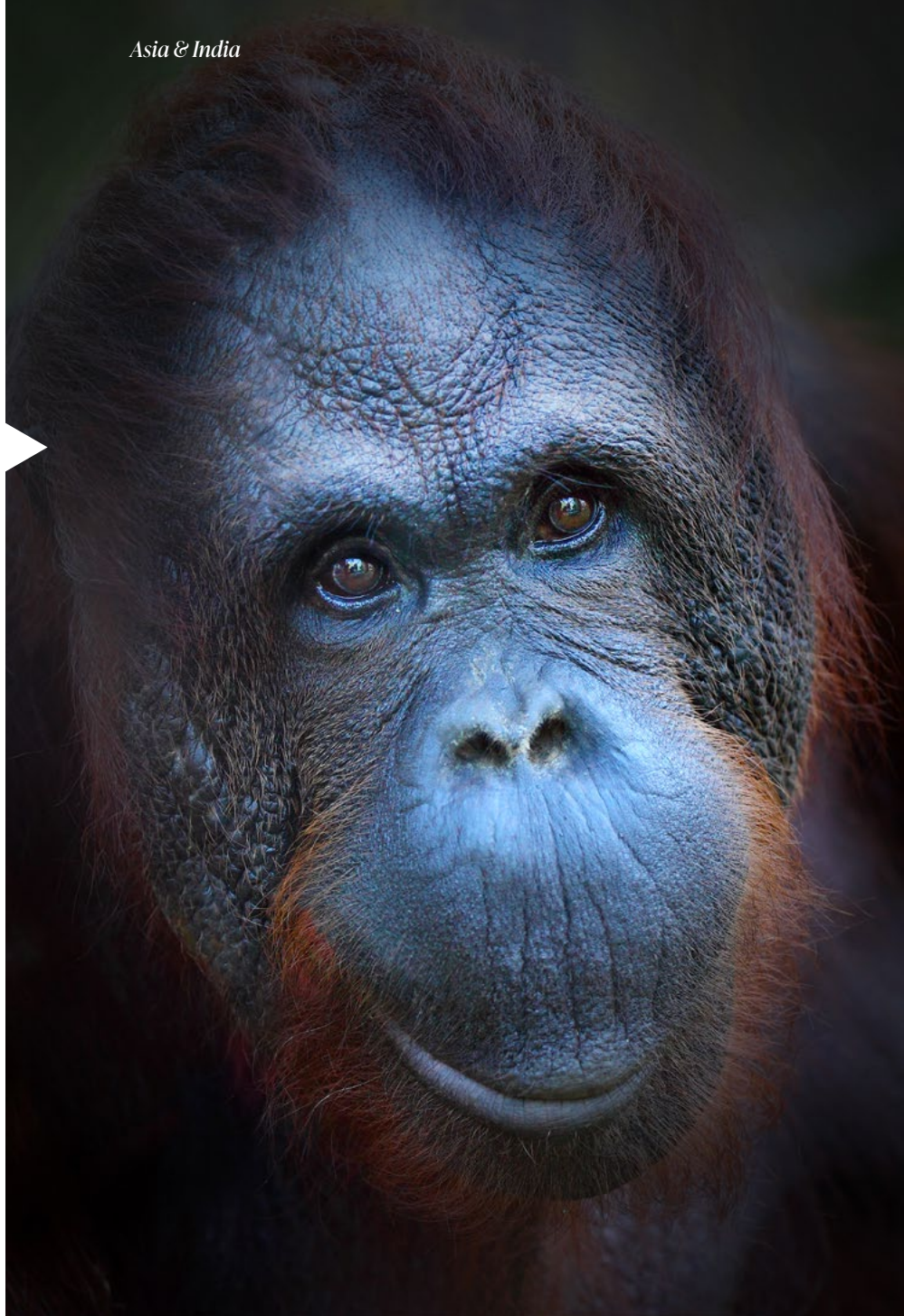
+ Stay longer: Beautiful beaches beckon

Relax on Vietnam's stunning beaches. The country's largest island, Phu Quoc, has stretches of white sand, turquoise waters and colourful fishing ports, while Nha Trang and Danang offer superb wellness and rustic luxury resorts on Vietnam's spectacular coast.

Kinabatangan River

Borneo

Winding through lush rainforest and wildlife-rich wetlands in Sabah, Malaysian Borneo, the Kinabatangan River is famed for orangutans, proboscis monkeys and pygmy elephants. You will explore the riverine jungles by boat with an expert guide and stay in a riverside wildlife lodge. Explore the wild Kinabatangan with our **Authentic Borneo** itinerary.



“Borneo’s rainforests, from Mulu to the Kinabatangan River and the vast wilderness of Danum Valley, are an incredible experience for anyone with a passion for nature. Watching my first wild orangutan feeding, as hornbills flapped noisily over the canopy, was an unforgettable wildlife moment.”

Eric Finley, Product Manager

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South East Asia

Authentic Vietnam

Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

13 days / 12 nights

“From lively street markets and elegant colonial districts to sampling delicious local dishes, exploring traditional villages and boating bays and rivers, your journey through Vietnam is sure to captivate. Hanoi’s bustling Old Quarter, Hue’s incredible heritage and the energy of Ho Chi Minh City offer history and culture. Enjoy local cuisine, cruise Halong Bay and take an exclusive, inspiring visit to Animals Asia’s Tam Dao bear sanctuary.”

Betty Varghese, Destination Specialist



Mu Cang Chai, Vietnam



Hanoi, Vietnam



DAYS 1-3

Hanoi

Start in the Vietnamese capital of Hanoi, where you can wander the bustling streets of the Old Quarter to discover centuries-old architecture and lively markets. You'll also spend some time behind-the-scenes meeting rescued bears at Animals Asia's bear sanctuary.

DAYS 4-5

**Halong + Lan Ha Bays + Hanoi**

Journey to Halong Bay and Lan Ha Bay, discovering towering limestone islands, hidden caves and secluded coves. Back in Hanoi, enjoy dinner at a social enterprise that gives hospitality training to young people from disadvantaged backgrounds.

DAYS 6-9

Hue + Hoi An

Hop on a short flight to the former royal capital, Hue, in central Vietnam. Visit ornate royal tombs and the vast Citadel, the former imperial palace. Next, you'll arrive in the picturesque port town of Hoi An, where you can visit one of the many tailors to get bespoke items crafted before enjoying a tasty meal by the river. Join a hands-on Vietnamese cooking class at a riverside restaurant after shopping for local ingredients in the market.

**+ Go further: Hoi An's rural life tour**

Travel by road, bicycle and even basket boat as you visit villages, meet farmers and sample local cuisine at a riverside restaurant.

DAYS 10-13

**Ho Chi Minh City + Mekong Delta**

Sample local specialities, such as *banh xeo* (savory crepes), on a guided street food tour, explore the historic (albeit highly touristic) Cu Chi Tunnels and discover the city's French heritage and bustling markets. Journey to the Mekong Delta for a cruise through its intricate waterways and a sampan ride before returning to Ho Chi Minh City.

**+ Go deeper: Mu Cang Chai**

The rice terraces of beautiful Mu Cang Chai, northwest of Hanoi, combine the area's famed landscapes with the traditional cultures of the Hmong and Thai hill tribe people. Your base is a stunning new hillside hotel with breathtaking views. Experience this on our **Rice Terraces of Mu Cang Chai** itinerary.

**+ Stay longer: Cruise the Mekong**

Combine Vietnam and Cambodia with travel up the Mekong River from Ho Chi Minh City to Siem Reap on one of our week-long river cruises, stopping at remote riverside villages, meeting local people and taking in the Mekong's sights and sounds. You can also link the destinations by a shorter road and river itinerary between Ho Chi Minh City and Phnom Penh.

Experience

Discover the local way of life through thoughtfully curated itineraries that uncover traditional cultural practices, historic stories and vibrant flavours. Take a ride on a vintage Vespa and relish Vietnam's delicious culinary heritage.

Vintage Vespas Vietnam

Change things up with a tour on two wheels. Moving as the locals do, with an expert local driver, explore the backstreets of Hanoi, Hoi An or Saigon in classic Vietnamese style, adding a touch of romance and adventure to your visit. A Vespa ride can be added to our **Authentic Vietnam** itinerary.

Vietnam's celebrated cuisine Vietnam

From a steaming bowl of *pho*, a soup traditionally made with chicken in the north and beef in the south, to Hoi An's *cao lau* noodles, and Hue's specialties of the former emperors' kitchens, every part of Vietnam offers mouthwatering cuisine. Join us on a street food tour by foot or by Vespa, a chef-guided cooking class and market visit in Hoi An, or leave it to your guide to point out the local specialties you must try.



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Hue Vietnam

Vietnam's former royal capital is a quieter, historic city, built on the banks of the Perfume River. Explore the restored Citadel, the one-time imperial palace, and walk the ornately designed royal tombs of the former emperors. While here, try Hue's famous royal cuisine at one of many local restaurants, before taking a scenic drive down the coast to Danang and Hoi An.

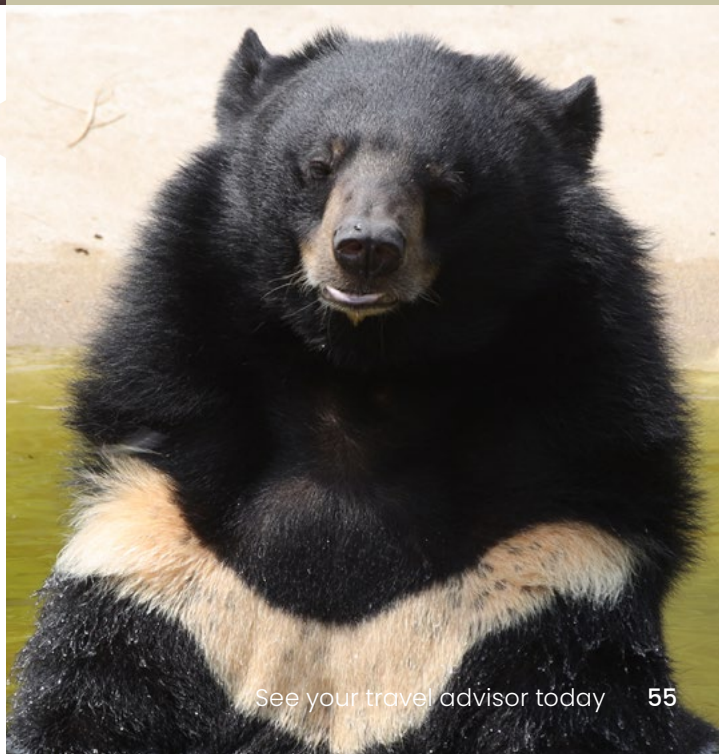
Explore

Whether your ideal trip involves exploring centuries-old buildings and meandering along relaxed coastal routes or meeting those working to rescue and rehabilitate bears, Asia offers perfect journeys to stir your soul.

Animals Asia bear sanctuaries

Vietnam

Take an exclusive visit to one of Animals Asia's bear sanctuaries. Guided by one of the Animals Asia team, see the inspiring work they do to rescue, rehabilitate and provide care for these magnificent animals at Tam Dao and Bach Ma as they work to end bear farming forever.



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Sri Lanka

Authentic Sri Lanka

Colombo to Colombo, Sri Lanka

16 days / 15 nights

“Known as the Emerald Isle, Sri Lanka is a captivating island nation that blends rich culture, dramatic landscapes and unforgettable adventure. From ancient Buddhist sites, such as Sigiriya and the sacred city of Kandy, to lush tea-covered hills and scenic train journeys, Sri Lanka offers vibrant culture, nature and beauty. Wildlife thrives in Yala, where leopards and elephants roam, while pristine beaches and the historic gem of Galle offer relaxation by the sea. Sri Lanka’s aromatic cuisine, warm hospitality and biodiversity make it an ideal destination.”

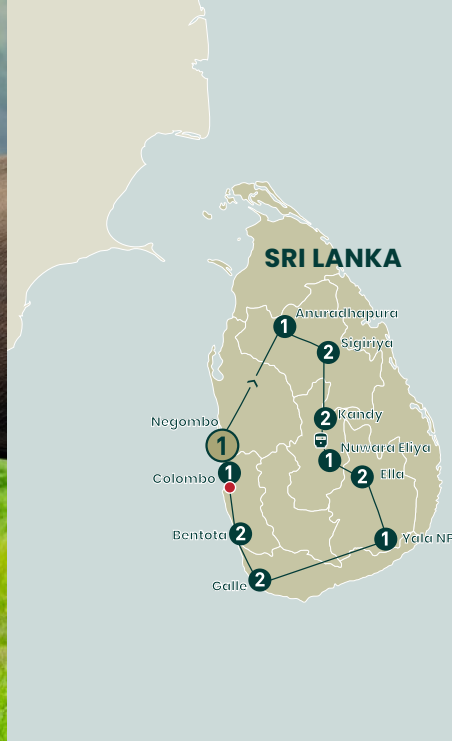
Dani Glucina, Destination Specialist



Sigiriya, Sri Lanka



Yala National Park, Sri Lanka



DAYS 1-4

Negombo + Anuradhapura + Sigiriya

After a relaxing evening by the beach at Negombo, venture into Sri Lanka's cultural heartland. Discover the ancient Buddhist monuments of Anuradhapura, the remarkably preserved medieval capital of Polonnaruwa and Sri Lanka's most spectacular site, Sigiriya rock fortress.

DAYS 5-7

Kandy + Nuwara Eliya

Explore the ancient royal capital of Kandy, including the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic, before a colonial-era train journey takes you past tea estates, waterfalls and quaint hill towns. Overnight in charming Nuwara Eliya, the centre of the island's tea industry.



+ Go further: Stay on a tea estate

For a unique experience in the hill country, stay on a tea estate. Some are converted tea factories, some are charming colonial-era bungalows, and all offer a special tea culture experience.

DAYS 8-10

Ella + Yala National Park

Soak up Ella's sweeping views, including the famous Nine Arches Bridge, and enjoy a special breakfast with a local family in a village garden setting. Continue on to Yala National Park for safaris in search of elephants, leopards and other wildlife.



+ Go further: Hike to Little Adam's Peak

Hike through lush tea plantations, tranquil forests and farmhouse gardens to Little Adam's Peak, where sweeping views unfold across rolling hills, misty valleys and the town below.

DAYS 11-12

Galle

Wander through the fortified city of Galle, where cobblestone streets are lined with cafes and galleries, and walk the fort ramparts for views over the ancient skyline to the Arabian Sea.

DAYS 13-16

Bentota + Colombo

Unwind with a relaxing stay in the seaside town of Bentota, enjoying its palm-fringed beach and fresh seafood. Conclude your journey with a guided tour of Colombo's sites, including the colourful Gangaramaya Temple, before heading for your onwards arrangements.



+ Go deeper: Visit national parks

Visit five premier national parks – Wilpattu, Minneriya, Horton Plains, Gal Oya and Yala – while staying in a range of unique wildlife lodges. Possible wildlife sightings include leopard, Asian elephant, sloth bear, water buffalo, crocodile, cobra, and more than 200 bird species, from sea eagles to hornbills. Walk to stunning World's End through Horton Plains' scenic highlands, the dramatic World's End view steals the show. Add this to your journey with our **Wildlife of Sri Lanka** itinerary.



+ Stay longer: Beach destinations

Sri Lanka has spectacular tropical beaches on all coasts, each offering stays and experiences across different seasons, making it a year-round beach destination. Arugam Bay in the east is a laid-back surf destination, while Tangalle and Mirissa to the south offer stunning resorts and villas – as well as experiences such as boat trips to see whales including the world's largest animal, the blue whale.

Sri Lankan-style accommodation

Sri Lanka

Converted tea factories perched on remote hilltops, colonial-era heritage hotels and mansions, wildlife lodges where elephants stroll past, and intimate, boutique resorts set beside tropical beaches. Let us help you select the unforgettable Sri Lankan accommodation that suits you.

Experience

Sri Lanka promises an abundance of unforgettable stays, from a historic tea factory and boutique lodges to beachside resorts. Also relish the vibrant spread of a traditional breakfast of curries and sambals as you dine in a village garden.



Heritance Tea Factory, Nuwara Eliya, Sri Lanka

Ella village breakfast

Sri Lanka

Join a local family in a village garden setting for a typical Sri Lankan breakfast. After meeting your hosts, see how local curries, sambals and other delicacies are prepared, and sample the delicious results. Choose our **Essence of Sri Lanka** itinerary for these experiences and more.



Explore

History comes alive in Sri Lanka. Galle is home to beautifully preserved colonial architecture, as well as local museums.

While a journey through the country's ancient Buddhist sites and temples bestows a deep appreciation for this unique culture.

The Cultural Triangle

Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka's ancient Buddhist capitals and oldest religious sites are its most spectacular attractions. Explore the giant stupa of Anuradhapura, the intricately decorated palace remnants and serene reclining Buddha of Polonnaruwa, Kandy's Temple of the Tooth Relic, and the towering rock fortress of Sigiriya. Experience them with our **Authentic Sri Lanka** itinerary.



Reclining Buddha, Polonnaruwa, Sri Lanka

Galle

Sri Lanka

Step into the cobbled streets of Galle, where Dutch, Portuguese and British colonial architecture awaits. Stroll the old fort ramparts for beautiful ocean views and to discover the local history, and visit landmarks like the Galle Lighthouse and Old Dutch Hospital. Stop at one of the many local cafes, galleries or heritage hotels for a break between exploring the beautifully preserved lanes and ramparts. Get to know Galle with our **Authentic Sri Lanka** itinerary.



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India

Authentic Rajasthan

Dehli to Udaipur, India

14 days / 13 nights

“India’s depth and diversity of living history, culture and landscapes is like no other destination; from exquisite Moghal monuments to majestic forts and ancient temples alive with colour and sound. High Himalayan peaks, tropical jungles, vast deserts and pristine national parks are home to big cats, elephants and rhinoceros. In this itinerary, explore Rajasthan’s romantic, colourful culture and wander imposing forts and medieval walled cities, stay in historic family-run hotels and enjoy iconic moments, such as sunrise at the Taj Mahal and a candle-lit dinner in Narlai.”

Michelle Cochrane, Destination Specialist



Taj Mahal, India



Rajasthani woman, Jaipur, India



DAYS 1-4

Delhi + Agra

Plunge straight into the heart of India with a visit to Old Delhi, where you'll be guided by a local chef through the maze of narrow trading lanes and bazaars, savouring local delicacies along the way. Next, experience the contrast of British-built New Delhi before heading to the historic Agra Fort and taking in an unforgettable sunrise at the Taj Mahal.

Jaipur + Jodhpur

Step into Jaipur's enchanting pink-hued streets, explore the majestic Amber Fort and stroll through the bustling lanes of the Old City. You'll cap off your day with a ride with the eco-friendly Pink City Rickshaw Co., which employs local women. Journey onward to Jodhpur, the Blue City on the edge of the Thar Desert, explore the huge Mehrangarh Fort, and browse the colourful town bazaar.

DAYS 5-7

Deogarh + Narlai

Take a scenic drive to the quintessential Rajasthani town of Deogarh, where you'll enjoy a stay at elegant Dev Shree on the banks of a lake. Experience the thrill of riding a local train through the countryside before moving on to Narlai, where your home away from home will be the 17th century royal retreat of Rawla Narlai. While in Narlai you'll experience a tour highlight: dinner in an ancient, beautifully illuminated stepwell.

DAYS 8-10

Chanoud + Udaipur

Stay in a palatial centuries-old family home in Chanoud, enjoying a walk around the local village. Next, head to Udaipur, pausing to admire the carved marble Jain temples of Ranakpur, a World Heritage site. Your adventure culminates in Udaipur, Rajasthan's romantic lake city, dotted with royal palaces.

DAYS 11-14

**Go deeper: Kerala**

Kerala on India's south western coast is a historic, tropical land ideal for exploration by road, foot and houseboat. Discover historic market towns, verdant backwaters, spice plantations and national parks. Our **Authentic Kerala** itinerary has it all and more.

Stay longer: Varanasi

Varanasi, on the banks of the sacred Ganges, offers timeless ritual, historic temples and bustling market lanes by India's holy river. From Varanasi to Khajuraho, our **Temples & Tigers** itinerary perfectly blends fascinating culture with safaris in search of big cats, while staying in one of our favourite wildlife lodges.

Experience

Our accommodation in India brings travellers an experience of local culture and history like no other destination. Experiences such as Wildlife SOS give behind-the-scenes insight into efforts to rescue and protect the country's remarkable wildlife.



Heritage stays

India

A stay in one of India's heritage hotels is not to be missed. Converted desert forts, opulent palaces, ornate havelis, welcoming family homes all offer an experience of history, culture and hospitality. Wander majestic courtyards, sleep like royalty in centuries-old suites and savour authentic generosity woven into every detail of a once-in-a-lifetime adventure. Stay in heritage accommodation with our **Authentic Rajasthan** itinerary.



Wildlife SOS

India

A visit to the Wildlife SOS Elephant Conservation and Care Centre is a moving, inspiring experience. The elephants here have been rescued from captivity or misadventure in the wild, and are given loving care including nutritious diets, veterinary care and even walks to bathe in the nearby river. Experience it with our **Authentic Golden Triangle** itinerary.

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Explore

Tropical Kerala astonishes with its lush backwaters, sprawling tea and coffee plantations, and historic towns. While journeys to glimpse some of India's most elusive creatures make for truly memorable encounters.

Kerala India

On India's south-western coast, Kerala is a lush tropical paradise where misty hills meet serene backwaters and palm-fringed beaches. This state is famed for its coffee and tea plantations, historic trading towns and wildlife-rich forests. Explore Fort Kochi's charming streets, visit a spice farm and unwind on a private houseboat on Vembanad Lake. Our **Authentic Kerala** itinerary is curated so you can experience it all.

Wild India India

Tigers and wild dogs of the North Indian plains, prehistoric one-horned rhinoceros of Assam's grasslands, leopards and elephants of southern jungles, and the almost mythical snow leopard of the high Himalaya: India offers Asia's most diverse and unexpected wildlife experiences. Look for elephants, big cats and crocs on our **Wildlife of North India** itinerary.



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Authentic Cambodia

Siem Reap to Phnom Penh, Cambodia
8 days / 7 nights

Marvel at iconic temples – including Angkor Wat and the intricately carved river bed at Kbal Spean near Siem Reap – before travelling to Battambang to soak up its thriving arts scene, colonial architecture and local culture. Continue through rural countryside to Cambodia’s capital, Phnom Penh, finishing your journey with a sunset cruise on the Tonlé Sap River.



Danum Valley Rainforest

Lahad Datu to Lahad Datu, Borneo
4 days / 3 nights

The vast Danum Valley rainforests are home to the endemic and endangered Bornean orangutan, bug-eyed tarsiers and troops of gibbons. Clouded leopard are regularly sighted on night-time safaris, and canopy walkways offer eye-level wildlife views. Your base for this stay is the remote yet luxurious Borneo Rainforest Lodge, located deep in the valley’s jungles.



Wildlife of Sri Lanka

Colombo to Colombo, Sri Lanka
11 days / 10 nights

Explore some of Sri Lanka’s premier wildlife reserves as well as iconic sites such as Anuradhapura, Sigiriya rock fort and the hill city of Kandy. Take safaris in each park, discovering the wildlife-rich wetlands of Wilpattu, the highland hike to World’s End, the swimming elephants of Gal Oya and Yala’s diverse wildlife, including leopards, elephants, buffalo and crocodiles.



Authentic Kerala

Kochi to Kochi, India
8 days / 7 nights

Kerala is India’s southern jewel, rich in trading history and stunning tropical landscapes. Walk historic Fort Cochin, explore a typical spice garden in the hills, and seek out elephants on Periyar Lake. End in the stunning Backwaters, cruising overnight on your own houseboat then relaxing in a lakeside Keralan resort with delicious cuisine and wellness treatments.



Authentic Golden Triangle

Delhi to Jaipur, India
7 days / 6 nights

Journey through India's storied heart, from the bustling lanes of Old Delhi to the splendour of the Taj Mahal and the Pink City of Jaipur. Discover grand forts, lively bazaars, enticing local cuisine and rich cultural heritage. You'll also visit an elephant rescue centre and share dinner with a local family for an authentic taste of the region.



Temples & Tigers

Delhi to Agra, India
6 days / 5 nights

Spirituality and wildlife combine on this journey into India's sacred heart. Explore ancient Varanasi with a dawn boat trip on the Ganges and the fiery colour of the evening aarti ceremony. Continue by train to Khajuraho, famed for its erotic temple art, and safari in search of tigers, leopards and blue bulls from a serene riverside wildlife lodge.



Wildlife of North India

Delhi to Jaipur, India
10 days / 9 nights

Seeing big cats and other wildlife in India's jungles and savannahs is an iconic wildlife experience. Explore famed national parks, such as Corbett and Ranthambore, in search of tigers, leopards and elephants, and take a river trip in search of endangered gharial, marsh crocodiles and hyena on this incredible itinerary.



Snow Leopards of Ladakh

Leh to Leh, India
8 days / 7 nights

In the spectacular high altitudes of Ladakh lives the once mythical snow leopard. Staying in a dedicated wildlife lodge at almost 4,000 metres above sea level, skilled leopard trackers locate these majestic big cats on the high slopes for unforgettable sightings. You'll also experience a stay in Ladakh's capital of Leh, with visits to incredible mountain monasteries.

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Torres del Paine National Park, Chile

South & Central America

Kaleidoscopic colour and striking contrasts define South and Central America, where ancient cultures are woven into the landscape. From the depths of the Amazon rainforest to the icy reach of Antarctic glaciers, nature here has a cinematic quality that is both raw and powerful. From civilisations misted by time to vibrant modern cities and enigmatic terrain, this is a destination made for true discovery: ascend the lush peaks of Machu Picchu, savour the culinary heritage of Oaxaca, journey to the Galápagos Islands, fall under the spell of Antarctica's icy beauty, and hike the wild trails of Chile's Torres del Paine.

Peak Travel Periods

May–September is ideal for visiting Machu Picchu and the Amazon, offering dry conditions and excellent wildlife viewing. **December–March** brings long daylight hours to Patagonia and the Antarctic cruising season. The Galápagos Islands are a year-round destination, with peak demand from **June–September** and **December–January**. Central America is best explored **January–March**, when sunny, dry weather prevails.

Expert Advice

For fewer crowds at Machu Picchu, travel in **April–May** or **October–November**. In the Galápagos, **December–May** offers warmer seas and superb snorkelling visibility. Patagonia's spring from **October–November**, reveals blooming wildflowers and active wildlife, while the Amazon's wet season from **December–May**, allows deeper boat exploration into flooded rainforest.



Rio Carnival, Brazil

Experience

From the colourful spectacle of Rio Carnival to a rhythmic rail journey to Machu Picchu, and the wonders of the Amazon Rainforest, these experiences will leave you with a vivid imprint of South America.

Rio Carnival Parade Brazil

Join the throng of spectators absorbing the high-definition colour of the iconic Carnival Parade in the Brazilian city of Rio de Janeiro. By attending the parade, visitors directly support local communities, as well as artisans and dancers, whose extraordinary crafts sustain this culturally rich event. For a deeper experience, we've curated the 'Carnival Like a Native' experience, allowing you to dance with a samba school, be fitted with an authentic costume and take part in the parade. See our **Rio Carnival** itinerary.



Tango show

Buenos Aires, Argentina

In the glamorous city of Buenos Aires, the sensual dance of the tango brings romance and spectacle to the streets. To see it performed in this beautiful city is to understand how the tango is treasured and protected as a Cultural Heritage of Humanity by UNESCO. Enjoy a show or find your own rhythm with a class. Experience tango with our **Authentic Argentina** itinerary.

Rail journey to Machu Picchu

Peru

Imagine travelling through the Andes en route to one of the most significant and enigmatic archaeological locations in the world. The train journey meanders through the Sacred Valley to the town of Aguas Calientes, where you'll ascend the famous zig-zag road to Machu Picchu to marvel at the ruins of the ancient citadel. Those not daunted by a challenge can't miss climbing the formidable Huayna Picchu, which looms behind the site. Journey to this incredible place with our **Authentic Peru** itinerary.



The Amazon's diversity

Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia and Brazil

The Amazon – the largest remaining tropical rainforest in the world – has an almost mythical quality due to its dense vegetation and vast size. Through it winds the Amazon River, and within the jungle live around 10 per cent of the world's known species, making it an awe-inspiring and deeply important sample of biodiversity. It's a privilege to explore even a small patch of this life-sustaining giant and to meet the people who call it home. For nature enthusiasts, no trip to South America can be considered complete without a journey into this extraordinary ecosystem. Discover the Amazon on our **Authentic South America** itinerary.



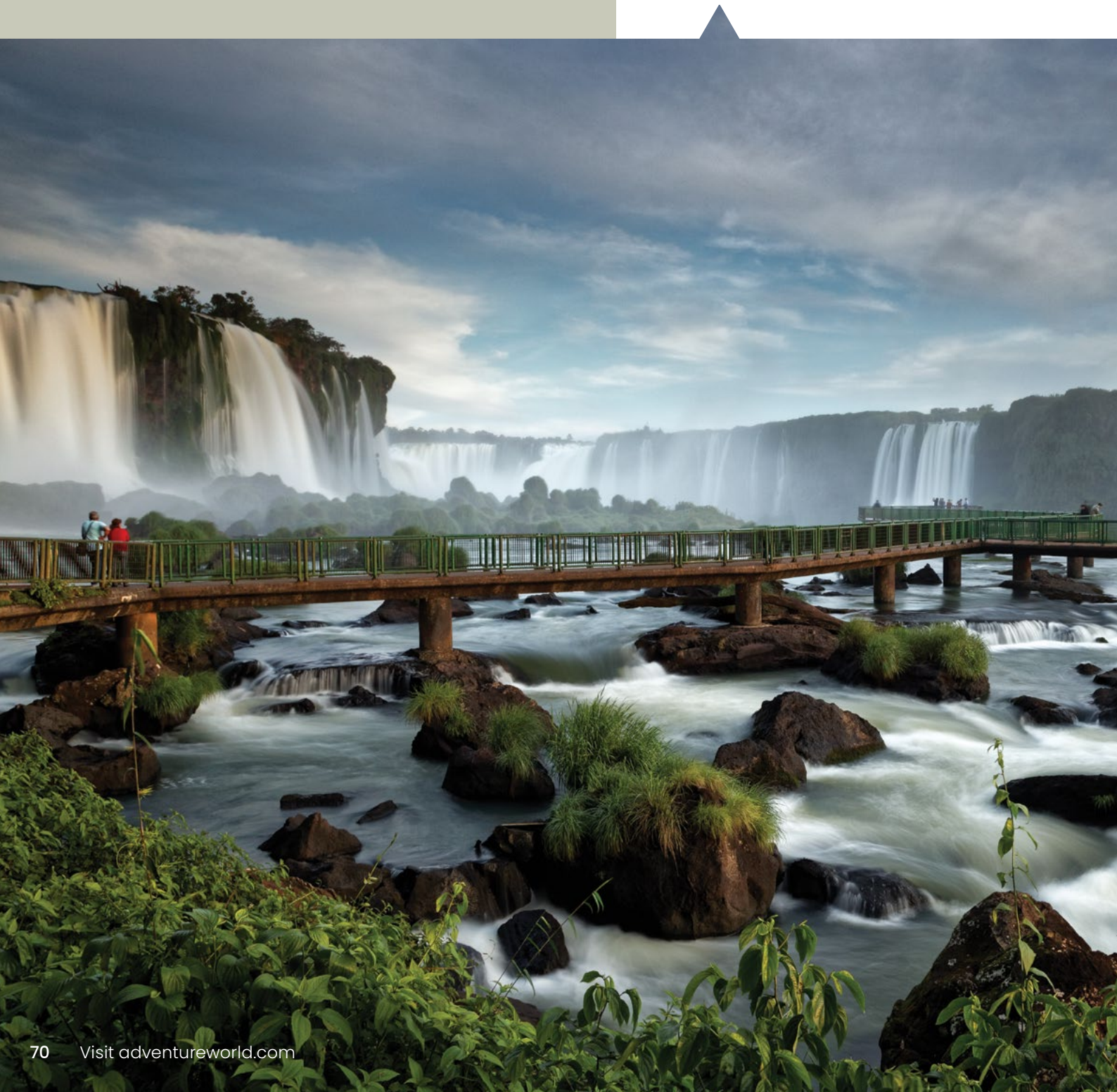
Explore

Mystery and beauty abound in South America, where imprints of past civilisations remain and large-format landscapes inspire deep awe. From the cascades of Iguazú Falls to the otherworldly Atacama Desert, the diversity of the region will astonish.

Iguazú Falls

Brazil and Argentina

A near-continuous wall of thundering cascades that stretches for almost three kilometres between the Argentinian and Brazilian borders, Iguazú Falls is the world's largest waterfall system. Casting iridescent rainbows and endless mist, these falls are nothing less than theatrical. Explore them from both sides and hike to the impressive Devil's Throat. See them on our **Authentic Argentina** and **Authentic Brazil** itineraries.



Lake Titicaca

Peru and Bolivia

Seeming to almost float in the heavens, Lake Titicaca pools in the Andes between Bolivia and Peru and is the world's highest navigable lake. This ethereal place is storied as the birthplace of the Incas and continues to hold deep significance for Indigenous cultures. Discover the man-made floating islands of Uros, and visit Inca ruins and islands home to traditional communities. Go there with our **Authentic Peru** and **Authentic Bolivia** itineraries.



Atacama Desert

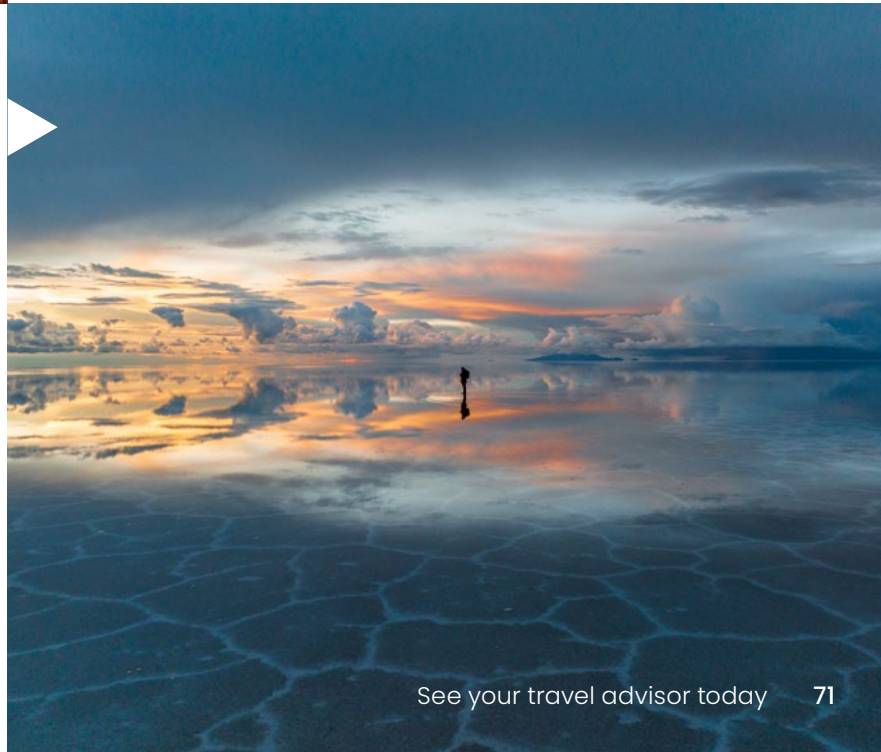
Chile

Understand the vast and important legacy of the Indigenous communities of Chile's Atacama Desert during a stay at an eco-conscious luxury lodge, where you'll base yourself for immersive hikes through the ochre tones of the surrounding formations and unwind amid the undulating moods of the desert. While here, venture along the San Pedro River, marvel at the Tatio Geysers and visit traditional villages and ancient sites. Spend the night in the Atacama Desert on our **Authentic Chile** itinerary.

Uyuni Salt Flats

Bolivia

The surreal beauty of the world's largest salt flats is a must-see. A prehistoric lakebed, the Uyuni Salt Flats often feature a hexagonal salty crust. At other times, they're covered in shallow water that reflects the sky with seamless clarity. See it on our **Uyuni Salt Flats & Coloured Lagoons** itinerary or on our **Explora Travesia** itinerary, where you'll marvel at a spectrum of earthy tones, from these iridescent flats to the terracotta hues of the Atacama Desert.



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Authentic South America

Santiago, Chile to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

24 days / 23 nights

“My inspiration for curating this itinerary is for you to unearth the treasures of South America on a journey that goes deeper into the culture and heart of this incredible region. I have combined the moments I love most about this extraordinary continent, from the ancient legacy of the Incas, the lush biodiversity of the Amazon Rainforest, the breathtaking Iguazú Falls and the vibrant energy of Buenos Aires and Rio de Janeiro. With intimate cultural encounters, soulful tango, lively samba and remarkable wildlife, this journey is designed for you not just to see South America, but to truly feel it.”

Ana Salazar, Product Manager



Lake Titicaca, Peru



Amazon Rainforest, Peru



DAYS 1-2

Santiago + Valparaiso + Casablanca Valley

Hola! Today you'll arrive in Chile's modern capital, Santiago, a city backdropped by the magnificent snowy-peaked Andes. Spend time wandering the eclectic neighbourhoods of Lastarria and Bellavista.

 **+ Go further: Exclusive Valparaiso tour**
In the UNESCO World Heritage city of Valparaiso, neighbourhoods scale the hills, adorned with the most extraordinary street art. Wandering the streets, discover the elegant collision of heritage and contemporary style and discover the rich patina of this creative community. You'll visit a famous local bakery, boutique winery and spend time in a traditional silversmith workshop.

DAYS 3-8

Lima + Amazon Rainforest

Arrive in Lima, a city where history and modernity collide. Enjoy a half-day city tour exploring Miraflores and San Isidro, strolling the Historic Centre and Main Square, and visiting colonial treasures, such as the Convent of Santo Domingo. Excitement ramps up as you land in Puerto Maldonado, the gateway to the Amazon rainforest. A boat ride along the Madre de Dios River slips through the lush forest en route to your accommodation on a 380 hectare private reserve. While here, spot howler monkeys and giant river otters from a canoe, wander the Canopy Walkway in search of toucans and visit a native farm for a fascinating insight into the medicinal properties of the region's rich flora.

Sacred Valley

Uncover ancient culture in the Urubamba Valley, the 'Sacred Valley of the Incas'. Visit the town of Chinchero to witness the traditional art

DAY 9



 **+ Go further: Authentic Sacred Valley lunch at AMA**

Enjoy a beautifully prepared meal from Andean ingredients at a restaurant that empowers marginalised communities by offering training and job opportunities. After lunch, shop traditional handicrafts made by local women from remote Andean communities.

DAYS 10-12

Machu Picchu + Cusco

The day you've been awaiting has arrived. Embark upon a scenic rail journey to begin a full day exploring the phenomenal site of Machu Picchu. Be absorbed by the ancient mystery of this site as you're guided through the Incan citadel. Stay overnight and wake to a morning spent soaking up the serenity of this special place.

DAYS 13-15

Cusco + Puno

Begin your day in Cusco - a UNESCO World Heritage site also known as the Imperial City - by sampling local delicacies at its oldest market, San Pedro. Visit the ancient Inca palace of Coricancha, then delve into Cusco's cultural heritage at the Q'enqo archaeological site and wander the main square of Plaza de Armas. ▶



La Paz, Bolivia



Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

DAYS 13-15

Journey to the scenic Altiplano and onto Puno to voyage across Lake Titicaca, discover the ethereal floating Uros Islands and take in Peruvian folklore at Copacabana. Your final day in Puno takes you to Sun Island, the birthplace of the Incan Empire, before heading to La Paz.



DAYS 16-17

La Paz

Today begins in the deeply traditional Andean city of La Paz. Wedged into a deep valley, the city is a maze of near-vertical streets that embody a delightful chaos. Stroll the historic square, check out the fascinating Witches Market and visit the otherworldly Moon Valley.



+ *Go further: Cholets tour*

Head to Bolivia's loftiest city, El Alto, to marvel at the colourful architecture of the cholets. Fusing 'chalet' and 'cholo', the style comes from visionary architect Freddy Mamani.

DAYS 18-19

Buenos Aires

Awake today in the 'Paris of the Americas', Buenos Aires. With its Latin American style and European refinement, this cosmopolitan city is ready to show guests a good time. The birthplace of the tango, you'll find street performers dancing through the bohemian neighbourhoods of San Telmo and La Boca, before stepping into the city's historic heart, home to Plaza de Mayo and Casa Rosada.

DAYS 18-19



+ *Go further: Sip and savour Palermo*

Discover Palermo on a culinary walk through Buenos Aires' most vibrant neighbourhood. Taste vermouth and regional wines, enjoy classic Argentine dishes and end with dulce de leche, while exploring street art, culture and daily porteño life.

DAYS 20-22

Iguazú Falls

After flying to Iguazú Falls, you'll settle in for two nights on the Argentine side of this heart-lifting site. More than 275 waterfalls extend across three kilometres, making the shimmering cascades one of the great wonders of the world. Encounter stunning flora and fauna en route to the Argentine Devil's Throat and capture unforgettable views from the Brazilian side of the falls.

DAYS 23-24

Rio de Janeiro

The best way to revel in Rio de Janeiro's bold character is from an open Jeep. Visit Tijuca Forest, Sugar Loaf and the Botanic Gardens, and head to the famous mountain in Corcovado to take in the true scale of the Christ the Redeemer statue.



“One of the highlights of my role is uncovering experiences that change lives – for our clients and the communities they visit. The AMA Foundation was founded by an inspiring young man called Julio Sánchez who, through his Foundation, transforms the lives of 45 women, providing training, work and the means to give their children a home, education and good food.”

Ana Salazar, Product Manager



AMA Foundation, Sacred Valley

Go deeper...

Camp out in Colca Canyon

While in Peru, take a detour from Cusco to the highlands of the south to experience tented luxury at Colca Canyon. This remote camp offers the perfect moment to relax in nature while immersing yourself in the wind-sculpted beauty of Tinajani Canyon. As the red stone formations glow in the setting sun, slip into the outdoor hot tub on your private deck and settle in to watch the stars illuminate. Journey here on our **Insider Peru** itinerary or create your dream custom trip.

Stay longer...

Salvador

For those drawn to rhythm, colour and a deep sense of place, linger longer in Salvador, the beating heart of Brazil's Afro-Brazilian culture. Set along the Bay of All Saints, the city reveals itself through the cobbled streets of Pelourinho, a UNESCO World Heritage-listed quarter of vivid facades and ornate Baroque churches. Music pulses through daily life, from samba to axé, while Bahian flavours take centre stage in dishes such as traditional *acarajé* (a black-eyed pea and shrimp fritter). As night falls, Rio Vermelho comes alive with food, music and movement. Enjoy a side trip here with our **Experience Salvador** itinerary.

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South America

Insider Galápagos and Machu Picchu

Quito, Ecuador to Cusco, Peru

14 days / 13 nights

“This unforgettable journey combines the enigmatic and ancient allure of Machu Picchu, the wildlife-filled Galápagos Islands, and some of the region’s most incredible cities, infused with rich history and cultural significance.”

Elly Wealthall, Destination Specialist



Machu Picchu, Peru




Galápagos Islands, Ecuador



DAYS 1-3

Quito

Your journey begins in Ecuador’s capital, Quito, which was the first city to be declared a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site. Discover the colonial quarter of La Ronda, the historical Independence Square and the ornate La Compañía de Jesús Church before flying to San Cristóbal.

 + *Go further: Quito food experience*
Bite into a culinary journey of Quito that plates up traditional Andean flavours of tamales, quimbolitos and copper-pain ice-cream.

DAYS 4-6

Española Island + Floreana Island + Santiago Island

Exploring the untamed beauty of the Galápagos Islands on a small expedition yacht, your voyage takes in Gardner Bay on Española Island, where you can swim with turtles and spot sea lions and iguanas. On Floreana Island, land on green sands made from olivine crystals; look out for Galápagos penguins. Keen photographers will enjoy the lunar-like terrain of Sullivan Bay on Santiago Island.

DAY 7

Santa Cruz Island

Discover Black Turtle Cove at Santa Cruz Island, where you’ll spot reef sharks and rays. You’ll then fly to Lima for the next leg of your adventure.

DAYS 8-10

Lima + Sacred Valley

Explore the colonial buildings of the historic centre and modern tempo of Lima, the capital of Peru. In the Sacred Valley discover the town of Chinchero and the archaeological site of Moray.

 + *Go further: Barranco street tour*
Join a tour to the city’s creative Barranco neighbourhood, where you’ll discover a tapestry of quirky culture, artists’ studios and museums.

DAYS 11-12


Machu Picchu

Today, an unforgettable rail journey takes you to the phenomenal site of Machu Picchu. The ancient citadel has captured countless imaginations and hearts with its stunning vistas and mysteries. Stay on the banks of the majestic Urubamba River.


DAYS 13-14

Cusco

Spend the morning taking in the majesty of Machu Picchu before returning to Cusco. Known as the Imperial City, Cusco is a UNESCO World Heritage site that fascinates with Spanish colonial architecture and ancient Incan culture.

 + *Stay longer: Mashpi Lodge*

In the heart of the cloud forest surrounded by breathtaking greenery, Mashpi Lodge is a luxurious sanctuary rising 950 metres above sea level. This exquisite lodge blends comfort and elegance with one of the world’s most biodiverse regions, home to hundreds of bird, amphibian and plant species, many found nowhere else on Earth. Alongside the incredible wildlife, you can savour the richness of the region’s famous cacao. Experience it all on our **Mashpi Lodge** itinerary from Quito.

 + *Go deeper: Ecuadorian Amazon*

Embark on a journey deep into the heart of the Amazon Basin’s incredible biodiversity. Navigate the Napo River, exploring diverse ecosystems and encountering wildlife, such as pink river dolphins, manatees, caimans, piranhas, and countless native birds and primates. Along the way, gain insight into the extraordinary way of life of the region’s indigenous communities, learning about their traditions, knowledge, and deep connection to the rainforest. Starting from Quito, add our **Cruising the Ecuadorian Amazon** itinerary.

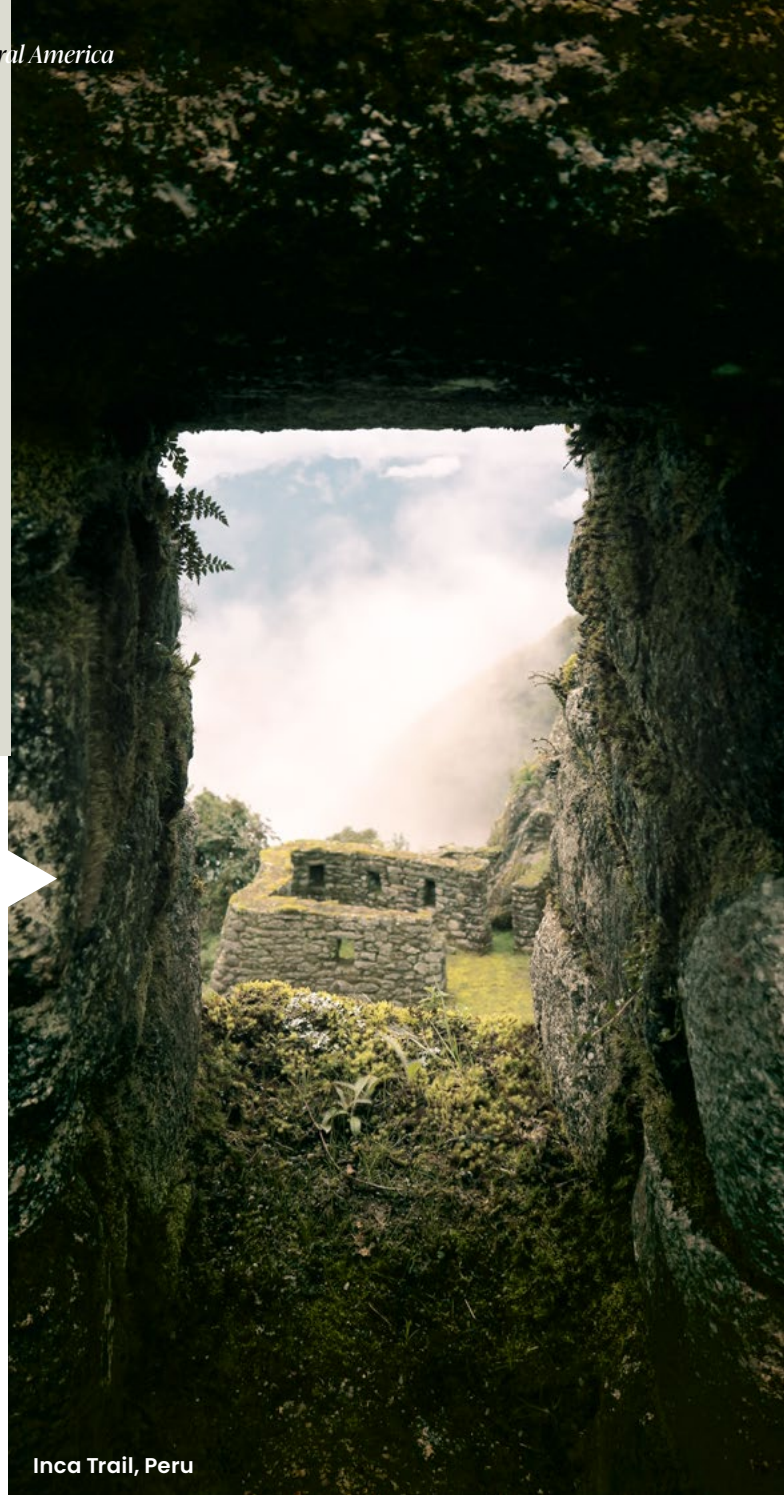
Experience

From the mysterious geoglyphs of the Nazca Lines to the teeming marine and birdlife of the Ballestas Islands and the astonishing Inca Trail, Peru's landscape is steeped in an enchanting beauty that's inextricably linked to time-honoured cultural traditions.

Trekking the Inca Trail

Peru

Embark on one of the world's most renowned treks, where spellbinding mountain scenery and fascinating Inca sites await at every turn. Starting at 2,750 metres and ascending to a maximum of 4,200 metres, this trek is completed in four days. Along the journey, two high passes challenge trekkers, but the stunning vistas and ancient ruins make it all worthwhile. Guided by experienced professionals and supported by porters, this trek offers not only adventure, but a deep connection to Peru's rich history and natural beauty. Experience this trek as an alternative to the Machu Picchu day trip on any itinerary by adding **The Inca Trail Trek**.



Inca Trail, Peru



Nazca Lines and Ballestas Islands

Peru

Soar above Peru's Nazca Lines, a UNESCO World Heritage site, where immense mysterious geoglyphs reveal intricate shapes etched across the vast desert below. Discover Peru's rich marine and birdlife on a cruise to the Ballestas Islands, a protected sanctuary teeming with sea lions, penguins and coastal birds. Add this to any itinerary from Lima with our **Nazca, Ballestas and the Spirit of Pisco** itinerary.

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Lima

Peru

Perched dramatically above the Pacific, Lima has earned its reputation as the culinary capital of South America. Dining here is an experience, from world-renowned restaurants, such as Central and Maido, to the refined Amazonian flavours of Mayta. Dining at Huaca Pucllana is truly atmospheric, set beside a softly illuminated pre-Inca pyramid. Beyond the dining scene, travellers can immerse in cooking classes and explore markets before mastering ceviche, *causa* (a potato appetiser) and pisco sours led by expert chefs. Explore Lima on our **Insider Galápagos and Machu Picchu** and **Authentic South America** itineraries.



Explore

While the natural landscape continually steals the spotlight throughout South America, with the extraordinary fauna-filled Galápagos Islands the perfect case in point, there is also much to explore in the vibrant cities, such as in Lima, where ancient traditions and bold innovation meet deliciously on the plate.

The unique wildlife of the Galápagos

Ecuador

The volcanic archipelago of the Galápagos Islands, off the coast of Ecuador, is a true highlight in any animal-lover's travelogue. Known for its extraordinary biodiversity and endemic species, including marine iguanas, Galápagos penguins and giant tortoises, as well as influencing Darwin's theory of evolution, this UNESCO World Heritage site captivates with its pristine beauty. Your journey of a lifetime begins with our **Insider Galápagos** itinerary.



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Patagonia

Insider Patagonia

Santiago, Chile to Buenos Aires, Argentina

11 days / 10 nights

“Wild, remote and of singular beauty, Patagonia stretches towards Antarctica with an astonishing topography that spans glaciers and fjords, steppes and deserts. At this narrowing of the continent, discover the feeling of venturing to the edge of the world. A region that sits in both Argentina and Chile, Patagonia is the home of Torres del Paine National Park. Known for its dramatic granite towers, turquoise lakes, sprawling glaciers, and windswept plains, this iconic park is a hiker’s wonderland and home to guanacos, condors and pumas. Beginning in Chilean Patagonia, this epic itinerary sweeps through the Torres del Paine National Park, the towering Perito Moreno Glacier and shimmering Lake Argentino, then sets you deep into the history and tradition of one of Patagonia’s famed estancias, before finishing in the cosmopolitan capital of Buenos Aires.”

Annette Vazquez, Destination Specialist



Torres del Paine National Park, Chile



Perito Moreno Glacier, Patagonia



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Santiago

Start your day in the Chilean city of Santiago, where you can explore the modern capital's lively neighbourhoods and unearth treasures at the captivating and nearby port city of Valparaiso.

DAYS 1-2



+ Go further: Easter Island

Home to an ancient and remote culture that continues to intrigue today, Easter Island (Rapa Nui) fascinates with its towering stone-carved Moai that have stood as sentinels on this Chilean territory since the 13th century. Uncover the secrets of this astonishing archaeological site and learn about the Polynesian Rapa Nui people whose ancestors shaped these imposing figures.

Punta Arenas + Torres del Paine National Park

Settle into your lodge at the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve of Torres del Paine. Punctuated by granite peaks and adorned with shimmering glaciers and lush forests, this will be your playground for the next few days.

DAY 3

Torres del Paine National Park

See the park by your choice of themed excursion, either on foot, horseback or by guided vehicle tour. You'll discover native flora and fauna, as well as local *gaucho* (cowboy) and Indigenous cultures.

DAYS 4-5



+ Go further: Kitchen garden tour

Spend an afternoon absorbing local horticultural practices at Las Torres Reserve Regenerative Kitchen Garden, one of the world's southernmost regenerative gardens. Join guided walks, harvest produce and enjoy farm-to-table meals and cocktails. You'll also see how the hotel supports long-term environmental stewardship efforts.

El Calafate + Estancia Cristina

Set on the edge of Lake Argentino, the small town of El Calafate is the gateway to Los Glaciares National Park, which is scattered with more than 200 glaciers – including the breath-taking Perito Moreno Glacier. While here, you'll take a boat ride to explore incredible glaciers, such as Spegazzini and Upsala, before arriving to the extraordinary Estancia Cristina, a historic Patagonian ranch founded in 1914 within the Los Glaciares National Park. Ride with *gauchos* (cowboys) through the Caterina River valley, fish for Chinook salmon, and explore a compelling museum that reveals the pioneering family history behind this remote and remarkable place.

DAYS 6-8

Buenos Aires

The cosmopolitan city of Buenos Aires reveals European colonial architecture, bohemian neighbourhoods and dances to the tempo of the tango. Spend time wandering Puerto Madero, Palermo and La Boca before ending your day watching the dance of passion.

DAYS 9-11



+ Go deeper: Antarctica

If you're travelling between November and March, Buenos Aires is an ideal departure point to Ushuaia, where you can set sail to Antarctica to experience the extraordinary vastness of this frozen landscape.



+ Stay longer: Iguazú Falls

Extend your journey from Buenos Aires to take in Iguazú Falls, one of South America's natural wonders. Consisting of 276 separate waterfalls, the falls run a length of almost three kilometres. Continue on to Rio de Janeiro to take in the highlights of colourful Brazil with our **Latin Rendezvous** itinerary.

Experience

Feel uplifted by the drama of an untamed landscape when you hike through the pristine wilderness of Patagonia or slip through the still and icy waters of Antarctica.



Kayaking in Antarctica

Antarctica

A rare silence brings a hush to the frozen splendour of the ice-scapes in Antarctica. As your paddle dips gently in and out of the water, you'll glide alongside icy monoliths spotted with fauna that call this unyielding environment home. This experience, in one of the most remote places on Earth, is both humbling and awe-inspiring; it's truly a moment to be at one with nature, and is not to be missed on any southern polar voyage. Kayaking is an option on any of our **Antarctica** itineraries.

Perito Moreno Glacier trek

Argentina

With sheer, icy walls rising up to 60 metres, the Perito Moreno Glacier is one of the most spectacular sights in the Los Glaciares National Park. If simply admiring its frosty-blue grandeur isn't enough, take the opportunity to join a mini-trek to scale this frozen monolith. You can add a trek on the glacier to our **Insider Patagonia** itinerary.



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El Chaltén

Argentine Patagonia

Set within Los Glaciares National Park in Argentine Patagonia, the mountain village of El Chaltén sits at the foot of the iconic granite spires of Cerro Fitz Roy and nearby Cerro Torre. For keen hikers, this is the perfect base from which to walk directly to the trailheads of Patagonia's coveted treks. Even when not hiking, every direction from within the village reveals attention-stealing scenery of soaring mountains and glacial peaks, making it a serene spot to spend your time. Add our **Experience El Chaltén** itinerary to your **Insider Patagonia** trip.

Explore

For those with a desire to push out to the furthest reaches of civilisation, explorations deep into Patagonia satisfy the curious with discoveries along the Magellan Strait and numerous treks departing from Torres del Paine National Park and El Chaltén.



Patagonian fjords

Chile and Argentina

Set out from the Chilean port of Punta Arenas to cruise the ice-hemmed Beagle Channel and the storied Strait of Magellan to hunt the Patagonian fjords of Tierra del Fuego. Here in the southern tip of the region, the feet of the Andes dip into the sea while Cape Horn beckons the intrepid towards Antarctica. Explore the southernmost city on the planet, the frontier-like Ushuaia, dubbed 'the end of the world'. Our **Patagonian Fjords** itinerary will take you to this spectacular part of the world.



Central America

Authentic Central America

Cancún, Mexico to Panamá City, Panamá

25 days / 24 nights

“Forming the bridge between North and South America, the seven nations of Central America offer ancient treasures, incredible biodiversity, spirited cities and richly textured cultures. This itinerary is a comprehensive deep dive into Central American life, journeying through ancient Mayan cities, vibrant culinary landscapes, preserved colonial cities and Costa Rica’s rejuvenating forests before saying farewell in vibrant Panamá City.”

Sharre Fox, Destination Specialist





Day of the Dead festival, Mexico



DAYS 1-3

Cancún + Chichén Itzá + Mérida + Uxmal

Arrive in Cancún and journey to the jungle-clad UNESCO World Heritage site of Chichén Itzá to explore this ancient wonder. Travel onwards to Mérida, the ‘White City’ of Yucatán, and spend time absorbing the historical Mayan Uxmal ruins.

DAYS 4-7

Mexico City + Teotihuacan pyramids

Welcome to Mexico City. Vast, busy and bold, it’s the oldest urban centre in the western hemisphere. Once the ancient Aztec capital of Tenochtitlan, every street here seems to heave with stories. Explore the Zócalo, Templo Mayor and Casa de los Azulejos (House of Tiles), then spend a day wandering the remarkable Teotihuacan pyramids.

DAYS 8-12

Guatemala City + Chichicastenango + Lake Atitlán + Antigua + Tikal

Awaking in Guatemala City, your next few days will be spent visiting the town of Chichicastenango, known for its open-air Mayan market, serene Lake Atitlán, and the awe-inspiring sites of Antigua and Tikal National Park.

DAYS 13-16

San José + Monteverde + Arenal

Marvel at the beauty of Costa Rica’s Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve, where the rainforest – home to agoutis, howler monkeys and the legendary quetzal – is covered with orchids and ferns. Take a boat across Lake Arenal to view the Arenal Volcano and observe sloths in their natural habitat.

DAYS 17-19

Puerto Viejo de Limon

The easy-going village of Puerto Viejo de Limon on the Caribbean Coast awaits today. Lounge by the pool or swim in the crystalline waters.



+ Go further: Sloth-spotting experience

Opt in for an excursion to Cahuita National Park to see sloths, monkeys and exotic birdlife.

DAYS 20-22

Bocas del Toro

Skipping across Caribbean waters, you’ll arrive in Bocas del Toro, where more idyllic beaches await. Enjoy dolphin-spotting, snorkelling at Coral Cay and relaxing at Red Frog Beach.

DAYS 23-25

Panamá City

Get to know Panamá City by strolling its busy laneways, making your way to the Metropolitan Cathedral and Plaza de Francia. Before heading home, cruise the famed Panamá Canal and visit the Emberá Querá tribe of Alajuela Lake.



+ Go deeper: Day of the Dead

If travelling in November, Mexico’s annual Day of the Dead (*Día de los Muertos*) cascades onto streets in blooms of golden marigolds and intricately painted faces. In Oaxaca, this cultural ritual transforms the city with colour, music and dance. Join the excitement of the party with our **Day of the Dead** itinerary.



+ Stay longer: Corcovado National Park

This pristine rainforest brims with rare wildlife, vibrant birds and lush flora. Snorkel in the crystal-clear waters of Caño Island Biological Reserve, where vibrant coral teems with diverse marine life. Extend your stay in Costa Rica with our **Experience Corcovado National Park** itinerary.



Traditional markets

Guatemala

Markets in Central America are veritable mini-festivals, piled with merchandise of saturated hues and tantalising spreads of exotic flavours. The Mayan market in the Guatemalan town of Chichicastenango is one of the largest and most exciting options around, and is not to be missed. Here you'll find traditionally made Indigenous crafts and clothing, as well as fruits, vegetables and flowers. Experience the markets as part of our **Authentic Guatemala** itinerary.

Experience

Wander traditional Mayan markets in Guatemala and quietly observe the glacial-like movements of adorable sloths for moments that will make your travel highlights list.



Sloth-watching in Costa Rica

Costa Rica

Sloths are part of a fragile ecosystem and are a protected species, so observing them in their natural habitat is a rare privilege. Be guided by knowledgeable naturalists to meet both three- and two-toed sloths in the Arenal region. You can also observe these happy-faced mammals at Manuel Antonio National Park. For face-to-face encounters, see our **Authentic Costa Rica** itinerary.



Explore

Two grand colonial cities of Central America beckon for longer stays. Both beautiful and etched with cultural significance, dedicate extra days to Oaxaca and Panamá City.

Oaxaca

Mexico

Oaxaca has a proud Indigenous culture and rich food traditions that deserve full exploration by food-lovers and history buffs alike. You'll find the streets of this UNESCO World Heritage site lined with elegant pastel-hued colonial buildings, as well as some of the country's best markets. Be sure to try the traditional *mole*, a layered and complex sauce made with around 30 ingredients. Go there on our **Authentic Mexico** and **A Taste of Mexico** itineraries.

Panamá City

Panamá

Spend time unearthing the colonial history of Panamá City. One of the best places to begin is in the historical heart of Casco Viejo, where the cobblestone streets of this UNESCO-listed district unfurl with ornate neo-classical architecture. Our **Authentic Panamá** itinerary starts in Panamá City, before cruising along the Panamá Canal. You'll then unwind on the Caribbean beaches of Bocas del Toro and perhaps snorkel in the Isla Bastimentos marine park.



Discover more South & Central American itineraries.



Authentic Ecuador

Quito to Guayaquil, Ecuador
8 days / 7 nights

From Andean peaks to Amazonian rainforest, Ecuador packs awe-inspiring moments and wild beauty into its small size. Pass through the magnetic landscape of the Avenue of the Volcanoes, visit the captivating colonial towns of Quito and Cuenca, and see the lake-dotted landscape of El Cajas National Park. Along the way, wander traditional Indigenous markets at Guamote and stay in charming authentic haciendas.



Jaguars of the Wild Pantanal

Pantanal to Pantanal, Brazil
5 days / 4 nights

A wildlife experience that will stay with you long after the journey ends, this dedicated itinerary takes you on safari with the Onçafari Project, a ground-breaking conservation initiative based in the Caiman Ecological Refuge in Brazil's Pantanal. Join expert guides as they lead you on an adventure to respectfully track jaguars, caimans, capybaras and giant anteaters through tropical wetlands and grasslands.



Authentic Colombia

Bogotá to Cartagena, Colombia
10 days / 9 nights

A collision of Caribbean beaches, colonial architecture and its own distinct rhythm, Colombia's culture is as complex as the aroma of the coffee grown and loved here. From Bogotá's historic Candelaria district to the country's 'coffee triangle' and the old city walls of Cartagena, this trip unravels the enigma of this stunning country. You'll also join efforts to conserve the habitat of the adorable cotton-top tamarin.



Journey to the White Continent

Buenos Aires to Buenos Aires, Argentina
14 days / 13 nights

A truly life-affirming adventure to the southernmost continent, this exploration of the Antarctic Peninsula takes in the pleasures of Buenos Aires before venturing to the land of ice onboard the *National Geographic Endurance* or *National Geographic Resolution*. Guided by experts, you'll discover the up-close beauty of icebergs by Zodiac, spot chinstrap penguins and paddle out into the silent waters by kayak.



Authentic Costa Rica

San José to San José, Costa Rica
8 days / 7 nights

A truly incredible journey to Central America's conservation crown jewel, this discovery of Costa Rica takes in the vibrant rhythms of its lush landscapes before venturing into the heart of the rainforest. Glimpse the hidden world of ocelots and sloths within a vast network of protected sanctuaries, hear the calls of toucans and spot nesting sea turtles. This is a place where sustainability and adventure meet in natural harmony.



Authentic Mexico

Mexico City to Playa del Carmen, Mexico
10 days / 9 nights

Delve into the vivid contrasts of this incredible Central American country, from the crystalline waves of coastal beaches to the far-reaching history of iconic landmarks. On the way, you'll marvel at the historical sites of Chichén Itzá, Teotihuacan, Palenque and Uxmal, thrill your palate with a delicious cantinas tour in Mérida and streetfood tour of vibrant Mexico City, and unwind on the pristine shores of Playa del Carmen.



Copper Canyon by Rail

Chihuahua to Los Mochis, Mexico
6 days / 5 nights

All aboard for a truly iconic rail journey in northern Mexico. This train ride ribbons its way through the rust-hued Sierra Tarahumara (Copper Canyon) from Chihuahua to Los Mochis. You'll disembark along the way to absorb the majesty of the show-stopping landscape with hikes, cable car rides and a walking tour of historic El Fuerte. You'll also meet the welcoming Indigenous cave-dwelling Rarámuri people of Cueva del Chino.



Authentic Belize

Belize City to Belize City, Belize
7 days / 6 nights

Spanning ruins and rainforests, your journey in Belize unfurls with barefoot luxury from a jungle treehouse at San Ignacio to a private island off the Caribbean coast. With experiences including incredible farm-to-table dining, cruising the Macal River, snorkelling in pristine waters and discoveries of ancient Mayan history and culture, this itinerary offers the perfect balance of relaxation and excitement.

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Banff National Park, Alberta

Canada & Alaska

Canada and Alaska offer wild landscapes, global cities and rich native culture. Western Canada is renowned for its natural beauty, from the alpine lakes and rugged peaks of the Rocky Mountains to the Arctic tundra of Manitoba and its extraordinary polar bears, while the east is where French charm meets cosmopolitan flair in energetic and historic Montréal and Québec City. Traditional Indigenous cultures thrive in the north, and you can amp up the adventure in Alaska, through a landscape of majestic fjords and calving glaciers, where remote communities are rich in culture and you'll find Denali's Big Five: grizzlies, moose, caribou, wolves and Dall sheep.

Peak Travel Periods

June–August brings warm weather and superb wildlife viewing across Canada and Alaska, with **September–October** highlighting vibrant autumn colours and grizzly bears in Canada. Peak polar bear viewing is **October–November** and Alaska's peak runs **mid-June** to **mid-August**, with long daylight hours ideal for cruising and exploration.

Expert Advice

Visit **November–February** for snowy landscapes and the Northern Lights in Canada. In Alaska, late **August–April** offers aurora viewing, while **April–May** reveals emerging wildlife and fewer travellers.



Great Bear Rainforest, British Columbia

Experience

Canada and Alaska are renowned for their vast wilderness and astounding beauty, from soaring mountains to glowing glaciers. Home to wild bears, caribou and wolves, we all dream of spending a cosy escape in special places like these.

Grizzly Bear viewing British Columbia

Grizzly bear viewing during the salmon run is one of the world's most unforgettable wildlife encounters. The Great Bear Rainforest offers a magical setting, and a stay at a remote wilderness lodge places you in prime position for watching the grizzlies when they're most active. See them on our **Grizzlies of the Great Bear Rainforest** itinerary. Alaska also provides fantastic opportunities to see them fishing, particularly in Katmai National Park.



Rocky Mountaineer

British Columbia and Alberta

One of the world's most epic rail journeys, the Rocky Mountaineer links Vancouver to towns in the Canadian Rockies (Banff, Lake Louise and Jasper). This multi-day journey winds through dramatic scenery, including mountain ranges, turquoise lakes and glacial-fed rivers. From the comfort of the train, which has been designed with a glass-domed roof and an outdoor area for uninterrupted views, you'll be served locally inspired cuisine and listen to fascinating stories about the region you're travelling through, thanks to an onboard host. Take our **Mountain Peaks Rail Loop** or **Sip & Savour Canadian Flavours** journeys.

Seek out Coastal Wolves

British Columbia

On the islands off North Vancouver Island, find evasive, seafood-eating coastal wolves. These smallish wild wolves live a semi-aquatic life, swimming between islands in search of food. They're only found between the coastlines and islands of Southwestern Alaska and Vancouver Island. Glimpse these rare creatures on our **Searching for Coastal Wolves** itinerary.



Wilderness lodges and remote stays

Yukon and British Columbia

Unwind in remote Western Canada to soak up the region's natural beauty and wildlife. A wilderness lodge in the traditional territory of the Carcross/Tagish First Nation is the perfect base for exploring the Yukon, surrounded by forest inhabited by lynx. Book our **Northern Lights of the Yukon** itinerary to relax in your private cabin on the edge of a lake, where local cuisine is served and the Northern Lights dance. North of Vancouver, the Great Bear Rainforest is home to grizzlies, black bears and the elusive Spirit bear; choosing our **Spirit Bears and First Nations Culture** itinerary offers excellent bear viewing, entwined with local culture.

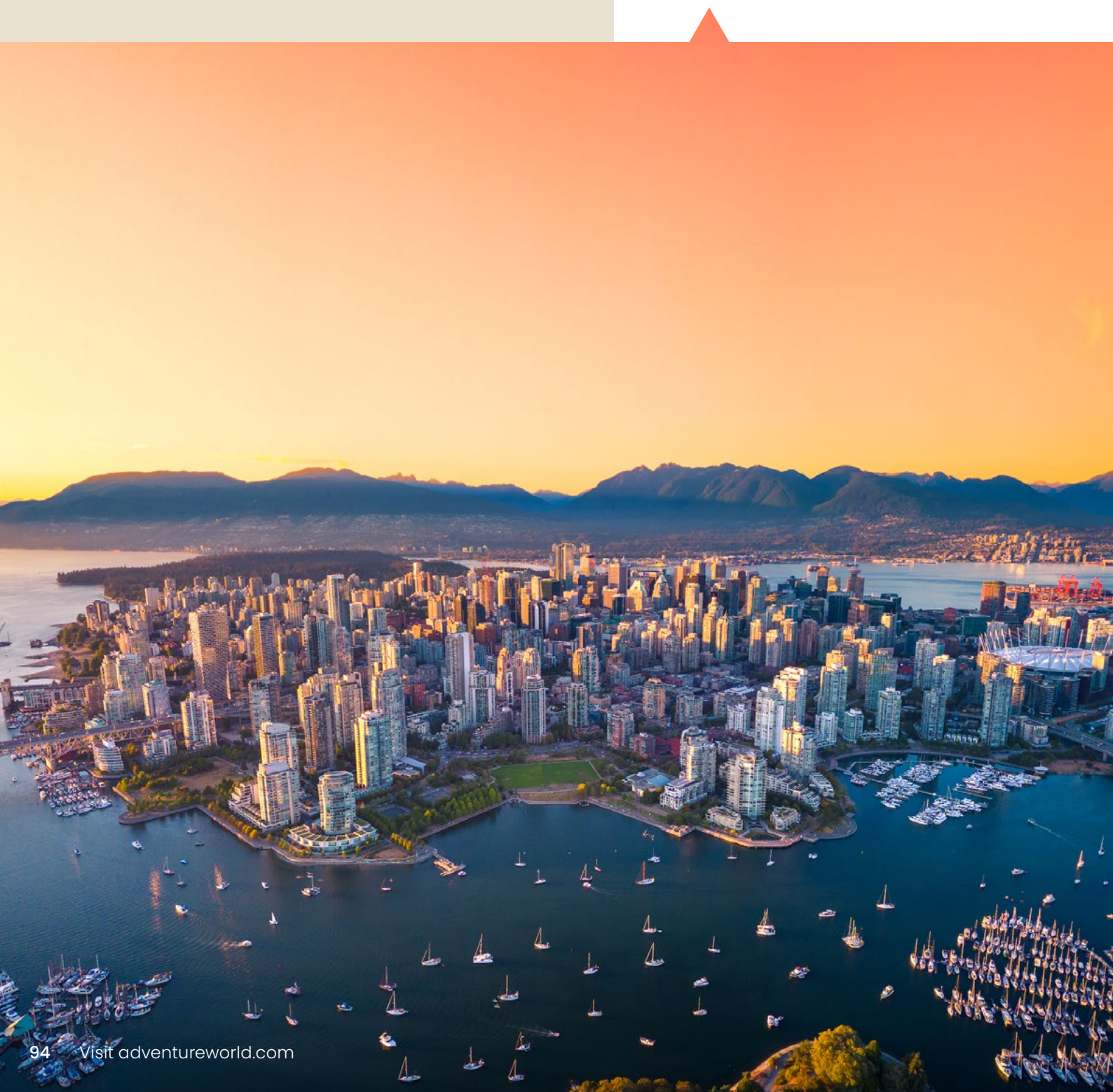
Explore

From classic postcard-vistas of the Canadian Rockies to historic cities and pretty coasts, Canada is filled with destinations that boast gobsmacking landscapes, contrasting cultures and epic experiences in nature.

Vancouver

British Columbia

Discover vibrant Vancouver, a harbour city framed by snow-capped peaks and sparkling ocean. Wander historic Gastown's brick-lined streets, cycle the seawall around Stanley Park, or browse the lively markets of Granville Island. With its mild climate, waterfront beauty, and easy access to nature, Vancouver blends urban sophistication with wild West Coast charm. Visit on our **Summits, Sips & Serenity** itinerary.



Canadian Rockies

Alberta

The legendary Canadian Rockies, home to Banff and Jasper National Parks, are known for their winter sports, hiking and wildlife viewing (think grizzlies, elk, black bears, wolves and coyotes). Add stops at the glacial-fed Lake Louise and Athabasca Glacier, one of the most accessible glaciers in the world. Our self-drive **Road Trip to the Rockies** route will get you there.



Historic Québec City

Québec

Immerse yourself in the rich culture of waterfront Québec City, which boasts 400 years of history. Old Québec is its UNESCO-listed cobblestoned centre, the only walled city north of Mexico that still possesses many of its original well-preserved buildings. Canada's foundational French city oozes European charm and is even prettier in winter, when it's blanketed in snow. See it on our **Authentic Eastern Canada by Rail** itinerary.

Vancouver Island

British Columbia

Life on Vancouver Island – just under 100 kilometres west of Vancouver – ticks over at a slower pace than that of the mainland. Traditional territory of the Coast Salish, Nuu-chah-nulth and Kwakwaka'wakw people, it's home to scenic coastal towns and fishing villages, vineyards making cool-climate wine, temperate rainforest and a network of hiking and biking trails. Spot the orcas, marmots, salmon, eagles and black bears that live here. Visit on our **Island Wildlife & Adventure** journey.



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Authentic Canada

Vancouver, British Columbia to Québec City, Québec

22 days / 21 nights

“From coast to coast, Canada is a landscape of striking natural beauty. I’ve crafted this itinerary to highlight the places and experiences that truly capture the spirit of both eastern and western Canada. From its thriving and delightfully quirky culinary scene and its rich cultural diversity and history, to its rugged coastlines, soaring mountain ranges, and the incredible wildlife that calls these environments home. It’s a place that’s sure to win your heart just as it has won mine.”

Kristy Prince, Product Manager



Canadian Rockies, Alberta



Jasper National Park, Alberta



DAYS 1-3

Vancouver

Welcome to Vancouver, a vibrant multicultural city where you can indulge in an abundance of culinary experiences and outdoor activities, such as hiking, cycling and watersports.

**+ Go further: Victoria and Whistler**

Enjoy a ferry trip to British Columbia's capital, Victoria, with time to wander the Inner Harbour, see the iconic Fairmont Empress and the 22 hectare Butchart Gardens. Travel along the scenic Sea to Sky Highway, where you'll ride the gondola up Mount Habrich and take a thrilling walk across the Sky Pilot Suspension Bridge, both boasting incredible views of snowcapped peaks. Whistler's cobblestoned village is a delight to walk through, and its Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre is a must-visit.

DAYS 4-5

Rocky Mountaineer

Spend the next two days onboard Rocky Mountaineer, with an overnight stay in Kamloops. Soak up the ever-changing scenery from your GoldLeaf glass-domed carriage; the views transform from the lush fields of the Fraser Valley to the forests and winding river canyons encircled by the Coast Mountains and Cascade Range, before winding through a desert-like environment.

DAYS 6-7

Banff

You'll arrive in the lively alpine town of Banff, within Canada's first national park in the mighty Canadian Rockies. Enjoy a ride on the Banff Gondola to the peak of Sulphur Mountain, with sweeping views of the ranges along the way. You'll also step aboard a helicopter for an unforgettable experience, flying over towering Mount Assiniboine and the surrounding landscape of enormous glaciers and icefalls.

DAY 8

Lake Louise

Join a guided excursion into Yoho National Park to view its many natural wonders, including the Spiral Tunnels, Emerald Lake, Kicking Horse River, Moraine Lake and magnificent Takakkaw Falls. In the afternoon you'll arrive at the world-renowned village of Lake Louise, named after its picture-perfect turquoise-hued lake.

DAY 9

Icefields Parkway

Journey along Icefields Parkway, Canada's most scenic mountain roadway, which is home to more than 100 glaciers, lakes and waterfalls. The Columbia Icefield is one of the largest accumulations of ice south of the Arctic Circle. Here, you'll ride on an all-terrain Ice Explorer to Athabasca Glacier.

DAYS 10-11

Jasper

Jasper National Park's abundant wildlife, lakes, glaciers, canyons and forest, all surrounded by towering mountains, are among the reasons the park is a UNESCO World Heritage site. It's also the world's second largest Dark Sky Preserve, providing excellent stargazing opportunities. Join a wildlife tour to seek out elk, deer, bears, moose and mountain goats, and take a walking tour to savour the town's culinary delights.

DAYS 12-14

VIA Rail

Farewell the Rockies from VIA Rail's The Canadian sleeper train. There's plenty of time to relax on this multi-day journey, watching the prairies and farmland give way to scenic lake lands as you spend time in the specially designed domed viewing cars. Enjoy delicious gourmet meals as you travel. ▶



Niagara Falls, Ontario



Old Québec City, Québec

Toronto

Arrive in Canada's largest city and spend time exploring its many diverse neighbourhoods.



DAYS 15-16



+ Go further: Niagara Peninsula

Take a full-day tour to the Niagara Peninsula, Canada's fruit belt and major wine-producing region; it's also home to one of the great wonders of the world, the spectacular Niagara Falls. Journey along the Niagara Parkway, which winds along the Niagara Gorge, stopping at Niagara-on-the-Lake, voted 'Canada's prettiest town'.

Ottawa

Travel in business class onboard VIA Rail's Corridor service, which follows the shores of Lake Ontario to Ottawa. Canada's capital city is home to many museums, art galleries and markets, as well as its striking Neo-Gothic parliament buildings.

DAY 17

Ottawa + Montréal

Visit Ottawa's UNESCO-listed Rideau Canal, one of the oldest continuously operated canals in North America, comprising 24 hand-operated lock stations. Enjoy a canal cruise onboard an electric passenger vessel, then board VIA Rail's Corridor service to the Québec province, Canada's largest French-speaking region.

DAY 18

Montréal

Set on an island in the St Lawrence River and named after the three-peaked Mount Royal, Montréal possesses incredible architecture and one of the most dynamic food scenes in North America. Take a guided tour to explore the bustling downtown area from both above and below (Montréal is home to an underground pedestrian network of almost 33 kilometres - it's one of the largest in the world). See Quartier International, Place Ville Marie, Victoria Square, Place d'Armes and Old Montréal.

DAY 19

Québec City

Board VIA Rail's Corridor service for the journey to Québec City, which has a remarkable fortified old town centre. The iconic Fairmont Le Château Frontenac, sitting at its heart, is one of the most photographed hotels in North America. Join a walking tour of Old Québec and learn about its colourful history, beginning with French settlement on Iroquois land in 1608. After the sun goes down, stroll along the 1.2 kilometre Onhwa' Lumina pathway, which celebrates the indigenous Huron-Wendat nation through light illuminations and sound and video projects. Your journey concludes in Québec City.

DAYS 20-22



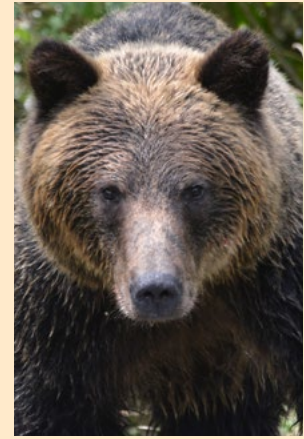
+ Go deeper: Ocean Train

To complete your coast to coast journey, consider extending your stay with an overnight trip on the Ocean Train along the Atlantic coast, to Halifax, Nova Scotia. From here, you can explore the Maritimes provinces or Newfoundland and Labrador. Try our **Coastal Rail & Island Trails** itinerary.



“I discover something new on every trip to Canada. The richness of cultures and diversity of scenery offers extraordinary contrast year-round. And my heart stops every time I see bears in the wild, moose and bison grazing and, of course, the aurora.”

Kristy Prince, Product Manager



Go deeper...

Spot fauna in the wild

North of Vancouver, journey deep into British Columbia's untamed wilderness to observe a diverse range of wildlife. Find grizzlies, black bears and vast marine life in the Great Bear Rainforest, as well as vibrant First Nations communities.

Add **Grizzlies of the Great Bear Rainforest** to your journey.



Stay longer...

Northern adventures await

Combine Canada's delights with the wild beauty of Alaska. Walk across glaciers, cruise into pristine gorges, go on a thrilling dog sled ride, seek out wildlife from grizzlies to puffins, and fly across the Arctic Circle on an adventure-filled Alaskan itinerary. Add **Alaska's Wilderness and Wildlife** tour.



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Banff, Alberta

53.1106° N, 119.1558° W

Western Canada

Authentic Canadian Winter Wonderland

Vancouver, British Columbia to Whitehorse, Yukon

15 days / 14 nights

“This itinerary captures the essence of a classic Canadian winter. Beginning in cosmopolitan Vancouver, framed by ocean and mountains, you venture into the snowy landscapes of Banff and Jasper for crisp air, alpine adventures, and iconic rail journeys through the Rockies. Winter adds its own kind of magic with deep snow underfoot, warm fires glowing, and wide-open spaces transformed into a serene white wilderness.

The journey continues north to a remote Yukon lodge, where clear nights offer the chance to watch the Northern Lights dance across the sky, a breathtaking finale to a journey defined by wonder.”

Tanya Scobie, Destination Specialist



Canadian Rockies, British Columbia



Whitehorse, Yukon



DAYS 1-2

Vancouver

In vibrant and scenic Vancouver, take a guided tour of downtown, venture into the wilderness of the North Shore and explore eclectic Granville Island.

DAY 3

VIA Rail

You'll overnight on VIA Rail's iconic The Canadian train, travelling through the majestic Canadian Rockies towards Jasper. Enjoy gourmet food, incredible views and the comfort of sleeper class.

DAYS 4-5

Jasper

Join astronomy guides for a stargazing evening in Jasper National Park, a Dark Sky Preserve. You'll also take a tour to the Athabasca Valley to see a variety of wildlife, such as moose and wolves, and sample local cuisine on a walking culinary tour.

DAY 6

Lake Louise

Travel south along the Icefields Parkway, edged by towering mountain peaks, frozen waterfalls and mountain valleys. In Lake Louise, maybe try skating across the frozen lake before spending an unforgettable evening at the world-class Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise.

DAYS 7-8

Banff

Walk along Banff National Park's Icewalk, built into Johnston Canyon, to see the frozen Upper Falls. Snuggle under a blanket on a sleigh ride through snowy meadows, keeping an eye out for deer and elk. Take a scenic ride on the Banff Gondola to the top of Sulphur Mountain for incredible views of Banff town, the Bow Valley and surrounding mountains.

DAY 9

Calgary

Travel to Calgary, a city with deep roots in western culture and Rocky Mountains adventures.

DAYS 10-11

Whitehorse

In Whitehorse, the capital of Yukon Territory, visit the Yukon Wildlife Preserve to spot bighorn sheep, caribou, bison and even the elusive lynx. Unwind at Eclipse Nordic Hot Springs, nestled within snow-covered forest, and visit the AuroraCentre to learn about the magic of the Northern Lights.

DAYS 12-15

Tagish

Spend a few days in a lakeside cabin at a remote wilderness lodge surrounded by nature. Strap on snowshoes and follow fresh lynx tracks through snow-covered forest, take a thrilling dog sled ride and, at night, keep your eyes peeled for the aurora borealis. Return to Whitehorse for your onwards arrangements.

+ *Go deeper: Whistler's winter wonder*

Extend your trip with a visit to the mountain resort of Whistler, where you can zip-line through snow-covered forests, enjoy a mountaintop fondue by snowcat, or walk through the lights of Vallea Lumina.

+ *Stay longer: Québec*

Extend your winter adventure with a taste of French Québec, Indigenous culture and a stay in North America's only Ice Hotel on our **Winter in Québec** itinerary.

Experience

Teeming with breathtaking landscapes of towering peaks, turquoise lakes and luminous skies, Western Canada is all about experiencing the great outdoors, from playful winter adventures to chasing the glow of the aurora borealis.



Winter wonderland

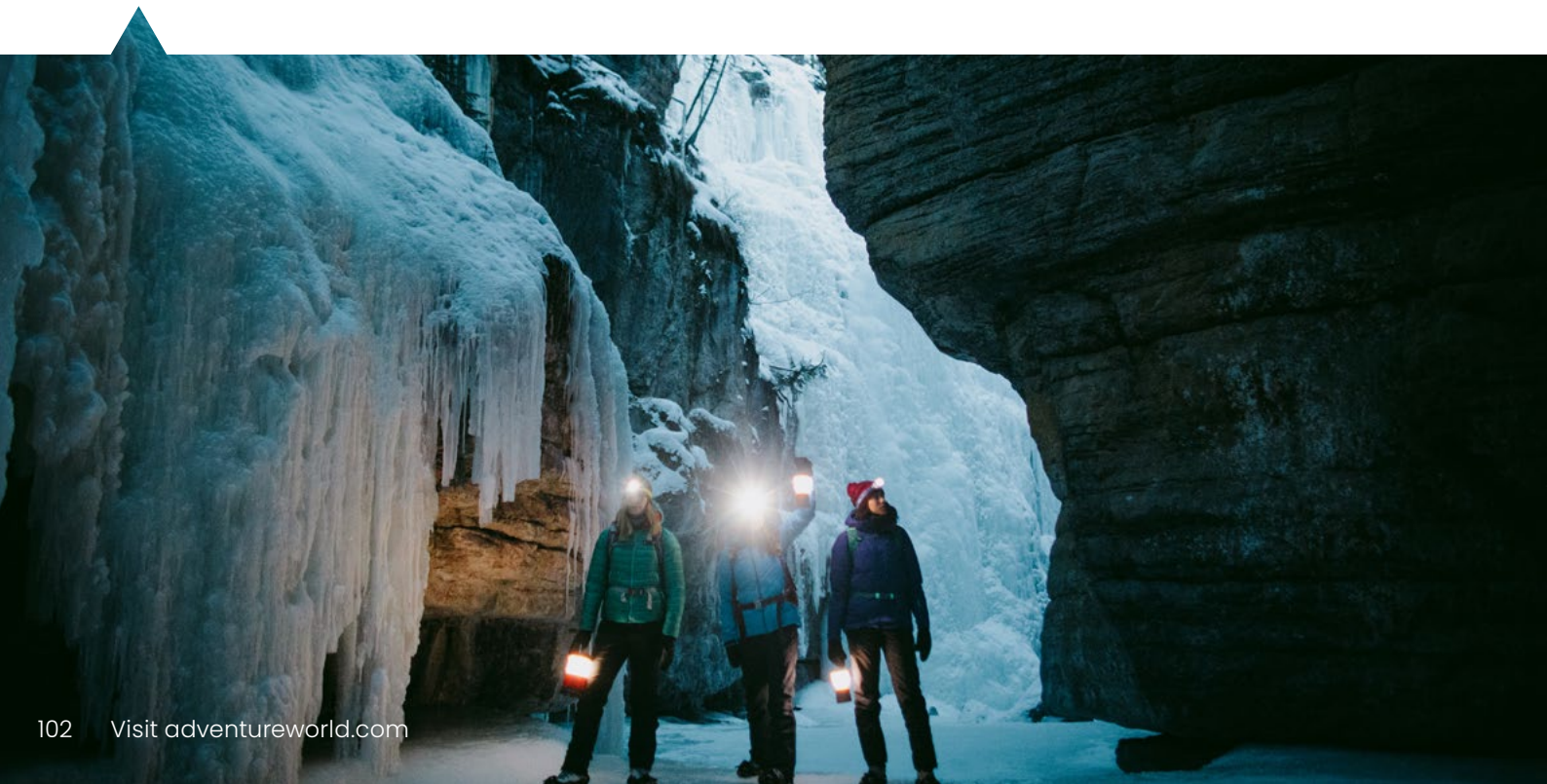
Canada and Alaska

Much of Canada and Alaska is showered in snow in winter, creating a playground for alpine adventures. Snuggle up on a sleigh ride and take an icewalk through Banff National Park, go ice skating on Lake Louise and get your cross-country skiing fix in Québec. Iconic experiences are boundless in both Québec and the Yukon, including snowshoeing, thrilling dog sled rides and snowmobile adventures. Head to Alaska for stunning icebergs, glaciers and soaring mountains. Take our **Winter Delights**, **Winter in Québec** or **Authentic Alaskan Aurora Adventure** itineraries.

Striking colours of the Northern Lights

Canada and Alaska

Northern Lights viewing in Canada and Alaska is at its best from late August to early April, when long northern nights reveal brilliant aurora displays. The Northwest Territories, Yukon and Manitoba offer some of the continent's most reliable and awe-inspiring viewing. Alaska also stands out as a prime destination, pairing its dramatic wilderness with excellent aurora-watching conditions. Witness this jaw-dropping phenomena on our **Yukon Winter Dream** or **Authentic Alaskan Aurora Adventure** itineraries.



Lake Louise

Alberta

Lake Louise is the jewel-coloured heart of Banff National Park. It's known for its technicolour hue and the century-old Fairmont Chateau that sits on its shore, but there's plenty more to see. In summer, canoe on the lake and lace up your hiking boots to explore the trails; in winter, rug up for cross-country skiing or ice-skating. See the lake on many itineraries, including **Sip & Savour Canadian Flavours**, **Winter Delights** and **Road Trip to the Rockies**.

Explore

In winter, Western Canada is a highlight reel of snowy icons, home to renowned destinations such as Vancouver, Banff and Lake Louise. Delight in the dramatic frozen landscape onboard the Snow Train for a slow reveal of Canada's icy beauty.

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Snow Train

Canada

Riding VIA Rail's Snow Train is a chance to settle into the rhythm of winter and watch some of Canada's most dramatic landscapes unfold at a gentle pace. As the train winds from coastal rainforest into the heart of the Rockies and onwards, you pass frozen lakes, deep forests, and mountain peaks dusted in fresh snow, all viewed from warm, wide-windowed carriages and cosy beds. Experience it on our **Snow Train to the Rockies** itinerary.



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Eastern Canada

Authentic Maritimes

Halifax to Halifax, Nova Scotia

19 days / 18 nights

“Breathe in the salty air on this incredible escapade through Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Take scenic coastal roads, delve into history, spot marine life and dine on fresh seafood straight from the ocean.”

Melary Van Koningsveld, Destination Specialist



Peggy's Cove, Nova Scotia



Cabot Trail, Nova Scotia



DAYS 1-2

Halifax

In the vibrant coastal city of Halifax, you'll take a cruise beneath the city's bridges and learn about the area's rich history on a guided walking tour.

DAYS 3-4

Mahone Bay + Lunenburg

Drive along the scenic Lighthouse Route to Mahone Bay, stopping at the charming fishing village of Peggy's Cove along the way. During a walking tour of Old Town Lunenburg you'll discover 18th century and Victorian era architecture and quirky local lore.

DAYS 5-7

Kejimikujik National Park + Digby

Kejimikujik National Park and National Historic Site is celebrated for both its ecological richness and deep Mi'kmaq heritage; it's also recognised as a Dark Sky Preserve. Enjoy a paddle on its pristine lakes or a hike through old-growth forest. Travel to Digby, a coastal town renowned for its scallops, where you'll enjoy a wildlife-focused boat tour to Brier Island with a naturalist.

DAYS 8-9

Saint John

Cross the Bay of Fundy by ferry to New Brunswick, arriving in the bustling harbour city of Saint John. Join a First Nations-guided tour to discover the fascinating history of the local Wolastoqi and Mi'kmaq peoples.

DAYS 10-11

Hopewell Cape

Drive through ancient forests, past waterfalls and sheer cliffs to Hopewell Cape. Experience the unique tidal formation of Hopewell Rocks on a guided sea-kayaking adventure.

DAYS 12-13

Charlottetown

Stop in the 'Lobster Capital of the World', Shediac, before arriving in historic Charlottetown, where you'll tour iconic landmarks including vibrant Queen Street and Green Gables Heritage Place.

DAYS 14-16

Baddeck + Cabot Trail

Continue to lakeside Baddeck, renowned for its connection to Alexander Graham Bell. You'll spend the next couple of days driving the 298 kilometre Cabot Trail, which weaves through the rugged beauty of Cape Breton Island.

DAYS 17-19

Charles Cove + Halifax

Visit Charles Cove, a village steeped in Acadian history where you can walk the Guysborough Waterfront Trail. Step back in time at Sherbrooke Village, Nova Scotia's largest living history museum, which recreates life in the 1860s. Continue to Halifax for the final evening of your journey.

**+ Go deeper: Ontario and Québec**

Explore the thundering beauty of Niagara Falls, the wilderness of Algonquin and Saguenay and the history and French culture of Montréal and Québec City on our **Highlights of Ontario & Québec** road trip. Travelling in September/October will showcase spectacular fall colours.

**+ Stay longer: Newfoundland and Labrador**

Complete your Atlantic journey with a Newfoundland adventure. Icebergs, puffins, whales, Viking history, incredible scenery and welcoming locals await. Maybe even treat yourself to a stay at Fogo Island Inn. Explore it all when you add our **Authentic Newfoundland** itinerary to your trip.



Experience

Watch magnificent polar bears roam the tundra and along the coastline near Churchill, and admire the fiery tapestry of reds, golds and ambers that sweeps across Ontario and Québec each autumn.

Polar bear spotting

Manitoba

There's nothing quite like seeing polar bears in their natural environment. Canada is home to two-thirds of the world's population of these powerful creatures, and your best bet to spot them is in the 'polar bear capital of the world': Churchill in Manitoba. Prime viewing season in Churchill is October to November, but the remote wilderness lodges offer reliable sightings from July, coinciding with Beluga whale season. Witness them on a walking safari from a remote wilderness lodge, or from a specially designed electric Tundra Buggy as they wait for Hudson Bay to freeze. See them on our **Hudson Bay Odyssey** or **Classic Churchill Polar Bear Adventure**.

Fall Foliage

Ontario & Québec

Algonquin Provincial Park is one of Ontario's signature wilderness getaways, famed for its brilliant autumn foliage and maple forests, making it a 'leaf peepers' paradise. Hike, paddle or drive through landscapes alive with colour. The park's lakes and trails also offer memorable wildlife encounters, from moose in quiet wetlands to loons calling over misty morning waters. Experience it on our **Highlights of Ontario & Québec** itinerary.



Explore

Discover Canada's coastal drama and fjord-filled landscapes when you explore the cliff-hugging Cabot Trail in Nova Scotia and the geological wonders of Newfoundland's Gros Morne National Park.

Cape Breton Island and the Cabot Trail

Nova Scotia

At the northeastern end of Nova Scotia, Cape Breton Island is renowned for its dramatic coastal scenery and Celtic culture. A highlight is the 298 kilometre Cabot Trail, which weaves through national parks, quaint fishing villages and forested plateaus and traces ocean-carved cliffs. It also connects communities that are home to local artisans, such as glass blowers and leatherworkers. Explore it on our **Coastal Rail & Island Trails** journey.

Gros Morne National Park

Newfoundland and Labrador

Situated on the rugged west coast of Newfoundland, Gros Morne National Park is a breathtaking UNESCO World Heritage site renowned for its ancient landscapes and profound geological history. A highlight is the Tablelands, a striking orange plateau where you can walk directly upon the Earth's mantle, a rare opportunity to see the planet's inner layers exposed by tectonic collision. The park also features the iconic Western Brook Pond, a massive, glacier-carved inland fjord flanked by billion-year-old cliffs that tower over pristine waters. Visit on our **Authentic Newfoundland** itinerary.

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Alaska

Authentic Alaska

Juneau to Fairbanks, Alaska

15 days / 14 nights

“Prepare to be awed on this journey that showcases Alaska’s raw beauty. From its untouched glaciers and peaceful sounds to its highest peak, you’ll experience it all from land, sea and air.”

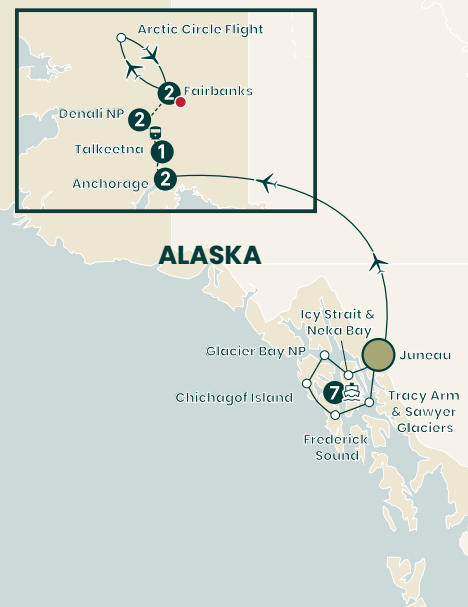
Allyce Balderston, Destination Specialist



Denali National Park, Alaska



Glacier Bay National Park, Alaska



DAYS 1-2

Juneau + Icy Strait + Neka Bay

Board your small expedition ship for a spectacular cruise around Alaska's Inside Passage. You'll glide through the Icy Strait in a kayak, view sea lions or hike through a forest with a naturalist.

DAYS 3-4

Glacier Bay National Park

Glacier Bay National Park is 1.2 million hectares of untouched wilderness with spectacular wildlife viewing. Hike the outwash field of glaciers winding down the Fairweather Range or venture to Dundas Bay to spot bears, whales and wolves.

DAY 5

Chichagof Island

Journey through the glacier-carved fjords of the Chichagof coast. Explore the Tongass Rainforest, one of the world's most abundant bear habitats.

DAY 6

Frederick Sound

Cruise Frederick Sound, where humpback whales feed in the picturesque glacial waters, and The Brothers islands, where sea lions rest on rocky outcrops. Take a paddle through the deep waters of Port Houghton and Windham Bay.

DAY 7

Tracy Arm + Sawyer Glacier

Cruise through fjords, floating ice and deep valleys to Tracy Arm, home to the glowing soft blue Sawyer Glacier.

DAYS 8-9

Juneau + Anchorage

Fly to Anchorage, Alaska's largest city. Tour along Turnagain Arm to Mount Alyeska, one of the most scenic drives in the country, and visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center.

DAY 10

Talkeetna

Board the Alaska Railroad bound for Talkeetna, a popular base for climbers attempting to conquer Mount Denali. Take flight in a small plane for some of the best views of North America's highest peak.

DAYS 11-12

Denali National Park

Continue by train to Denali National Park, a pristine wilderness where you can seek out Denali's Big Five in their natural habitat. Later, watch a dog sledding demonstration.

DAYS 13-15

Fairbanks

Take a scenic railway journey north to Fairbanks, the gateway to Alaska's remote north. You'll land across the Arctic Circle in a small plane before enjoying a walk on the Arctic tundra. Journey back along the rugged Dalton Highway as you marvel at the beauty of the storied Yukon River. Your Alaskan adventure ends in Fairbanks.

**+ Go deeper: road trip**

Explore beyond the rail belt with a road trip featuring wilderness lodges in stunning national parks, including remote Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, the largest in the US and home to nine of the 16 highest peaks in America. Discover it on our **Grand Alaska Road Trip**.

**+ Stay longer: wilderness stay**

Extend your time in Alaska with a remote wilderness lodge stay. From specialty fly-in bear viewing lodges in prime position, to scenic getaways tucked at the foot of glaciers, these make a fantastic addition to any Alaska itinerary.

Experience

Whether it's dog sledding in snow-covered forest or cruising through deep fjords, spending time in the wild outdoors is all part of the Alaskan experience.



Dog sledding

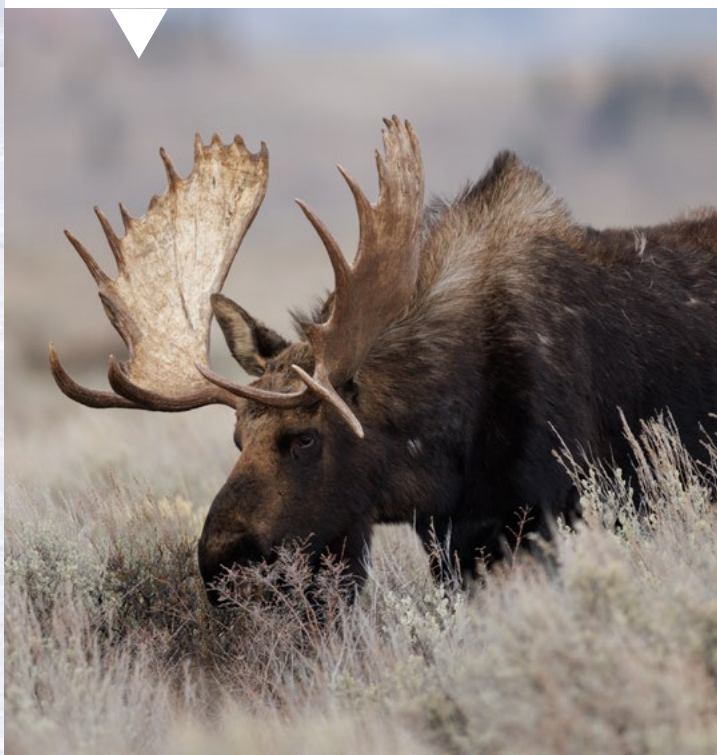
Alaska

Both exhilarating and heart-warming, experiencing dog sledding in Alaska is a must. In summer, take a spectacular helicopter flight to mush on a mountain-top glacier, or try having your canine athletes pull a wheeled cart instead. In winter, mush through snow covered fields and forests. Experience it on our **Alaska Rail Explorer** or **Authentic Alaskan Aurora Adventure** itineraries.

Denali National Park

Alaska

Alaska's Denali National Park is filled with untamed beauty: you can explore glacial rivers, vast tundra and soaring mountains, including North America's highest peak, Mt Denali. This huge reserve, which covers six million acres, is home to Denali's Big Five: moose, caribou, grizzly bears, wolves and Dall sheep. Explore it with our **Alaska's Wilderness & Wildlife** itinerary.



Small ship cruising

Alaska

Cruising Alaska's protected waterways is a journey that takes in a landscape of icebergs, glacial fjords and marine life, including humpback whales, orcas, seals, puffins and more. Join included kayak adventures, skiff tours or guided hikes ashore in search of bears, and enjoy delicious cuisine and beverages while soaking up spectacular scenery without the crowds. Take our **Northern Passages with Glacier Bay National Park & Sitka** cruise.



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Explore

No matter where you put a pin in the map, you won't be disappointed by what Alaska has to offer. With wildlife-rich national parks, remote communities thriving with tradition, and the wondrous Arctic, this is an absolute dream destination.

Kenai Fjords National Park

Alaska

Home to nearly 40 glaciers, dramatic fjords, rough-hewn coastlines and abundant wildlife, Kenai Fjords National Park is a stand-out destination. Spend a day cruising the picturesque scenery, on the look-out for sea otters, sea lions, orcas and puffins. Or take a tour to visit Exit Glacier, the only part of the park accessible by road, where you can hike the trails. See it on our **Grand Alaska Road Trip** or **Alaska's Wilderness & Wildlife** itinerary.



Beyond the Arctic Circle

Alaska

Venture where few do: the remote and rugged Arctic Circle. Hop in a small plane to grasp this area's vastness, witness the phenomena of the Northern Lights that turn the sky green, pink and purple, and admire the resilient wildlife that lives here, from musk ox to Arctic fox. It's also a region rich in history, from First Nations people and their upheld traditions to the Gold Rush days. See our **Authentic Alaska** itinerary.



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Discover more Canada & Alaska itineraries.



Trail of the Bison

Winnipeg, Manitoba to Edmonton, Alberta
15 days / 14 nights

This self-drive journey follows the path of the bison across Canada's prairie heartland, rich in Indigenous traditions. Bookended by two vibrant cities, your itinerary covers awe-inspiring wildernesses such as Riding Mountain National Park, where elk, moose, bears and bison roam, and Wanuskewin Heritage Park, a place of profound cultural significance and conservation. You'll learn about local Indigenous culture, sample native-inspired cuisine and sleep under the stars in luxury Sky Watching Domes.



Authentic Newfoundland

St. John's to Deer Lake, Newfoundland and Labrador
15 days / 14 nights

Delve deep into Newfoundland's rich beauty and history, from St. John's colourful streets to the breathtaking icebergs and whales of Iceberg Alley. This region boasts dramatic landscapes featuring rare geology, including the only place you can walk on the Earth's mantle, as well as quaint villages deeply rooted in traditions, Viking ruins and fascinating wildlife, from charming puffins to the striking lynx. Take it all in at your own pace on this self-drive itinerary from St. John's to Deer Lake.



Island Wildlife & Adventure

Vancouver to Vancouver, British Columbia
11 days / 10 nights

Explore the untamed beauty of Vancouver Island, off the coast of British Columbia. Starting in cosmopolitan Vancouver, you'll take a ferry to Victoria for a journey around an island of extremes: enjoy walks through ancient rainforest, join First Nations guides as they share stories from their culture, get up close to grizzlies, experience a thrilling cave adventure and seek out orcas and humpbacks from the water, while learning all about these magnificent marine mammals from onboard experts.



Winter in Québec

Montréal to Montréal, Québec
12 days / 11 nights

Live out your winter wonderland dreams on this incredible journey. Soak up the French character and old-world charm of Montréal and Québec City, enjoy dog sledding and snowshoeing through pristine white forests, and snuggle up by the fire at night. You'll also venture into the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat people to learn about their culture. A trip highlight is sleeping in an ice hotel, which is intricately carved into new shapes every winter.



Tundra Buggy Lodge

Winnipeg to Winnipeg, Manitoba
7 days / 6 nights

This unique lodge offers one of the best ways to not only see polar bears in the wild, but also experience an unforgettable immersion in the raw sub-Arctic wilderness of Canada within the Churchill Wildlife Management Area. Set deep in the tundra where polar bears roam, you'll see these wild animals and contribute to their conservation, all under the guidance of an international researcher. You'll also be able to go dog sledding and may see the Northern Lights.



Arctic Wildlife and Inuit Culture of Nunavik

Montréal to Montréal, Québec
9 days / 8 nights

Immerse yourself in native culture and Arctic wilderness on this trip to the Gyrfalcon Islands in Nunavik, home to the Inuit people. Listen to their stories, taste local food and explore the landscapes. Stay in a shelter pod and spot wildlife, such as polar bears, beluga whales and caribou. Time it right and you may also see the aurora borealis. You'll also take a fat bike excursion and ATV tour.



Grand Alaska Road Trip

Anchorage to Anchorage, Alaska
21 days / 20 nights

This journey encompasses Alaska's captivating beauty and grandeur. The itinerary includes the region's iconic road trips, such as the Seward and Sterling Highways, and cruising in Kenai Fjords National Park, where mountains and icy oceans meet. You can also fly over Denali, rich in wildlife and home to Alaska's highest peak. To enrich your experience, you can add on a mix of guided tours to suit your interests, from glacier hiking to wildlife spotting and culinary walking trails.



Authentic Alaskan Aurora Adventure

Anchorage to Fairbanks, Alaska
10 days / 9 nights

It's the dream of many to see the Northern Lights; on this incredible trip, it can become your reality. Travel from Anchorage to Fairbanks on the Aurora Train, visit Santa Claus house in North Pole and cross the Arctic Circle on a flightseeing tour. The main event happens at Borealis Basecamp, immersed in Alaskan wilderness, where you'll go dog sledding or snowmobiling before witnessing the otherworldly and enigmatic Northern Lights.

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Goðafoss Waterfall, Iceland

Nordics

With commanding terrain shaped by fire and ice, defiantly colourful cities that shimmer over freezing waters, and countries threaded with fjords and folklore, the Nordics have a wonderfully enchanting beauty. Whether you're being swept up in the magic of Lapland at Christmas, journeying to glimpse the spectacular aurora borealis, cruising through the awe-inspiring fjords of Norway or discovering the Indigenous Sámi culture, the realms of the far North and the Arctic unfurl with an almost mythical grandeur. Create your own adventure of exhilarating contrasts, from glass igloos to steaming saunas, and vast glaciers to fiery volcanoes.

Peak Travel Periods

May-September is ideal for exploring Norway's fjords, scenic rail journeys, and hiking under the midnight sun. For the Northern Lights, travel **October-March** to Finnish Lapland and Northern Norway, when dark Arctic skies offer the best viewing.

Expert Advice

Visit Finnish Lapland, Iceland and Northern Norway around **March** or **September** for strong aurora activity and fewer crowds. These shoulder seasons reveal beautiful seasonal contrasts, from golden autumn landscapes to pristine late-winter snow.



Experience

Whether you're travelling to the Nordics in the depths of winter or during the endless daylight of midsummer, you'll encounter some of nature's most jaw-dropping displays.

Northern Lights

Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden

The collision of solar particles with Earth's atmosphere creates the world's most astonishing and captivating natural light show: the aurora borealis (Northern Lights). Throughout the dark winter months, iridescent wisps of green and purple illuminate the night sky in high-latitude Nordic regions. Embark on the trip of a lifetime to see this celestial display with our **Best of Lapland** itinerary that takes you away from light pollution, over frozen lakes and through forests, for the best vantage point to photograph this magnificent sight.

Midsummer's midnight sun

Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden

The midnight sun is a natural phenomenon like no other. The sun doesn't set; instead, it glows with soft golden rays 24 hours a day between May and July in regions north of the Arctic Circle. Summer days here are truly endless, providing a fantastic opportunity to explore more. We recommend travel between May and July for the full midnight sun experience.



Nordkapp, Norway



Silent whale watching

Tromsø

Embark on a silent whale-watching journey into the herring-rich Arctic fjords, where majestic humpback whales and orcas gather beneath towering, frozen landscapes. As you glide through the crisp polar waters and the whales are sighted, the boat shifts to a quiet electric engine, allowing you to witness these magnificent creatures in a moment of pure, undisturbed wonder.

ICEHOTEL

Sweden

Spend the night on ice at the world's first ice-hewn hotel. ICEHOTEL Sweden first opened in 1989 and its artist-carved suites have been chilling guests ever since, with the hotel rebuilt using ice from the frozen Torne River every winter. If sleeping in below-zero temperatures doesn't appeal, you can opt for a warm suite or cabin onsite. Spend the night here when you experience our **Authentic Sweden** itinerary.

ICEHOTEL Sweden



Explore

Admire the grandeur of Denmark's royal castles, traverse both tundra and cityscapes, and slip through the drama of Norway's fjords when you explore these incomparable Nordic highlights.

Norwegian fjords

Norway

With more than 1,700 fjords, Norway holds the title of the most fjord-carved country in the world; chiselled by time and glacial migration, these glacial inlets have an almost theatrical beauty. Experience the serene majesty of this landscape which is punctuated by deep valleys and frosted peaks aboard a Hurtigruten voyage on our **Essence of the Nordics** itinerary.

Geirangerfjord, Norway



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Nordics

Lyngen Norway

Sync into the harmonious way of life and remote beauty of the Arctic on a visit to Lyngen. Here, northern Norway's magnetic contrasts of soaring peaks and deep fjords are illuminated by enchanting skies and give you the chance to exhale. Stay in family-run lodges, explore the Lyngen Alps, whale-watch in Skjervøy and experience first-hand the fragility of this climate-threatened landscape. Visit on our **Tromsø & Lyngen Arctic Escape** itinerary.

Nordic capital cities

The Nordics

Denmark's design-forward Copenhagen and its world-class culinary scene, Sweden's artful Stockholm, Norway's contemporary Oslo and its rich Viking history, and Finland's seaside capital of Helsinki: the cities of the Nordics are all worthy of exploration. Dedicate leisure days in these vibrant hubs to truly connect with their unique cadence. See them on our **Authentic Nordics** itinerary.



Stockholm, Sweden



Castles of Denmark Denmark

Denmark is bequeathed with many grand buildings, including the ornate Frederiksborg Castle and its meticulous gardens, Kronborg Castle, which featured in Shakespeare's Hamlet, and the current Danish royal residence of Amalienborg Palace. Explore them on our **Royal Castles of North Zealand** itinerary.

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Authentic Nordics

Copenhagen to Copenhagen, Denmark

22 days / 21 nights

“Travel to the heart of Nordic culture on this exploration that winds through four countries, taking you from cobbled city streets to soaring mountains, magical forests and dramatic fjords. Along the way, immerse yourself in Indigenous traditions, Viking history, and the awe-inspiring power of nature.”

Lubi Sibikova, Product Manager



Lofoten, Norway



Copenhagen, Denmark



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DAY 1
Copenhagen
 Today your journey begins in the Danish capital. Start your trip by diving into the city's history on a walking tour, then explore Christiansborg Castle, the shopping street of Strøget and the Cathedral.

DAYS 2-4
Stockholm + Helsinki
 After arriving by train, take a private walking tour through the cobbled streets of Stockholm's old town, Gamla Stan. See the Nobel Museum, Royal Palace, City Hall and Skansen open-air museum. An overnight ferry will take you through the Stockholm archipelago to Helsinki.



DAYS 5-6
Helsinki
 In the Finnish capital of Helsinki, embark on a tour to learn about the city's past. Enjoy the sights of the Senate Square, Sibelius Monument, the extraordinary Tempeliaukio Church, and be sure to visit the cafes and food stalls at Market Square.

DAYS 7-8
Helsinki to Rovaniemi
 Next you'll board the express train to Rovaniemi, which journeys through stunning forests. Explore the capital of Finnish Lapland; depending on the season, it will either be a frozen winter wonderland or bathed in 24 hour summer sunlight.

Saariselkä
 Arrive in Saariselkä, near Urho Kekkonen National

DAYS 9-10

 Park. Homeland of the Indigenous Sámi people of Lapland, you can enjoy the village, explore Lake Inari and discover traditional customs at Sámi Siida Museum.

DAYS 11-13
Kirkenes to Stamsund
 Arriving in Kirkenes, you'll set sail on Hurtigruten's Coastal Express, spending the next few days journeying through Hammerfest, the most northerly town in the world, the fishing port of Øksfjord and on to Tromsø. Continue to the Vesterålen and Lofoten Islands, a stunningly remote archipelago in northern Norway.



DAYS 14-16
Bodø to Bergen
 Cross the Arctic circle and stop in the town of Sandnessjøen. While on the Helgeland Coast you'll see a mountainous rock pierced with a hole that, legend has it, was made by a mythical horseman's arrow. You'll also visit Trondheim, Kristiansund and Molde before arriving in Bergen.



Norse mythology dragon



Gudvangen, Norway

**Bergen + Voss + Gudvangen
+ Flåm + Myrdal + Oslo**

Surrounded by mountains and fjords, Bergen is a charming gateway to Norway's dramatic landscapes. Stroll through the lively waterfront and colourful streets and take a ride on the Fløibanen funicular railway for sweeping views of the area before boarding your Norway in a Nutshell journey to Voss. On this tour through the fjords, you'll pass cascades on your way to the village of Gudvangen. Cruise the Nærøfjord ahead of a scenic ride on the Flåm Railway to Myrdal, then board the Bergen line to head to Oslo.

DAYS 17-18




 + **Go further: Private Bergen walking tour**
Explore Bergen's historic harbour area, Bryggen, home to some of the city's best fish restaurants. Stroll through narrow wooden alleyways and experience the charm of centuries past. A return ride on the Fløibanen funicular railway offers spectacular panoramic views of Bergen and the surrounding fjords.

Oslo
Your day in the capital of Norway may include visits to the National Theatre, Stortinget Norwegian Parliament and the Royal Palace. Stroll through the vibrant neighbourhoods and see the many fascinating museums in the city's centre before boarding the Copenhagen-bound overnight ferry.

DAYS 19-20



DAYS 19-20

 + **Go further: See magnificent sculptures**
Take a guided walk through the largest sculpture park in the world, set inside Frogner Park. Vigeland Park is home to more than 200 bronze, granite and cast iron sculptures. Astonishingly, all the artworks were created by a single artist, Gustav Vigeland.



DAYS 21-22

Copenhagen
Returning to Copenhagen, rediscover the city's charms. Stroll along the colourful Nyhavn Harbour, Tivoli Gardens and some of the city's incredible restaurants, before continuing your onwards journey.

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“The region offers incredible diversity, from summers of endless daylight to magic polar nights, rich cultural traditions, and vast beauty. The Nordic way of life is grounded in harmony, sustainability and a deep connection to nature.”

Lubi Sibikova,
Product Manager



Arctic Bath, Harads, Sweden

Go deeper...

Explore the Arctic wilderness

The enigmatic Arctic is full of wild places and fascinating extremes that encourage greater immersion. From Alta in Norway, spend five days learning about Sámi traditions, from storytelling to reindeer husbandry, and help support Indigenous culture. While you're there, hunt for the Northern Lights, dine on king crab and sleep in the northernmost igloo hotel in the world. Add our **Into the Arctic Wilderness** itinerary to your trip.

Stay longer...

Visit the Lofoten Islands

Bright-red *rorbuer* (fishermen's cabins) huddle at the foot of strikingly steep mountains in the archipelago of the Lofoten Islands. Here in Norway's Nordland country above the Arctic Circle, the unyielding environment imbues life with a deep charm. Spend your time kayaking pristine waters, visiting villages and hiking.

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Scandinavia

Authentic Norway Fjords & Scenic Rail

Oslo to Oslo, Norway

13 days / 12 nights

“Scandinavia is a land of timeless beauty, glorious fjords, inspired and unconventional design, and an intimate bond with nature. From enchanting fairytale castles to awe inspiring landscapes, culinary delights to unforgettable railway journeys, every experience unveils a captivating blend of history, innovation, and a way of life deeply in tune with the natural world. This inspired itinerary blends the country’s vibrant cities with a captivating rail journey and the world’s most beautiful cruise through the legendary Nærøyfjord, across the Arctic Circle and onto Kirkenes and Oslo as you travel Norway’s most beloved classics.”

Star Volker, Destination Specialist



Nærøyfjord, Norway



Aurlandsfjord, Norway



DAYS 1-2

Oslo

Welcome to Oslo, Norway's vibrant capital. While here, be sure to allocate ample time to the Historical Museum, National Theatre and Royal Palace, which is the official home of the Norwegian monarchy. Don't miss Vigeland Park, where more than 200 statues are scattered across 32 hectares.

**+ Go further: Oslo walking tour**

Join an immersive, guided walking tour to make sure you cover the city's museums and many architectural marvels.

DAY 3

Oslo + Myrdal + Flåm

Today, travel by rail through quaint mountain villages to Myrdal, where you board the Flåm Railway. An engineering feat and considered one of the most scenic rail journeys, this hour-long rail trip descends more than 800 metres down the Flåm Valley, to the picturesque village of Flåm where you overnight. Set at a breath-stealing 650 metres above Aurlandsfjord, the Stegastein viewing platform lays out the fjord in all its panoramic majesty.

DAYS 4-5

Flåm + Bergen

From Flåm, cruise by ferry along the stunning steep and narrow Nærøfjord to Gudvangen, from here the scenic road takes in waterfalls and superb views of the valley. In Voss, the last rail section takes you onward to beautiful Bergen.

DAY 5

Bergen

Join a private walking tour of this beautiful gateway to the fjords, wandering its charming port filled with historic buildings and the Hanseatic warehouses of Bryggen Wharf, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Enjoy an ascent by funicular to Mount Fløyen for a last panoramic view of Norway

DAY 5

before transferring to Bergen Pier for your onward coastal voyage.

DAYS 6-7

Fløro + Molde + Kristiansund – Rørvik

Known as 'The World's Most Beautiful Voyage', enjoy the six night cruise along the country's coastline with Norwegian-born-and-bred Hurtigruten. Connecting 34 unique ports and sailing both north and south year-round, this journey unfurls along more than 4,600 kilometres of ever-changing scenery. In the Trøndelag region, marked by crumpled hills, fields dotted with farmsteads, and low-laying coastal settlements, explore Trondheim, a historical town with handsome civic architecture, before continuing onto charming Rørvik.

DAY 8

Brønnøysund + Svolvær

Cross the Arctic Circle early today and later enter the glorious Lofoten Islands, where you'll have time to admire the rows of traditional fisherman's Rorbuer huts set on stilts in the pretty harbour of Svolvær.

DAYS 9-10

Stokmarknes + Skjervøy + Øksfjord + Berlevåg

From historic Tromsø, boasting its historic Polaria Museum, cruise past the Lyngen Alps, which rise majestically from the sea. Continue onto Havøysund, a small, colourful fishing village huddled on an Arctic Archipelago in the Barents Sea.

DAYS 11-12

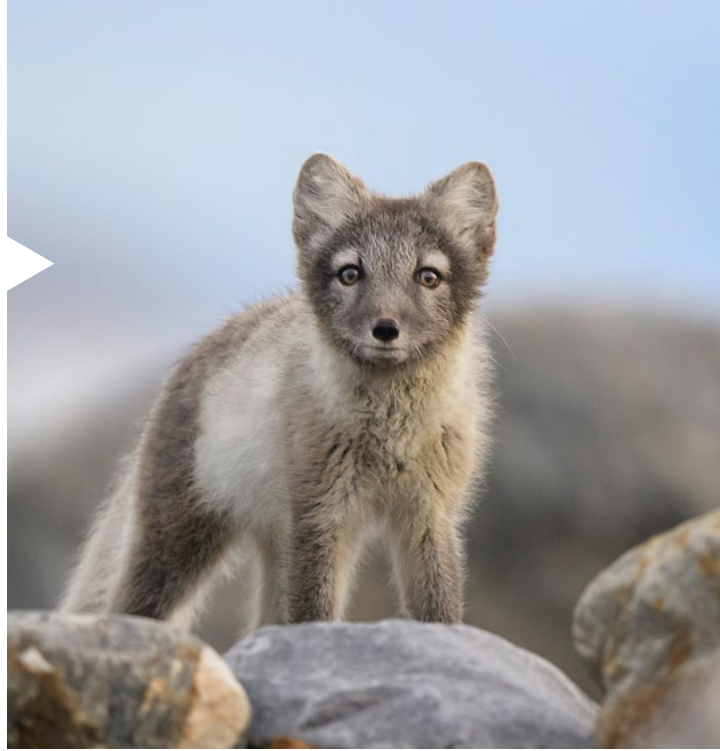
Batsfjord + Kirkenes + Oslo

Dramatic vistas mark the approach to Kirkenes, where your Norwegian coastal voyage concludes. Enjoy an unforgettable King Crab Safari in Kirkenes, either by snowmobile sledge or RIB boat, during which you learn how to catch, cook, and most importantly, eat this giant crustacean. Spend the night in Snowhotel Kirkenes ahead of venturing to Oslo the following morning for your final evening of this remarkable experience.

Arctic wildlife

Finland, Norway, Sweden, Greenland, Iceland

The animals of the Arctic are some of nature's most magnificent creatures. From frolicking Arctic foxes to mighty walrus, orange-billed puffins to beluga whales and elusive polar bears, the fauna that call this remote habitat home are both resilient and formidable. You may also meet reindeers and their Sámi herders or take a sled ride pulled by huskies. Experience it on our **Authentic Svalbard** in summer or **Polar Night Svalbard** in winter.



Experience

The Nordic way of life is deeply entwined with its remarkable landscape and adherence to seasonal rhythms. From a vertiginous rail journey to world-class restaurants, discover how this encompassing philosophy makes the region so unique.

Scandinavian culinary mastery

Denmark, Norway

Described as New-Nordic, the culinary landscape in Scandinavia is as innovative as it is delicious. Hyper-local, seasonal and with a deliberate move toward sustainability, gastronomy here has caught the world's attention and appetite. From high-end restaurants in Copenhagen and Oslo to more grassroots movements, discover the tastes of Scandinavia on our **Culinary Nordic Trail** itinerary.

Flåm Railway

Norway

An icon of Nordic beauty, the Flåm Railway unfolds in a gentle journey of spectacular scenery and is known as one of the steepest standard gauge railway lines in the world. Rattling through the Flåm Valley, spend the 60 minute ride pressed against the windows as you marvel at misty waterfalls, thundering rivers, steep peaks and idyllic mountain farms. This is part of our **Norway's Fjords & Scenic Rail** itinerary.



Bryggen Wharf, Bergen Norway

On the west coast of Norway, the historic harbour district of Bryggen is one of northern Europe's oldest ports. Despite multiple fires over the centuries, the city has been rebuilt using original techniques, preserving its beauty and cultural legacy. The brightly coloured timber buildings have become an iconic symbol of Norwegian heritage and are a must-see when in Bergen. See it on our **Authentic Norway** itinerary.



Explore

Nordic discovery spans everything from the heritage maritime buildings that lean brightly together on Bryggen Wharf to the remote Lofoten Islands, where the midnight sun enables non-stop exploration of this heart-lifting Arctic landscape.

Summer in Lofoten Norway

Defined by the midnight sun, summer in the Lofoten Islands allows for 24 hour exploration of dramatic summit-to-sea landscapes. The islands offer world-class hikes, such as Reinebringen for panoramic fjord views or you can surf the Arctic breaks of Unstad and visit Haukland's white-sand beaches. Of course, the famous vibrant fishing villages of Reine and Henningsvær, featuring iconic traditional red fishermen's cabins sit at the foot of jagged granite peaks, offering a rugged, wild alternative to Norway's chic urban centres.

Reine Village, Lofoten Islands



Finland

Authentic Finland

Helsinki to Rovaniemi, Finland

6 days / 5 nights

“Whether unwinding in a steamy sauna or gliding through frozen landscapes on a snowmobile, Finland offers an intimate connection to nature and a timeless Nordic way of life. Explore Helsinki’s refined culture, connect with the traditions of the Sámi people, step into the wonder of Santa Claus Village, and watch the neon waves of the aurora borealis dance across winter skies. This unforgettable itinerary is sprinkled with magic, where the wonder of a snowscape moves from imagination to reality, complete with an enchanting stay in a glass igloo beneath a starry night.”

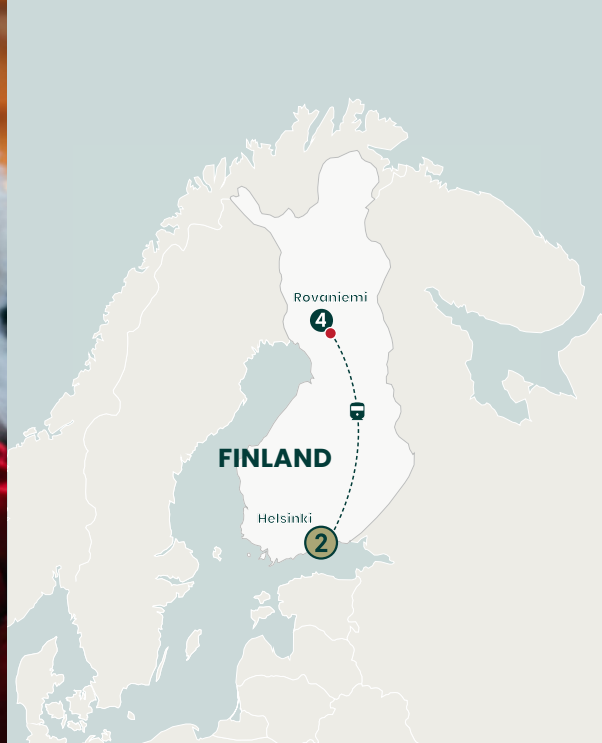
Luke Peterson, Destination Specialist



Lapland, Finland



Santa's Village, Rovaniemi



DAYS 1-2

Helsinki

Arrive in Helsinki and begin by uncovering the design-led, cultural wonders of Finland's captivating capital. This Baltic Sea city is celebrated for its sauna rituals, so it's only natural for you to immerse yourself in this tradition. Join the Taste of Helsinki walking tour to savour culinary classics, wander through the historic market hall of Vanha Kauppahalli and find inspiration for your evening dining adventures.



+ Go further: Pop over to Estonia

Take a short ferry ride across the Gulf of Finland to experience the medieval capital of Tallinn in Estonia.

DAYS 3-4

Helsinki + Rovaniemi

Farewell Helsinki as you board the Santa Claus Express. This train trip weaves through the shimmering snow-dusted forest and deposits you in the Finnish Lapland capital of Rovaniemi. Check into your captivating glass igloo, offering panoramic views of the Arctic sky and the chance to witness the Northern Lights from the comfort of your bed. Enjoy a reindeer sleigh ride beneath the starry night and hear tales of reindeer husbandry by a glowing fire.

DAYS 5-7

Rovaniemi

Spend the magic of winter gliding on a snowmobile to Santa Claus Village to meet Santa Claus himself and soak in the festive wonder of the Arctic. Try ice fishing surrounded by the pristine, snow-blanketed beauty of the Arctic landscape, with steaming hot refreshments to warm you, and fully immerse yourself in the heartwarming spirit of the region through its time-honoured and rejuvenating sauna ritual.



+ Go deeper: Ice floating in Kemi

Embark on a truly unforgettable Arctic adventure aboard the legendary *Icebreaker Sampo*. Setting out onto the frozen northern sea, this remarkable experience invites you to witness the power and beauty of the Arctic. As the icebreaker carves a path through the vast fields of sea ice, you'll learn about the vessel's history. For the ultimate highlight, don a thermal survival suit and float safely among the ice for a surreal and exhilarating moment that captures the spirit of Arctic exploration.



+ Stay longer: Saariselkä, Pyhä and Inari

Saariselkä, Pyhä, and Inari could be described as the authentic, rugged heart of Finnish Lapland. Saariselkä is ideal for hiking and skiing, bordering the vast Urho Kekkonen National Park and home to Europe's longest toboggan run. Pyhä is an eco-conscious wilderness experience, famous for a carbon-neutral ski resort and an ancient amethyst mine. While Inari is the cultural soul that sits on the shores of Lake Inari and is home to the Sámi Parliament and Siida Museum. Our **Sámi Culture Experience** gives insight into Indigenous Sámi traditions, while our **Nordic Adventure** captures Pyhä.

Finnish sauna ritual and ice swim

Finland

For the Finns, a sauna visit is more than a ritual, it's part of everyday life. Saunas are calm places that enliven the senses and can be enjoyed solo or with friends and family. It's a healthy way to unwind, socialise and reconnect. Finns have been pairing sauna time with a dip in icy waters for rejuvenation, long before 'contrast therapy' became trendy. Read up on sauna etiquette and try it yourself.

Experience

Offering a fascinating first-hand glimpse into Finnish traditions – be it ice fishing and reindeer herding in Lapland or working up a sweat in a Helsinki sauna – these are essential must-dos for your next Nordic adventure.



Sleighting through the snow

Finland

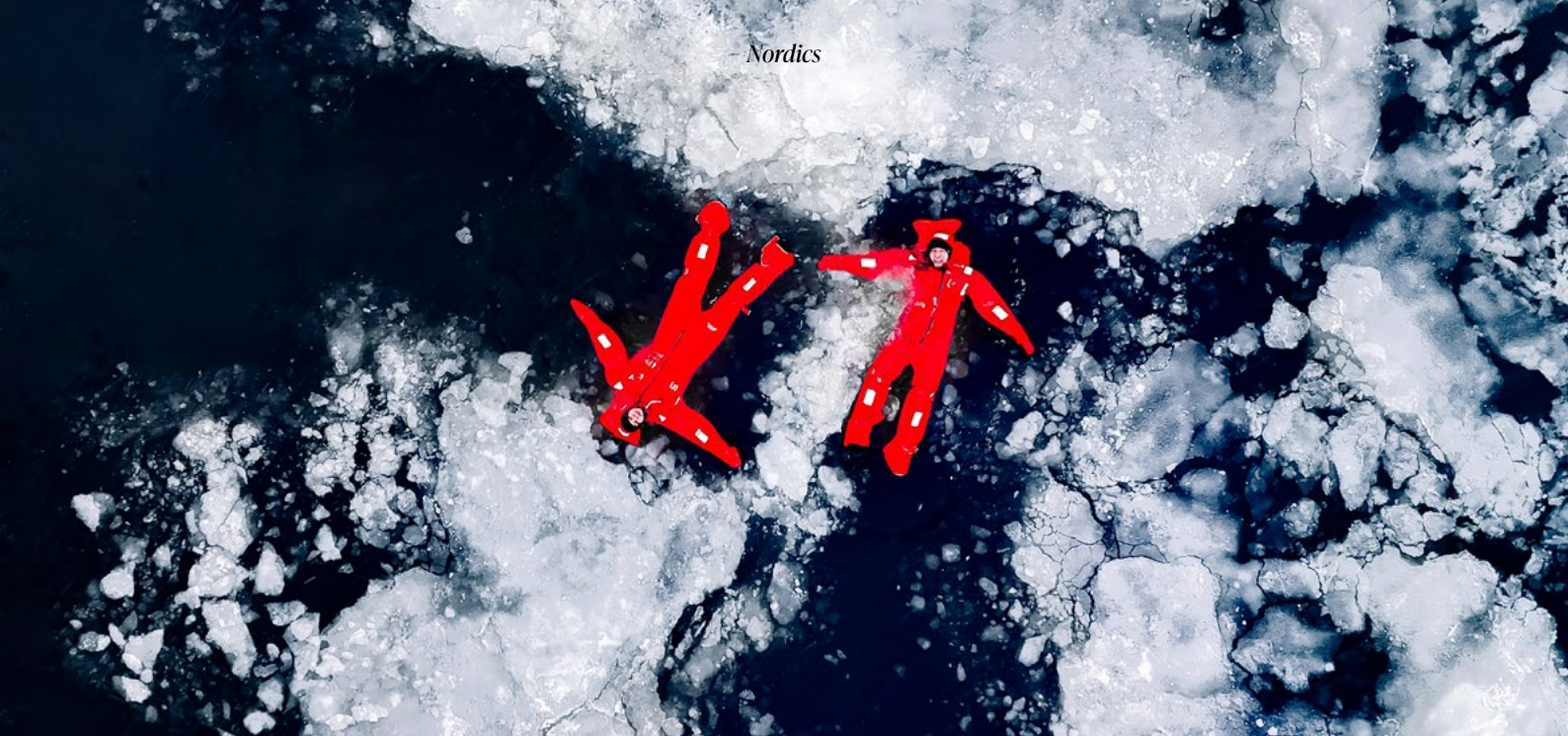
For a quintessential Lapland experience, the 'slow travel' of the Arctic is best experienced in a sleigh pulled by reindeer. This peaceful and traditional mode of travel allows you to soak in the snowy scenery, while nestled in furs in complete comfort. A moving and time-honoured tradition of the Sámi people, this experience begins with a visit to a reindeer farm with the opportunity to feed these gentle animals and to hear fireside tales of reindeer herding. Dog sledding, by contrast, is as adrenaline-filled as the huskies are excited to run. Barking and howling until the brake is released, they're ready to go. But once you begin, the only sounds are the soft hiss of the sled as it slides along the snow.

Traditional Sámi culture

Lapland

Staying in eco-friendly accommodation amid the uplifting beauty of the Urho Kekkonen National Park, enjoy an intimate experience learning about the culture of the Indigenous Sámi people. Entwined with nature, the semi-nomadic Sámi will share their long-held traditions of ice fishing, reindeer herding and craft-making on a four-day return journey from Ivalo through Saariselkä and Nellim. Visit the Sámi Siida Museum and see how the rapids of the Juutuanjoki River shape the frozen banks. See it on our **Sámi Culture Experience**.





Explore

Splendour happens on a large scale in Finland as the shifting glow of the aurora borealis takes over the night sky. Watch it while you float, snug and warm in ice-cold waters or from the frosted beauty of the wilderness.

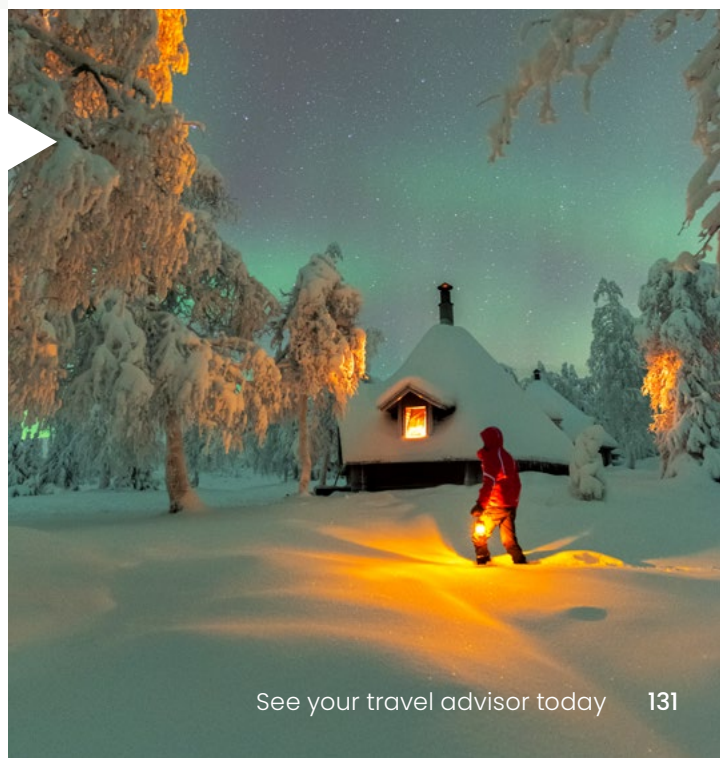
Arctic ice floating Rovaniemi

Imagine surrendering to the stillness of an Arctic night, floating in a frozen lake beneath the shimmering auroras as your mind drifts into perfect calm. Wrapped in a high-quality thermal rescue suit that keeps you completely dry and insulated, you'll remain warm and comfortable, even in open zero degree waters. Safe, serene and guided throughout, this is a rare opportunity to embrace the true elements of the Arctic.

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Northern Lights Village Levi

Seeing the illuminated neon waves of the aurora borealis is at the pinnacle of many must-do lists. For your best chance to watch nature's lightshow, head to Finland's Northern Lights Village Levi. You'll take a snowmobile ride through forests and over frozen lakes to reach the perfect vantage point for absorbing the splendour of this natural phenomenon. Experience it all with our **Best of Lapland** itinerary.



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Arctic

Land of Fire and Ice Ring Road

Hveragerði to Reykjavík, Iceland

8 days / 7 nights

“The Arctic is wild, remote and pristine. It’s a fragile yet resilient place where incredible fauna thrive in seemingly impossible conditions and the landscape is both daunting and striking in its raw beauty. Venture into the remote wilderness of the High North, where vast horizons and crystalline light stir the soul on this self-drive adventure that encircles the Icelandic highlands. The road threads through the country’s drama-filled highlights from Lake Mývatn to the Þingvellir and Vatnajökull National Parks, uncovering glaciers and geysers along the way.”

Tania Stojkovski, Destination Specialist



Öxarárfoss Waterfall, Iceland



Geysir, Iceland



DAY 1

Hveragerði

Your first day of driving takes you from Reykjanes Peninsula, a short drive from Reykjavík, to the village of Hveragerði. Built atop a geothermal area, the town offers plenty of hot springs and outdoor pursuits to enjoy.

DAY 2

Thingvellir to South Shore

Head to Thingvellir National Park, once the site of ancient Icelandic Viking parliament. Explore the stunning waterfall of Gullfoss and the steamy vents and hot springs of Geysir, including the Strokkur geyser. Driving the South Shore reveals captivating waterfalls, the Mýrdalsjökull glacier and the black sand beaches of Vík.

DAY 3

Kirkjubæjarklaustur to Höfn

Encounter an otherworldly lava field in Eldhraun, explore a medieval convent in the village of Kirkjubæjarklaustur, and find a green oasis at the base of the monumental Vatnajökull glacier. Be sure to stop at the Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon and Diamond Beach before arriving in Höfn, the lobster capital of Europe.

DAY 4

Höfn to Egilsstaðir

Today you're headed for the Eastfjords region. Highlights include Djúpvogur village harbour and its unique egg sculptures, as well as the floating pools and hot springs of Vök, near Egilsstaðir.

DAY 5

Egilsstaðir to Lake Mývatn

Traverse the eerie loveliness of the Möðrudalsöræfi highlands en route to Dettifoss, Europe's most powerful waterfall. From there, the canyon landscapes of northern Vatnajökull National Park beckon. Later, arrive at the fishing port of Húsavík.

DAY 6

Mývatn to Akureyri/Skagafjörður

The Lake Mývatn area will captivate today, from the volcanic formations at Dimmuborgir to the Hverfjall volcanic crater and the impossibly blue nature baths nearby. Continue to Akureyri via a stop at the horseshoe-shaped Goðafoss waterfall.

DAY 7

Akureyri to Reykjavík

Today you'll pass through the horse-breeding region of Skagafjörður before reaching the Borgarfjörður area. Here you'll find lava falls and Europe's most powerful hot springs, with a flow rate of about 200 litres per second.

DAY 8

Reykjavík

Spend your final day relaxing in the Blue Lagoon before travelling onwards.

**+ Go deeper: Greenland**

The world's largest island, Greenland is both isolated and extreme. Home to the Inuit people, this fascinating place is famous for its UNESCO World Heritage site, the Ilulissat Icefjord, where you can wander the boardwalks or take a leisurely cruise. In summer, Disko Bay offers the chance to watch minke, humpback and fin whales breach next to skyscraping icebergs.

**+ Stay longer: Reykjavík**

Extend your stay in Reykjavík, where vibrant city life meets some of Iceland's most extraordinary natural wonders. From colourful streets filled with art, music, and Nordic charm to dramatic landscapes shaped by fire and ice, the Icelandic capital is the ideal base for deeper exploration. Unwind at the luxurious Sky Lagoon and discover the city on a small group walking tour with a foodie focus. It's the perfect way to make your journey even more unforgettable.



Experience

Icy wonders await when you delve deep within the polar beauty of the Arctic, from volcanic ice caves to a culture that's thrived in one of the most inhospitable places on Earth for millennia.

Glaciers and ice caves

Iceland

The crystal shimmer of ice caves and glaciers are a large part of Iceland's enchanting appeal. From Reykjavík, it's an easy drive to South Shore, where you can explore the Mýrdalsjökull glacier. Beneath this vast ice cap is Katla Ice Cave, a truly gobsmacking sight of iced-blue and black glassed walls; the black hue is from volcanic ash, which comes from the Katla volcano that sits beneath the cave. Discover more on our **South Iceland Glacier Vistas** itinerary.



Inuit culture

Greenland

While Greenland is the world's largest island, around 80 per cent of its area is cloaked in ice, making it an extreme place to call home. Such harsh conditions have given rise to a resilient people whose culture has weathered the whims of the Arctic since ancient times. Discover Greenland's Inuit people and their traditions in this fascinatingly isolated territory on our **Greenland Odyssey** itinerary.

Explore

Revel in the isolation of northern exposure when you unravel the ephemeral beauty of glaciers and the thrilling volcanic ventilation of geothermal baths.

Golden Circle

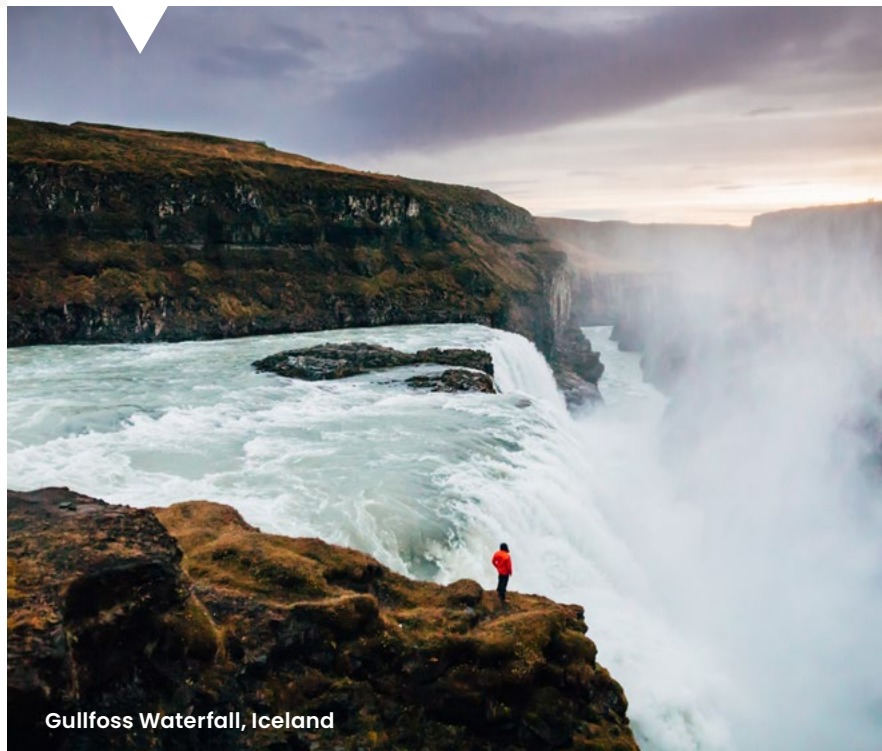
Iceland

Spend time revelling in the outdoor wonders of Iceland as you take your time exploring the Golden Circle. This 300 kilometre route from Reykjavík can be traversed in a single day, but to truly appreciate the area's beauty – including the geothermal field of Geysir, Gullfoss waterfall and Vatnajökull National Park – it's best to dedicate a full week. Enjoy it on our **Leisurely South Iceland** itinerary.

Geothermal baths

Iceland

Soothe body and soul in geothermal waters, including Lake Mývatn in Iceland's north or the Blue Lagoon near Reykjavík. The baths are naturally enriched with silica and minerals that are touted to restore and rejuvenate. Emerging from thousands of metres within the earth to pool at around 38°C, these waters are a deeply relaxing way to interact with incredible geology and beauty. Our **Ring Road Highlights**, **Iceland's Winter Wonders** and **Leisurely South Iceland** itineraries all include the chance to experience these geothermal wonders.



Gullfoss Waterfall, Iceland



Discover more Nordic itineraries.



Sámi Culture Experience

Saariselkä, Finland
4 days / 3 nights

This trip is a perfect extension to other Nordic itineraries for those keen to delve further into the Arctic wilderness and the heritage of the Indigenous Sámi people. Because to truly understand and experience a place, we must divert off the tourist path. Explore the charming village of Saariselkä in the Urho Kekkonen National Park, spot Arctic foxes and shooting stars, and watch the aurora borealis dance across the sky.



Best of Lapland

Levi, Finland
6 days / 5 nights

Relish the snow-sparkled landscape of Lapland as you slide across frozen lakes on a snowmobile, become entranced by the enigmatic Northern Lights and let your heart skip many beats as you drive a dog sled through shimmering snowdrifts. You'll also learn to snap the skies like a pro during a photography workshop, snowshoe through a pristine forest, meet a reindeer breeder and unearth local culture.



Brown Bears Through the Lens

Kajaani, Finland
4 days / 3 nights

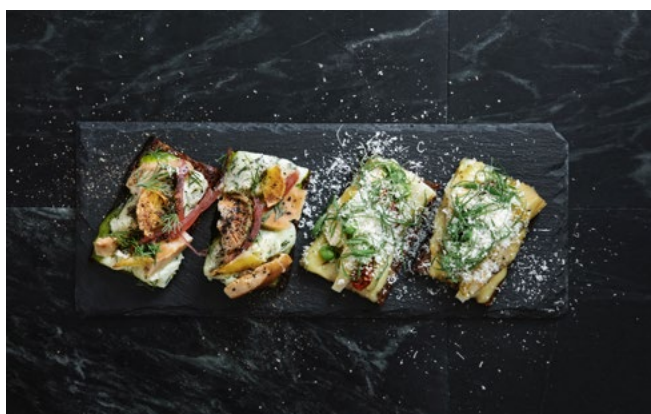
Photography enthusiasts and animal lovers alike will relish this short but captivating experience observing wildlife at the Bear Centre in Kuhmo, Finland. Bunker down in the hides with your lens at the ready to capture perfect shots of bears, wolverines and wolves in their natural habitat. An overnight stay in a wilderness cabin will allow you to truly absorb the serenity of this stunning landscape and its unique creatures.



Christmas in Lapland

Rovaniemi, Finland
5 days / 4 nights

Live out your childhood fantasies with a Christmas-time getaway to Lapland. Glide across the snow-blanketed Arctic wilderness on a reindeer sleigh ride, witness the Northern Lights dance across the sky and discover the magic of Santa Claus Village. All glowing lights, festive spirit and yuletide charm, this is a once-in-a-lifetime moment of which the ultimate highlight is meeting Santa Claus himself.



Culinary Nordic Trail

Copenhagen, Denmark to Oslo, Norway
7 days / 6 nights

A gourmand's escape interwoven with deep history and awe-inspiring architecture, this flavourful trip covers the great food cities of Copenhagen and Oslo, exploring everything from thrumming food halls to authentic street food and refined dining. A smorgasbord of sustainable practices and seasonal ingredients, this is a deep dive into the much-celebrated culinary culture of the Nordics.



Authentic Sweden

Stockholm to Luleå, Sweden
9 days / 8 nights

This richly textured discovery of Sweden is filled with unique experiences. It begins in cosmopolitan and design-led Stockholm, where you'll explore the city's hip neighbourhoods and historic heart. Travel by train through storybook forests to Kiruna, stay in the incredible ICEHOTEL and experience the thrills of dog-sledding. You'll also learn about the Indigenous Sámi people and stay at a serene floating hotel.



Expedition to Svalbard

Oslo, Norway to Longyearbyen, Svalbard
13 days / 12 nights

Satisfy longings for adventure with a journey to the Arctic archipelago of Svalbard from Oslo onboard the *National Geographic Endurance* or *National Geographic Resolution*. There's a high chance of spotting polar bears, walrus, fur seals, reindeer and Arctic foxes, as well as incredible birdlife. Once you arrive in fascinating Longyearbyen, explore the town's history and sites on a guided tour.



Greenland Odyssey

Copenhagen to Copenhagen, Denmark
10 days / 9 nights

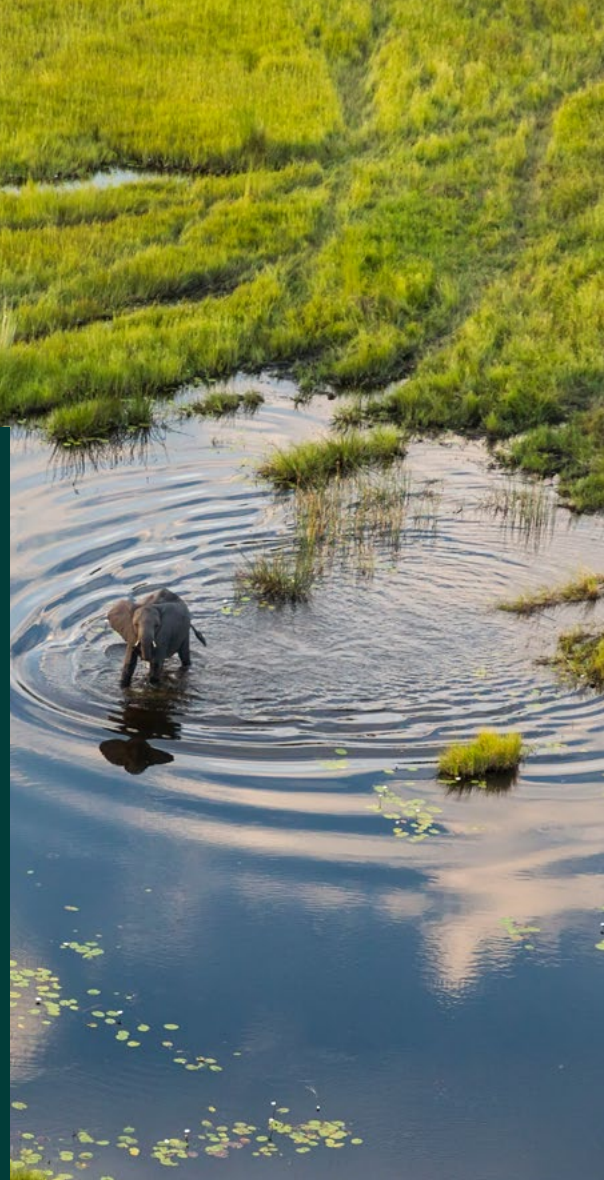
From Greenland's ever-evolving capital of Nuuk to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Ilulissat, fringed by a breathtaking iceberg-laden coast, this itinerary will take you to one of the most remote territories in the world. Along the way, you'll discover extraordinary Inuit culture, cross the fabled Arctic Circle and marvel at the giant icebergs drifting off Greenland's rugged and remarkable coastline.

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