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SOLO TRAVELLERS TOURS
2027–2028

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Founded in London in 1758, Cox & Kings is the world's oldest travel company and has served the British royal family as well as world-famous heads of state, while also pioneering culturally adventurous journeys and tours.



Our story began one spring day in the mid-18th century, when Richard Cox established the firm that would become Cox & Kings on 25 May 1758, while working in London for the commander-in-chief of Britain's armed forces. First called Cox & Co., the company began as a regimental agent for Britain's forces, overseeing supplies, wages, shipping and travel arrangements. In later years, Prince Frederick, Duke of York and Albany the son of George III, and Winston Churchill, the British prime minister, numbered among its clients.

After World War I, Cox & Co. merged with Henry S King & Co, a prominent bank with shipping capabilities and deep connections within the Indian subcontinent. It had offices across Britain, Egypt, France and India, and began to develop its tours, while also gaining a number of prominent clients. In the 1922 Sherlock Holmes story, "The Problem of Thor Bridge", Dr Watson keeps records of the cases of Sherlock Holmes in a Cox & Kings vault; in 1924, the company supported the explorer George Mallory's pioneering attempt to summit Everest; and in 1931, Mahatma Gandhi – the father of post-colonial India – travelled with Cox & Kings to Europe.

In 2018, Cox & Kings marked its 260th anniversary with tours and journeys to all seven continents. In 2019, it joined AKTG. Today, the company continues to organise escorted Small Group Tours, with a focus on authentic experiences for the culturally curious, providing the same, longstanding, detailed, award-winning service to all its clients, globally.

Having witnessed so much progress, we remain primed for much more. Cox & Kings mastered the golden age of rail, the rise of aviation and continues to thrive, branching out to new destinations and offering new adventures. Our centuries of experience are a working advantage, enabling us to plan and host carefully executed, exquisitely planned tours, deepening people's understanding of the world through shared discovery.

ABOVE: RICHARD COX ACTING AS A REGIMENTAL AGENT FOR HIS MENTOR, LORD LIGONIER, CIRCA 1758

GLOBAL, PERSONAL SUPPORT

Our personable, well-informed team is online, on the phone and on the ground, at home and in your destination, around the clock. They will aid and guide you, whenever you require it. Whatever you need, we're waiting.

A FORCE FOR GOOD

Travel should be a force for good, a way to give back to a world that gives us so much. That's why each tour booked with us supports A&K Philanthropy's initiatives, helping communities and conservation efforts in the places we visit. From 2027, guests can even visit these projects on a select number of tours.

UNPARALLELED PEACE OF MIND

Our global network of offices and trusted partners in over 100 countries means your journey remains secure and safe, should the unexpected happen.

AWARD-WINNING, RATED AND FÊTED

We've served Gandhi and Churchill, won numerous accolades, including Wanderlust and British Travel Awards, and today maintain an "excellent" rating on Trustpilot.

FOUNDED IN LONDON IN 1758. THE WORLD'S OLDEST TRAVEL COMPANY.





GUIDED BY CURIOSITY

Are you travelling independently? Then you're in good company. Cox & Kings celebrates and supports solo travel. On our dedicated solo traveller tour dates, we don't have any single supplements, and we limit our party sizes to just 14 guests, ensuring these tours are welcoming and amicable, with a good mix of personal downtime and jovial companionship.

Guests on Cox & Kings solo-traveller tour dates often find they have a great deal in common and derive a huge amount of enjoyment from our journeys' carefully structured mix of time spent in one another's company and free time alone.

Cox & Kings also negotiates with its chosen hotels to ensure solo travellers are offered a double or twin room, all to themselves, at no extra cost, and works hard to keep other costs down.

Outside of these dedicated solo traveller tour dates, we actively welcome individual travellers on all of tours, only charging carefully costed, low single supplements. You might be booking for one, but you're rarely on your own with us.

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NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENTS OR ADD-ONS

On dedicated solo tours, Cox & Kings doesn't levy any single supplements or other add-ons and works hard to keep costs down.

CAREFUL STRUCTURING AND A LIKE-MINDED GROUP

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SINGLE OCCUPANCY OF DOUBLE ROOMS

Cox & Kings negotiates with its chosen hotels to ensure solo travellers are offered a double or twin room.

SMALL GROUP SIZES

We limit our solo-traveller tour parties to no more than 14 guests, to ensure these journeys remain welcoming and amicable, giving you more time with our guides, greater access to smaller, more characterful hotels, and more time and space at key sites.

ALSO WELCOME EVERYWHERE ELSE

Outside of these dedicated solo traveller tours, we also welcome individual travellers on all of our tours, and only charge carefully costed, single supplements.

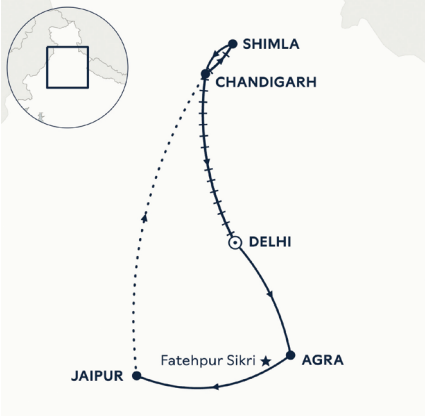
SCAN THE QR CODE TO VIEW OUR SOLO TRAVELLER TOURS ONLINE.

THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE AND SHIMLA

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
12 days, 11 nights	From $9,995	POA	Prestige	Moderate

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- Admire the sunset over the Taj Mahal from Mehtab Bagh gardens.
- Catch the toy train to Shimla in fully glazed, panoramic Vistadome air-conditioned carriages.
- Enjoy a welcome dinner at a UNESCO-awarded haveli townhouse with views over Old Delhi.
- Take a rickshaw tour of Old Delhi for glimpses of vital city life.



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ABOVE: TAJ MAHAL; TOP RIGHT: KALKA-SHIMLA TOY TRAIN; BOTTOM RIGHT: JAIPUR'S CITY PALACE

Explore all three sides of the Golden Triangle – one of India's most celebrated and important cultural regions. The tour takes in imperial Delhi, the Taj Mahal at Agra and a three-night stay in the princely city of Jaipur, before concluding at the beautiful, breezy Shimla hill station.

DAY 1: **ARRIVE DELHI**
Arrive and check into your hotel. Visit the Jama Masjid mosque and explore labyrinthine Old Delhi by cycle rickshaw. Tour New Delhi, with a drive past India Gate and the former viceregal residence. Attend a welcome dinner at Haveli Dharampura; enjoy a dance performance and views of the Red Fort and Jama Masjid from the upper terrace. (D)
: The Imperial

DAY 2: **NEW DELHI • AGRA**
Visit Humayun's Tomb and the Qutb Minar tower. Drive to Agra and stay at the Trident Agra (or similar) for 2 nights. (B, D)
: Trident Agra (Days 2-3)

DAY 3: **AGRA**
Sunrise visit to the spectacular Taj Mahal before exploring the tomb of Itmad-ud-Daulah and Agra Fort. Visit Mehtab Bagh (Moonlight Garden) for sunset over the Taj Mahal. (B, D)

DAY 4: **FATEHPUR SIKRI • JAIPUR**
Continue to Jaipur via the deserted sandstone city of Fatehpur Sikri and Abhaneri stepwell. En route, enjoy lunch at the lavish Laxmi Vilas Palace. Stay three nights at a converted royal hunting lodge. (B, L, D)
: Ramgarh Lodge (Days 4-6)



DAY 5: **JAIPUR**
Morning visit to Amber Fort and the Anokhi Museum. Afternoon visit to the striking City Palace, home of the present maharajah and the curious Jantar Mantar observatory. (B, D)

DAY 6: **JAIPUR**
Your day is at leisure to relax. Perhaps explore Jaipur's bazaars, seeking out traditional Indian crafts, including jewellery, silver and silk. (B, D)

DAY 7: **CHANDIGARH**
Explore the Birla Mandir temple before flying to Chandigarh. Selected as the new capital of Punjab in 1948, the city was designed by the hugely influential Swiss-French modernist architect Le Corbusier and completed in the early 1960s. Stay for a night at the Taj Chandigarh. (B)
: Taj Chandigarh

DAY 8: **SHIMLA**
Catch the early-morning Kalka Shimla Express toy train to Shimla, passing through stunning mountains. Enjoy the 360-degree views from the panoramic, fully glazed Vistadome carriages. Stay for three nights in this breezy, altitudinous settlement in the Western Himalaya, which served as the British summer capital during the Raj era. (B, D)
: Oberoi Cecil (or similar) (Days 8-10)

DAY 9: **SHIMLA**
Explore the Mall, a popular thoroughfare through Shimla established during the Raj era. Enjoy stories of its many colonial buildings while making your way to the grandest example: the Viceregal Lodge, a palatial 19th-century residence. (B, D)

DAY 10: **SHIMLA**
Your day is at leisure, with options to explore Shimla on a nature walk, enjoy afternoon tea at the Oberoi Wildflower Hall, or visit the state of Dhami for birdwatching and lunch with a noble family.† (B, D)

DAY 11: **DELHI**
Drive to Chandigarh and connect with the train to Delhi. Stay overnight at The Imperial and enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, L*, D)
: The Imperial

DAY 12: **DEPART DELHI**
Your tour concludes today in Delhi. (B)



SOLO DEPARTURES 2027

GROUP SIZE: Average 10 (max 14)
SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $9,995
TOUR CODE: IGS

16 Oct - 27 Oct 27	23 Nov - 04 Dec 27

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES: For departure dates that have reached the minimum number of guests, and are therefore guaranteed to run, please visit our website.

GUIDELINE PRICES: The guideline tour prices are all per person in Australian dollars, based on single occupancy of a twin / double room, and do not include flights to / from the destination. Flights required for travel within a group tour itinerary are included. All prices are subject to availability. For up-to-date prices for all departure dates, please visit our website.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Prestige tour: five-star, deluxe accommodation and high-level comfort throughout.

† Optional activities: These activities can be pre-booked and incur an additional cost.

Hotel choices may be subject to change.

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, L*: Packed lunch; D: Dinner, N: No meals.

SRI LANKA: THE ENCHANTED ISLAND

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
13 days, 12 nights	From $8,895	POA	Signature	Moderate

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- Explore the sacred Dambulla caves and ancient Sigiriya rock fortress.
- Witness a puja ceremony at the ornate Temple of the Tooth.
- Stay in a beautifully restored and converted 19th-century tea factory.
- Journey by train through lush, scenic tea country.





The teardrop-shaped island of Sri Lanka contains a wealth of cultural, archaeological and natural treasures. This comprehensive tour visits both popular and lesser-known sites in the north, centre and south of the country. Highlights include the jungle-bound fortress of Sigiriya, the wildlife-rich Yala National Park and the cave temples of Dambulla.

DAY 1: **ARRIVE COLOMBO**
Arrive in Colombo and check into your hotel. Attend a welcome dinner. (D)
: Cinnamon Lakeside

DAY 2: **DAMBULLA**
Travel to Dambulla, home to Asia's most impressive cave temples. Stay at the Heritance Kandalama. (B)
: Heritance Kandalama (Days 2-5)

DAY 3: **ANURADHAPURA • MIHINTALE**
Drive to Anuradhapura, Sri Lanka's ancient capital and home to fabulous Buddhist shrines and relics. Visit Mihintale, the birthplace of Buddhism in Sri Lanka. (B)

DAY 4: **SIGIRIYA • POLONNARUWA**
Morning visit to the Sigiriya rock fortress. Continue to the medieval city of Polonnaruwa. (B)

ABOVE: BUDDHIST TEMPLE IN ANURADHAPURA; TOP RIGHT: GALLE'S STILT FISHERMEN; BOTTOM RIGHT: LEOPARD IN YALA NATIONAL PARK

DAY 5: **KANDY**
Continue to the beautiful, mountainous city of Kandy; stay at the Earl's Regency. In the evening, watch a traditional dance performance and visit the Temple of the Tooth for the evening puja. (B)
: Earl's Regency (Days 5-6)

DAY 6: **KANDY**
Take a morning visit to Kandy's lush, bountiful Royal Botanic Gardens. Afternoon at leisure. (B)

DAY 7: **NUWARA ELIYA**
Board the train to Nanu Oya, winding through picturesque landscapes. Visit a tea plantation in Nuwara Eliya, a town set at an elevation of 1,880 metres (2,055 yards) above sea level. (B)
: Heritance Tea Factory (Days 7-8)

DAY 8: **HORTON PLAINS**
Early morning visit to Horton Plains. Nestled in Sri Lanka's highest plateau, This area is inhabited by large populations of monkeys and sambar deer. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

DAY 9: **ELLA • YALA NATIONAL PARK**
Visit the Rawana Ella Falls and the monumental Buduruwagala Buddhist statues. Head on to Yala and stay at Cinnamon Wild. (B, D)
: Cinnamon Wild (Days 9-10)

DAY 10: **YALA NATIONAL PARK**
Morning safari in Yala National Park. Covering 1,300 sq km (500 sq miles), the park encompasses a diversity of jungle habitats, including lagoons and riverside locations where elephants, leopards, sloth bears, spotted deer, sambar deer, wild pigs, jackals and marsh crocodiles thrive alongside a great variety of birdlife. Later, enjoy a farewell dinner. (B, D)



DAYS 11-12: **GALLE • AHUNGALLA**
Drive to Ahungalla, stopping for a tour of Galle Fort before continuing to the Elephant Transit Home. Stay at Heritance Ahungalla or upgrade to the Cinnamon Bentota Beach Resort & Spa from $800 per person. Following day at leisure. (B)
: Heritance Ahungalla (or similar)

DAY 13: **DEPART COLOMBO**
Transfer to Colombo airport where your tour concludes. (B)



SOLO DEPARTURES 2027

GROUP SIZE: Average 10 (max 14)
SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $8,895
TOUR CODE: CES

13 Oct - 25 Oct 27	10 Nov - 22 Nov 27

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES: For departure dates that have reached the minimum number of guests, and are therefore guaranteed to run, please visit our website.

GUIDELINE PRICES: The guideline tour prices are all per person in Australian dollars, based on single occupancy of a twin / double room, and do not include flights to / from the destination. Flights required for travel within a group tour itinerary are included. All prices are subject to availability. For up-to-date prices for all departure dates, please visit our website.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Signature tour: Based in four-star accommodation or above.

Train journey: Seats are subject to availability and are obtained close to the travel date. An alternative journey may be required.

Hotel choices may be subject to change.

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner, N: No meals.

TRAIN TO MACHU PICCHU

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
15 days, 14 nights	From $9,695 (Signature)	POA	Signature and Prestige*	Moderate

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- Stay overnight at Machu Picchu, the stunning, world-famous Inca citadel.
- See the oldest colonial mansion in Lima.
- Spot condors over Colca Canyon.
- Enjoy a scenic rail ride across Peru's altiplano aboard the stylish Titicaca train.
- Take the opportunity to visit during local festivals such as Inti Raymi and Corpus Christi†.





Machu Picchu, the Inca citadel 2,430 metres (7972 feet) above sea level, retains its place among the heights of world archaeological and scenic sites. Yet this tour includes a wider range of wonders, such as Cuzco, once the capital of the Inca empire; Arequipa, the "White City" where Baroque architecture meets indigenous craftsmanship in blocks of local, pale sillar stone; and the high waters of Lake Titicaca, as well as characterful hotels and elegant train travel.

DAYS 1-2: **ARRIVE LIMA**
Arrive in Lima and check into your hotel. Take a half-day city tour, including Casa Aliaga, the oldest colonial mansion in Lima and the Baroque majesty of San Francisco monastery. (B)
: Casa Andina Premium Miraflores/ Country Club Lima Hotel* (Days 1-2)

DAY 3: **FLY TO AREQUIPA**
Fly over the Andes to Arequipa, known as the 'White City' thanks to the use of pale, volcanic sillar stone masonry in much of its buildings. Admire its ornate facades and colonnaded plazas, surrounded by ice-capped volcanoes. (B)
: Costa del Sol Wyndham (Days 3-4)

DAY 4: **AREQUIPA**
Take a full-day city tour to see such sights as the beautiful Santa Catalina convent, which dates from the 16th century, and the Juanita Mummy Museum. (B, L)

DAY 5: **COLCA CANYON**
Drive into the Andes towards Colca Canyon (around four hours, partly on unpaved roads, with stops), passing breathtaking views of the altiplano and herds of grazing llamas and vicuñas. (B, L)
: Aranwa Colca/Colca Lodge Spa & Hot Springs* (Days 5-6)

DAY 6: **COLCA CANYON**
Early morning excursion to Condor's Cross to see condors flying over the canyon. Later, visit Maca, a town famed for its pre-Columbian textiles. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure. (B)

DAYS 7-8: **LAKE TITICACA**
Travel by road to Puno and Lake Titicaca (around six hours). Stay on the shores of the lake and take a full-day tour of the Uros people's man-made, floating, reed islands, as well as the naturally formed Taquile Island. (B, L)
: GHL Hotel Lago Titicaca

DAY 9: **TRAIN TO CUZCO**
Take the *Titicaca* train to Cuzco (approximately 10 hours). Enjoy lunch and relax with a pisco sour in the observation car, as you pass through Andean plains, where vicuñas and alpacas thrive. (B, L)
: Casa Andina Premium Cusco/Palacio de Inka, a Luxury Collection Hotel*

DAY 10: **CHINCHERO • SACRED VALLEY**
Travel by road to the indigenous village of Chinchero to see its Inca terraces and a traditional weaving demonstration. Continue to the Sacred Valley. (B, L)
: Casa Andina Premium Sacred Valley/ Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba* (Days 10-11)

DAY 11: **SACRED VALLEY**
Take a half-day visit to the Inca fortress at Ollantaytambo, an astounding feat of engineering. Later, enjoy an afternoon at leisure. (B)

DAY 12: **MACHU PICCHU**
Drive to Ollanta and take the *Vistadome* train to Machu Picchu. Tour the spectacular ruins and stay in the town of Aguas Calientes nestled in the river valley directly below the ruins' sanctuary. (B, L, D)
: Inkaterra Machu Picchu Hotel/ Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel*

DAY 13: **CUZCO**
Enjoy a morning at leisure or take the opportunity to further explore Machu Picchu (purchase ticket at time of booking). Return to Cuzco by rail and transfer to your hotel. (B)
: Casa Andina Premium Cuzco/Palacio de Inka, a Luxury Collection Hotel* (Days 13-14)

DAY 14: **CUZCO**
Take a half-day tour of the Inca capital including the San Blas district, the cathedral and the extraordinary Temple of the Sun at Coricancha. Afternoon is at leisure or take an optional excursion to the Pre-Columbian Art Museum or the ruins of Sacsayhuamán, before a farewell dinner in the evening. (B, D)

DAY 15: **DEPART CUZCO**
Your tour concludes today in Cuzco. (B)





FAR LEFT: MACHU PICCHU; ABOVE: SANTA CATALINA CONVENT, AREQUIPA; LEFT: FLOATING UROS ISLANDS, LAKE TITICACA



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SOLO DEPARTURES 2027-2028

GROUP SIZE: Average 10 (max 14)

SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $9,695

TOUR CODE: TSP (Signature)

04 Apr - 18 Apr 27	23 Apr - 07 May 28
08 Aug - 22 Aug 27	06 Aug - 20 Aug 28

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES: For departure dates that have reached the minimum number of guests, and are therefore guaranteed to run, please visit our website.

GUIDELINE PRICES: The guideline tour prices are all per person in Australian dollars, based on single occupancy of a twin / double room, and do not include flights to / from the destination. Flights required for travel within a group tour itinerary are included. All prices are subject to availability. For up-to-date prices for all departure dates, please visit our website.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

† Festival departures: The tour departing on 11 June 2027 and 2028 coincides with the Inti Raymi festival, held on 24 June. This tour has a modified itinerary and includes a full day of ceremonial celebrations in honour of the Sun God. Enjoy the re-enactment procession of hundreds of Inca descendants in colourful finery accompanied by music and dance.

The tour departing on 14 May 2027 and 2 June 2028 coincides with the Corpus Christi, a culturally rich festival in Peru blending Christian celebration with the local, indigenous traditions.

Itinerary: The order of the itinerary allows gradual adjustment to the altitude, while taking in the major sights of Peru. There are some early morning starts and long drives. Currently all departures will fly to Peru via Amsterdam.

Signature tour: Based in four-star accommodation or above.

***Prestige tour:** Five-star, deluxe accommodation and high-level comfort throughout.

Optional upgrades: On days 9, 13 and 14 of the Signature departures, it is possible to upgrade to the Palacio del Inka, a Luxury Collection Hotel from $345 per person.

Hotel choices may be subject to change.

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner, N: No meals.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: PERUVIAN WOMEN IN TRADITIONAL DRESS; MACAWS IN THE AMAZON RAINFOREST; CANDELABRA LINES ON PARACAS PENINSULA, PERU; SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN, RIO DE JANEIRO; OLLANTAYTAMBO, PERU

EXTENSIONS



PERUVIAN AMAZON

3 DAYS, 2 NIGHTS FROM $945

The Peruvian Amazon is filled with the most beautiful and diverse array of wildlife, and the region around Puerto Maldonado provides an excellent opportunity to explore the rainforest, rivers and Sandoval Lake – home to macaws, black caimans, giant otters and monkeys. Fly from Cuzco to Puerto Maldonado for two nights at the Inkaterra Hacienda Concepcion (individual bungalow, full board). Take shared guided walks and boat trips, and explore the hanging bridges for views over the lush canopy. Upgrade to Reserva Amazonica (river-view bungalow) from $550.

: Inkaterra Hacienda Concepcion

NAZCA AND PARACAS

3 DAYS, 2 NIGHTS FROM $1,995

Travel south of Lima along the coast to Paracas (three and a half hours) and stay for two nights at Aranwa Paracas Resort & Spa or La Hacienda Bahia on the bay, or upgrade to Hotel Paracas, a Luxury Collection Resort from $260. Take a 90-minute overflight from Pisco to see the mysterious Nazca Lines – vast drawings of animals, plants and symbols etched into the desert by ancient civilisations – then cruise to the Ballestas Islands, home to sea lions, penguins and a vast array of birds, including Peruvian boobies.

: Aranwa Paracas Resort & Spa / Hotel Paracas, a Luxury Collection Resort





RIO DE JANEIRO AND IGUAÇU

6 DAYS, 5 NIGHTS FROM $3,695

Combine your trip to Peru with a visit to Rio and the thundering Iguaçu Falls (called the Iguazu Falls, if you're seeing them from the Spanish-speaking, Argentinian side). Fly to Rio and transfer to the beachfront PortoBay Rio de Janeiro Hotel for three nights (Superior partial ocean-view room). Take a full-day tour to marvel at Christ the Redeemer and Sugarloaf Mountain and enjoy a leisure day on the beach before flying to Iguaçu for two nights at Recanto Cataratas Resort. Visit both the Argentinean and Brazilian sides of these falls, then continue to Lima via São Paulo.

: PortoBay Rio de Janeiro Hotel; Recanto Cataratas

TREASURES OF COLOMBIA

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
11 days, 10 nights	From $9,295	POA	Select	Moderate

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- Visit the Gold Museum in Bogotá to see countless pre-Columbian treasures.
- Stay at a tranquil restored hacienda hotel in coffee country and take a ride in an iconic Willys Jeep.
- Gain insight into Medellín's inspiring cultural and social transformation and support a community project.
- Soak up the colonial Caribbean atmosphere of Cartagena on a walking tour.





Travel from Andean peaks to tropical Caribbean coastlines, passing through the mountain capital of Bogotá, picturesque Villa de Leyva, fertile coffee country, vibrant Medellín, and the colonial port of Cartagena, one of South America's most beautiful towns.

DAY 1: **ARRIVE BOGOTÁ**
Arrive in Bogotá and check into your hotel in one of the most exclusive areas. (N)
: Hotel Chico 97 (Days 1-2)

DAY 2: **BOGOTÁ**
Morning walking tour of the historic La Candelaria district, Botero's art collection and the Gold Museum, featuring one of the world's most complete collections of ancient gold artefacts. After the tour, enjoy a light meal and familiarise yourself with Colombian culture via a game of tejo, a popular national throwing game. Afternoon at leisure. (B, L)

DAY 3: **VILLA DE LEYVA**
Transfer by road to Villa de Leyva, one of Colombia's finest colonial towns. En route, stop at Zipaquirá to see the remarkable salt cathedral, built inside an old mine. Stay at the Posada de San Antonio. (B)
: Posada de San Antonio (Days 3-4)

DAY 4: **VILLA DE LEYVA**
Full-day tour of this beautiful town's cobbled streets and whitewashed houses. Visit the nearby Dominican convent, and the Muséo El Fosil to see its 120-million-year-old kronosaurus skeleton. (B)

DAY 5: **FLY TO PEREIRA**

Transfer by road to Bogotá airport and fly to Pereira in the coffee region, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit a local coffee farm to learn about the growing and production of high-quality beans. Stay at Sazagua Cocora, set in a tranquil private nature reserve. (B, L)

: Sazagua Cocora (Days 5-6)

DAY 6: **COFFEE REGION**

Explore the verdant Cocora Valley, famous for its wax palm trees – the tallest palms in the world. Ride in a Willys Jeep, walk into the cloud forest, and visit the traditional villages of Filandia and Salento. (B, L)

DAY 7: **MEDELLÍN**

Travel by road to Medellín (approximately five hours), stopping at a scenic look-out for views over the Cauca River. Stay at the Hotel Faranda Collection. (B)

: Hotel Faranda Collection (Days 7-8)





DAY 8: **MEDELLÍN**

Full-day tour to learn about the cultural and social transformation of the city. Visit the hillside Comuna 13 with its street art and outdoor escalators, and take lunch with a cooking demonstration at Las Berracas, a community project empowering local women. Continue to the centre to see the curved sculptures by artist Fernando Botero and on to Cerro Nutibara hill for panoramic views. (B, L)

DAYS 9-10: **FLY TO CARTAGENA**

Transfer to the airport and fly to the beautiful Caribbean city of Cartagena. Stay in the historic centre. Discover the old town on a walking tour, visit the Spanish fort of San Felipe and the charming neighbourhood of Getsemani, before returning to your hotel for a farewell drink on the rooftop terrace. (B)

: Hotel Santa Catalina

DAY 11: **DEPART CARTAGENA**

Your tour concludes today in Cartagena. (B)

SOLO DEPARTURES 2027-2028

GROUP SIZE: Average 10 (max 14)

SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $9,295

TOUR CODE: TCS

28 Aug - 07 Sep 27	26 Aug - 05 Sep 28

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Select tour: Simpler in emphasis, based in three- or four-star accommodation (or best alternative).

Hotel choices may be subject to change.

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner, N: No meals.

EXTENSIONS

SAN AGUSTÍN

3 DAYS, 2 NIGHTS FROM $2,495

Fly to Bogotá for a night before exploring the pre-Columbian sites of San Agustín, home to the world's largest megalithic necropolis. Enjoy a full tour of its archaeological park, explore its stone statuary, and see Fuente de Lavapatas, a monumental ceremonial site carved in to the stone bed of a mountain stream.

: Hotel Chico 97, Akawanka Lodge



CARIBBEAN BEACH STAY

4 DAYS, 3 NIGHTS FROM $1,495

Stay on at the beaches of Isla Barú, just off the coast of Cartagena, or head deeper into the Caribbean to stay a little father offshore, on the tropical Rosario islands. Alternatively transfer to Tayrona, where the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta mountains meet the Caribbean Sea.

: Rosario del Mar/Sofitel Barú Calablanca Beach Resort

NATURAL SPLENDOURS OF COSTA RICA

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
11 days, 10 nights	From $7,745	POA	Select	Moderate

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- Explore forest canopies from the hanging bridges at Monteverde.
- Cruise the canals of Tortuguero and cross Lake Arenal by boat.
- View the conical Arenal Volcano from the comfort of your hotel.
- Take a boat trip along the river at the biodiverse Caño Negro, a bird-watchers' paradise.



ROAD ——



Lying between the Caribbean Sea and the Pacific Ocean, the small country of Costa Rica is one of the most ecologically diverse places on Earth. This journey explores some of the major national parks and the astonishing variety of wildlife and contrasting habitats found here, including rainforests, cloud forests, volcanoes, lakes and canals.

DAYS 1-2: **ARRIVE SAN JOSÉ**
Arrive and check into your hotel in downtown San José. The next day, visit either Poás or Irazú volcano for views of the crater and surrounds and enjoy a welcome lunch. (N) (B, L)
: **Delta Hotels by Marriott San Jose Aurola** (or similar) (Days 1-2)

DAY 3: **SARAPIQUI**
Travel to the verdant Sarapiqui region and visit a cacao plantation to learn about the crop's indigenous origins, cultivation and chocolate production. Stay at a colonial-style hotel and enjoy a short nature walk along its private trail, to discover more about this area's biodiversity. (B)
: Hacienda la Isla Lodge

DAYS 4-5: **TORTUGUERO**
Take an overland transfer to Caño Blanco on the Caribbean coast and cruise through the backwaters that lead to Tortuguero, looking out for birds, monkeys and other wildlife. Stay on the main canal's banks and enjoy a full day of shared excursions. From July to September, you may see turtles nest on the beach. (B, L, D)
: Pachira Lodge

DAY 6: **LA SELVA BIOLOGICAL STATION • ARENAL**
Return to Caño Blanco by boat and drive to Arenal, visiting La Selva Biological Station en route. Learn about the researchers' work and take a walk in the protected rainforest surroundings. Stay at Magic Mountain / Arenal Paraíso, with views of the Arenal Volcano. (B, L)
: Magic Mountain / Arenal Paraíso (or similar) (Days 6-7)





DAY 7: **CAÑO NEGRO**
Full-day tour of Caño Negro, an important wetland habitat for a huge range of bird species. (B, L)

DAY 8: **LAKE ARENAL • MONTEVERDE**
Take a boat across Lake Arenal, and enjoy the spectacular views of the lake and its surroundings. Continue to Monteverde and take an afternoon tour to the Selvatura Butterfly Garden & Walkways, exploring the tree canopy from its hanging bridges. (B)
: Monteverde Country Lodge/ Hotel Fondavela (or similar) (Days 8-9)

FAR LEFT: A RESPLENDENT QUETZAL, MONTEVERDE; LEFT: TORTUGUERO'S CANALS; ABOVE: ARENAL VOLCANO



SOLO DEPARTURES 2027-2028

GROUP SIZE: Average 10 (max 14)

SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $7,745

TOUR CODE: NSS

31 Mar - 10 Apr 27	19 Jan - 28 Jan 28
03 Nov - 13 Nov 27	29 Mar - 07 Apr 28
	01 Nov - 10 Nov 28

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES: For departure dates that have reached the minimum number of guests, and are therefore guaranteed to run, please visit our website.

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DAY 9: **MONTEVERDE**

Take a tour of the Monteverde Cloud Forest, a habitat for rare flora and fauna such as the colourful quetzal bird. Visit a family-owned coffee farm to experience sustainable coffee, from seed to cup. Enjoy a farewell drink at your hotel. (B, L)

DAY 10: **SARCHÍ • SAN JOSÉ**

Return to San José via the town of Sarchí, home to traditional handicrafts and colourful oxcarts, for your final night. (B)

DAY 11: **DEPART SAN JOSÉ**

Your tour concludes today in San José. (B)



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: HANGING BRIDGE, MONTEVERDE; TAMARINDO BEACH; A MACAW IN CORCOVADO NATIONAL PARK; A SQUIRREL MONKEY IN MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK; A TRADITIONAL OX-CART, SARCHI



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Select tour: Simpler in emphasis, based in three- or four-star accommodation (or best alternative).

2028 departures are 11 days and nine nights and do not include the overnight stay and tours in Sarapiqui. Extensions may also differ in length, please enquire for details.

Hotel choices may be subject to change.

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner, N: No meals.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: HANGING BRIDGE, MONTEVERDE, COSTA RICA; TAMARINDO BEACH; A MACAW IN CORCOVADO NATIONAL PARK; A SQUIRREL MONKEY IN MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK; A TRADITIONAL OX-CART, SARCHI

EXTENSIONS

TAMARINDO

5 DAYS, 4 NIGHTS FROM $1,345

Tamarindo is in Guanacaste province on the Pacific coast and has an abundance of sandy beaches and a lively atmosphere. The nearby Playa Grande beach, meanwhile, is one of Costa Rica's most important nesting sites for leatherback turtles. Leave your tour group at Monteverde and travel to Tamarindo for three nights; spend your days at leisure, enjoy turtle watching (Nov-Mar), or boat trips through the mangroves. Hotel upgrades available to the boutique Cala Luna or the beachfront Capitán Suizo from $695. Your final night is spent back in San José.

: Wyndham Tamarindo, Delta Hotels by Marriott San Jose Aurola



MANUEL ANTONIO

5 DAYS, 4 NIGHTS FROM $1,995

The smallest of Costa Rica's national parks, Manuel Antonio is also one of the most visited due to the remarkable diversity of its wildlife. Its rainforest extends down to the beautiful beaches, where it is possible to spot monkeys, sloths and armadillos. Travel from Monteverde to here to spend days at leisure or take excursions, such as rainforest walks and boat tours in search of dolphins.

: Parador Nature Resort & Spa





SAN GERARDO DE DOTA

3 DAYS, 2 NIGHTS FROM $995

Leave your group at Sarchi and transfer to San Gerardo de Dota, a birdwatchers' paradise and home to more than 150 species including striking quetzals. Stay for two nights and take an early morning tour in search of the resplendent quetzal in the surrounding primary forest.

: Trogon Lodge

CORCOVADO

4 DAYS, 3 NIGHTS FROM $3,545

Fly to Drake Bay and transfer to Aguila de Osa, set on a cliff amid a privately protected rainforest. Stay for three nights on a full-board basis and take a local shared excursion to explore Corcovado National Park and its trails (a reasonable level of fitness is required), and a snorkelling trip to Caño Island.

: Aguila de Osa

PANAMA

4 DAYS, 3 NIGHTS FROM $1,595

See Panama City and the Panama Canal; tour the old, colonial city, then head on to that wonder of 20th century civil engineering that connects the Pacific and Atlantic oceans. Also consider an optional visit to the Miraflores canal locks or to Soberanía National Park for some excellent birding. (B)

: Best Western Plus Panama Zen

PORTUGUESE POUSADAS

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
8 days, 7 nights	From $7,395	POA	Signature	Moderate

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- Stay in historically significant buildings, such as a Moorish castle, and an Augustinian monastery.
- Discover the colourful Pena Palace and learn the secrets behind Portugal's world-renowned pastéis de nata tarts.
- Visit historic wine estates and cruise through the UNESCO-listed landscapes of the Douro Valley.
- Explore one of the oldest centres of learning, the University of Coimbra, and its magnificent Biblioteca Joanina.





ROAD ——

Discover the old-fashioned charm, medieval architecture and rugged landscape of Portugal on this eight-day journey from Lisbon to Porto. Staying at two of the country's famed pousada properties – one of which was once a Moorish castle, and the other, a 12th-century monastery – explore historic regional centres including Coimbra and Porto; and the picturesque, terraced hillsides and vineyards of the Douro valley, where port – the world-renowned fortified wine – is still produced.

DAY 1: **ARRIVE LISBON**
Arrive in Lisbon and check into your pousada, not far from the Portuguese capital. Enjoy a welcome dinner with the group at your hotel. (D)
: Pousada Castelo de Palmela (Days 1-3)

DAY 2: **LISBON**
Half-day tour of Lisbon, where grand squares, elegant boulevards and historic neighbourhoods reflect centuries of maritime heritage. Visit the richly ornamented Jerónimos Monastery, a masterpiece of Manueline architecture, admire the 16th-century Belém Tower, and wander the cobbled streets of the old town. Afterwards, enjoy time at leisure to explore at your own pace. (B)

ABOVE: THE DOURO RIVER VALLEY;
TOP LEFT: THE UNIVERSITY OF
COIMBRA; BOTTOM LEFT: LISBON

DAY 3: **SINTRA**
Visit to the UNESCO-listed parish of Sintra and Pena Palace – once the summer residence of King Ferdinand II. Enter a local bakery for an introduction to making pastéis de nata tarts. At the conclusion of your tour, enjoy an afternoon at leisure in Palmela. (B)

DAY 4: **COIMBRA & GUIMARÃES**
Depart Palmela and drive to Guimarães. Stop en route at Batalha Monastery, and Coimbra, home of Portugal's oldest and most prestigious university. Tour the campus including the Baroque Biblioteca Joanina, one of the most ornate libraries in the world. Enjoy free time in Coimbra before continuing to Guimarães. (B, D)
: Pousada Mosteiro de Guimarães
(Days 4-7)



DAY 5: **PORTO**
Take a half-day tour of Porto, the country's second city. Today's highlights include the decorative Chapel of the Souls, São Bento Railway Station with its blue azulejo tiles, and the UNESCO-listed waterfront in Ribeira. Later, enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore the city before returning to Guimarães. (B)

DAY 6: **GUIMARÃES**
Enjoy a full day at leisure to return to Porto by train, or explore the historic city of Braga, one of Portugal's most celebrated pilgrimage sites, with Baroque churches and sweeping views. (B)

DAY 7: **DOURO VALLEY**
Take a full tour of the Douro Valley, famous for its steep, terraced vineyards carved into mountains. Visit two quintas (wine estates) for wine tasting, and a three-course farewell lunch with wine. Later, enjoy a relaxing boat tour on the Douro to admire the region from the water. (B, L)

DAY 8: **DEPART GUIMARÃES**
Conclude your tour in Guimarães or begin your tailor-made extension, perhaps exploring more of Porto or travelling north to Santiago de Compostela. (B)



SOLO DEPARTURES 2027-2028

GROUP SIZE: Average 10 (max 14)
SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $7,395
TOUR CODE: PSJ

25 Oct - 01 Nov 27	23 Oct - 30 Oct 28

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Signature tour: Based in four-star accommodation or above.

Hotel choices may be subject to change.

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner, N: No meals.

CLASSICAL TURKEY

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
11 days, 10 nights	From $8,245	POA	Select	Moderate

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- See the fantastical landscape and ancient cave dwellings in Cappadocia.
- Discover the centuries-old ritual of Turkish coffee in a historic coffeehouse.
- Enjoy exclusive access to the archaeological excavations at Magnesia with a private lecture from the archaeologists working to uncover the ancient city's secrets.
- Take a private visit to an Istanbul mosque with a local imam.





ROAD ——

Once the centre of the Ottoman empire, Turkey has both shaped and been shaped by cultures on either side of the Bosphorus. Today, its marriage of Western and Eastern traditions is an irresistible draw. This tour combines Turkey's natural wonders and man-made marvels, including Hagia Sofia and the Blue Mosque in Istanbul, the remarkable classical sites of Troy, Pergamon and Ephesus, and the magical, cave-filled landscapes of Cappadocia.

DAY 1: **ARRIVE ISTANBUL**
Arrive in Turkey's capital. Check into your hotel and enjoy a welcome dinner. (D)
: Royan Hotel Hagia Sophia (Days 1-3)

DAY 2: **ISTANBUL**
Take a walking tour of the city, stopping at the Hippodrome of Constantinople, the Blue Mosque, Hagia Sophia and Topkapı Palace, among other sights. (B)

DAY 3: **ISTANBUL**
Tour the Egyptian Bazaar, the second-largest covered market in Istanbul; and continue to the Grand Bazaar, the world's largest covered souk. Try Turkish coffee in one of the city's old coffeehouses. Later, join a local imam for a private visit to a mosque from the Ottoman period. (B)

ABOVE: SULEYMANIYE MOSQUE, ISTANBUL; TOP RIGHT: THE LIBRARY OF CELSUS, EPHESUS; BOTTOM RIGHT: CAPPADOCIA



SOLO DEPARTURES 2027-2028

GROUP SIZE: Average 10 (max 14)
SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $8,245
TOUR CODE: CST

02 Oct - 12 Oct 27	30 Sep - 10 Oct 28

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Select tour: Simpler in emphasis, based in three- or four-star accommodation (or best alternative).

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner, N: No meals.

DAY 4: **CANAKKALE**
Drive to Canakkale and tour the Gallipoli battlefield, site of the aborted Allied invasion of 1915. Visit Cape Helles, Suvla Bay and Anzac Cove. (B, D)
: Kolin Hotel

DAY 5: **TROY • PERGAMON • KUSADASI**
Visit Troy to see the legendary walls and a replica of the wooden Trojan Horse. Travel on to Pergamon, a Greco-Roman city of exceptional beauty. Lunch is served near Pergamon, where you will be divided into small groups and join local families for a home-cooked meal. (B, L)
: İlayda Avantgarde Hotel (Days 5-6)

DAY 6: **KUSADASI • EPHESUS**
Tour Ephesus, home to the Temple of Artemis, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Walk the city's Marble Road to the Temple of Artemis, the Temple of Hadrian, the Library of Celsus, and the Great Theatre of Ephesus. (B, L)

DAY 7: **KUSADASI • MAGNESIA**
Visit the city of Magnesia, which rose to prominence in 400 BC. Enjoy a private lecture from the archaeologists overseeing excavations, as well as exclusive access to the areas not normally open to the public. (B, D)
: Adem Pira Hotel

DAY 8: **HIERAPOLIS • KONYA**
Visit Hierapolis and explore its necropolis, as well as the Gate of Domitianus and Byzantine Baths. Drive to Konya and visit the Mausoleum of Mevlâna, built in 1274 to house the tomb of the Sufi poet and founder of the Mevlevi Order (B)
: Hich Hotel (or similar)

DAY 9: **CAPPADOCIA**
Drive to Cappadocia, stopping en route at the Sultanhani Caravanserai, a rest station along the ancient Silk Road. Tour Özkonak Underground City, a fascinating ancient settlement built into the side of Cappadocia's Mount İdis. Later, visit a local Cappadocian family at their traditional stone house. (B, D)
: Yunak Evleri Cave Hotel (or similar) (Days 9-10)

DAY 10: **CAPPADOCIA**
Take an optional, dawn hot-air balloon ride over Cappadocia's striking landscape ($750 per person). Tour the monastic centre of Göreme; move on to Pasabag Valley, to admire tower-shaped hermitages; stop at Uchisar, a rock-carved citadel with panoramic views. The final stop is Avanos, an ancient town best known for its red clay pottery, which you can see being made in a local studio. (B, L)

DAY 11: **DEPART CAPPADOCIA**
Your tour concludes today. (B)



TOUR EXTENSION: ANTALYA

4 DAYS, 3 NIGHTS FROM $3,695

Extend your tour out to Turkey's lush, beachside town of Antalya. A major port since ancient times, Antalya offers both archaeological wonders with easy shoreside leisure attractions.

: Ruin Adalia Boutique Hotel

ACROSS THE SOUTHERN CAUCASUS

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
15 days, 14 nights	From $8,795	POA	Signature	Active

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- Visit the beautiful Khan Palace in Azerbaijan.
- Meet a local qvevri master and discover Georgia's ancient wine-making tradition.
- Attend a performance of Armenian spiritual music.
- Step into a local home and experience the traditional preparation of lavash, Armenia's famous UNESCO-listed flatbread.





ROAD ——

Take an exciting journey across all three states of the southern Caucasus. Beginning in the oil-rich Muslim nation of Azerbaijan on the shores of the Caspian Sea, travel through Georgia, famous for its ancient monasteries and viticulture, and finish in the small, proud nation of Armenia, one of the oldest Christian countries in the world.

DAY 1: **ARRIVE BAKU, AZERBAIJAN**
Arrive in Baku and check into your hotel. (N)
: Hilton Garden Inn (or similar)
(Days 1-3)

DAY 2: **BAKU**
Afternoon tour of the Azerbaijani capital, taking in a panoramic view of the city and bay. Dine at a local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 3: **GOBUSTAN • ABSHERON**
Admire Gobustan's 20,000-year-old rock carvings. Enjoy an excursion to Absheron to see the Ateshgah Fire Temple and Yanar Dagh fire. (B)

DAY 4: **SHEMAHKA • KISH • SHAKI**
Visit the Yeddi Gumbez Mausoleum in Shemahka. Continue to Shaki, stopping en route at a sixth-century Georgian Orthodox church in Kish. (B, L, D)
: Macara Sheki

ABOVE: TBILISI OLD TOWN, GEORGIA; TOP RIGHT: GERGETI TRINITY CHURCH, GEORGIA; BOTTOM RIGHT: THE RUINS OF THE TEMPLE OF ZVARTNOTS WITH MOUNT ARARAT IN THE BACKGROUND, YEREVAN

DAY 5: **SHAKI • TELAVI, GEORGIA**
Tour Shaki, set in the scenic Caucasus foothills, taking in its 18th-century palace. Cross the border into Georgia for a vineyard lunch and wine tasting. Continue to Telavi via the Gremi Church of Archangels and Royal Tower (B, L, D)
: Holiday Inn by IHG (or similar)

DAY 6: **TELAVI • SIGHNAGHI • TBILISI**
Enjoy a morning visit to Telavi market. Meet a qvevri master, who will demonstrate how these large earthenware wine-keeping jars are made. Sample local wine and "fire-water" brandy before lunch at Tsinandali wine estate. This afternoon, tour the hilltop town of Sighnaghi. (B, L)
: Artizan Design Hotel (Days 6-7)

DAY 7: **TBILISI**
Tour the Georgian capital, including the Old Town, with its beautiful Orthodox churches, mosque, synagogue and sulphur baths. Continue to the history museum on Rustaveli Avenue. (B)

DAY 8: **GORI • UPLISTSIKHE • KAZBEGI**
Visit the sixth-century Jvari Monastery, followed by Mtskheta, then continue to Gori, birthplace of Joseph Stalin. See the museum, his private train and the house where he was born. Travel to Kazbegi via the cave city of Uplistsikhe, set on the path of the Silk Road. (B, D)
: Hotel Porta Caucasia

DAY 9: **KAZBEGI • TBILISI**
Walk to the picturesque Gergeti Trinity Church, which dates from the 14th century. On a good day you may even catch sight of the summit of Mount Kazbegi, one of the most beautiful peaks within the Caucasus. Drive on to Tbilisi and enjoy free time in the city. (B)
: Artizan Design Hotel

DAY 10: **HAGHPAT • DILIJAN**
Cross the Armenian border and continue to the UNESCO-listed Haghpat Monastery, a masterpiece of Armenian architecture, followed by the Goshavank Monastery. Travel on to Dilijan. (B)
: Dilijan Tun (or similar)

DAY 11: **DILIJAN • SEVAN •YEREVAN**
See Lake Sevan, then travel on to the Pagan Temple at Garni, and hear a performance of Armenian spiritual music. Take in Geghard Monastery, followed by a visit to a local home to see the preparation of Armenian lavash bread. (B, L)
: Tufenkian Historic Hotel (Days 11-14)



DAY 12: **YEREVAN**
Tour Yerevan, one of the world's oldest continuously inhabited cities. Visit the city's museum of ancient manuscripts, and the genocide memorial complex. (B)

DAY 13: **KHOR VIRAP • NORAVANK • YEREVAN**
Travel to Khor Virap monastery, where Armenia's patron saint, Gregory the Illuminator, was imprisoned. Enjoy the views of Mount Ararat, then continue to Noravank Monastery, situated within a breathtaking gorge. Later, arrive in the wine-producing village of Areni for lunch. Return to Yerevan. (B, L)

DAY 14: **YEREVAN • EJMIATSIN • ZVARTNOTS**
Tour the centuries-old monuments of Ejmiatsin and Zvartnots, including the Cathedral of Ejmiatsin, and the seventh-century Zvartnots Temple. On the return journey to Yerevan, visit the village of Parakar, enjoy a traditional Armenian lunch, and participate in a traditional arishta noodle-making masterclass. Later join a farewell dinner at an Armenian restaurant. (B, L, D)

DAY 15: **DEPART YEREVAN**
Your tour concludes today in Yerevan. (B)



SOLO DEPARTURES 2027-2028

GROUP SIZE: Average 10 (max 14)
SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $8,795
TOUR CODE: AZS

22 Oct - 05 Nov 27	20 Oct - 03 Nov 28

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Signature tour: Based in four-star accommodation or above.

Hotel choices may be subject to change.

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner, N: No meals.

TOUR EXTENSION: ISTANBUL

3 DAYS, 2 NIGHTS FROM $895

Pause your journey to Baku or from Yerevan and enjoy two nights to explore Istanbul, Turkey. Take in the mosques, bazaars, waterfront and imperial buildings of this ancient metropole.

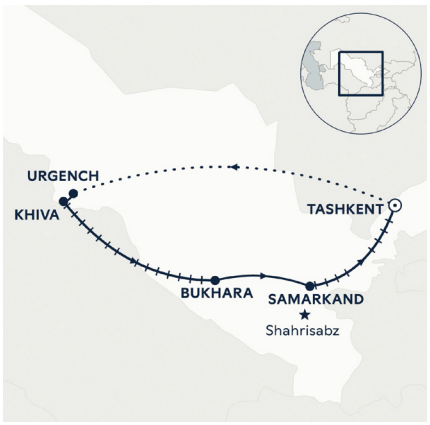
: Royan Hotel Hagia Sophia

UZBEKISTAN: HEART OF CENTRAL ASIA

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
12 days, 11 nights	From $9,095	POA	Signature	Moderate

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- See the beautiful architectural legacy of one of the world's great empires.
- Sample local wines in the cellars of a Tsarist-era producer in Samarkand.
- Taste traditional plov at a historic merchant's house in Bukhara.
- Travel on Uzbekistan's renowned *Afrosiyob* and *Jaloliddin Manguberdi* high-speed trains*.
- Tour a restored silk paper mill in Samarkand.





Set on the Silk Road, Uzbekistan has played host to waves of conquerors and nomads, from Alexander the Great to Timur. See the legacy they left behind in the towering fortresses of Khiva and Bukhara, and the blue-domed mosques of Samarkand. The remnants of more recent Soviet history are evident in the capital city, Tashkent, where highlights include the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Modernist Tashkent with its bustling Chorsu Bazaar and an elaborately decorated metro station.

DAY 1: **ARRIVE TASHKENT**
Arrive and check into your hotel. (N)
: Mercure Tashkent South (or similar) (Days 1-2)

DAY 2: **ARRIVE TASHKENT**
Enjoy a tour of the capital, stopping at the medieval Khast Imaan Complex, and the newly appointed UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Chorsu Bazaar and the resplendent Soviet-era Kosmonavtlar metro station. (B, D)



DAY 3: **FLY TO URGENCH • KHIVA**
Transfer to the airport and fly to Urgench. Visit the ancient fortresses of Ayaz-Kala and Toprak-Kala, before taking an afternoon's drive to Khiva via Ulli Khovli, a well-preserved, antique mud-brick courtyard home. (B, L, D)
: Bankir Hotel (or similar) (Days 3-4)

DAY 4: **KHIVA**
Enjoy a full-day tour of Khiva, to see the Kunya Ark, Islam Khoja minaret, Tash Hauli palace and visit a local bakery. (B, D)

DAY 5: **BUKHARA**
Take the *Jaloliddin Manguberdi* high-speed train* to Bukhara, Later, check into your hotel. (B, L, D)
: Paradise Plaza (or similar) (Days 5-7)

DAY 6: **BUKHARA**
Tour of the city, visiting Chor Minor mosque, the Poi-Kalyan complex, the surviving trading domes, and Lyab-i-Hauz – once the city's principal source of water. In the evening, enjoy dinner and a plov cooking demonstration. (B, D)

DAY 7: **BUKHARA**
Continue your tour of Bukhara, with visits to the Ark, a vast fortress whose foundations date back 2,000 years; the summer palace of the city's final emir; and the 10th-century Samanid mausoleum, decorated with Zoroastrian symbols. (B)

DAY 8: **SHAHRISABZ • SAMARKAND**
Drive to Shahrisabz, birthplace of Timur, and visit the summer palace, mosques and mausoleums. Continue to Samarkand. (B, L, D)
: Movenpick Samarkand (or similar) (Days 8-10)

DAY 9: **SAMARKAND**
Take a full-day tour of Samarkand, visiting Registan Square, the Ulugbek observatory, Siyob Bazaar, Hazrat Khizr Mosque and the Bibi Khanum mosque. (B)

DAY 10: **SAMARKAND**
Continue your tour of Samarkand. Visit the Gur-Emir mausoleum, the final resting place of several members of the Timurid dynasty, including Timur himself. Other sights include Afrasiab Museum, Shah-i-Zinda necropolis and the Khodja Doniyor mausoleum. After lunch, stop in at a silk carpet factory before returning to your hotel for the evening. (B, D)

DAY 10: **TASHKENT**
Enjoy a later start, then visit one of Samarkand's renowned silk paper workshops and join a wine tasting. Later, travel by rail to Tashkent. (B, D)
: Mercure Tashkent South (or similar)

DAY 11: **DEPART TASHKENT**
Your tour concludes today in Tashkent. (B)

SOLO DEPARTURES 2027-2028

GROUP SIZE: Average 12 (max 14)
SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $9,095
TOUR CODE: UZS

20 Aug - 31 Aug 27	18 Aug - 29 Aug 28

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Signature tour: Based in four-star accommodation or above.

* We aim to book guests onto the high-speed *Jaloliddin Manguberdi* train for their journey between Khiva and Bukhara. If the train's schedule changes, we will have to use a slower service.

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner, N: No meals.



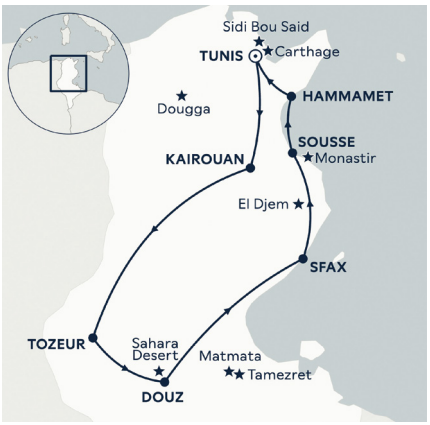
TUNISIA EXPLORED: CARTHAGE TO THE SAHARA

DURATION	SMALL GROUP TOUR	PRIVATE TOUR	TOUR STYLE	ACTIVITY LEVEL
11 days, 10 nights	From $7,195	POA	Signature	Moderate

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- Visit a carpet-weaving workshop in ancient Kairouan.
- Take lunch in a beautiful old house in Tozeur's medina.
- Enjoy a cocktail at sunset in the Saharan dunes.
- Learn about traditional Tunisian cuisine at a family-run eco-farm.





ROAD ——

Delve into Tunisia's eventful history, cultural traditions and cinematic scenery on this Small Group Tour, journeying from ancient coastal cities to the rippling Saharan dunes. Several civilisations have shaped Africa's northernmost country, as you discover on visits to Carthage's ruins, Monastir's Islamic fortress, the Roman town of Dougga, and fortified Kairouan with its early mosque. Your tour also takes you to traditional Berber villages and desert oases.

DAY 1: **ARRIVE TUNIS**
Arrive in Tunisia's capital and check into your hotel. (D)
: **Belvedere Fourati** (Days 1-2)

DAY 2: **TUNIS • CARTHAGE • SIDI BOU SAID**
Visit the Bardo Museum to view superb Roman and Byzantine mosaics and artefacts. Continue with a walking tour of the historic medina of Tunis. In the afternoon, explore the ruins of Carthage. Finish with tea and sweet treats in blue and white Sidi Bou Said, enjoying sublime views of the Gulf of Tunis. (B, L)

DAY 3: **DOUGGA • KAIROUAN**
Drive via Testour to Dougga, once the capital of the Numidian kingdom and one of North Africa's best-preserved Roman towns. Perched on a hillside, the archaeological ruins span Numidian, Punic, Hellenistic and Roman cultures. After lunch, drive to the city of Kairouan. (B, L, D)
: Hotel La Kasbah

DAY 4: **KAIROUAN • TOZEUR**
Morning tour of Kairouan, home to the first mosque in North Africa. Explore the old medina, including a stop at a carpet-weaving workshop. Later, head south west through increasingly arid scenery to the ancient oasis town of Tozeur. (B, L, D)
: Tozeur Plaza (Days 4-5)

DAY 5: **TOZEUR**
This morning, learn about life in the oasis and surrounding desert, backdrop to many films. Explore the Sidi Bouhlel canyon and drive through date plantations to the Eden Palm Museum for insights into date cultivation. Explore the old town on foot and admire the architecture, characterised by patterns of sand-hued bricks. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure, or take an optional 4×4 desert tour. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: **DOUZ • SAHARA**
Today, drive across Chott el Jerid, the largest salt flat in the Sahara, to the small town of Douz. After lunch, your desert adventure begins with a two-hour 4×4 ride south into the rolling dunes. Rest of afternoon at leisure. This evening, enjoy traditional "sand bread" and a cocktail, while the sun sets over the dunes. Stay overnight at Tiniri Camp. (B, L, D)
: Tiniri Camp

DAY 7: **TAMEZRET • MATMATA • SFAX**
Return to Douz by 4×4, then transfer by road through rocky landscapes to visit Berber villages and a traditional underground cave dwelling. Continue north to the port city of Sfax. (B, L)
: Les Oliviers Palace (or similar)

DAY 8: **EL DJEM • MONASTIR • SOUSSE**
Drive to El Djem and visit North Africa's most impressive amphitheatre, as well as a mosaic museum in a reconstructed Roman townhouse. Continue to Monastir to see the Ribat fortress and the Bourguiba mausoleum. After lunch, journey to Sousse. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure or explore the souk with your guide. (B, L)
: Sousse Palace Hotel

DAY 9: **HAMMAMET**
In the morning, head inland to Douar Laroussi, a working family ecofarm set amid olive groves. Discover Berber traditions and culture, and learn how to make harissa and claypot bread, followed by lunch. Transfer to the coast for a stay at the beachside Le Royal Hammamet (Pool View room). Rest of day at leisure. (B, L)
: Le Royal Hammamet (Days 9-10)

DAY 10: **HAMMAMET**
Take a morning visit to nearby Nabeul to see a family-run pottery. Return to Hammamet and explore the ninth-century fort and medina. Take an afternoon at leisure. This evening, enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 11: **DEPART HAMMAMET**
Your tour concludes in Hammamet. Alternatively, extend with additional time on the coast. (B)



SOLO DEPARTURES 2027-2028

GROUP SIZE: Average 10 (max 14)
SMALL GROUP TOUR: From $7,195
TOUR CODE: TUS

04 Nov - 14 Nov 27	02 Mar - 12 Mar 28
	02 Nov - 12 Nov 28

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES: For departure dates that have reached the minimum number of guests, and are therefore guaranteed to run, please visit our website.

GUIDELINE PRICES: The guideline tour prices are all per person in Australian dollars, based on single occupancy of a twin / double room, and do not include flights to / from the destination. Flights required for travel within a group tour itinerary are included. All prices are subject to availability. For up-to-date prices for all departure dates, please visit our website.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Signature tour: Based in four-star accommodation or above, with the exception of the desert camp, where accommodation should be considered more basic.

Mosque visits: Both men and women visiting the mosques must be fully covered. Women must also cover their heads with a scarf.

Hotel choices may be subject to change.

Meal basis: As per itinerary – B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner, N: No meals.



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OPPOSITE: Inset: Samarkand's traditional architecture, Uzbekistan; background: Uzbek silk carpets

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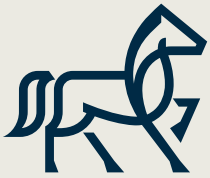

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