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Explore!

Small group adventures



350+ trips. 100 countries. Countless adventures.

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Welcome





It's been another bumper year for Explore Worldwide. Having been named Sustainable Travel Company of the Year 2023 in the UK Travel Industry Awards, we went on to receive B Corp Certification earlier this year. This has been a huge milestone in our sustainability strategy and our mission to be a purpose-led business.

We all strive for stellar customer service, so receiving Feefo's Platinum Trusted Service Award for our customer service was another big moment for us, and something I'm particularly proud of this year.

But our adventures are our pride and joy, and our trips continue to provide once-in-a-lifetime moments every single day. We've some exciting new trips and destinations in store for 2025, including a cultural tour to Ghana, a trek to Everest Base Camp, a foodie adventure in Greece, and a walking trip in Finland and Sweden.

Meanwhile our newest collection, Explore Upgraded, offers everything you know and love about an Explore holiday – small groups, an expert Tour Leader, unforgettable experiences with a light footprint – with upgraded stays to offer extra comfort at the end of a long day's exploring.

Here's to a healthy, happy, and adventurous 2025!

Ben

Ben Ittensohn,
Regional Director
Australia & New Zealand

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Don't just travel, Explore!

Take a small group tour with us and you'll be joined by like-minded travel companions as well as a skilled Tour Leader with in-depth knowledge of your destination. Choose from over 350 expertly-designed itineraries in more than 100 countries worldwide. You'll visit the must-see highlights as well as places not on the typical tourist trail, and leave feeling that you've really explored.





Unforgettable experiences

Once-in-a-lifetime moments are guaranteed; we'll take you closer to the country, its culture and people, often in spontaneous, impossible-to-replicate ways. You'll come home having seen and experienced the destination in a way that others might never have.



Expert Tour Leaders

Chosen for their expertise and passion, Explore Tour Leaders use their insider knowledge and local connections to add extra special moments to your trip, making the most of unexpected events and opportunities. They're on hand to make sure your trip goes smoothly and receive regular feedback to ensure consistently high standards.



Responsible at heart

As a B Corp Certified organisation, our sustainable approach and flexible booking policies set us apart. We're committed to reducing our impact on the planet and working towards a sustainable future. Every single one of our trips has a carbon label, we work with Klimate to support verifiable carbon removal projects, and invest in natural regeneration with Rewilding Britain and Cool Earth.



Small groups

Our average group size is just 11 – big enough to meet like-minded people but small enough to get to the heart of a destination. Groups are usually a mix of solos, couples, family and friends, united by an adventurous spirit and a sense of fun.

Book with confidence



We've always had flexible booking conditions for your peace of mind, so you can book your small group tour with confidence. Whether you're travelling as planned or would like to change your destination or date, Explore Flex gives you peace of mind and booking flexibility. Find out more at exploreworldwide.com.au/flex or exploreworldwide.co.nz/flex

Feefo Platinum Trusted Service Award

We've been named a Platinum Trusted Service Award Winner in 2024. These awards are based purely on independently-moderated feedback from customers via Feefo. It shows that we're delivering time and again for our customers, placing customer service at the heart of what we do.



Guaranteed departures

Unlike some other adventure providers, we guarantee almost all departures, so once you book, you're going. It's a simple as that!*

*Ts&Cs apply. Excludes certain trips which require a minimum number to run. See exploreworldwide.com.au/booking-conditions or exploreworldwide.co.nz/bookingconditions for details.

7 myths debunked



Group tours let you experience a country in a way that most independent travellers never do. Here we debunk seven common myths about small group travel:

1

We'll stick to the tourist trail

At Explore, a lot of thought and research goes into creating each trip. With the help of our passionate Tour Leaders, who know your destination like the back of their hand, our small group tours take in all the best sights but also take you beyond the usual tourist trail. We'll take you closer to the destination, its culture and people, often in unscripted, impossible-to-replicate ways.

2

I'm not up for 'roughing it'

The majority of accommodation on our small group tours is in the 'comfortable' category, with en suite facilities and air conditioning or heating, while our new Upgraded range (see p14) uses mostly premium accommodation. We choose location first, and then the most suitable accommodation to give the best experience of a destination.

3

I'm not fit enough

Whether you're after an action-packed trip or more leisurely exploration, our group tours cater for both ends of the spectrum. We grade our Discovery trips as Relaxed, Moderate or Full On, allowing you to choose a pace that suits you. Your Tour Leader is with you every step of the way, and may alter an itinerary to suit the group.

4

I don't like big groups

Not every group tour sees huge numbers led by umbrella-wielding guides. Explore's small group tours have an average of just 11 people, an ideal size to experience the heart of a destination with. Your Tour Leader will share their insider knowledge, so you can really scratch beneath the surface of the culture.



5

I'll get no time to myself

While some of our itineraries are jam-packed, there is always scheduled downtime which you can spend as you wish – either with your fellow travellers, or simply by yourself. You can also book optional activities if you want to fill your free time with more unforgettable experiences. The choice is yours!

6

I'll be surrounded by couples

If anything, small group tours are perfect for solo travellers. Around half of our tour groups consist of single travellers, where you'll mix with people of all ages who share a love for travel. You'll enjoy a hassle-free holiday with the safety, comfort and ease of travelling in a group.

7

I could save money organising it myself

This isn't always the case; small group tours mean the logistics and day-to-day details are organised for you. Plus, your Tour Leader will use their extensive knowledge and local connections, so you'll certainly get your money's worth! At Explore, we also offer budget-friendly payment instalments and a rewarding loyalty programme.

Find out why 2025 is the year to join a small group adventure...

exploreworldwide.com.au/why-small-group-tours-2025

or
exploreworldwide.co.nz/why-small-group-tours-2025

The Explore loyalty club

You to us are everything

We've created the Explore Loyalty Club because it only seems right that the more you travel with us, the more benefits you should get:

- **SAVE 5%*** on your third and subsequent trips,
- **SAVE 7%*** on your fifth and subsequent trips,
- and **SAVE 10%*** on your tenth and subsequent trips.

You'll also get an early heads-up on new trips, access to exclusive offers and partner discounts, plus big savings when you recommend a friend to Explore. Speaking of which...

*The loyalty discount applies to the trip only element of your booking and excludes flights. A different loyalty scheme applies for family adventures.

Matchmaker

If you know someone that you think would like Explore and our trips, please introduce us! For every friend who books a trip with us, we'll give you both a \$175 credit as a thank you. Win-win. Find out more at exploreworldwide.com.au/recommend-a-friend or exploreworldwide.co.nz/recommend-a-friend

The old switcheroo!

We're so sure you'll love our trips that we REALLY want you to try them. Book your next trip with Explore and we'll reward your previous loyalty... even if it wasn't to us! Find out more at exploreworldwide.com.au/loyalty-switch or exploreworldwide.co.nz/loyalty-switch

Pass it on

Now you can share your loyalty benefits with up to five members of your family so whatever discount you get on our trips, they'll get too! Find out more at exploreworldwide.com.au/pass-it-on or exploreworldwide.co.nz/pass-it-on

To find out more about our silver, gold and platinum loyalty benefits visit exploreworldwide.com.au/loyalty or exploreworldwide.co.nz/loyalty

Hot off the press:

New trips!



We have a whole array of fantastic new trips for 2025, from walking in the Faroe Islands to tasting your way around Greece, and from wild encounters in Uganda and Rwanda to a spiritual reckoning in northern India. And these are just a handful of them – visit our website for our full selection of new trips.



1 Discover South Korea

Take in vibrant and colourful Seoul, with its captivating mix of old and new, from the Gyeongbokgung Palace to the artisan neighbourhood of Insadong, and the old market of Gwangjang, which comes alive at night as locals congregate for traditional food and drink. Visit the demilitarised zone, or DMZ, a sombre remnant of the Korean War, as well as the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Gyeongju, which ruled over much of the peninsula from the 7th to 9th centuries, and the southern seaport of Busan.

For more information search online using trip code SOK.

2 Spiritual India: Himalayan Foothills

Travel from India's bustling capital, through the serene foothills of the Himalaya and on to the plains of Punjab on this journey of spirituality across northwest India. Visit the home of the Dalai Lama, witness Hindu ceremonies in Rishikesh and Haridwar, and take in British architecture in Shimla.

For more information search online using trip code HFH.

3 Uganda and Rwanda Gorilla Discovery

Get the ultimate wildlife encounter on this ten-day tour that sees you come face to face with Uganda's endangered mountain gorilla in its natural forest habitat. We'll also go in search of golden monkeys in Rwanda's beautifully mountainous Volcanoes National Park, and spot leopards and hyenas while on safari at Lake Mburo.

For more information search online using trip code UGR.



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We're so excited to launch some fantastic, varied and diverse new tours for 2025, from Ireland to South Korea.

Rachael Stone
Product Director

4 A Taste of Greece: Crete to the Peloponnese

Discover the many flavours of Greece on this ten-day tour designed for foodies. Discover the highlights of Crete, Athens and the Peloponnese while exploring Greek culture and traditions through delicious local cuisine. From tasting street food in Athens to a vegan cookery class, there are heaps of delicious experiences lined up. See honey being harvested, visit an olive oil press and sample fresh lemonade in a lemon forest on Poros.

For more information search online using trip code XGR.

5 Walking in the Faroe Islands

Immerse yourself in dramatic scenery and local culture on this week-long moderate graded walking holiday in the Faroe Islands. Take in the breathtaking Mulafossur waterfall, look for puffins from the lighthouse on Mykinesholmur islet, and take a picturesque hike to Kirkjubour, one of the most significant historical sites on the islands.

For more information search online using trip code WIF.



Want more?

Discover our whole range of new trips for 2025 at exploreworldwide.com.au/new-for-2025 or exploreworldwide.co.nz/new-for-2025

A taste of adventure...

One of the best ways to get to know a country is through its local food. **Mark Richardson** travelled to Sicily with his family to do just that.



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What we wanted was to gain an understanding of Sicilian cuisine, and how it links to the country's culture and past.

This was your first foodie tour. What made you choose Explore's A Taste of Sicily – Palermo to Syracuse?

The itinerary. It was instantly appealing, balancing visits to small-scale, family-run food businesses, where the owners grew and/or made their own products, with the island's fascinating history. Everyone associates Sicily, and indeed Italy, with amazing food but we didn't want a fine-dining gastronomic experience – what we wanted was to gain an understanding of Sicilian cuisine, and how it links to the country's culture and past. We lose sight of that in our supermarkets, but on our tour that connection was so apparent – it was exactly what we'd been hoping for.

What were your personal highlights?

There were so many stand-out moments. Our Tour Leader and local guides were brilliant, so I felt we really were getting a behind-the-scenes look into Sicilian life. I loved the tastings – we tried olive oil at a masseria in Monreale, wine from a tiny vineyard in Corleone, chocolate in Modica and coffee on Ortygia Island. We also visited a tomato farm, where we had lunch made with just-picked tomatoes. They were so fragrant, and flavoursome. I won't forget that meal in a hurry – it was simple, and yet the quality of the ingredients shone through, elevating our lunch to something sublime.

I was also impressed by how passionate and proud all the owners were. Their love for their region, for Sicily and its produce was contagious.

The other thing I really liked was that the group was small, just 14 people, which meant that the tastings felt intimate, and we could all speak to the hosts and enjoy our time with them. When there are only a few of you, everyone gets the attention they need, and you all become friends, if only for the duration of the trip. There was a lot of camaraderie, banter and laughter on our trip – especially during our ravioli-making class.

You mentioned that the tour was the perfect balance of culinary and sight-seeing activities

Yes! We also went to some of the most spectacular attractions in Sicily, including the UNESCO-listed Valley of the Temples, one of the most remarkable examples of Hellenic art and architecture in the world, dating from between 510BCE and 430BCE. No less interesting, was the visit to the anti-Mafia museum in Corleone – it was truly eye-opening.

What's next for you and your family?

Ah well... we are thinking of another break with Explore. I'm the kind of person who needs constant stimulation, so another experience break, along the lines of our culinary tour, would be brilliant.

➤ **For more information search online using trip code XIX**





Three more food tours to enjoy:

A TASTE OF TURKEY

ISTANBUL TO CAPPADOCIA

Turkey's distinctive culinary traditions and fascinating history form the basis of this 10-day tour through the Marmara, Aegean, and Central regions.

Trip code: XTU

A TASTE OF TUSCANY

HILLTOP TOWNS AND VINEYARDS

Wine-tasting, farm-to-table dining and some of Tuscany's most beautiful towns, including Montalcino and Chianti, are on the menu on this 8-day trip.

Trip code: XTY

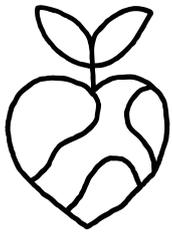
A TASTE OF VIETNAM

HALONG BAY TO THE MEKONG DELTA

Dining with a local family, sampling the street-food of Ho Chi Minh City, and a junk boat cruise are among the highlights of this 13-day trip.

Trip code: XVN





Pay it forward



The Explore Foundation supports grassroots projects in countries that we visit on our trips. We chatted to Lisa Jelly, founder of Lehara, a charity that provides people from rural communities in Nepal with skills that enable them to earn a living and help their community thrive.

Lisa, tell us a little bit about Lehara and why you set it up?

I came up with the idea in 2021, after listening to a podcast by Douglas MacLagan on sustainable giving. He explained that it wasn't just about money, but also passing on knowledge and time to support initiatives. He talked about the 3 Ws – Wealth, Wisdom, and Work. These became the driving principles behind a hospitality school he set up, teaching street kids the skills to enable them to get a job in a Kathmandu hotel. I was struck with how simple this concept was. I applied it to my world of physiotherapy and manual therapy and the idea behind Lehara was hatched! Our mission was to provide training in sports massage techniques to enable a high-quality service to trekkers and climbers along the Everest Base Camp route. Once the concept of Lehara was born, the location was a given. I'd already fallen in love with the people and communities of the Khumbu Valley whilst climbing there myself in 2019. And as one of the most popular regions in the world for trekkers, it seemed the perfect pilot for our initiative. I'm proud to say Lehara has been a registered charity in the UK since October 2022. Our first school opened in September 2023, in the Khumbu Valley in the foothills of Everest in Nepal.

What's the secret of your success?

The magic behind Lehara is how it's fully embedded in the communities of the Khumbu Valley. Qualified therapists provide high-quality sports massage to trekkers and climbers that visit the region every year. The revenue

generated not only covers small operational costs of the clinics and pays the therapists a good wage, but it also contributes to a community investment fund. This fund will become available once a year to financial grants from existing organisations and charities across the Khumbu, where their initiative benefits local healthcare, education, or the environment.

What are you most proud of so far?

I'm so proud of our six qualified therapists – they're fabulous! When we first recruited trainees in autumn 2022, we were offering something that was completely unknown to the locals. It took a leap of faith for these individuals to say yes. I'll be forever grateful for how brave they were, and the commitment and hard work they have shown is a credit to each of them. During the training course, they were like sponges, picking up the manual therapy skills so quickly, and being complete professionals from their very first day in clinic. I believe the Lehara team will grow over the coming years, but these first six will always have a special place in the Lehara family.

What is your goal for the Lehara initiative?

For our flagship Sports Massage Service, in the Khumbu Valley, to offer 2-3 locations for trekkers to receive high-quality sports massage. The service will be led and operated by locals, with advice and support from our English trustees. For a Lehara massage to be included as part of the trek for multiple tour operators, so that pre-bookings can be made. For our trained therapists to become part of the leadership team, and for the team to grow!

› To find out more about the work that is supported by the Explore Foundation, visit theexplore.foundation

Give us a B!

Explore is now B Corp™ Certified



Explore has had sustainable travel in its DNA since its conception in 1981. Having a positive impact on the places we visit and the people we meet is at the heart of what we do.

That's why we're absolutely delighted to have been named a Certified B Corporation after a long application process. As a Certified B Corp in the travel industry, we're counted among businesses that are leading a global movement for an inclusive, equitable and regenerative economy.

Explore's tours have always had sustainability at their core – we want to ensure that our small groups have minimal footprint and maximum positive impact on the places we visit. That's why we choose small, locally owned and run businesses to support – from local partners and Tour Leaders, to hotels and restaurants. It's why our groups always meet and interact with locals on their holidays. It's why we support charities and initiatives all over the world, and why we set up the Explore Foundation to bring our customers and the destinations and communities that we visit even closer.

None of this will change. But we've made a commitment to continue along the journey of improvement, to always strive to be better than yesterday. We've now been independently verified by the globally-recognised B Corporation as meeting some of the highest standards out there, which will hopefully give you reassurance that we're doing everything we can to provide responsible, once-in-a-lifetime adventures while being a force for good and protecting our planet for generations of future travellers.

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We really couldn't be prouder to be counted among the ranks of B Corp Certified companies. As a business we're purpose led in everything we do – we're continually striving to Be Better Than Yesterday and we absolutely want to be held accountable for the goals we set ourselves.

Ben Ittensohn, Regional Director Australia & New Zealand.

Certified



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Explore Upgraded

Our new Upgraded collection has everything you know and love about an Explore holiday – small groups, an expert Tour Leader, unforgettable experiences with a light footprint – with upgraded stays to offer extra comfort at the end of a long day’s exploring.

Wherever possible, we stay in locally owned and run hotels for a more authentic experience that keeps tourism money in the local economy, and we always prioritise location so you’re right in the heart of the action. But tours in our Upgraded collection will typically use 4-star, rather than 3-star properties offering just that little bit more comfort when it comes to your accommodation and facilities.

From time to time, we’ll still include stays in ‘comfortable’ graded accommodation where we feel the experience warrants it. Staying in a converted Rajasthani palace, for example, or on a houseboat on the Okavango Delta – while the stay might not be premium, we’re confident that your experience will be.

In addition to Upgraded accommodation throughout your trip, these new tours also feature a special food experience – usually on day 2 or 3 of your trip – to welcome you to your destination and help you get to know your fellow travellers. We’ve also included (at least) one real stand-out experience or activity that brings your trip to life, or heightens your experience of this destination. This is where the memories are made.

Discover more...

For more information on the Explore Upgraded range visit:

exploreworldwide.com.au/upgraded
or exploreworldwide.co.nz/upgraded



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We created this collection of premium accommodation tours to retain the authenticity of our standard Explore trips, but with a little more comfort to come back to at the end of a day's adventures.

Ben Ittensohn,
Regional Director
Australia & New Zealand



Upgraded – Discover Peru

Discover the wonders of Peru, staying in premium hotels throughout, from Cusco and Machu Picchu to the Colca Canyon and the shores of Lake Titicaca. Take the scenic route from Lake Titicaca to Cusco with panoramic views, travel on the upgraded 360 train to Machu Picchu, and join a cooking demo in foodie capital, Lima.

Trip code: DPR



Upgraded – Discover Sri Lanka

Explore the highlights of Sri Lanka, from cultural sites, rock carvings and Buddhist temples to wildlife-filled national parks. Stay in beautiful and characterful accommodation from the Heritance Kandalama, set amidst the tranquil forested hills, to Bawa-style beachfront properties in Negombo and Galle.

Trip code: DSL



Upgraded – Walking Italy: Rome & Umbria

Immerse yourself in Umbria's beautiful countryside on this week-long walking holiday while staying in hand-picked premium hotels. Discover enchanting Orvieto, the charming hill towns of Montefalco and Assisi, and of course Rome's iconic landmarks including the Colosseum and Roman Forum.

Trip code: DUM



Upgraded – Botswana Wildlife Safari

Join this premium safari through Botswana and Zimbabwe, exploring Chobe National Park, the thundering Victoria Falls and a stay aboard a house boat on the vast Okavango Delta Panhandle. Spend time searching for elephant, hippo and lion while staying in premium hand-picked safari lodges.

Trip code: DOZ



Upgraded – Discover Vietnam

Sail through the emerald waters of Lan Ha Bay on a premium junk boat and learn to cook fresh Vietnamese food in Hoi An. Visit Old Saigon, see a private water puppet show in Hanoi and cruise the Mekong Delta on this stunning Upgraded tour of Vietnam. All the while, stay in specially selected premium accommodation for extra comfort.

Trip code: DVN

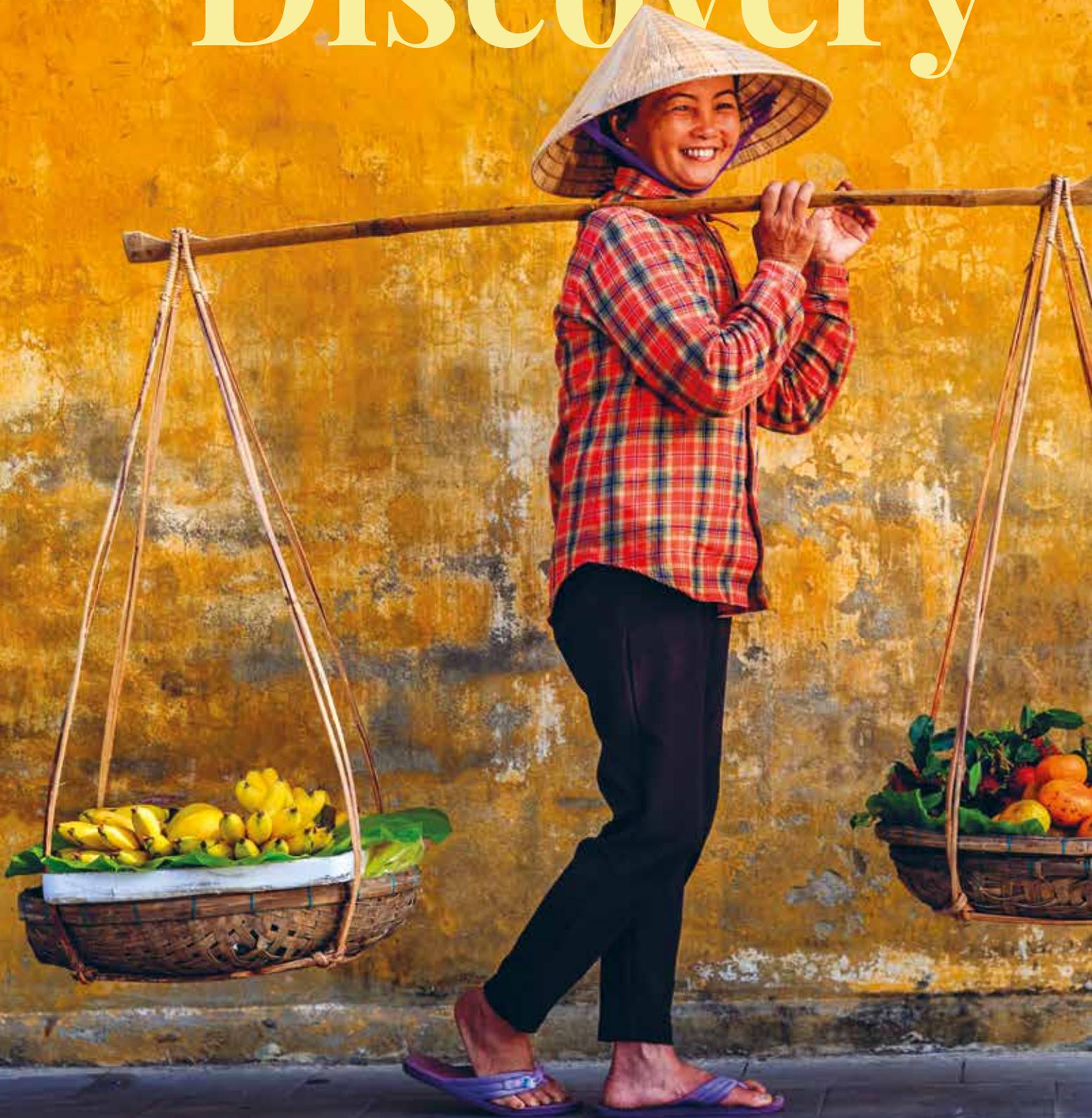


Upgraded – The Baltic States and Poland

Uncover the captivating history of the Baltic States, travelling from the charming Estonian capital Tallinn, on the shores of the Baltic Sea, to the Medieval, walled city of Krakow in Poland's south. Stay in comfort, including time at an island spa hotel in Poland's picturesque Masurian Lakes.

Trip code: DBP

Classic Discovery





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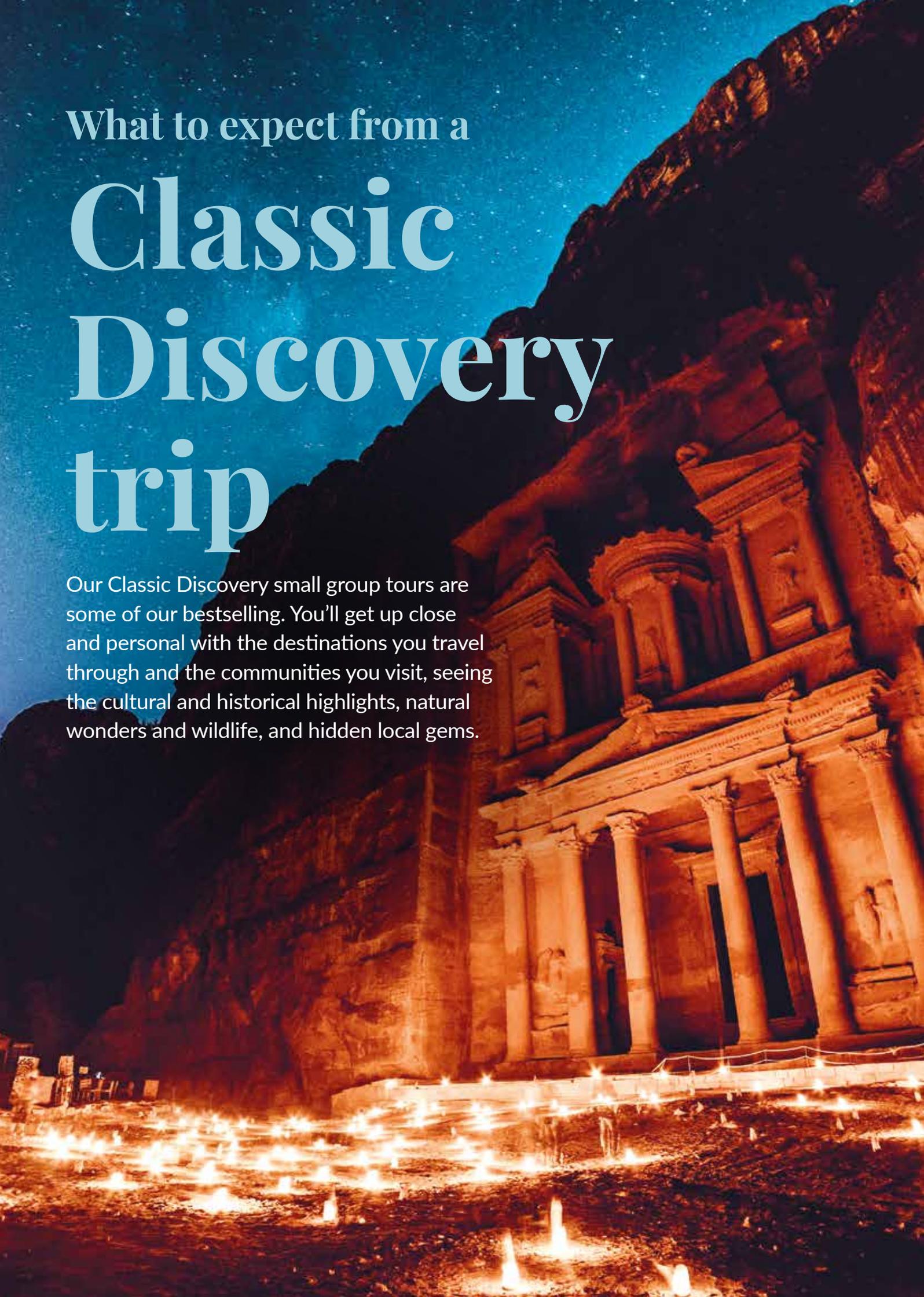
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What to expect from a

Classic Discovery trip

Our Classic Discovery small group tours are some of our bestselling. You'll get up close and personal with the destinations you travel through and the communities you visit, seeing the cultural and historical highlights, natural wonders and wildlife, and hidden local gems.

Seize the day

Here's all you need to know about our small group Classic Discovery adventures...

Expert Tour Leaders

Our Tour Leaders are the beating heart and beaming smile of every trip, and we only select the best to lead our groups. They are experienced, knowledgeable and passionate about the country you're visiting, as well as being experts at managing the dynamics of small group trips and making sure everyone has an amazing holiday.

Your group, your people

The people travelling on our small group trips come from a broad range of nationalities and age groups and share (at least) one thing: they really want to see the place you're visiting too! Our average group size is 11 – small enough to know everyone's name and big enough to offer some variety – made up of solo travellers, couples, friends and family. If you want more detail on the make-up of a particular trip, just call us and we can share some basic information.

Sleep soundly

We try to strike a balance between giving you interesting and characterful places to stay and choosing accommodation in the right place for your itinerary. Whether you're in a hotel, staying with a local family or in desert tents, Vietnamese stilt-houses or jungle lodges, the accommodation we choose will always be comfortable and well-located for your journey.

Pace yourself

We grade all of our Discovery trips to help you pick the right trip for you. Our 'Relaxed' trips have a lighter daily itinerary and allow you to gently immerse yourself in your destination; our 'Full On' trips cover lots of ground, with busy days and early starts; and our 'Moderate' trips are somewhere in between, combining fuller days with some downtime. The choice is yours... go easy, or pack in as much as you can?

Play to your interests

Our Classic Discovery trips reach every corner of the globe. From perennial classics like India and Italy through to emerging favourites like Albania, Namibia and the Baltics; and from festival-focused faves (like the Sapporo Snow Festival in Japan and the Festivals of Bhutan) to food & drink focused adventures in Morocco, Vietnam, Georgia and more, and, of course, the best of the world's wildlife.

Keen to find out more about a particular trip or destination, or start looking at dates? Head online!

NEW! Wildlife Grading

We've graded our wildlife tours to make it easier for you to choose the holiday that's right for you. From chance encounters and memorable sightings to full immersion on specially-designed wildlife tours, here are our wildlife gradings and what they mean.

Look out for our new icons on all trip pages.



If you're choosing a destination for its cultural, historical or culinary highlights first and wildlife second, these trips are ideal – they include wildlife encounters as part of a wider itinerary. While wildlife viewing isn't the primary focus, you could experience chance encounters and memorable sightings as you engage in other activities.



On these trips wildlife viewing will be a significant component, but not the sole focus. Expect more frequent and planned opportunities to observe wildlife, providing a balanced mix of wildlife experiences and other holiday activities.



These tours are entirely centred around wildlife viewing. Every aspect of the holiday has been designed to maximise face-to-face encounters with wildlife – from the accommodation to your Tour Leader – offering an in-depth and immersive experience.

To find out more visit exploreworldwide.com.au/wildlife-grades or exploreworldwide.co.nz/wildlife-grades



Iceland Winter Adventure

TRIP CODE - ICE | ICELAND



Follow Iceland's famous Ring Road and discover the volcanoes, waterfalls and glaciers that make up the country's dramatic landscape. Walk between two continents at Thingvellir National Park, see the mighty Gullfoss Waterfall and watch Strokkur Geysir erupt.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Northern Lights | Stay up late and watch the Aurora Borealis light up the sky

Hrisey Island | Discover Hrisey's laid back pace of life with a viking guide

Snowcat or super jeep ride | Take an exhilarating ride up Kaldbakur Mountain

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PRICES FROM

AU\$6730 NZ\$6990

per person, trip only (9 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: **Moderate**
- ACCOMMODATION:
8 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:
Bus | Ferry | Boat | 4WD
- MEALS:
Breakfast: 8 | Lunch: 2
- 259kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

A summer adventure to Iceland with the chance to spot puffins and whales, and to drift past icebergs on a boat trip across the Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon.

Trip code: SUN



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Reykjavik, Iceland's colourful and cosmopolitan capital.
- DAY 2:** Travel to Akureyri 'the capital of the north', situated on the shores of the country's longest fjord.
- DAY 3:** Explore Hrisey Island's Viking history, enjoy a traditional fish lunch and sample the local beer.
- DAY 4:** Ride in Iceland's snow tractors to the summit of Kaldbakur Mountain for views of snow covered peaks. Visit Godafoss waterfall, Lake Myvatn and the Nature Baths.
- DAY 5:** Visit Dettifoss waterfall en route to the small village of Egilsstadir.
- DAY 6:** Travel the coastal road to the fishing village of Hofn. A chance to see the Northern Lights.
- DAY 7:** Visit Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon before continuing to Vik famed for its black sand beaches.
- DAY 8:** Take a tour of Iceland's 'Golden Circle' including the natural wonders of Geysir, Gullfoss and Thingvellir.
- DAY 9:** Trip ends in Reykjavik.



Discover Scandinavia

TRIP CODE - NDS | NORWAY, DENMARK, SWEDEN



**NEW
TRIP**

Explore the diverse landscapes and vibrant cities of Scandinavia, from the scenic fjords of Norway to the cultural treasures of Denmark and Sweden. Stroll through the historic streets of Bergen, see Voss, Norway's adventure capital, and discover the rich history of Stockholm on this immersive journey through the heart of Northern Europe.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Bergen's Rich Heritage | Enjoy Bergen's maritime charm

Fjord Adventure | Discover Norway's beautiful fjords and the Flam Railway

Cultural Capitals | Explore vibrant Oslo, Copenhagen and Stockholm

PRICES FROM

AU\$8150 NZ\$8470

per person, trip only (10 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
8 nights comfortable hotel
1 night simple ferry
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
Train | Bus | Boat

MEALS:
Breakfast: 9 | Lunch: 1 | Dinner: 3

309kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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WHY NOT TRY?

Discovering Finland and Sweden's coastal landscapes on foot instead, with moderate walks through rugged areas steeped in history.

Trip code: WFS



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join the trip in Bergen, Norway's charming gateway to the fjords.
- DAY 2:** Walking tour of Bergen, including a tasting experience at the famous fish market.
- DAY 3:** Journey by train to Voss, free time to explore Norway's adventure capital.
- DAY 4:** Transfer to Gudvangen for ferry crossing to Flam through the world famous fjords; afternoon Flam Railway to Myrdal, train back to Voss.
- DAY 5:** Depart the mountains by train and watch the dramatic landscape unfold en route to Oslo.
- DAY 6:** Oslo city tour, overnight ferry across the Skagerrak Strait to Copenhagen.
- DAY 7:** Guided city tour including food experience at Reffen street market and canal boat tour.
- DAY 8:** Journey by train across the Oresund Strait via the bridge of the same name, reaching an impressive 57 metres above sea level, to Stockholm.
- DAY 9:** Free morning to relax and have some traditional fika – coffee and pastry. Afternoon city tour including entry to the Vasa Museum to see the famous warship.
- DAY 10:** Trip ends in Stockholm.



A Taste of France – Bordeaux to Toulouse

TRIP CODE - XFR | FRANCE



Embark on a gastronomic journey from Bordeaux to Toulouse, tasting the iconic flavours of French cuisine and gaining an appreciation for the rich cultural heritage that defines it. Join skilled truffle hunters unearthing hidden treasures and indulge in creamy Rocamadour cheese.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Wine tastings | Sample some of the finest French wines from Bordeaux to St Emilion

Medieval towns | Soak in the unique atmosphere of Sarlat and visit spectacular Carcassonne

French cuisine | Experience delicious regional flavours at charming restaurants and bistros

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$4080 NZ\$4240

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: **Moderate**

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms from
AU\$820 | NZ\$860

TRANSPORT:
Train | Bus | Boat

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 2 | Dinner: 2

201kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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WHY NOT TRY?

A gastronomic journey across Sicily. Try iconic delicacies such as arancini and cannoli, explore local vineyards, and sample chocolate made using age-old Aztec techniques.

Trip code: XIS



ITINERARY

DAY 1: Join trip in Bordeaux, early evening orientation walk and aperitif with Tour Leader.

DAY 2: Take the train to Arcachon on the Atlantic Coast, sample the local oysters and have lunch in the famous Le Bouchon market. Visit the wine museum in Bordeaux by riverboat.

DAY 3: Day trip by train to St Emilion, walk through vineyards and spend time in this charming medieval town. Afternoon wine tasting.

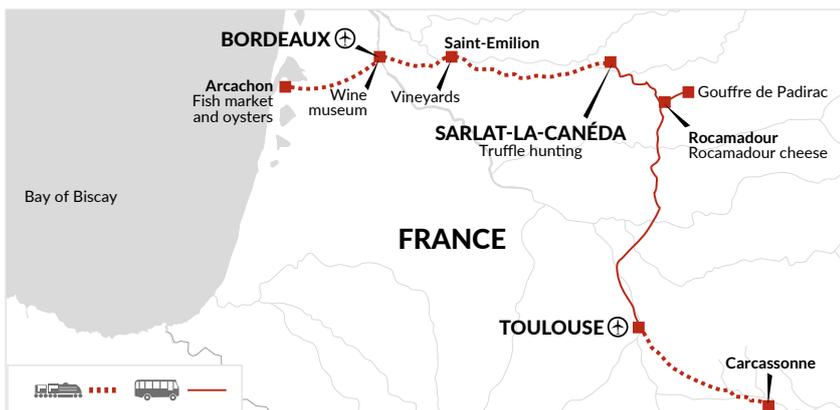
DAY 4: Travel by train to Sarlat to take part in a truffle hunting experience.

DAY 5: Visit Sarlat's market, opportunity to canoe on the Dordogne or have a cookery lesson.

DAY 6: Visit Rocamadour, a cheese farm and the Gouffre de Padirac caves en route to Toulouse.

DAY 7: Day trip to the wonderful medieval fortress town of Carcassonne. Return to Toulouse for a traditional cassoulet dinner.

DAY 8: Trip ends Toulouse.



Moorish Andalusia

TRIP CODE - SP | SPAIN



BEST SELLER

Discover Andalusia and the fascinating history that has influenced this beautiful

region. Explore whitewashed villages, taste delicious tapas and see the beguiling Moorish architecture, patios and gardens of Granada, Cordoba and Seville.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Cordoba | Discover the Moorish architecture from the golden era of Al-Andalus at the Mezquita

Grazalema Natural Park | Hike through dramatic limestone scenery from Puerto del Boyar to Benaocaz

Seville | Explore this characterful city and the stunning UNESCO-listed Alcazar Palace

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3980 NZ\$4130

per person, trip only (10 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: **Moderate**
- ACCOMMODATION: 9 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT: Bus | Train
- MEALS: Breakfast: 9
- 154kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Our shorter one-week trip discovering the highlights of Andalusia. Spend a couple of nights in a traditional posada in a typical Andalusian village.

Trip code: QAH



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Malaga.
- DAY 2:** Take a train to the white hill town of Ronda and take in views of the gorge. Visit an olive farm and enjoy an olive oil tasting.
- DAY 3:** Visit the white villages in Sierra de Grazalema Natural Park.
- DAY 4:** Travel to Seville and discover this magnificent city on foot.
- DAY 5:** Visit the Alcazar and Seville's Gothic cathedral. The rest of the day is left free to explore the city.
- DAY 6:** Travel to Cordoba by train and Mesquita Mosque guided visit.
- DAY 7:** Bus transfer to Granada via the pretty white village of Cabra. Discover Granada's old Moorish quarter.
- DAY 8:** Visit the Alhambra Palace including the Nasrid Palaces.
- DAY 9:** Morning drive to Malaga. Afternoon free to explore.
- DAY 10:** Trip ends in Malaga.



Highlights of Puglia

TRIP CODE - PUL | ITALY



BEST SELLER

The sun-soaked 'heel of Italy' offers culture, food and the country's longest stretch of Adriatic coastline. Sample local cheese at agriturismo farms, taste olive oil prepared in caves and soak up sights such as the cave town of Matera that starred in the James Bond film 'No Time to Die'.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Matera | In Basilicata discover the fascinating UNESCO-listed ancient troglodyte sassi quarter

Alberobello | Stay in beehive-shaped trulli houses and sample local wines

Delicious food | Taste stone-baked bread, mozzarella and olive oil

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3670 NZ\$3810

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Bus | Train
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7
- 134kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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WHY NOT TRY?

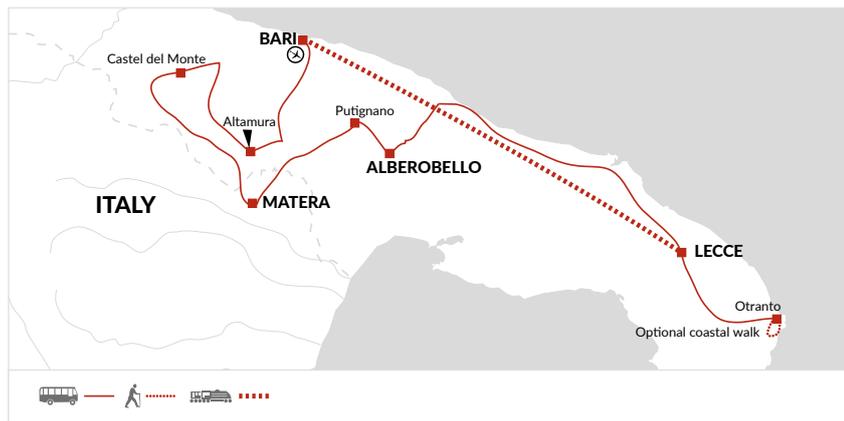
Discovering Puglia on foot with easy walks and lots of foodie experiences thrown into the mix.

Trip code: TOP



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Bari. Free time on arrival to explore the old town.
- DAY 2:** Try pane di Altamura, a unique stone-baked bread. Visit medieval Castel del Monte.
- DAY 3:** Guided tour of Matera's cave dwellings and rock-carved churches. Chance to go to Gravina and into its underground labyrinth.
- DAY 4:** Taste mozzarella at an agriturismo and wine at the Cantina Albea Winery. Stay in a conical trulli house in Alberobello.
- DAY 5:** Free day in Alberobello. Option to visit Monopoli on the coast or the Castellana Caves.
- DAY 6:** Visit an historic underground olive press before heading to Otranto for a coastal walk. Arrive in the Baroque city of Lecce.
- DAY 7:** Guided walking tour of Lecce to see the Basilica di Santa Croce and the cathedral. Free afternoon.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Lecce.



Classical Sicily

TRIP CODE - CS | ITALY



This fast-paced tour visits Sicily's ancient historical sites, plus snow-capped Mount Etna and the spectacular hilltop resort town of Taormina, favoured by DH Lawrence and Oscar Wilde. Fuel up for busy days on the delicious local food, widely considered to be the best in Italy.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Agrigento | Visit Sicily's most famous classical remains in the Valley of the Temples

Erice | Discover this walled medieval hilltop town with its maze of narrow winding streets

Villa Romana del Casale | See some of the best-preserved Roman mosaics left in Europe

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$4080 NZ\$4200

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

-  TRIP PACE: Full On
-  ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
-  TRANSPORT:
Bus
-  MEALS:
Breakfast: 7
-  **227kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

Join expert guide, Antonio Marretta, on a longer two-week trip exploring ancient Sicily.

Trip code: SCS



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Syracuse.
- DAY 2:** Discover Syracuse's Neapolis Archaeological Park with a local guide and the beautiful Ortygia Island. Drive to the small town of Piazza Armerina.
- DAY 3:** See the colourful and intricately designed mosaic floors at Villa Romana del Casale and the towering columns at Agrigento's Valley of the Temples. Arrive in Marsala.
- DAY 4:** Take in the coastal views from the charming hilltop medieval town of Erice and visit the Greek ruins at Segesta. Drive to Palermo, the island's capital.
- DAY 5:** Visit the Palatine Chapel and Monreale Cathedral with a local guide. Free afternoon in Palermo to visit the Botanical Gardens or the extensive catacombs.
- DAY 6:** Explore the picturesque fishing village of Cefalu and admire the coastal scenery en route to the seaside town of Giardini Naxos.
- DAY 7:** Travel to the base camp of Mount Etna to explore its lunar landscape, craters and lava fields. Guided walking tour of Taormina.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Giardini Naxos.

Malta and Gozo Discovery

TRIP CODE - MLA | MALTA



A highlights tour of Malta and Gozo exploring the wealth of historic attractions on these Mediterranean islands. Discover contrasting island lifestyles, see colourful Maltese fishing boats and sample wonderful food and wine along the way.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Gozo | Explore Malta's unspoilt sister island including the capital of Victoria

Valletta | Admire impressive fortifications, imposing churches and the Grand Harbour

Megalithic Temples | Discover the oldest freestanding structures in the world, the temples of Ggantija, Hagar Qim and Mnajdra

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3060 NZ\$3180

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: **Moderate**
- ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:
Bus | Boat | Ferry
- MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 1
- 328kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

Combine Malta and Gozo with our Discover Sicily tour for even more island adventures.

Trip code: MLAS



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip at Malta airport and take the ferry to Gozo.
- DAY 2:** Guided walking tours of Victoria and the Ggantija megalithic temples at Xaghra.
- DAY 3:** Visit Dwejra and take a scenic walk to Xwejni Bay. Ferry to Malta.
- DAY 4:** Walking tour of Valletta and visit Saint John's Co-Cathedral.
- DAY 5:** Walking tour of the Three Cities – Senglea, Vittoriosa and Cospicua and take a Grand Harbour cruise.
- DAY 6:** Explore the temples at Hagar Qim and Mnajdra and enjoy a local food and wine tasting.
- DAY 7:** Visit to the fortified city of Mdina, the San Anton Botanical Gardens and the Mosta Dome.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Sliema.



Historic Baltic Republics

TRIP CODE - HB | ESTONIA, LATVIA, LITHUANIA



Zigzagging through Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, you'll take in the three capital cities, marvel at the meteor-created 4,000-year-old Kaali Crater, see the much-photographed 'Hill of Crosses', stroll the amber-studded beaches of Nida, and try delicious locally-brewed beer.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Three Baltic capitals | Explore the medieval centres of Tallinn, Riga and Vilnius on foot

Saaremaa | See time-worn windmills and juniper groves on Estonia's largest island

Curonian Spit National Park | Search for birdlife and walk among the golden sand dunes

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$4590 NZ\$4770

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

-  TRIP PACE: **Moderate**
-  ACCOMMODATION:
12 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights simple hotel
Optional single rooms available
-  TRANSPORT:
Bus | Ferry
-  MEALS:
Breakfast: 14
-  **393kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

If you're a little short on time try our more compact 8-day Baltic Capital Cities trip instead.

Trip code: BAT



- DAYS 1-2:** Join trip in Tallinn, Estonia. Chance to visit the Maritime Museum.
- DAY 3:** Tour of Saaremaa Island. See Koguva and the Kaali Meteorite Crater.
- DAY 4:** Explore Kuressare including Saint Laurentius Church. Chance to visit the Bishop's Palace.
- DAY 5:** Travel to Tartu, the oldest town in Estonia via the coastal town of Parnu.
- DAY 6:** Walking tour of Tartu including Toomemagi Cathedral Hill and the 'Kissing Students' statue.
- DAY 7:** Stop in Cesis in the Gauja National Park and Sigulda en route to Riga, Latvia. Visit Turaida Castle.
- DAYS 8-9:** Walking tour of Riga's old town to see the Freedom Monument and the cathedral. Free day in the city.
- DAY 10:** Visit 18th-century Rundale Palace and the 'Hill of Crosses' en route to Klaipeda in Lithuania.
- DAY 11:** Explore the Curonian Spit National Park. See the Hill of Witches, twisted trees and amazing sand dunes.
- DAY 12:** Walking tour of Kaunas including the castle ruins. Chance to visit the Holocaust Memorial.
- DAY 13:** Drive to Vilnius via the large Baroque Puzis Monastery and red-bricked Trakai Castle, set on an island in a lake.
- DAY 14** Walking tour of Vilnius.
- DAY 15** Trip ends in Vilnius, Lithuania.

Alpine Lakes of Slovenia

TRIP CODE - SO | SLOVENIA



**BEST
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Glacial lakes, steep mountains, and rambling caves - discover the beauty of Slovenia on

this week-long holiday. From the laid-back atmosphere of the capital, Ljubljana, to the serene beauty of Lake Bled, this tour takes in the highlights of one of the Balkan's prettiest destinations.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Lake Bled | Soak in the astounding beauty of this mountain-ringed lake

Triglav National Park | Enjoy alpine scenery on walks in the Julian Alps from tranquil Lake Bohinj

Ljubljana | Explore this majestic capital city on the leafy banks of the Ljubljanica River

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | **feefo**

PRICES FROM

AU\$2910 NZ\$3020

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
4 nights comfortable hotel
3 nights premium hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Bus | Public Bus | Train | Taxi
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7
- 107kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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Included lakes, mountains, seaside towns, countryside and caves, all within one week, along with plenty of free time!
Trusted Customer, June 2024



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Ljubljana, capital of Slovenia.
- DAY 2:** Visit Medieval Skofja Loka. Free time at Lake Bled with the option to take a boat trip, walk around the lake and swim.
- DAY 3:** Walk to Savica Waterfall in the beautiful Triglav National Park. Cable car up Mount Vogel for impressive views of the Julian Alps.
- DAY 4:** Free day at Lake Bohinj with the chance to go walking in Mostnice Gorge, take a kayak out on the lake or rafting on the Sava Bohinjka River.
- DAY 5:** Scenic train ride to Nova Gorica and visit to the UNESCO listed Skocjan Caves.
- DAY 6:** Free day in Izola to explore the beautiful town and enjoy the nearby beaches.
- DAY 7:** Visit to 16th-century Predjama Castle en route back to Ljubljana.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Ljubljana.



Croatia Island Hopping

TRIP CODE - DC | CROATIA



BEST SELLER

For sun and sea, with a side of culture, spend a week island-hopping along Croatia's Dalmatian Coast. Contrast ancient history in terracotta-roofed cities with rural island life, sharing a home-cooked meal at a local farmhouse. Enjoy daily opportunities to swim, kayak or snorkel in crystal-clear waters.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Dubrovnik | Discover the Old Town's incredible architecture

Korcula | Explore the island's untouched corners and spend the afternoon at a traditional local farm

Brac | Try stand-up paddle boarding or kayaking near the Golden Cape beach, Zlatni Rat

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3560 NZ\$3700

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:
4 nights premium hotel
3 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:
Bus | Boat
- MEALS:
Breakfast: 7
- 308kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A **M** J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Exploring the highlights of Croatia's mainland instead. Discover the old capital city, Zadar, and walk among the shimmering lakes and cascading waterfalls of Plitvice Lakes National Park.

Trip code: DD



ITINERARY

- DAY 1** Join trip in Split.
- DAY 2:** Morning exploration of Split. Take the afternoon ferry to Brac Island. Free time with the opportunity to try kayaking or stand up paddle boarding.
- DAY 3:** Morning walk through rural villages to a monastery. Free afternoon to make use of the hotel's spa facilities.
- DAY 4:** Sail to Korcula Island by catamaran ferry. Explore the island and visit a traditional farm.
- DAY 5:** Full day excursion to Mljet Island with the option to kayak, cycle or simply relax on the beach.
- DAY 6:** Drive to the Pelješac peninsula and visit historical Ston with an opportunity for wine tasting along the way.
- DAY 7:** Walking tour of Dubrovnik. Free afternoon to discover the old town.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Dubrovnik.



Balkans Rail Adventure

TRIP CODE - YUG | SLOVENIA, CROATIA, BOSNIA & HERZ, MONTENEGRO, SERBIA, NORTH MACEDONIA, KOSOVO



BEST SELLER

This fast-paced overland adventure takes you through the heart of former Yugoslavia.

Travel by rail and bus with backdrops of rugged mountain peaks and discover thriving cities including Sarajevo and Belgrade that remain off the beaten path for many travellers.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Rail journeys | Travel by local train including the Bar to Belgrade line; one of the most stunning rail trips in Europe

Plitvice National Park | See the many cascading waterfalls, shimmering lakes and extensive flora

Mostar | Discover atmospheric bazaars and mosques, as well as the famed Stari Most Bridge

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | **feefo**^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$6110 NZ\$6350

per person, trip only (16 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: **Full On**
- ACCOMMODATION: 15 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT: Bus | Boat | Public Bus | Taxi | Train
- MEALS: Breakfast: 15 | Dinner: 3
- 782kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A **M** J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Our slightly shorter discovery journey through the Balkans that covers Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro and Serbia.

explore.co.uk/YD



ITINERARY

- DAYS 1-2:** Join trip in Ljubljana. Sightseeing tour of Ljubljana. Visit lake Bled.
- DAY 3:** Free morning in Slovenia's capital; train to Zagreb, Croatia. Walking tour of Zagreb on arrival.
- DAY 4:** Visit to beautiful Plitvice National Park.
- DAYS 5-6:** Travel to Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, for guided tour and chance to visit Tunnel Museum.
- DAY 7:** Scenic rail trip to Mostar with a walking tour on arrival.
- DAY 8:** Drive to Podgorica stopping along the way in Old Town Dubrovnik and Montenegro's dramatic Kotor Bay.
- DAY 9:** Scenic bus and train journey to Belgrade, Serbia.
- DAY 10:** Visit Novi Sad, on the banks of the Danube River. Return to Belgrade for traditional Serbian barbecue dinner.
- DAYS 11-12:** Walking tour of Belgrade, drive to historic capital, Skopje, for orientation and local Macedonian dinner.
- DAY 13:** Drive to Bitola followed by an afternoon visit to discover the ancient city of Heraclea.
- DAY 14:** Travel to the lakeside town of Ohrid, via Galicica National Park, for an afternoon boat ride.
- DAYS 15-16:** All day transfer to Pristina, orientation walk with Tour Leader on arrival. Trip ends in Pristina, Kosovo.



Grand Tour of Romania, Serbia and Bulgaria

TRIP CODE - RSB | ROMANIA, SERBIA, BULGARIA



BEST SELLER

Watch thousands of years of history whizz past on this whistle-stop journey that takes in medieval Transylvania, Plovdiv's Roman Theatre, Ottoman curiosities in Nis and communist Sofia. Along the way, enjoy magnificent views of the mighty Danube and at the Black Sea.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Legendary castles | Delve beneath the myths at Castle Bran and marvel at Peles Castle's decor

Belgrade | Discover the Ottoman, Roman and Communist history in the old capital of Yugoslavia

Rila Monastery | Visit this spectacular UNESCO Site with its brightly coloured frescoes

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | **feefo**^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$4490 NZ\$4660

per person, trip only (16 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: **Full On**
- ACCOMMODATION:
12 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights simple hotel
1 night simple guesthouse
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:
Bus
- MEALS:
Breakfast: 15 | Dinner: 1
- 469kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M **A** M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

Exploring just Romania in depth instead. Discover remote villages, hear myths of Dracula, see the towering Carpathian Mountains and cruise along the Danube Delta.

Trip code: TD



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in the Romanian capital, Bucharest.
- DAY 2:** Bucharest walking tour.
- DAY 3:** Visit the remarkable Transylvanian Castles of Peles and Bran in the Carpathian Mountains.
- DAY 4:** Explore medieval Brasov and the walled city of Sibiu.
- DAY 5:** Marvel at the imposing King Decebalus sculpture, carved into the cliff face high above the Danube River.
- DAYS 6-7:** Cross into Serbia to explore ancient Roman Viminacium, Belgrade and the laidback city of Novi Sad.
- DAY 8:** See the rock formations at Devil's Town and Skull Tower in Nis.
- DAYS 9-10:** Spend time in the Bulgarian capital Sofia, visiting magnificent Rila Monastery and the Soviet Army Monument.
- DAY 11:** Discover Plovdiv Roman Theatre and a Thracian tomb in the Rose Valley.
- DAY 12:** Visit Shipka Memorial Church, Etar Museum and Tsarevets Fort.
- DAYS 13-14:** Explore the Black Sea coast at Varna and Balchik. Take a walk along the cliff tops and stay in a former royal palace complex.
- DAY 15:** Return to Bucharest and enjoy some free time.
- DAY 16:** Trip ends in Bucharest, Romania.

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Highlights of Albania was a fantastic tour. Our Tour Leader, guides and driver were excellent. Busy itinerary which included everything and more. Fascinating country with so much history. Left us with happy memories. So much so we booked our next Explore trip within a week of getting home.

★★★★★ | feefo^{co} | Kirsten, June 2024



Highlights of Albania

TRIP CODE - AB | ALBANIA

BEST
SELLER

Boasting snow-capped mountains and Adriatic beaches, this tour of historically-rich Albania takes in all the highlights, from ancient Lake Ohrid to UNESCO-listed Berat. Share a family-cooked lunch and meander through Roman sites, on this journey through the Mediterranean's best-kept secret.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Butrint | Discover one of the greatest archaeological sites in the Balkans

Llogara National Park | Explore the pristine forests and admire the fantastic views

Gjirokaster | Stroll along the cobbled streets and visit its hilltop castle

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2750 NZ\$2860

per person, trip only (11 days)

AT A GLANCE

-  TRIP PACE: Full On
-  ACCOMMODATION:
10 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
-  TRANSPORT:
Bus
-  MEALS:
Breakfast: 10 | Lunch: 2
-  **300kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M **A** M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

Walking through the little visited Albanian Alps instead.

Trip code: ALW



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Tirana, one of the most dynamic capitals of the western Balkans.
- DAY 2:** Today is focused on exploring Tirana and its surroundings.
- DAY 3:** Go to Elbasan Fortress. Stop in the fishing village of Lin en route to Pogradec on Lake Ohrid.
- DAY 4:** Drive via Voskopoja to Korca. Explore the old town and try Raki in the old bazaar.
- DAY 5:** Drive on one of the most scenic routes in Albania, the Barmash Pass. Spend the afternoon swimming in the Benja Thermal Baths.
- DAY 6:** Go off the beaten path and have lunch with an Albanian family. Visit the castle and Ethnographic Museum in Gjirokaster.
- DAY 7:** See the karstic spring, 'the Blue Eye', and explore Butrint. Spend the rest of the afternoon at the seaside town of Sarande.
- DAY 8:** Visit Ali Pasha Fortress en route to Llogara National Park. Afternoon hike and stay in the park.
- DAY 9:** Explore Vlorë and visit the ancient Roman site of Apollonia.
- DAY 10:** Discover the fortress and Red Mosque in Berat. Visit the Roman amphitheatre in Durrës.
- DAY 11:** Trip ends in Kruja.



Ancient Macedonia

TRIP CODE - AM | BULGARIA, NORTH MACEDONIA, GREECE



BEST SELLER

Walk in the footsteps of Alexander the Great, exploring mountainous landscapes

and historic towns that span the ancient empires of the Ottomans, the Romans and the Greeks. Stay in a working monastery, discover a melting pot of contrasting cultures, and feast on Greek delicacies along the way.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Lake Ohrid | Explore the monasteries around the lake and the town of Ohrid

Rila Monastery | See the distinctive architecture and brightly coloured frescoes

Pella | Discover the birthplace of Alexander the Great, with its mythological mosaics

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$4480 NZ\$4650

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
13 nights comfortable hotel
1 night comfortable monastery
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Bus | Boat | Ferry
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 14 | Dinner: 1
- 796kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

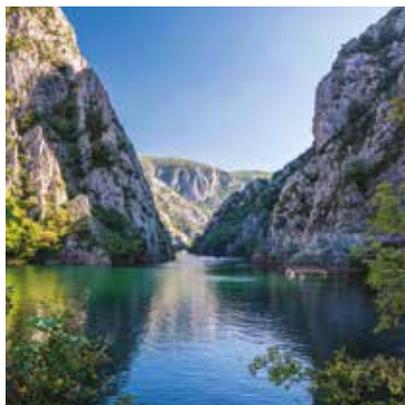
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

Explore the incredible scenery and fascinating history of Albania, North Macedonia and Kosovo on a two-week trip.

Trip code: KOA



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Sofia, Bulgaria.
- DAY 2:** Explore Sofia on foot. Travel to North Macedonia. Stay in Saint Joakim Osogovski Monastery.
- DAY 3:** Visit Kratovo in the crater of an extinct volcano. In Skopje, see Kale Fortress.
- DAY 4:** Discover the towering sides of the dramatic Matka Gorge. Chance for a boat trip above the dam.
- DAY 5:** Scenic drive to Ohrid via Mavrovo National Park. See the carvings at Saint Jovan Bigorski Monastery.
- DAYS 6-7:** Walking tour of Ohrid. Take in the view from the Church of Saint John at Kaneo. Free time to relax.
- DAY 8:** Boat trip to the Springs of Lake Ohrid. Visit Saint Naum and Heraclea.
- DAY 9:** Visit the birthplace of Alexander the Great at Pella and Vergina. Arrive in Thessaloniki, Greece.
- DAY 10:** Discover Thessaloniki on foot. Free afternoon to visit the Archaeological Museum.
- DAYS 11-12:** Scenic drive on the Halkidiki Peninsula. Boat trip to see Mount Athos. Ferry to Thassos Island.
- DAY 13:** Explore historical Philippi. Drive on to Bansko in the Pirin Mountains of Bulgaria.
- DAYS 14-15:** Visit Rila Monastery. Return to Sofia where the trip ends.

Greek Island Wanderer

TRIP CODE - GW | GREECE

BEST
SELLER

Forget grappling with timetables, we take all the stress out of Greek island-hopping on this relaxed two-week tour. Starting in Athens you'll sail around the whitewashed towns and beaches of the Cyclades via ferry with plenty of free days built in for exploration.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Santorini | Discover its volcanic scenery and whitewashed churches with blue-domed roofs

Syros | Opportunity to take coastal walks and sample cuisine in authentic seafront tavernas

Paros | Chance to walk along an ancient Byzantine road and go snorkelling

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$4280 NZ\$4450

per person, trip only (14 days)

AT A GLANCE

-  TRIP PACE: **Moderate**
-  ACCOMMODATION:
10 nights comfortable hotel
3 nights simple hotel
Optional single rooms available
-  TRANSPORT:
Bus | Ferry | Taxi
-  MEALS:
Breakfast: 13
-  **515kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Our shorter week-long tour of the Cyclades Islands. Discover the bustle of Athens, the ancient riches of Naxos, and breathtaking sunsets in Santorini.

Trip code: GI



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Athens.
- DAY 2:** Walking tour of Athens. Guided tour of the Acropolis.
- DAYS 3-4:** Ferry to Syros. Opportunity for an easy walk from Kini to Galissas and to join an island tour and sample the sweet, Loukoumi.
- DAY 5:** Free time, with the chance to take a number of coastal walks. Evening ferry to Paros.
- DAYS 6-7:** Free time on Paros to walk along the Byzantine road and take a caique boat cruise.
- DAY 8:** Ferry to Naxos, afternoon orientation tour of the old town.
- DAY 9:** Full day Naxos tour including the picturesque villages of Halki and Moni and a gentle walk in the mountains.
- DAY 10:** Free day in Naxos with the option to visit Delos and Mykonos by boat.
- DAY 11:** Ferry to Santorini; included wine tasting.
- DAY 12:** Spectacular coastal walk along the caldera from Fira to Oia; free afternoon to explore Oia or visit Akrotiri.
- DAY 13:** Free time in Santorini to explore the beautiful capital, Fira or join a cruise to an active volcano and the tiny island of Thirassia.
- DAY 14:** Trip ends in Santorini.



Greek Island Cruise

TRIP CODE - GC | GREECE



BEST SELLER

Immerse yourself in island life on this slow-paced cruising holiday. Board our historic caique to explore Greece's hidden gem, Evia. Sunbathe on deck, sip sangria served by Captain Thanos, snorkel in warm waters, and unwind in promenade tavernas – relax and enjoy the best of the island.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Traditional caique | Spend six nights on a traditional wooden boat with our friendly crew

Greek food | Enjoy fresh breakfast and lunch aboard, and dinners at authentic tavernas

Aegean Sea | Swim and snorkel to spot sea life in the azure Aegean waters

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

AU\$1910 NZ\$1980

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: **Relaxed**
- ACCOMMODATION:
6 nights simple boat
1 night simple hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:
Bus | Boat | Ferry | Taxi
- MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 6
- 281kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

A longer two-week Greek island hopping adventure. Tick off ancient ruins, bustling harbours, and serene beaches.

Trip code: GW



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip at Athens Airport and transfer to the port at Rafina. Take a ferry to Evia Island where we board our traditional wooden caique boat.
- DAY 2:** Cruise turquoise waters to the fishing village of Panagia. Visit the small church renowned for its colourful frescoes.
- DAY 3:** Continue our leisurely cruise to Eretria via the secluded lagoon of Porto Buffalo where we've the chance to swim and snorkel.
- DAY 4:** Spend a relaxing morning in Eretria before cruising to Nea Styra where we can enjoy its beautiful beaches.
- DAY 5:** Walk along ancient pathways to the prehistoric Dragon Houses. Cruise to Marmari.
- DAY 6:** Swim among the exclusive Petali Islands, playground of the rich and famous. Cruise to Karystos, a thriving market town and great spot to enjoy an authentic taste of Greek island life.
- DAY 7:** Walk to the Venetian mountain castle of Castello Rosso. Enjoy the afternoon swimming off the caique before disembarking to spend our final night in a seafront hotel.
- DAY 8:** Ferry to Rafina then drive to Athens airport where the trip ends.

Turkey in Depth

TRIP CODE - TU | TURKEY

BEST
SELLER

A history-rich whirlwind tour of Turkey. Marvel at Istanbul's Blue Mosque and Konya's

Whirling Dervishes, visit ancient Troy (namechecked in the Iliad), and explore UNESCO-listed Hierapolis and the terraces of Pamukkale – and that's just the start!

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Cappadocia | Explore the fairy-tale chimneys and rock-carved cave dwellings

Gallipoli | Discover the poignant World War I memorials including the Lone Pine Cemetery

Turquoise Coast | Take a tranquil boat ride to Caunos and swim at Iztuzu Beach

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3260 NZ\$3390

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

-  TRIP PACE: Full On
-  ACCOMMODATION:
12 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights premium hotel
Optional single rooms available
-  TRANSPORT:
Bus | Boat | Ferry
-  MEALS:
Breakfast: 14
-  **384kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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WHY NOT TRY?

Exploring Turkey's beautiful scenery and ancient gems, staying in more comfort at premium hotels, on a 12-day journey from Antalya to Istanbul.

Trip code: DTU



ITINERARY

- DAYS 1-2:** Join trip in Istanbul. Tour of the Blue Mosque and Sultanahmet Square. Cross the Bosphorus.
- DAYS 3-4:** In Ankara see Ataturk's Mausoleum and the Museum of Anatolian Civilisations. Visit Kaymakli.
- DAY 5:** Explore the remarkable Uchisar Castle and Goreme Open Air Museum in Cappadocia.
- DAY 6:** See the home of the Whirling Dervishes in Konya. Continue to the coastal city of Antalya.
- DAY 7:** Journey to Kas via ancient Olympos. See the Chimaera – the eternal flame.
- DAY 8:** Free time in Kas on the Turquoise Coast, with the chance to sea kayak.
- DAY 9:** Boat ride to the rock-carved tombs at Caunos. Chance to swim at the beautiful Iztuzu Beach.
- DAY 10:** Visit the amazing white terraces of Pamukkale and the ancient Roman spa town of Hierapolis.
- DAYS 11-12:** Discover the famed Greco-Roman sites of Aphrodisias and Ephesus, including the Temple of Artemis.
- DAY 13:** See Pergamon Acropolis on its mountain perch and the ruins at Troy.
- DAY 14:** Ferry to the World War I battlefields at Gallipoli, including Anzac Cove and the Lone Pine Cemetery.
- DAY 15:** Trip ends in Istanbul.

A Taste of Turkey - Istanbul to Cappadocia

TRIP CODE - XTU | TURKEY



Immerse yourself in the foodie and historical delights of Turkey on this ten-day trip through the Marmara, Aegean, and Central regions, each with their own culinary identity. From bustling Istanbul to the ancient sites of Pergamon and Ephesus, the travertine terraces of Pamukkale and the fairytale landscape of Cappadocia.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Iconic highlights | Explore ancient Ephesus, travertine terraces of Pamukkale and landscapes of Cappadocia

Turkish cuisine | Try delicious mezze, pide, gozleme, pottery kebab and baklava

Vibrant Istanbul | Sample treats in the Spice Bazaar, street food and marvel at the Blue Mosque

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3260 NZ\$3390

per person, trip only (10 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: **Moderate**
- ACCOMMODATION:
8 nights premium hotel
1 night comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:
Bus
- MEALS:
Breakfast: 9 | Lunch: 3 | Dinner: 2
- 259kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Unearthing Georgia's culinary delights, sampling cheese-laden khachapuri and regional wines amid Caucasus mountain scenery.

Trip code: XGE



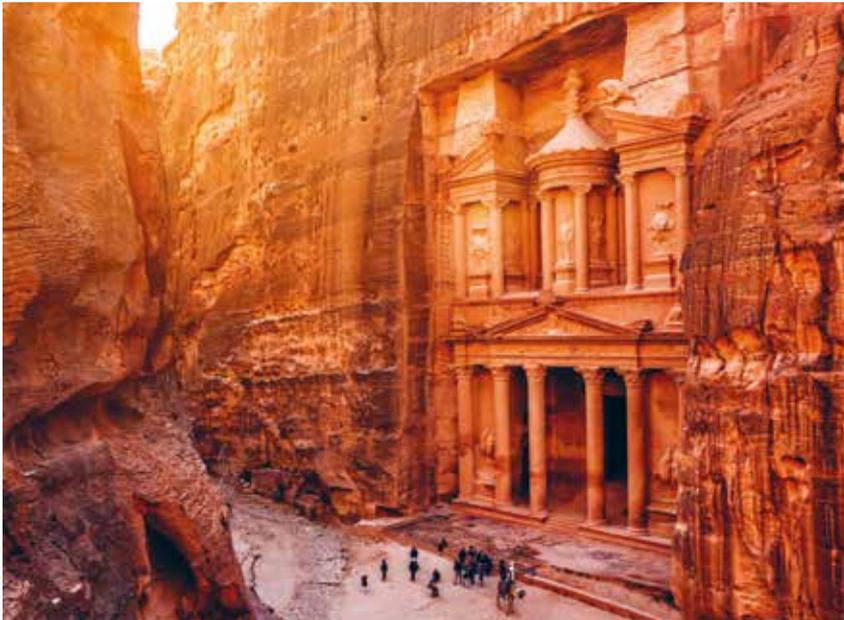
ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Istanbul.
- DAY 2:** Discover Istanbul's street food and walking tour of Sultanahmet District.
- DAY 3:** Take ferry to Istanbul's Asian side and try baklava and Turkish delight in the Spice Bazaar.
- DAY 4:** Mezze tasting in Ayvalik and visit Pergamon.
- DAY 5:** Visit Ephesus and the Temple of Artemis, sample street food in Selcuk.
- DAY 6:** Gozleme and fruit wine tasting in Sirince and cooking class in Selcuk.
- DAY 7:** Visit Pamukkale and Hierapolis on way to Whirling Dervish show in Konya.
- DAY 8:** Try Turkish pide and pottery kebab. Visit Kaymakli Underground Christian City.
- DAY 9:** Full day exploring Cappadocia plus wine tasting.
- DAY 10:** Trip ends in Goreme, Cappadocia.



Jordan Discovery

TRIP CODE - JD | JORDAN



BEST SELLER

Mention Jordan and most think of UNESCO-listed Petra and the desert scapes of Wadi Rum.

This tour explores these sites in-depth and then takes you beyond – from the preserved Roman town of Jerash to the immaculate mosaics in Madaba, to floating in the salty Dead Sea.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Mount Nebo | Learn about Jordan's biblical heritage as we travel in the footsteps of Moses

Petra | Spend two full days discovering the historic and remarkable 'Rose Red City'

Wadi Rum | Camp in a Bedouin goat-hair tent and enjoy a traditional Bedouin barbecue

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2480 NZ\$2580

per person, trip only (9 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: Full On
- ACCOMMODATION:
4 nights premium hotel
3 nights comfortable hotel
1 night comfortable tented camp
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:
Bus | 4WD
- MEALS:
Breakfast: 8 | Lunch: 1 | Dinner: 2
- 286kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

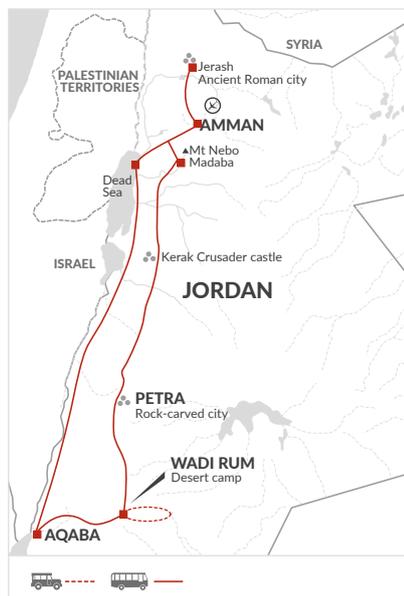
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Discovering Jordan's rich history while staying at upgraded accommodation on our premium tour.

Trip code: DJP



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Amman.
- DAY 2:** Visit wonderfully preserved Jerash, before a guided tour of Amman's ancient citadel.
- DAY 3:** Explore Mount Nebo and the mosaics at Madaba before travelling legendary Petra.
- DAY 4:** Take a guided tour of ancient Petra, a city carved into rock by the Nabateans, including the famous facade of the Treasury.
- DAY 5:** Free time to discover Petra. Trek to the Monastery or visit Little Petra.
- DAY 6:** Travel through Wadi Rum in a 4WD. Spend the night in a Bedouin camp in the desert.
- DAY 7:** Travel to Aqaba for a relaxing day. Opportunities to snorkel, swim and take a boat trip on the Red Sea.
- DAY 8:** Leave Aqaba and head north to float in the salty waters of the Dead Sea.
- DAY 9:** Trip ends in Amman.



Explore the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

TRIP CODE - KSA | SAUDI ARABIA



BEST SELLER

Once the southernmost extension of the Nabatean empire, Saudi Arabia is a one-of-a-kind destination. It's time to discover what lies beyond the headlines as we explore its mishmash of ultra-modern cities and ancient desert landscapes on this action-packed two-week tour.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- Hegra (Mada'in Saleh) |** Discover this ancient Nabatean city and sleep in a desert camp
- Jeddah |** Explore the scented souks and alleyways of the UNESCO Old Town
- Lush mountains |** Visit Al Bahah, a region of hidden villages and hairpin roads

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$8980 NZ\$9330

per person, trip only (14 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Full On
- ACCOMMODATION:**
 - 8 nights comfortable hotel
 - 3 nights comfortable tented camp
 - 2 nights premium hotel
 - Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:** Bus | 4WD | Boat
- MEALS:**
 - Breakfast: 13 | Lunch: 2 | Dinner: 5
- 1057kg of CO₂e**
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M **A** M J J A S O N D



YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

A shorter 8-day itinerary exploring the mountains, deserts and coasts of Oman.
Trip code: OM



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Riyadh.
- DAY 2:** Go on a guided exploration of both new and old Riyadh. Get a birds-eye view at the Kingdom Towers.
- DAY 3:** Drive past sand dunes to the ancient mud-brick village of Ushaigier. Continue to Buraidah.
- DAY 4:** Experience the clamour of the Buraidah camel market. Explore Ha'il's hilltop fortress of A'arif.
- DAY 5:** Find prehistoric rock art in Jubbah. Drive to Al'Ula and sleep in the desert.
- DAY 6:** Peer into the tombs at the ancient Nabatean city of Hegra, and admire rock carved Lion sculptures in Dadan.
- DAY 7:** Get lost in the maze of Al'Ula's old town. Optional stargazing in the evening.
- DAY 8:** Drive to the holy city of Medina through Lawrence of Arabia country.
- DAY 9:** Enjoy a boat trip in Yanbu and admire its thriving coral reef.
- DAY 10:** Head to the south via Ta'if. Continue into the mountains, towards Al Bahah.
- DAY 11:** Visit the mountain village of Thee Ain and take an exhilarating 4WD ride up Shada Mountain.
- DAY 12:** Drive along the Red Sea to Jeddah. Walk along the lively corniche (sea front) in the early evening.
- DAY 13:** Walking tour of the UNESCO-listed old town with a local Saudi lady. Enjoy a delicious meal of fresh seafood this evening.
- DAY 14:** Trip ends in Jeddah.

Best of Tunisia

TRIP CODE - TN | TUNISIA



**BEST
SELLER**

Roman ruins, Saharan desert and Troglodyte caves are all part of this trip to Tunisia. Tour the capital Tunis, the ruins of Carthage and the magnificent Roman amphitheatre at El Djem. Discover the Great Mosque of Kairouan, spend two nights on the coast and camp in style under the stars on the edge of the Sahara.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Ancient Carthage | Formerly one of the most important trading centres on the Mediterranean

El Djem | Explore one of the most magnificent Roman amphitheatres

Tunis | Visit the Bardo museum and Sidi Bou Said overlooking the Gulf of Tunis

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3640 NZ\$3780

per person, trip only (10 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
1 night comfortable camping
1 night simple hotel
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
Bus | 4WD

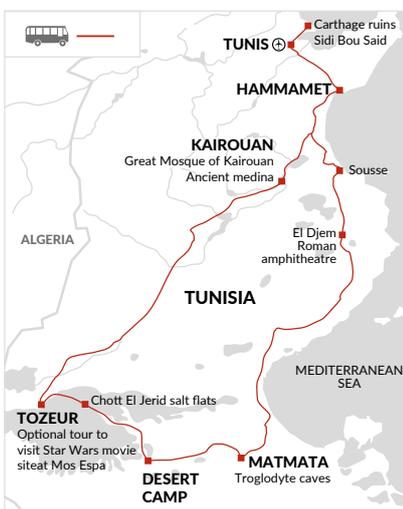
MEALS:
Breakfast: 9 | Lunch: 1 | Dinner: 3

342kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

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We were able to see so much,
without being rushed through
key experiences.
Danita, April 2024



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Tunis.
- DAY 2:** Full day in Tunis exploring the old medina, souks and Sidi Bou Said district on the coast.
- DAY 3:** Visit the historic Carthage archaeological site. Drive to Kairouan in northern Tunisia's inland desert.
- DAY 4:** Visit the impressive Great Mosque of Kairouan and the ancient medina. Continue to the desert oasis town of Tozeur.
- DAY 5:** Orientation tour of Tozeur medina. Free afternoon for optional desert activities.
- DAY 6:** View the salt flats at Chott El Jerid, continue to Douz to join a 4WD safari to our desert camp.
- DAY 7:** Drive to the Berber village of Tamezret, continue to Matmata to visit the troglodyte cave dwellings. Overnight cave hotel.
- DAY 8:** Drive up the Mediterranean coast to El Djem to visit its Roman amphitheatre, continue to Sousse for a walking tour of its famous old medina. Overnight in Hammamet.
- DAY 9:** Free day to relax in the coastal town of Hammamet.
- DAY 10:** Trip ends in Hammamet.



Best of Morocco

TRIP CODE - MR | MOROCCO



BEST SELLER

Discover mountains, desert and sea on this tour from iconic Casablanca to the 15th-century outpost of Essaouira. Pass through ancient Fes and the UNESCO-listed Roman ruins of Volubilis, take in heady Atlas Mountain views, delve into Marrakech's souks and sleep under the stars in a Berber camp.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Atmospheric medinas | Get lost in the colourful alleyways of the imperial cities' old medinas

Todra Gorge | Walk in Morocco's Grand Canyon through spectacular rock formations

Essaouira | Relax in the traditional and charming port town on the Atlantic coast

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2340 NZ\$2430

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
13 nights comfortable hotel
1 night simple camping
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Bus | 4WD
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 14 | Dinner: 1
- 672kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

Our shorter 8-day trip to Morocco packs in all the highlights and is perfect if you're short on time.

Trip code: MMR



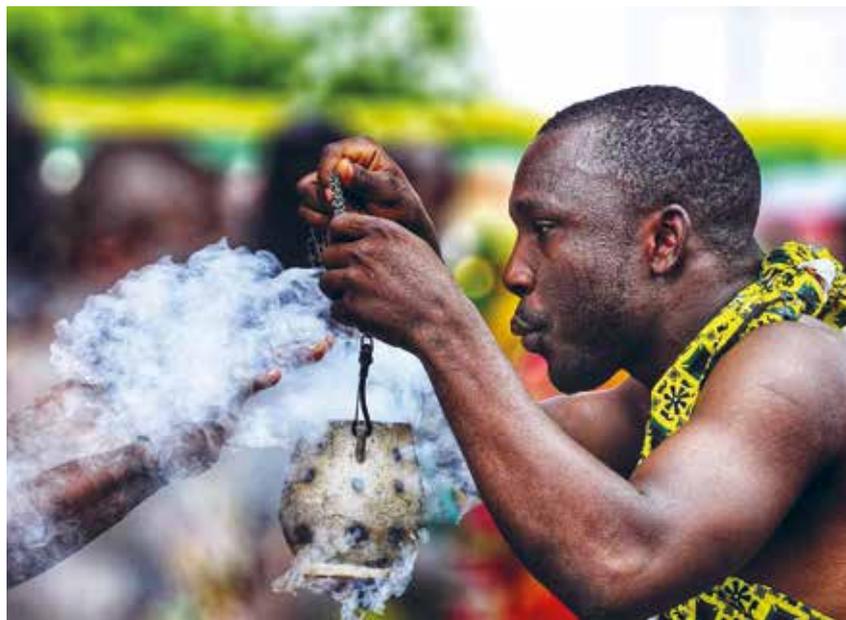
ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Casablanca.
- DAY 2:** Visit the extraordinary Hassan II Mosque. Continue to the laid back capital of Morocco, Rabat.
- DAY 3:** Discover the imperial city of Meknes and visit the ancient Roman site of Volubilis, Morocco's former capital.
- DAY 4:** Explore Fes, the artisan capital of Morocco with its maze of narrow streets and markets.
- DAY 5:** Drive over the Atlas Mountain range and discover rich Berber culture and heritage.
- DAY 6:** Travel into the desert by 4WD and sleep under the stars in a Berber camp.
- DAYS 7-8:** Watch sunrise over the dunes and experience a camel ride. Explore the magnificent Todra Gorge on foot.
- DAY 9:** Visit the UNESCO fortified Berber settlement of Ait Ben Haddou and the Valley of 1,000 Kasbahs.
- DAY 10:** Cross the highest pass in Morocco through the Atlas Mountains. Join a family for mint tea.
- DAYS 11-12:** Stroll around the 15th-century coastal town of Essaouira.
- DAYS 13-14:** Discover the incredible city of Marrakech. Explore markets, souks and mosques.
- DAY 15:** Trip ends in Marrakech.



Best of Ghana

TRIP CODE - GN | GHANA



NEW TRIP

Ghana is one of West Africa's most culturally diverse and colourful destinations, known

for its famous warmth and hospitality. Spend time in Kumasi, experience Mole National Park, home to numerous elephant and antelope, and stroll along the golden sand beaches of the Gulf of Guinea.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Kakum National Park | Experience the dense rainforest and vibrant bird life on a canopy tour

Gold Coast castles | Visit the impressive castle at Cape Coast and the emotive Gates of No Return

Volta region | Take an evening river cruise, where the tropical rainforest meets the waters

PRICES FROM

AU\$7130 NZ\$7410

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
8 nights comfortable hotel
3 nights simple lodge
2 nights comfortable lodge
1 night simple guesthouse
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
Bus | 4WD

MEALS:
Breakfast: 14 | Lunch: 3 | Dinner: 5

453kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

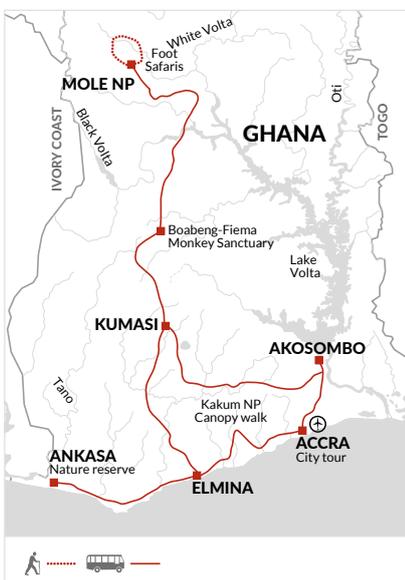
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

A diverse journey through two countries rarely visited by tourists, Benin and Togo. Look out for dedicated voodoo festival departures in January.

Trip code: BWA



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Trip starts in Accra.
- DAY 2:** Explore Accra including the Black Star Gate, Independence Square and the Fantasy Coffins.
- DAY 3:** Visit the Aburi Botanical Gardens, continue to Kumasi, Ghana's second largest city.
- DAY 4:** Tour ancient Kente and Adinkra villages, Manhyia Palace and visit West Africa's largest market.
- DAY 5:** Travel to Mole National Park stopping at Boebeng Fiema Monkey Sanctuary.
- DAYS 6-7:** Two full days in Mole National Park.
- DAY 8:** Return to Kumasi via Kintampo Waterfalls.
- DAY 9:** Community stay in Bonkro, visit local cocoa farm cooperative.
- DAY 10:** Drive to the coast. Optional sea kayaking trip.
- DAY 11:** Take a dugout canoe to explore the Nzulezu Still Village, continue to Ankasa Reserve.
- DAY 12:** Full day in Ankasa Reserve with nature walks to spot wildlife.
- DAY 13:** Drive to Elmina, visit Cape Coast castle and the local sub-chief.
- DAY 14:** Experience Kakum National Park's impressive canopy walkway.
- DAY 15:** Trip ends in Accra.



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It was genuinely amazing. I didn't really know what to expect, but the number of animals we saw and how close we were to them was staggering, which I'm sure was largely due to the experience and expertise of BiBi. Who you could tell deeply cares about the communities and environments we interacted with...

★★★★★ | **feefo**^{co} | Georgia, July 2024



Botswana Wildlife Safari

TRIP CODE - BW | ZIMBABWE, BOTSWANA, NAMIBIA



BEST SELLER

Looping through Botswana, Namibia and Zimbabwe this epic trip has you sleeping beneath canvas and on a houseboat in some of Africa's most jaw-dropping wildlife hotspots. Explore ancient San Bushmen rock paintings at Tsodilo Hills and visit the spectacular Victoria Falls.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Moremi National Park | Explore one of Africa's greatest wildlife sanctuaries

Okavango Delta Panhandle | Search for water-dwelling wildlife and exotic birds

Chobe National Park | Take a safari in search of Chobe's world famous elephant population

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$7130 NZ\$7410

per person, trip only (14 days)

AT A GLANCE

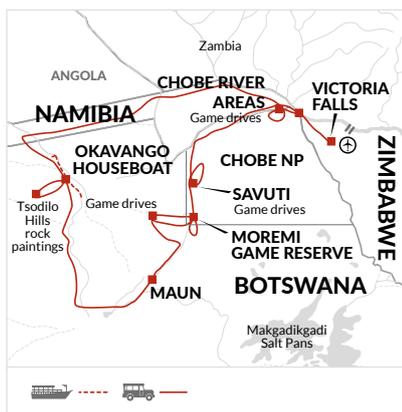
- TRIP PACE:** Full On
- ACCOMMODATION:**
5 nights simple camping
4 nights premium lodge
2 nights comfortable boat
2 nights comfortable tented camp
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
4WD | Boat
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 13 | Lunch: 10 | Dinner: 9
- 809kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D



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The whole trip just kept getting better and better from the wild camping to the house boat and finally Vic Falls.
Trusted Customer, May 2024



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Victoria Falls.
- DAY 2:** Drive from Zimbabwe into Botswana. Safari drives along the Chobe river.
- DAY 3:** Full day of game drives in Chobe National Park, famous for its huge numbers of elephants.
- DAY 4:** Drive south to Savuti game area.
- DAY 5:** Full day of game drives in the Savuti area.
- DAY 6:** Drive to Moremi Game Reserve, wild camping and game drives.
- DAYS 7-8:** Explore the pans, floodplains, lagoons and deep mopane forest of Moremi Game Reserve.
- DAY 9:** Morning game drive in Moremi Game Reserve, afternoon in a private reserve outside of Maun.
- DAY 10:** Houseboat on the Okavango river, afternoon wildlife viewing on the Okavango River.
- DAY 11:** Discover San Bushmen art in Tsodilo Hills, viewing 24,000 year-old paintings at a UNESCO Site.
- DAY 12:** Journey from Botswana to Zimbabwe, via Namibia, in one day through the Caprivi Strip.
- DAY 13:** Explore Victoria Falls, one of the seven Natural Wonders of the World.
- DAY 14:** Trip ends in Victoria Falls

Madagascar: The Lost Continent



TRIP CODE - MD | MADAGASCAR



BEST SELLER

A Jungle Book-esque jumble of baobab alleys, spiny forests and volcanoes teeming with wildlife found nowhere else on Earth. Go in search of the country's 100-plus species of lemur, visit Madagascar's Grand Canyon and snorkel off the barrier reef.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Andasibe Reserve | Track the indri lemurs at sunrise to hear their morning call

Highland scenery | See the rice paddies and isolated villages

Ranomafana | Walk in the rainforest observing lemurs, chameleons and amphibians

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$5700 NZ\$5930

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: Full On

ACCOMMODATION:
11 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights comfortable lodge
1 night simple hotel
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
Minibus | Flight

MEALS:
Breakfast: 14 | Lunch: 5 | Dinner: 7

694kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

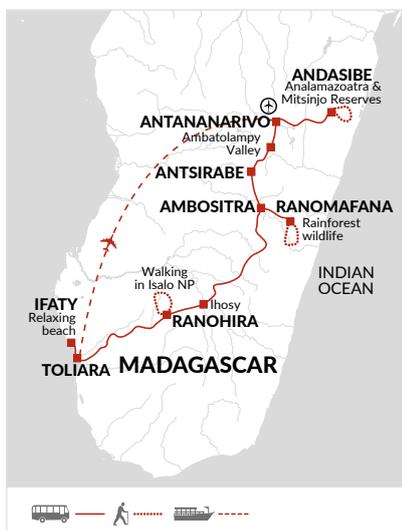
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F **M A M J J A S O N D**

WHY NOT TRY?

Our two-week Madagascar Wilderness Trek. Get off the beaten path, hiking through tropical vegetation, granite hills and surreal sandstone landscapes, spotting wildlife along the way.

Trip code: MF



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Antananarivo.
- DAY 2:** Nature walks in Andasibe Reserve, searching for the indri, the largest living lemur.
- DAY 3:** Spend the morning looking for black and white ruffed lemurs and a variety of birds.
- DAY 4:** Explore the colonial architecture and churches of the spa town of Antsirabe.
- DAY 5:** Walk around the stunning crater at Lake Tritriva. Enjoy a night of traditional Malagasy food and dancing.
- DAYS 6-7:** Journey to Ranomafana National Park, looking for rare golden bamboo lemurs.
- DAYS 8-9:** Two days to travel to and explore Madagascar's Grand Canyon in Isalo National Park.
- DAY 10:** Cross the cactus-filled spiny desert and visit the Mahafaly Tombs on the way to Toliara on the coast.
- DAYS 11-12:** Free time by the rich turquoise waters of the Indian Ocean.
- DAY 13:** Drive back to Toliara and fly back to Antananarivo.
- DAY 14:** Visit Ambohimanga, an ancient palace and fort beautifully located on a forested hill.
- DAY 15:** Trip ends in Antananarivo.

Namibia Lodge Safari

TRIP CODE - NL | NAMIBIA



BEST SELLER

Hitting all the highlights, this Namibia safari takes in Windhoek, the soaring sands of the Namib Desert, the massive Cape Cross seal colony on the Skeleton Coast, colonial Swakopmund and the saline spread of Etosha National Park – one of Africa's finest.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Sossusvlei | Explore the world's highest sand dunes in the world's oldest desert

Etosha National Park | Find an abundance of wildlife congregating around waterholes and salt pans

Coastal Namibia | Find flamingos at Walvis Bay Lagoon, spot seals at Cape Cross, and visit historic Swakopmund

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$6520 NZ\$6770

per person, trip only (12 days)

AT A GLANCE

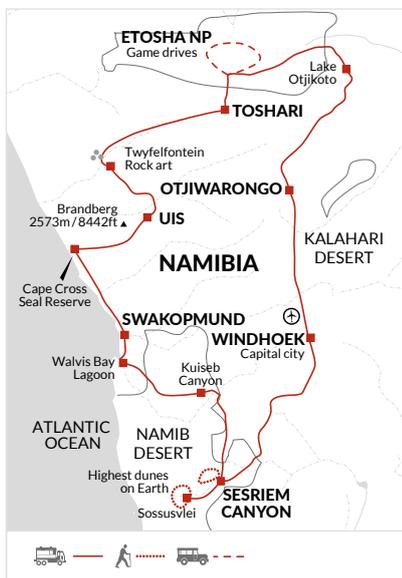
- TRIP PACE:** Full On
- ACCOMMODATION:**
9 nights comfortable lodge
2 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Truck
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 11 | Lunch: 9 | Dinner: 4
- 448kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D



“
...coming across a herd of elephants completely in the wild... one of the most enchanting and surreal experiences I've had in my life.
Maxine, November 2023



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Windhoek.
- DAY 2:** Travel to Sesriem via the Namib Desert, the oldest on the planet.
- DAY 3:** Explore Sesriem Canyon. Witness the magnificent sand dunes of Sossusvlei.
- DAY 4:** Drive to Swakopmund, stopping at Walvis Bay to look for flamingos and pelicans.
- DAY 5:** Free day to explore the colonial town of Swakopmund. Learn about Namibia's intriguing history.
- DAY 6:** Drive via Cape Cross Seal Reserve to Damaraland. Discover rock art of the San Bushmen.
- DAY 7:** Make our way to the salt pans of Etosha National Park.
- DAY 8:** Game drives in Etosha.
- DAY 9:** Search for lions, cheetahs, elephants, leopards, springboks, hyenas and giraffes in Etosha.
- DAY 10:** Visit the Cheetah Conservation Foundation. Drive to the Waterberg Plateau.
- DAY 11:** Free morning to explore on foot or take an extra game drive. Visit a local craft market, before returning to Windhoek.
- DAY 12:** Trip ends in Windhoek.

South Africa & Eswatini

TRIP CODE - ZK | SOUTH AFRICA, ESWATINI



BEST SELLER

Visit the great game reserves of South Africa and Eswatini. Search for the Big Five, learn about the history of the Zulu battlefields, explore the wetlands of St Lucia and discover the last absolute monarchy in Africa.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Kruger | Visit South Africa's most iconic National Park, home to the Big Five

Hluhluwe iMfolozi | Encounter Africa's biggest rhino population

Mlilwane | Take a walking safari in this secluded wildlife sanctuary beneath the Nyonyane Mountains

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}



PRICES FROM

AU\$3270 NZ\$3390

per person, trip only (10 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Full On
- ACCOMMODATION:**
3 nights premium lodge
3 nights comfortable lodge
2 nights comfortable rondavel
1 night simple bungalow
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
4WD Minibus
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 9 | Lunch: 1 | Dinner: 2
- 222kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

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Gazing at elephant aunts
standing silent vigil around
2 youngsters asleep on the
ground – magical!
Trusted Customer, October 2023



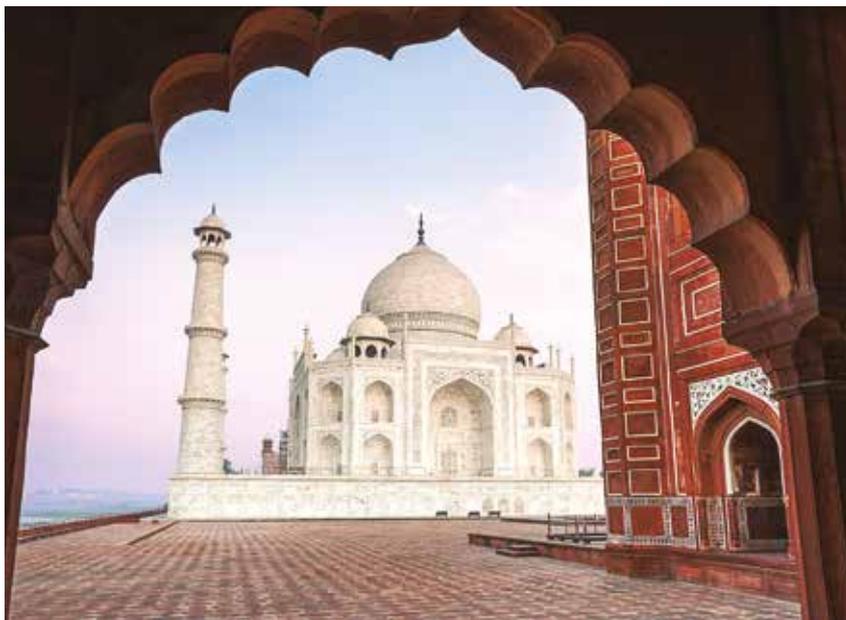
ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Johannesburg, drive to Drakensberg Mountains, stunning walks in national park.
- DAY 2:** Walk to 900 metre high waterfalls at the end of Tugela Gorge, swim in the pools by the falls.
- DAY 3:** Step back in time to visit the battlefields of the infamous Zulu war and stay in traditional huts.
- DAY 4:** Game drives in a reserve with the densest rhino population in Africa, also home to over 500 bird species.
- DAY 5:** Free day to enjoy the St Lucia reserve; walks, game drives, beaches and boat trips are on offer.
- DAY 6:** Enter Eswatini (Swaziland), the last remaining monarchy in Africa.
- DAY 7:** Walking safari in Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary looking for zebra, wildebeest and impala.
- DAY 8:** Journey to Kruger National Park, game drives in open top vehicles for great sightings.
- DAY 9:** Game drives to see lion, elephant, cheetah, leopard, wild dog, hyena and a myriad of birds.
- DAY 10:** Beautiful drive back to Johannesburg where the trip ends.



India's Golden Triangle

TRIP CODE - GTI | INDIA



BEST SELLER

India provides a sensory overload for even the most seasoned traveller. This one-week tour of the north is the ideal toe-dip into the dazzling sights, smells and charm of this people-packed country, while also including some of its most-iconic sites, and its delicious food.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Agra | See the Taj Mahal up close and watch as the sun rises over the iconic building

Kalakho | Join the prayer ceremony then sleep like a Maharajah in heritage accommodation

Jaipur | Explore the historical Amber Fort, the Observatory and the Palace of the Winds

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$1320 NZ\$1370

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: Full On
- ACCOMMODATION: 7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT: Bus | Rickshaw
- MEALS: Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 1 | Dinner: 1
- 341kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

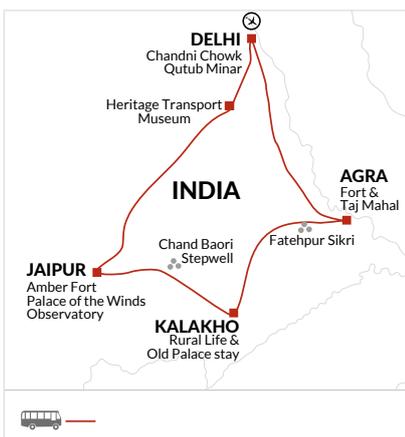
Go beyond the Golden Triangle and explore more of Northern India's magnetic charms over the course of two weeks.

Trip code: DIH



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Delhi and explore Old Delhi's narrow lanes by metro and rickshaw.
- DAY 2:** See a different side to the capital in New Delhi, including Qutub Minar and India Gate. Drive to Agra.
- DAY 3:** Watch the sun rise over the Taj Mahal. Visit Agra Fort and Itimad-ud-Daulah, known as the baby Taj. Join a local family to cook up a feast, learning how to make the perfect curry.
- DAY 4:** Explore the abandoned city of Fatehpur Sikri. Visit the Chand Baori stepwell on route to Kalakho. Stay in a heritage palace and imagine life as a Maharajah.
- DAY 5:** Take an early morning stroll through the palace's organic vegetable garden. Drive to Jaipur and see the phenomenal Observatory and the City Palace.
- DAY 6:** Discover Jaipur's Palace of the Winds and Amber Fort, a hill-top palace with intricate Mughal architecture and carvings inside its beautiful courtyards.
- DAY 7:** Drive back to Delhi via India's Heritage Transport Museum.
- DAY 8:** Tour ends in Delhi.



India Tiger Safari

TRIP CODE - WSI | INDIA



Travel deep into the central heartland of India in search of the majestic Royal Bengal Tiger. Explore five different national parks over the course of two weeks and search for wildlife by boat and in private 4WD Jeeps.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve | Search for tigers in Bandhavgarh, boasting the highest population-density of tigers in the world

Kanha National Park | Spot wildlife on Jeep safaris through Kanha, the inspiration for Rudyard Kipling's *The Jungle Book*

Panna, Sariska & Chambal | Explore the Aravalli Hills, take a boat along the River Chambal and drive through the forests of lesser-known Panna

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$5710 NZ\$5930

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
 8 nights comfortable lodge
 3 nights comfortable hotel
 2 nights premium hotel
 1 night simple overnight train
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
 Bus | 4WD | Boat | Train

MEALS:
 Breakfast: 14 | Lunch: 8 | Dinner: 9

866kg of CO₂e
 Average carbon footprint pp

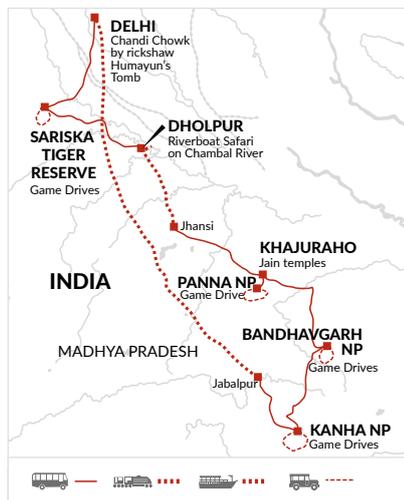
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

A colourful two-week journey through Rajasthan where you'll stay in premium heritage accommodation from forts to palaces.

Trip code: DRD



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Arrive in Delhi, with free time to explore the bustling capital.
- DAY 2:** Explore the sights of New Delhi including Humayan's Tomb, then drive to Sariska Tiger Reserve.
- DAY 3:** Search for wildlife amongst Sariska's rocky terrain in the Aravalli Hills.
- DAY 4:** Take a private boat on the River Chambal with a chance to spot crocodile and vibrant birdlife.
- DAY 5:** Drive to Khajuraho and discover the intricately carved, UNESCO-listed Jain temples.
- DAY 6:** Take a game drive in Panna National Park and search for the elusive Royal Bengal Tiger.
- DAYS 7-9:** Drive to Bandhavgarh and explore the park's abundant wildlife over the course of four game drives.
- DAYS 10-12:** Search for tigers, deer, monkeys and leopards on five game drives through Kanha National Park.
- DAY 13:** Drive to Jabalpur and catch an overnight train back to Delhi.
- DAY 14:** Explore the narrow, winding lanes of Old Delhi and take a cycle rickshaw through Chandni Chowk bazaar.
- DAY 15:** Trip ends in Delhi.



Upgraded – South India: Kerala to Goa

TRIP CODE - DKB | INDIA



NEW TRIP

Uncover lush tropical scenery, sample exotic spices and stay in premium accommodation

on this journey along the Malabar Coast. From the Chinese fishing nets of Kochi to the Portuguese villas of Goa, this colourful journey takes in the best of the Indian states of Kerala, Karnataka and Goa.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Backwaters | Meander through Kerala's tropical backwaters and sleep aboard a premium houseboat

Jungles and Plantations | Search for elephants on a game drive and explore tea plantations

Upgraded Range | Stay in our hand-picked selection of premium hotels, lodges and houseboats

PRICES FROM

AU\$4480 NZ\$4650

per person, trip only (12 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: Full On
- ACCOMMODATION:
10 nights premium hotel
1 night premium houseboat
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:
Bus | Rickshaw
- MEALS:
Breakfast: 11 | Lunch: 1 | Dinner: 5
- 470kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

UPGRADED ACCOMMODATION

Immerse yourself in South India's tropical scenery with upgraded stays including an art-deco property and a forest-based eco resort.



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Kochi.
- DAY 2:** Explore the Chinese fishing nets, palaces and Portuguese buildings of Kochi.
- DAY 3:** Cruise through Kerala's tropical backwaters and sleep aboard a premium houseboat.
- DAY 4:** Free day in the backwaters, with the option for village walks or a cookery class.
- DAY 5:** Catch a train to Calicut and discover this historic port's boatyards and markets.
- DAYS 6-7:** Drive into the Western Ghats, take a game drive in Wayand and explore tea plantations.
- DAY 8:** Stay amongst a working coffee plantation and visit a Tibetan monastery in Coorg.
- DAY 9:** Sip freshly roasted coffee on a plantation walk, then drive out of the mountains to Mangalore.
- DAYS 10-11:** Catch a train to Goa and relax in a premium resort on beautiful white sand beaches.
- DAY 12:** Trip ends in Goa



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What a wonderful privilege to visit sacred Buddhist sites along with local pilgrims during Sinhalese New Year. Sri Lanka has so much to offer and far surpassed my expectations...

★★★★★ | feefo^{co} | Trusted customer, May 2024



Sri Lanka in Depth

TRIP CODE - SL | SRI LANKA



BEST SELLER

Easily deserving of its 'Paradise Island' moniker, Sri Lanka has so much to offer its visitors.

Explore towering tiers of tea plantations, cerulean seas curling onto white-sand beaches and gilded Buddhist temples, and go out in search of indigenous wildlife by Jeep safari.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Wildlife | Search for leopards, elephants, sambar deer and sloth bears by Jeep

Ancient capitals and temples | Climb Lion's Rock to soak up the views from Sigiriya's rock fortress

Hill country | Explore the Temple of the Tooth and the lush tea plantations in cooler climates

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$4080 NZ\$4240

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
10 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights premium hotel
1 night simple hotel
1 night comfortable tented camp
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Bus | 4WD
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 14 | Lunch: 1 | Dinner: 2
- 413kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:



WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

End your break with a week-long relaxing dhoni cruise in the Maldives.

Trip code: SLM

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Exploring Sri Lanka on a walking holiday.

Trip code: WSL



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Negombo.
- DAY 2:** Take a Jeep safari in Wilpattu National Park.
- DAY 3:** Explore the UNESCO Site of Anuradhapura and the sacred peak at Mihintale.
- DAY 4:** See the giant Standing Buddha at Aukana and explore Dambulla's painted cave temples.
- DAY 5:** Explore the ancient city of Polonnaruwa.
- DAY 6:** Climb Lion's Rock and discover the sky fortress hidden on top!
- DAY 7:** Visit the sacred Temple of the Tooth and the colourful Peradeniya Botanical Gardens in Kandy.
- DAYS 8-9:** Join pilgrims for an optional ascent of Adam's Peak. Drive to Nuwara Eliya via a tea plantation.
- DAY 10:** Cross the Nine Arch Bridge on the train journey to Ella.
- DAY 11:** Search for elephants on a Jeep safari in Udawalawe National Park.
- DAYS 12-13:** Travel to Koggala Beach. Explore the cobbled streets of Galle Fort and relax on the beach.
- DAY 14:** Drive to Colombo for a city tour of the capital.
- DAY 15:** Trip ends in Colombo.

NOTE: Departures from July to December will visit Horton Plains National Park instead of climbing Adam's Peak.



The Best of Georgia and Armenia

TRIP CODE - GF | ARMENIA, GEORGIA



BEST SELLER

Underrated Georgia and little-known Armenia make for an intriguing journey

through Eurasia's borderlands. One is the birthplace of wine, the other the world's first Christian state, and between them they serve up a slew of unforgettable sites in the Caucasus.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Yerevan | Wander through ancient monasteries and stay in the shadow of Mount Ararat

Tbilisi | Explore the narrow medieval streets of the Old Town where East meets West

Gudauri | Walk in the foothills of the Greater Caucasus and visit Gergeti Trinity Church

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$5370 NZ\$5580

per person, trip only (16 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Full On
- ACCOMMODATION:**
13 nights comfortable hotel
1 night simple hotel
1 night simple guesthouse
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:** Bus
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 15 | Lunch: 5 | Dinner: 6
- 767kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F **M A M J J A S O** N D

WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

Explore Azerbaijan too on a longer 19-day itinerary. Discover the capital city of Baku, admire Yanar Dag natural flame, and travel the historic trade route from Baku to Sheki.

Trip code: GFA



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Yerevan.
- DAY 2:** Explore Yerevan, lying in the shadow of Mount Ararat. Visit the Holy City of Echmiadzin.
- DAY 3:** Discover the Hellenistic temple at Garni before continuing to the UNESCO-listed Geghard Monastery.
- DAYS 4-5:** Marvel at the imposing Amberd Fortress and sample some Armenian wine in the village of Areni.
- DAY 6:** Explore the dramatic monastery of Haghpat, then cross into Georgia and continue onto its medieval capital, Tbilisi.
- DAY 7:** Full day in cosmopolitan Tbilisi with its narrow streets, churches, synagogues and mosques.
- DAYS 8-9:** Drive onto Kutaisi to explore this ancient city. Take a day trip to the Black Sea coastal town of Batumi.
- DAYS 10-11:** Visit the UNESCO-listed monastery at Gelati. Walk through the tunnels and stairways of the remarkable cave town of Vardzia.
- DAYS 12-13:** Stop off at the birthplace of Stalin before taking a gentle walk up to Gergeti Trinity Church.
- DAY 14:** Stroll around the farmers' market in Telavi and gain an insight into local wine production.
- DAY 15:** Visit Alaverdi Monastery and Gremi fortress on your way back to Tbilisi.
- DAY 16:** Trip ends in Tbilisi.

The Silk Road of Uzbekistan

TRIP CODE - UZ | UZBEKISTAN



BEST SELLER

The ancient Silk Road strung together many countries, but Uzbekistan was its central jewel. Feel like an explorer of old as you wander its cities adorned with azure majolica tiles, see caravanserais traders once slept in, and stay overnight in a yurt, as you trace its millennia-spanning history.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Khiva | Step back in time as you walk the streets of this 'open air museum'

Yurt stay | Sample nomadic life when sleeping in a traditional felt tent

Samarkand | Discover the ornate turquoise mosaics of Registan Square

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$4010 NZ\$4170

per person, trip only (11 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: Full On
- ACCOMMODATION:
9 nights comfortable hotel
1 night simple yurt
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:
Bus | Flight | Train
- MEALS:
Breakfast: 10 | Lunch: 1 | Dinner: 1
- 537kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

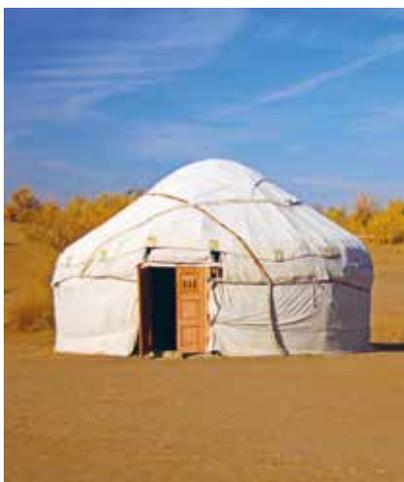
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M **A** M J J A S O N D

WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

Combine Uzbekistan with Turkmenistan for an epic two-week adventure exploring ancient trading cities along the fabled Silk Road.

Trip code: SUZ



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Tashkent. Explore the city and its eccentric metro stations.
- DAY 2:** Fly to Urgench in western Uzbekistan. Drive to ancient Khiva.
- DAY 3:** Step back in time discovering the ancient and well-preserved city of Khiva.
- DAY 4:** Travel along the old Silk Road and take in the wide open scenery on the drive to Bukhara.
- DAY 5:** Learn about the rich and extensive history of the UNESCO World Heritage City of Bukhara.
- DAY 6:** A free day in Bukhara to allow for further discovery of this beautiful city.
- DAY 7:** Take a camel ride across the desert and stay overnight in a traditional yurt.
- DAY 8:** Drive onto the fabled city of Samarkand and view the madrassahs of Registan Square.
- DAY 9:** Follow in the footsteps of Genghis Khan and Alexander the Great discovering Samarkand.
- DAY 10:** Free time to explore before catching the high-speed train to Tashkent.
- DAY 11:** Trip ends in Tashkent.

The Five Stans of The Silk Road

TRIP CODE - STA | KYRGYZSTAN, KAZAKHSTAN, TAJIKISTAN, UZBEKISTAN, TURKMENISTAN



Traverse mountains pocketed with turquoise alpine lakes, drive through lush fertile valleys and zip across dry and dusty desert plains by high-speed train. This is an all-encompassing, ever-changing journey through the five Stans of Central Asia.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Fann Mountains | Walk amongst wild mountain scenery and snap the picture-perfect 'Seven Lakes'

The Silk Road | Travel along ancient routes and discover the intricate architecture of Khiva, Bukhara and Samarkand

Darvaza | Peer into the 'Door to Hell', the underground cavern that's been aflame since 1971

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$11220 NZ\$11660

per person, trip only (21 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: Full On

ACCOMMODATION:
 14 nights comfortable hotel
 2 nights simple hotel
 2 nights simple guesthouse
 1 night simple yurt
 1 night simple camping
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
 Bus | Flight | Train

MEALS:
 Breakfast: 20 | Lunch: 4 | Dinner: 6

1013kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

To explore just Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan in depth. Discover Kyrgyzstan's wild mountain landscape before crossing onto the dusty plains of Uzbekistan on this 23-day overland adventure.

Trip code: KRU



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Bishkek.
- DAYS 2-3:** Visit a stadium for horse games. Enjoy an eagle hunting demonstration and sleep in a yurt.
- DAY 4:** Explore Skazka Canyon on foot. City tour of Karakol.
- DAYS 5-6:** Cross the border into Kazakhstan and explore the wide boulevards of Almaty.
- DAY 7:** Fly to Dushanbe and go on a guided orientation tour of the Tajik capital.
- DAYS 8-9:** More time in Dushanbe then drive to the scenic Fann Mountains.
- DAY 10:** Walk in the picturesque 'Seven Lakes' area.
- DAYS 11-12:** Drive to historic Samarkand to discover Registan Square and Gur Emir Mausoleum. Free time.
- DAYS 13-14:** Catch train to blue-tiled Bukhara. Visit impressive fortress, the Ark.
- DAY 15:** Drive from Bukhara to 'Open Air Museum' Khiva.
- DAY 16:** Full day wandering the maze of narrow streets in Khiva.
- DAY 17:** Free day in Khiva. Option to visit the desert fortresses.
- DAY 18:** Cross the border into Turkmenistan. Camp by Darvaza's flaming crater.
- DAYS 19-20:** Take in Ashgabat, the Turkmen capital made of white marble and gold.
- DAY 21:** Trip ends in Ashgabat.



The Best of Northern Thailand

TRIP CODE - OS | THAILAND



BEST SELLER

Embark on a thrilling journey from Bangkok to Chiang Mai. This fast-paced adventure

includes two nights on a jungle raft house, a walk over the iconic Bridge over the River Kwai, and a stop at the unique Maeklong Railway Market, where vendors swiftly pack up as trains pass through.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Bangkok | Explore the glittering Grand Palace complex and Wat Po

Sukhothai | Cycle around the historic park and sleep overnight in a homestay

Chiang Mai | Witness the excellent conservation work being done at Elephant Nature Park

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2850 NZ\$2960

per person, trip only (11 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: Full On

ACCOMMODATION:
 6 nights comfortable hotel
 2 nights comfortable raft house
 1 night simple homestay
 1 night simple train
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
 Bus | Boat | Train

MEALS:
 Breakfast: 9 | Lunch: 2 | Dinner: 3

565kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

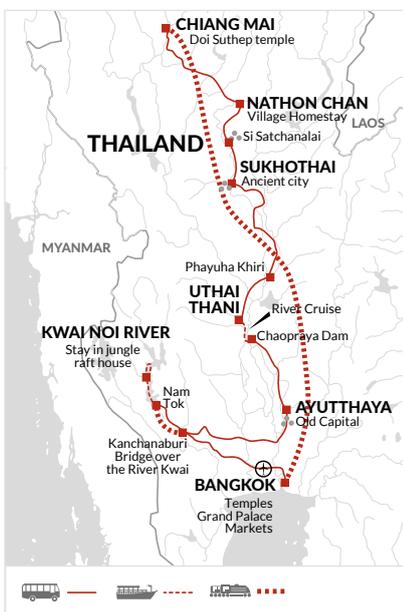
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

End your break with three days enjoying the tropical beaches and turquoise waters of Thailand.

Trip code: KS



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Bangkok.
- DAY 2:** Take in the Grand Palace and the vast reclining Buddha of Wat Po. Take a sleeper train north.
- DAY 3:** Explore Chiang Mai with a walking tour of its charming old town and temples.
- DAY 4:** Visit Elephant Nature Park, and see elephants roaming in their natural habitat.
- DAY 5:** Drive to Si Satchanalai Temple and continue to the homestay in Nathon Chan village.
- DAY 6:** Cycle through the temples of Sukhothai and visit the UNESCO site of Kamphaengphet.
- DAY 7:** Experience the sights and colours of a local market and discover Siam's ancient capital, Ayutthaya.
- DAY 8:** Ride along the Death Railway in Kanchanaburi and stay in a floating house on the river.
- DAY 9:** Free day with the opportunities to bamboo raft or hike to Erawan Waterfall.
- DAY 10:** Visit the famous Maeklong railway market and drive back to Bangkok.
- DAY 11:** Trip ends in Bangkok.



Inside Vietnam

TRIP CODE - VN | VIETNAM



BEST SELLER

Traveling along 2,000 miles of coastline, we experience spectacular landscapes, try fresh and tasty local food, explore UNESCO-listed towns and learn about the ancient and modern history on this epic journey across Vietnam.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- Hanoi** | Wander through the bustling narrow streets of the Old Quarter
- Hue** | Explore the magnificent Imperial Citadel and cruise along the Perfume River
- Mekong Delta** | Take a sampan along palm-lined canals and barter for exotic fruit

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2720 NZ\$2830

per person, trip only (14 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:** 11 nights comfortable hotel, 1 night simple homestay, 1 night simple train. *Optional single rooms available*
- TRANSPORT:** Bus | Boat | Flight | Train
- MEALS:** Breakfast: 12 | Lunch: 2 | Dinner: 1
- 359kg** of CO₂e *Average carbon footprint pp*

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

Try our 20-day trip exploring Vietnam and Cambodia too. Discover Phnom Penh, cruise through the floating village of Chong Kneas, and explore the Angkor temples.

Trip code: VNC



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Hanoi.
- DAY 2:** Uncover the ancient charm of Hanoi on a walking tour of the old city.
- DAY 3:** Drive to Halong Bay for overnight cruise.
- DAY 4:** Cruise amongst the towering limestone cliffs and hidden caves of Halong Bay.
- DAY 5:** Explore Hue and take a cruise along the Perfume River.
- DAY 6:** Explore the Imperial citadel of Hue and free afternoon.
- DAY 7:** Drive along the breathtaking Hai Van pass, taking in the Marble Mountains en-route.
- DAY 8:** Discover Hoi An's traditional wooden houses and Chinese architecture.
- DAY 9:** Take an excursion to the most evocative of Vietnam's Cham sites, My Son.
- DAY 10:** Fly to Ho Chi Minh City. Cruise through the stilted villages of the Mekong Delta and stay with a local family.
- DAY 11:** Continue your exploration of the Delta, meeting the locals and learning about their way of life.
- DAY 12:** Stroll through the streets of Old Saigon, visiting Independence Palace and War Remnants Museum.
- DAY 13:** Uncover the myriad of tunnels and underground chambers at the Cu Chi Tunnels.
- DAY 14:** Trip ends in Ho Chi Minh City.



Spirit of Laos and Cambodia

TRIP CODE - LA | LAOS, CAMBODIA



BEST SELLER

Travel the length and breadth of sleepy Laos, following the mighty Mekong into Cambodia and to the jungle temples of Angkor. Cruise on slow boats, trek past rice paddies and dip in turquoise waterfalls in this quiet corner of Southeast Asia.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Luang Prabang | Soak up the city's French colonial charm and watch monks line the street at sunrise

4,000 Islands | Visit rural villages and walk to waterfalls in Laos' remote south

Angkor temples | Take in the sunset at Angkor Wat and explore the remote temples of Koh Ker and Preah Vihear

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$4680 NZ\$4870

per person, trip only (16 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Full On
- ACCOMMODATION:**
11 nights comfortable hotel
3 nights premium hotel
1 night comfortable lodge
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Bus | Boat | Flight | Train
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 15 | Lunch: 3 | Dinner: 1
- 696kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

A shorter itinerary taking in the highlights of Laos in just eight days.

Trip code: LAH



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Luang Prabang.
- DAY 2:** Explore the temples and architecture of Luang Prabang.
- DAY 3:** Morning trip to Kuang Si Waterfall, free afternoon in Luang Prabang.
- DAY 4:** Cruise up the Mekong on a longtail boat to Pakbeng, stopping at Pak Ou Caves en route.
- DAY 5:** Scenic drive through rural countryside and past small villages to Oudomxay.
- DAY 6:** Half day walk past rice paddies through remote villages in rural Laos.
- DAY 7:** Morning high-speed train to Vientiane. Afternoon walking tour.
- DAY 8:** Fly to Pakse, explore Wat Phou temple and then drive on to the Bolaven Plateau.
- DAY 9:** Hike to waterfalls and coffee plantations.
- DAY 10:** Travel by car and then by boat into the 4,000 Islands region of southern Laos.
- DAY 11:** Explore the Mekong by boat and bicycle.
- DAY 12:** Cross the border into Cambodia via Khone Phapheng Falls.
- DAY 13:** Explore the ancient temples of Preah Vihear and Koh Ker, then drive to Siem Reap.
- DAY 14:** A full day exploring the magnificent Angkor temple complex.
- DAY 15:** Morning at Banteay Srei temple, afternoon on Tonle Sap Lake exploring the floating villages.
- DAY 16:** Trip ends in Siem Reap.



Simply Japan

TRIP CODE - QJS | JAPAN



BEST SELLER

Travel from super-modern Tokyo to villages, castles and temples that remain unchanged from the times of the Shogun and Samurai. Stay in a Buddhist temple and a family-run ryokan, meet snow monkeys and tame deer, and experience the modern and the ancient in this invigorating country.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Tokyo | Explore ultra-modern Tokyo, with the option to visit nearby Mount Fuji

Kyoto | Experience traditional Japan with temples, Zen gardens and geishas

Kanazawa | Discover the Samurai district and the secrets of the Ninja Temple

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$8160 NZ\$8480

per person, trip only (14 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
11 nights comfortable hotel
1 night simple temple
1 night simple ryokan
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Train | Bus | Boat
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 13 | Dinner: 1
- 488kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

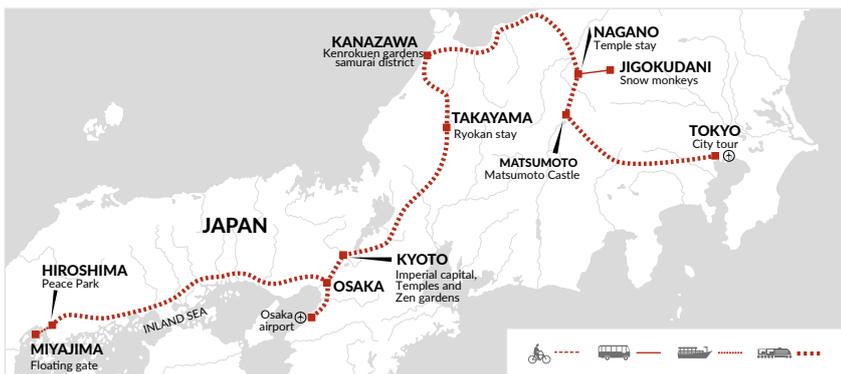
An alternative two-week trip which ventures further south to the islands of Hirado and Ikitsuki and includes a relaxing cruise through the fabled '99 Islands'.

Trip code: JS



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Tokyo.
- DAYS 2-3:** Explore Tokyo with the option to visit Hakone National Park for views of Mount Fuji.
- DAY 4:** Travel by train to Matsumoto and discover Crow Castle.
- DAY 5:** Meet the snow monkeys of Jigokudani and spend the night in a temple.
- DAY 6:** Join the monks for morning prayers and explore the Samurai district of Kanazawa.
- DAY 7:** Free time in Kanazawa to try sushi at the Omichi Fish Market or discover the 'Ninja Temple'.
- DAY 8:** Try sake in the old town of Takayama and stay in a family-run ryokan.
- DAY 9:** Travel by train to Hiroshima and experience the poignant Peace Park and Peace Museum.
- DAY 10:** Take the ferry to Miyajima Island, meet the tame deer and see the floating torii gate.
- DAYS 11-12:** Take the bullet train to Kyoto. Free time to explore the Zen gardens, temples and geisha district.
- DAY 13:** Continue to explore Kyoto before travelling to Osaka for a final night among neon lights.
- DAY 14:** Trip ends in Osaka.



Cuba Libre!

TRIP CODE - CL | CUBA



1950s-style cadillacs roll through Havana's faded colonial streets, while rum and salsa flow freely in the music halls. Beyond the island's iconic cities, wild landscapes hide unique biodiversity and revolutionary relics. Along the coast, stretches of fine white sands await.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Trinidad | Explore the cobble streets & discover the unique architecture of this UNESCO-listed town

Topes de Collantes | Camp out under the stars, trek mountain forests and swim under waterfalls

Revolutionary history | Walk in the footsteps of Che Guevara and Fidel Castro on a hike to Comandancia de la Plata

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3670 NZ\$3810

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: Full On

ACCOMMODATION:
10 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights simple camping
2 nights comfortable casa particular
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
Bus | Boat

MEALS:
Breakfast: 14 | Lunch: 4 | Dinner: 4

611kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Our shorter Best of Western Cuba tour, which covers the highlights of Havana, Trinidad and the coast in just eight days.

Trip code: CN



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Havana.
- DAY 2:** Full day exploring Havana's highlights including daiquiris at Hemingway's bar.
- DAY 3:** Travel to the limestone landscape of Vinales.
- DAY 4:** Take a boat trip to the paradise beaches of Cayo Levisa.
- DAY 5:** Drive to Santa Clara via the orchid garden at Soroa.
- DAY 6:** Pay homage at the Che Guevara memorial. Drive east to Bayamo.
- DAY 7:** Walk in the footsteps of revolutionaries. Hike to Comandancia de la Plata before driving to Santiago de Cuba.
- DAY 8:** Discover Santiago de Cuba, the birthplace of the revolution.
- DAY 9:** Travel to the vibrant city of Camaguey.
- DAY 10:** Visit the poignant site of Manaca Iznaga, continue to UNESCO World Heritage city Trinidad.
- DAY 11:** Morning walking tour of Trinidad. Optional afternoon trip to Playa Ancon's white-sand beaches.
- DAY 12:** Journey to Topes de Collantes, forest walks and waterfall swimming.
- DAY 13:** Hikes and walks through Topes de Collantes National Park.
- DAY 14:** Return to Havana via the Bay of Pigs and a cenote swim.
- DAY 15:** End trip in Havana.

Discover Belize

TRIP CODE - BL | BELIZE, GUATEMALA



BEST SELLER

Straight from the pages of an adventure novel, Central America's second-smallest country is a wildlife haven where you can hike, snorkel and dine on freshly-caught lobster. Spot howler monkeys swinging through ancient sites by day, and spend your evenings soaking up the Caribbean vibe.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Maya sites | Get up close to the temples of Tikal and float down the river to Lamanai

Belize Barrier Reef | Snorkel in the warm waters of the Caribbean Sea

Wildlife | Find monkeys, toucans, crocodiles and many more in diverse natural habitats

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$5300 NZ\$5510

per person, trip only (13 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
8 nights comfortable hotel
4 nights comfortable lodge
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Bus | Boat
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 10 | Lunch: 1 | Dinner: 2
- 550kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D



WHY NOT TRY?

Enjoying the rhythm of island life on a tour of Jamaica. Witness stunning Caribbean scenery, explore the lush Blue Mountains National Park and discover the culture of Kingston.

Trip code: JAM



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Belize City.
- DAY 2:** Visit the Maya site of Altun Ha and drive to the Crooked Tree wetlands.
- DAY 3:** Journey to the remote jungle ruins of Lamanai by boat.
- DAYS 4-5:** Visit a baboon sanctuary and continue to Placencia. Opt to snorkel off tropical islands.
- DAY 6:** Walk through pristine tropical forest in the Cockscomb Jaguar Sanctuary.
- DAY 7:** Explore the Xunantunich archaeological site.
- DAY 8:** Take a day at leisure. Visit the impressive Belize Botanical Gardens or paddle by canoe through tropical forest.
- DAYS 9-10:** Discover the great Maya temples of Tikal, Guatemala, that pierce the dense jungle canopy.
- DAY 11:** Return to Belize City. Take a short boat ride to the idyllic island of Caye Caulker.
- DAY 12:** Relax on the island. Opt to take a trip to Hol Chan Marine Reserve, one of the best snorkelling spots in Belize.
- DAY 13:** Trip ends on Caye Caulker.

Costa Rica Wildlife Tour

TRIP CODE - CC | COSTA RICA



BEST SELLER

Home to half a million species – from algae-cloaked sloths to the emerald Resplendent

Quetzal – Costa Rica packs a huge wildlife punch. Brave a night walk to spot tarantulas, cruise through jungle canals and tuck into a meal at a traditional finca. Welcome to ‘La Pura Vida’

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Tortuguero | Cruise the jungle waterways and explore the rainforest of this ‘mini Amazon’

Rafting | Whitewater raft through rainforest on the Pacuare River

Manuel Antonio | Share the white-sand beaches with capuchin monkeys and iguanas

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

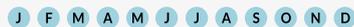
AU\$5400 NZ\$5610

per person, trip only (15 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
8 nights comfortable hotel
6 nights comfortable lodge
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT:**
Bus | Boat
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 14 | Lunch: 4 | Dinner: 3
- 232kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:



YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

To explore the vibrant landscapes and diverse wildlife of Costa Rica, while staying in premium accommodation.

Trip code: DCW



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in San Jose.
- DAY 2:** Walk to the volcanic crater of Poas, then journey to the nature lover's paradise of San Gerardo de Dota.
- DAYS 3-4:** Spend time in the Savegre Cloud Forest before travelling to rural Turrialba.
- DAYS 5-6:** Whitewater raft on Pacuare River. Travel by bus and boat to Tortuguero National Park.
- DAY 7:** Cruise the jungle waterways searching for wildlife including monkeys and toucans.
- DAY 8:** Drive to Sarapiquí. Night walk through Selva Verde Rainforest Reserve.
- DAY 9:** Discover the delights of one of humanity's favourite treats—chocolate—on a morning tour of a local cocoa farm.
- DAYS 10-11:** Head to La Fortuna and walk on the flanks of Arenal Volcano. Free day to discover waterfalls and wildlife.
- DAYS 12-14:** Travel to Manuel Antonio National Park. Explore the wildlife and beautiful sandy beaches.
- DAY 15** Trip ends in San Jose

Contrasts of Colombia

TRIP CODE - BCO | COLOMBIA



Rich in culture, with vast biodiversity and a notoriously friendly population, Colombia is a world of contrasts. Fly over vast canyons by cable car, discover tranquil Spanish plazas and pre-Columbian history, and end your eclectic journey watching the sun set over the Caribbean.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Cocora Valley | Walk amid giant wax palms and take a cooking class with a local chef

Medellin | Witness this diverse city's transformation from Pablo Escobar to the present day

Zipaquira | Explore the depths of this cavernous cathedral, made entirely from salt

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$6320 NZ\$6560

per person, trip only (14 days)

AT A GLANCE

TRIP PACE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hacienda
6 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
Bus | Flight | Boat | Cable Car

MEALS:
Breakfast: 13 | Lunch: 3 | Dinner: 1

354kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE

An Andean journey through Ecuador. From the Andes to the Amazon, experience traditional villages, snow-capped volcanic peaks, lush jungle landscapes and a fascinating colonial history.

Trip code: EC



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Bogota.
- DAY 2:** Sample fresh fruits at Paloquemao farmers market and wander the cobbled streets of La Candelaria.
- DAY 3:** Cable car up Mount Monserrate. Marvel at Zipaquira's Salt Cathedral en route to Villa de Leyva.
- DAYS 4-5:** Find pre-Columbian history in the surroundings of Villa de Leyva. Drive to pretty Barichara.
- DAY 6:** Walk the Camino Real to Guane and spend time in an architect's workshop.
- DAY 7:** Take a cable car over Chicamocha Canyon. Fly to Armenia in the coffee region.
- DAY 8:** Create traditional Andean dishes with a local chef and take a tour of a coffee farm.
- DAY 9:** Walk amid the wax palms of the Cocora Valley and eat a typical lunch in colourful Salento.
- DAY 10:** Fly to Medellin and explore this exciting and diverse city on foot and by cable car.
- DAY 11:** Day trip to the colourful lakeside town of Guatape. Climb El Penol for magnificent views and take a rickshaw ride around the town.
- DAY 12:** Fly to Cartagena on the Caribbean coast. Afternoon walk in the UNESCO-heritage walled city.
- DAYS 13-14:** Free time in Cartagena and sunset dinner in La Boquilla. Trip ends in Cartagena.



Highlights of Chile

TRIP CODE - ATP | CHILE



NEW TRIP

Outdoor lovers will be in their element on this top-to-toe journey through Chile's outstanding landscapes. This country of extremes showcases desert moonscapes, dramatic granite spires and emerald glacier-fed lakes, while penguins roam on Patagonia's southern tip.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Atacama Desert | Take a sunset walk at the Moon Valley and explore the enormous salt flat

Lake District | Hike to the toothpaste-blue Petrohue Waterfalls, with views of Osorno Volcano

Torres del Paine | Spot penguins on Magdalena Island and explore a world of lakes and glaciers

PRICES FROM

AU\$9690 NZ\$10070

per person, trip only (13 days)

AT A GLANCE

- TRIP PACE: Full On
- ACCOMMODATION: 12 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- TRANSPORT: Bus | Boat | Flight
- MEALS: Breakfast: 12 | Dinner: 2
- 1602kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F **M** A M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

A two-week Patagonia tour through Argentina and Chile. Discover the colourful capital, Buenos Aires, as well as bucket-list sites such as Torres del Paine, the Beagle Channel, and the Perito Moreno Glacier.

Trip code: PA



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join the trip in Santiago de Chile. Afternoon city tour.
- DAY 2:** Take a walking tour around the arty port city of Valparaiso.
- DAY 3:** Fly to Calama, drive to San Pedro de Atacama. Sunset walk at ethereal Moon Valley.
- DAY 4:** Discover the vast Atacama salt flat and the colourful high altitude lagoons at Toconao.
- DAY 5:** Early morning visit to the explosive El Tatio Geysers. Optional astronomy tour.
- DAY 6:** Fly from Calama to Puerto Montt and drive to Puerto Varas on the shores of Lago Llanquihue.
- DAYS 7-8:** Walk in the lava fields of the Osorno Volcano and take in the dramatic Petrohue Waterfalls. Fly to Punta Arenas in southern Patagonia.
- DAY 9:** Boat trip to spot penguins on Magdalena Island. Discover some of the highlights of Torres del Paine National Park.
- DAY 10:** Explore the lakes, glaciers and mountains of Torres del Paine on foot.
- DAY 11:** Free morning in Torres del Paine. Drive to Puerto Natales.
- DAYS 12-13:** Drive to Punta Arenas and fly to Santiago, where the trip ends.

Walking





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What to expect from a Walking trip

There's no better way to explore many parts of the world than by walking. Our Walking tours slowly transport you to places and spaces you might otherwise never have seen, offering views to take your breath away and allowing you gently under the skin of a country and culture. They also allow friendships to be built through relaxed conversation, as our groups make their way through deserts, up hills and mountains, down winding lanes, around pristine lakes and along coasts with trips to suit all levels, from leisurely walks to challenging treks.



Walk this way

Here's all you need to know about a small group Walking adventure...

Grade expectations

Each Walking holiday we offer is graded from 'Leisurely' (typically low-lying and mostly undemanding terrain, with plenty of non-walking time built-in) to 'Challenging & Tough' (high altitude, long trekking days that require good fitness). Our trips are all online where you'll find details of the walking distances, timings and terrain, and the total ascent and descent over the course of each hike. You won't need to be an Olympian for any of them (!), but it's still a good idea to get out and do some pre-holiday walks to find your feet, so to speak.

You'll never walk alone

Our small groups are perfect for walking holidays as you'll always have company if you want it. Each group is different – there's usually a mix of solo travellers, couples and friends travelling together – and is typically around 11 strong. Your Tour Leader will let everyone go at their own pace, regrouping together regularly.

Can I do it my way?

Sometimes, yes. Our Walking trips are broadly divided into two; firstly there are centre-based trips where you stay in one place and leave from it each day on a walk, giving you the flexibility to choose whether to join the planned walk each day or not, and allowing you to really get to know that area in. The second type is point-to-point, where almost the entire journey from A to B is on foot and you'll need to take part in all the walks.

Check out the individual Trip Notes on our website to find more detailed information about what to expect and to help you choose a trip that suits you.

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The guides and the porters were incredible. They ensured everything was taken care of, were amazing support, and they served up some brilliant food!

Ali talking about her 'Kilimanjaro Lemosho Trek'.

Travel light (we'll carry the rest)

On all our Walking trips, your main luggage will be transported for you, so you're free to carry just a light day sack (to hold water, snacks, camera, sun protection and extra clothing). On more challenging treks we'll have additional guides to assist the Tour Leader and the group. We plan the routes and organise all accommodation so you can just focus on enjoying it (and putting one foot in front of the other).



Choosing your Walking holiday

Our walks and treks are all graded by difficulty, taking into consideration the daily distances covered, the terrain, ascents and descents, climate and altitude. The Trip Notes on our website contain detailed information about what to expect to help you choose a trip which suits your fitness and experience level.

Walking grades



1
LEISURELY

Good paths, low altitude and mostly undemanding terrain, with plenty of non-walking time in the itinerary. Ideal for those in good health who can walk three to five hours in a day. Previous walking experience is not necessary.



2
LEISURELY AND MODERATE

Expect a mix of leisurely and moderate walks on fairly good paths at low altitude, with some more demanding ascents and descents and occasionally tricky terrain to spice it up just a little.



3
MODERATE

With generally good paths at low altitude (mainly below 2,500m), this is best for fit and active people who can walk three to seven hours a day with some more challenging terrain and demanding ascents and descents.



4
MODERATE AND CHALLENGING

Combining moderate walks with some challenging hikes and demanding treks on difficult terrain or at higher altitudes, this is perfect for fit walkers who want to challenge themselves.



5
CHALLENGING

Trekking days are generally between six to eight hours, with some long, steep ascents and descents, sometimes at high altitude and on difficult terrain. A good fitness level and previous trekking experience is recommended.



6
CHALLENGING AND TOUGH

Difficult terrain often at high altitudes and long trekking days (sometimes over nine hours). Requires a high level of fitness and you should be a confident, experienced trekker.

Walking trips

Here's a summary of all the Walking trips we offer and where to find out more.

COUNTRIES	TRIP NAME	POINT-TO-POINT	CENTRE-BASED	DAYS	TRIP CODE	PAGE
LEISURELY						
FINLAND - SWEDEN	■ NEW WALK FINLAND AND SWEDEN			10	WFS	
IRELAND - UNITED KINGDOM	■ NEW WALK NORTHERN IRELAND AND DONEGAL			8	WNI	73
ITALY	A TASTE OF ITALY - WALKING IN EMILIA ROMAGNA			8	TOER	
ITALY	A TASTE OF ITALY - WALKING IN PUGLIA			8	TOP	
MOROCCO	WALKING IN MOROCCO - ATLAS TO ATLANTIC			8	MAA	
NEW ZEALAND	WALKING IN NEW ZEALAND			19	WZN	
PORTUGAL	UPGRADED - WALKING IN PORTUGAL		✓	8	DWP	75
SPAIN - PORTUGAL	WALKS AND WINE TASTING IN SPAIN AND PORTUGAL			12	MWW	77
ESTONIA - LATVIA - LITHUANIA	WALK ESTONIA, LATVIA AND LITHUANIA			8	ELL	
LEISURELY AND MODERATE						
GREECE	GREEK CRUISE AND ISLAND WALKING		✓	8	GCW	
ITALY	★ BEST SELLER AMALFI COAST WALKING - AGRITURISMO		✓	8	NAW	81
ITALY	★ BEST SELLER AMALFI COAST WALKING - HOTEL RISORGIMENTO		✓	8	NAWH	
ITALY	AMALFI COAST WALKING - MAIORI HOTEL		✓	8	NAWC	
ITALY	■ NEW UPGRADED WALKING ITALY: ROME & UMBRIA		✓	8	DUM	
ITALY	WALKING IN SICILY		✓	8	SIT	
ITALY	TUSCANY WALKING AND WINE			8	LTY	
MONTENEGRO - CROATIA	WALKING MONTENEGRO AND THE CROATIAN ISLANDS			8	WCM	
NORTH CYPRUS	★ BEST SELLER WALKING IN NORTHERN CYPRUS		✓	8	LNC	84
PORTUGAL (AZORES)	★ BEST SELLER WALKING IN THE AZORES			14	AZ	74
PORTUGAL	★ BEST SELLER WALKING IN PORTUGAL - REMOTE COASTAL TRAILS		✓	8	POR	
SLOVENIA	WALKING IN SLOVENIA		✓	8	WSO	
SPAIN (CANARY ISLANDS)	CANARY ISLANDS WALKING - LANZAROTE		✓	8	LZT	
TURKEY	WALKING TURKEY'S TURQUOISE COAST		✓	8	WTC	
VIETNAM	WALKING IN VIETNAM			14	WVN	87
UNITED KINGDOM	WALK NORTHUMBERLAND		✓	6	WNU	
UNITED KINGDOM	WALKING SCOTLAND'S ORKNEY ISLANDS		✓	7	ORK	72
MODERATE						
ALBANIA	★ BEST SELLER WALKING ALBANIA			8	ALW	83
ALBANIA	■ NEW ALBANIA COASTAL WALKING			8	WCA	
ANDORRA	WALKING IN THE PYRENEES		✓	8	PAW	79
CANADA	WALKING IN THE CANADIAN ROCKIES			13	WRK	
CHINA	WALK THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA			10	WG	90
CROATIA	★ BEST SELLER WALKS AND COASTAL TOWNS OF CROATIA			8	CO	82
CROATIA	WALKING CROATIA'S ISTRIAN PENINSULA			8	WCI	
FRANCE	HIGHLIGHTS OF MONT BLANC		✓	8	MBH	92
GEORGIA	HIKING IN THE GEORGIAN CAUCASUS			9	WGEO	
GREECE	WALKING IN CRETE			8	CR	
INDIA	WALKING IN KERALA			11	WIK	
ITALY	★ BEST SELLER HIKING IN THE DOLOMITES		✓	8	DW	80
ITALY	LAKE COMO WALKING		✓	8	LC	
JAPAN	WALK JAPAN - KUMANO KODO TRAIL	✓		12	WJP	88
JORDAN	★ BEST SELLER WALKING JORDAN'S SPICE TRAILS			8	TP	86
KYRGYZSTAN	WALKING IN KYRGYZSTAN			9	WKYZ	
MADAGASCAR	MADAGASCAR WILDERNESS TREK			15	MF	
NEPAL	WALKING THE ANnapurna FOOTHILLS	✓		13	RT	
NEPAL	ANNAPURNA LUXURY LODGE TREK	✓		12	LAN	
POLAND	HIKING IN THE POLISH CARPATHIANS			8	WPS	
PORTUGAL (MADEIRA)	★ BEST SELLER WALKING IN MADEIRA			8	TM	
SPAIN	★ BEST SELLER WALKING THE CAMINO DE SANTIAGO	✓		12	CDS	78
SPAIN	TREKKING IN SPAIN - PICOS DE EUROPA		✓	8	PC	
SPAIN (CANARY ISLANDS)	CANARY ISLANDS WALKING - LA GOMERA AND TENERIFE		✓	8	OC	
SPAIN (CANARY ISLANDS)	★ BEST SELLER CANARY ISLANDS WALKING - GRAN CANARIA		✓	8	LOC	
SPAIN (MALLORCA)	WALKING IN MALLORCA		✓	8	MAL	
SRI LANKA	WALKING IN SRI LANKA			14	WSL	
TURKEY	★ BEST SELLER HIKING TURKEY'S LYCIAN WAY	✓		8	LW	85
TURKEY	WALKING IN CAPPADOCIA		✓	8	WGV	
UNITED KINGDOM	WALK THE LAKE DISTRICT		✓	7	WLD	
UNITED KINGDOM	WALK THE NORTH WEST HIGHLANDS AND SKYE			8	WHS	
MODERATE AND CHALLENGING						
ARGENTINA - CHILE	■ NEW WALKING IN PATAGONIA - GLACIERS & TORRES DEL PAINE			12	WP	89
GREECE	WALKING THE CORFU TRAIL (NORTH)	✓		8	FA	
GREECE	WALKING THE CORFU TRAIL (SOUTH)	✓		8	CF	
MOROCCO	★ BEST SELLER TOUBKAL CLIMB	✓		7	MJ	
PERU	★ BEST SELLER INCA TRAIL TREK	✓		9	PQ	95
PERU	WALK PERU'S INCA TRAIL AND PALCCOYO RAINBOW MOUNTAIN	✓		14	PM	
PERU	PERU IN DEPTH AND THE INCA TRAIL	✓		19	PE	
ROMANIA	WALKING ROMANIA - TRANSYLVANIAN ALPS TREK			8	TTA	
CHALLENGING						
FRANCE - SWITZERLAND - ITALY	TOUR DU MONT BLANC TREK	✓		11	MBT	
MOROCCO	TOUBKAL CLIMB - LONG WEEKEND	✓		5	ATA	90
NEPAL	ANNAPURNA CIRCUIT TREK	✓		18	AN	
NEPAL	★ BEST SELLER ANNAPURNA SANCTUARY TREK	✓		15	AS	
CHALLENGING AND TOUGH						
NEPAL	■ NEW EVEREST BASE CAMP	✓		22	WEB	94
TANZANIA	★ BEST SELLER KILIMANJARO - LEMOSHO TREK	✓		10	KC	
TANZANIA	■ NEW KILIMANJARO - RONGAI TREK	✓		9	KCR	93

Walking Scotland's Orkney Islands

TRIP CODE - ORK | SCOTLAND



'Orkney's magic is silence...and the deep marvellous rhythms of sea and land,' wrote the archipelago's own poet, George Mackay Brown. Discover Viking settlements perched atop sea stacks, sea caves that speak, puffin and seal colonies, and plates groaning with fresh seafood.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Ancient history | Discover Iron Age villages and Neolithic sites including Skara Brae

Orkadian and Norse traditions | Unearth the Orkney's history, heritage and local traditions

Breathtaking landscapes | Explore some of Britain's most pristine regions on foot

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3470 NZ\$3600

per person, trip only (7 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Leisurely and Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
6 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 6 | Dinner: 3

Centre-Based

149kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

We offer a whole collection of UK trips, showcasing the very best spots and bringing you unforgettable moments you wouldn't easily get on your own.

Search 'United Kingdom' on our website to find out more.

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	10km	3hrs
Day 3	9km	3hrs
Day 4	12.5km	4-5 hrs
Day 5	3km	1hr
Day 6	9km	3-4 hrs

WILDLIFE GRADING:

To read more about what our new Wildlife grading icons mean turn to page 19.

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Inverness. Scenic drive and ferry to reach Kirkwall, Mainland, Orkneys.
- DAY 2:** Ferry to the Isle of Westray for a beautiful coastal walk to Noup Head to see one of the largest seabird colonies in the British Isles.
- DAY 3:** Coastal walk to the Brough of Deerness, a Viking Age settlement atop a sea-stack. Discover Scapa Flow and the Churchill Barriers.
- DAY 4:** Cliff-top hike past impressive sea stacks to 5000-year-old Skara Brae - one of the best preserved Neolithic villages in Europe.
- DAY 5:** Explore the Heart of Neolithic Orkney UNESCO Site - Ring and Ness of Brodgar and the Stones of Stenness.
- DAY 6:** Discover the Isle of Rousay 'Egypt of the North' on a walk between archaeological monuments and through Trumland RSPB Reserve.
- DAY 7:** Ferry and drive back to Inverness where the trip ends.



Walk Northern Ireland and Donegal

TRIP CODE - WNI | NORTHERN IRELAND, IRELAND


**NEW
TRIP**

Embark on a journey through Northern Ireland and Donegal's most breathtaking landscapes on this week-long holiday. From the rich history of Belfast, to impressive castles, the rugged Giant's Causeway and the wilderness of Glenveagh National Park, this tour offers a perfect blend of natural wonders and authentic Irish experiences.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Iconic Giant's Causeway | Walk amongst the unique basalt columns

Donegal's dramatic landscapes | Explore rugged coastline and picturesque villages

Isolated Rathlin Island | Spot birds and seals from this isolated place

PRICES FROM

AU\$4330 NZ\$4500

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Leisurely

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 1

267kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Our brand new 8-day walking trip in the Faroe Islands. Dramatic scenery and picture-perfect villages make for a unique trip.

Trip code: WIF

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	5km	3.5hrs
Day 3	6.5km	2hrs
Day 4	9km	3hrs
Day 5	3.5km	1hr
Day 6	4km	1.5hrs
Day 7	6km	3hrs

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Belfast.
- DAY 2:** Walk the exhilarating Gobbins Cliff Path and visit Glenarm Castle.
- DAY 3:** Day trip to Rathlin Island with visit to the Seabird Centre.
- DAY 4:** Follow the spectacular cliff path to arrive at the Giant's Causeway and walk the walls of Derry on a guided tour.
- DAY 5:** Lakeside walk in Glenveagh National Park. Visit a whiskey distillery.
- DAY 6:** Take in the magnificent views of Slieve League and discover the charming village of Killibegs.
- DAY 7:** Walk in the Sperrin mountains and meet the local farmers for a sheepdog demonstration and a bowl of Irish stew.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Ballymena.



Walking in the Azores

TRIP CODE - AZ | PORTUGAL (AZORES)



BEST SELLER

Teetering on a tectonic plate, the Azores' calderas and craters combine with green slopes

that swoop into whale-rich waters to serve up first-rate hiking. Visiting four of the nine islands, you'll sample volcano-cooked cozido (stew), visit Europe's only tea factory and swim in lava rock pools.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Sete Cidades | Crater walk with stunning views of the twin blue and green lakes

Whale watching | Opportunity to take a boat trip alongside whales and dolphins

Faja dos Cubres | Follow a hydrangea-lined path down to this unique lagoon

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}



PRICES FROM

AU\$4010 NZ\$4160

per person, trip only (14 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Leisurely and Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
10 nights comfortable hotel
3 nights premium hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 13 | Lunch: 1

277kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M **A** M J J A S O N D

WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

Add on a week exploring the cultural and gastronomic highlights of mainland Portugal too.

Trip code: HOP

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	5km	2hrs
Day 3	4km	1.5hrs
Day 4	5km	2hrs
Day 5	5km	2hrs
Day 6	10km	4hrs
Day 7	20km	5hrs
Day 8		
Day 9	8km	3hrs
Day 10	8.5km	3hrs
Day 11	4.5km	2hrs
Day 12	7km	2.5hrs
Day 13	5km	2hrs

Optional Walks

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Ponta Delgada, Sao Miguel Island.
- DAY 2:** Visit the natural ovens, hot springs and botanical garden of Furnas.
- DAY 3:** Walk around Sete Cidades, see the colourful crater lakes.
- DAY 4:** Free day to explore more of the island on and off shore. Optional whale watching.
- DAY 5:** Fly to Velas, Sao Jorge Island. Optional walk to Miradouro do Morro das Velas.
- DAY 6:** Walk through Caldeira de Cima Gorge and follow the coastline to Faja dos Cubres.
- DAY 7:** Optional walk along the Pico da Esperanca ridge with great views of surrounding islands.
- DAY 8:** Ferry to Pico Island and wine tasting in the afternoon.
- DAY 9:** Walk through unique volcanic vineyards and enjoy a wine tasting.
- DAY 10:** Misterios do Sol coastal hike.
- DAY 11:** Take the ferry to Faial Island explore Horta.
- DAY 12:** Walk around the Caldeira do Faial and visit the Capelinhos volcano.
- DAY 13:** Hike on the Praia do Norte headland.
- DAY 14:** Trip ends in Horta, Faial Island.



Upgraded - Walking in Portugal

TRIP CODE - DWP | PORTUGAL


**NEW
TRIP**

Based in the historic fishing town of Tavira, this walking trip combines scenic coastal and inland routes to offer a different perspective on the Algarve. The relaxed walks take in picturesque villages and traditional fishing communities, wind past orchards, into the rolling Barrocal Hills and along unspoilt sandbank islands.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Tavira | Enjoy time in this ancient Moorish Town

Portuguese gastronomy | Savour the local Cataplana dish accompanied by a glass of crisp wine

Rio Formosa Estuarine National Park | Coastal walk through this unique ecosystem

PRICES FROM

AU\$2070 NZ\$2150

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Leisurely

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights premium hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 1

Centre-Based

134kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

UPGRADED ACCOMMODATION

Relax and unwind near the heart of Tavira. Enjoy the rooftop bar, indoor and outdoor pool at our welcoming four star hotel.

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	14km	5hrs
Day 3	13km	4.5hrs
Day 4	12km	3.5hrs
Day 5	12km	3.5hrs
Day 6	12km	3.5hrs
Day 7	5km	1.5hrs

Optional Walks



ITINERARY

DAY 1: Join trip in Tavira, in the eastern Algarve.

DAY 2: Walk along the beaches of Ria Formosa National Park. Return to Tavira by local ferry.

DAY 3: Walk along the Guadiana river to Odeleite for a typical local lunch. Drive to the hillside village of Castro Marim with time to explore.

DAY 4: Walk from Tavira following the Gilao River to the Pego de Inferno waterfall.

DAY 5: Free day. Relax on the beach or option to walk the Via Algarviana trail through the Barrocal hills.

DAY 6: Walk through cork oak forests from São Brás de Alportel, afternoon Olive Oil Experience.

DAY 7: Ferry to Culatra Island. Walk to Farol, the southernmost lighthouse in Portugal.

DAY 8: Trip ends at hotel in Tavira.



“

Wonderful trip!! Our tour leader, Esther, took excellent care of all of us. I enjoyed her history lessons and personal anecdotes which made the places we visited even more memorable.

★★★★★ | **feefo**^{co} | Kristen, July 2024



Walks & Wine Tasting in Spain & Portugal



TRIP CODE - MWW | SPAIN, PORTUGAL



Ideal for those who enjoy wine, culture and countryside walks, this fascinating journey from Madrid to Porto ventures through the Ribera del Duero region of Spain and the Douro winelands of Portugal. Sample regional vintages, explore national parks and stay in beautiful medieval towns.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Segovia | UNESCO World Heritage city and walks in nearby Guadarrama National Park

Douro Valley | Train ride snaking through the beautiful natural scenery of northern Portugal

Seven Hanging Valleys trail | Explore hidden beaches, coves and limestone stacks

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

AU\$3290 NZ\$3430

per person, trip only (12 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Leisurely

ACCOMMODATION:
10 nights comfortable hotel
1 night premium hotel
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
Bus | Boat | Taxi | Train

MEALS:
Breakfast: 11

184kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A **M** J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Rambling through Italy's Emilia Romagna region and sampling outstanding produce.

Trip code: TOER

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 3	8km	3hrs
Day 4		
Day 5	6km	1.5hrs
Day 6		
Day 7	11km	3hrs
Day 8	8km	4.5hrs
Day 9	4km	1.5hrs



ITINERARY

DAY 1: Join trip in Madrid.

DAY 2: Discover Spain's capital on foot.

DAY 3: Walk in Guadarrama National Park.

DAY 4: Walking tour of Segovia and free afternoon to explore.

DAY 5: Walk through canyon lands of Duraton River valley and enjoy a wine tasting in the afternoon.

DAY 6: Wine tasting in El Toro and visit the city of Zamora.

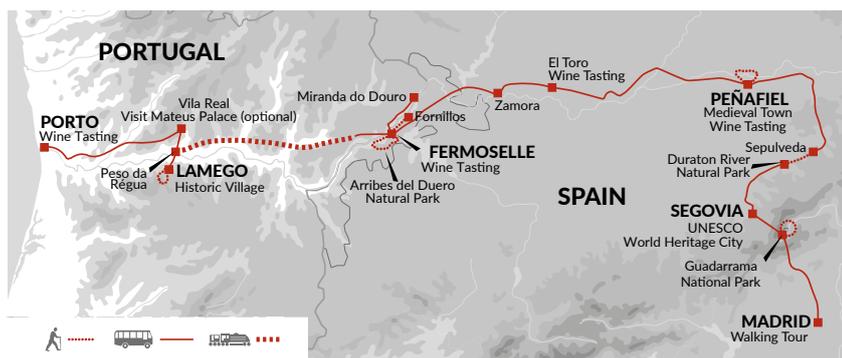
DAY 7: Walk in Arribes del Duero Natural Park and enjoy a wine tasting in Fermoselle.

DAY 8: Walk to Fornillos and visit Miranda do Douro.

DAY 9: Take a train along the Douro Valley and walk in the village of Lamego.

DAY 10: Drive to Porto via Mateus Palace and explore Porto on a foodie inspired walking tour.

DAY 11: Free day in Porto.



Walking the Camino de Santiago

TRIP CODE - CDS | SPAIN



Follow in the footsteps of countless pilgrims, walking the legendary Camino Frances (French Way) from Leon to Santiago de Compostela. Hike through beautiful scenery and historic towns along the best parts of the route to claim a pilgrim's certificate.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Cruz de Ferro | Hike to famous Iron Cross at the highest point of the Camino

O Cebreiro | Discover the cobbled streets, thatched houses and picturesque valley views of this charming mountain village

Santiago De Compostela | Feel a sense of camaraderie in this lively historic town

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3460 NZ\$3590

per person, trip only (12 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
11 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

TRANSPORT:
Bus

Point-to-Point

MEALS:
Breakfast: 12

128kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M **A** M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

A week-long trekking holiday into the beautiful high mountain scenery of the Picos de Europa National Park.

Trip code: PC

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 3	17km	4hrs
Day 4	20km	5hrs
Day 5	9km	3hrs
Day 6	22km	5.5hrs
Day 7	20km	5hrs
Day 8	27km	7hrs
Day 9	28.5km	7.5hrs
Day 10	17.5km	5hrs



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Madrid.
- DAY 2:** Transfer to Leon for city tour including the Gothic cathedral and historic Barrio Humedo.
- DAY 3:** Trek from Hospital de Orbigo on the Meseta Plateau to Astorga, home to Gaudi's Bishop's Palace.
- DAY 4:** Follow the scallop shells up to the Camino's highest point, the Cruz de Ferro (Iron Cross) at 1,482 metres. Descend to Molinaseca.
- DAY 5:** Walk to the village of O Cebreiro, famous for its 'pallozas' - traditional circular thatched houses. Transfer to Sarria.
- DAY 6:** Pass the famous 100 kilometre landmark, near the hamlet of Ferreiros.
- DAY 7:** Descend to Palas de Rei, echoing the journeys of famous pilgrims such as King Philip II who passed this way en route to marry Mary Tudor.
- DAY 8:** Hike through rural Galicia; cross the medieval bridge near Melide.
- DAY 9:** Walk through local villages to El Amenal, crossing the river to the point at which the Camino Frances meets the Camino del Norte.
- DAY 10:** Arrive into Santiago de Compostela and collect the 'Compostela' certificate.
- DAY 11:** Morning guided walking tour of Santiago; free afternoon.
- DAY 12:** Trip ends in Santiago.



Walking in the Pyrenees

TRIP CODE - PAW | ANDORRA



Discover Andorra's hidden gem, Soldeu. Nestled deep within the Pyrenees, this alpine village offers breathtaking summer hiking. Explore pristine valleys, meadows, and glacial landscapes. Immerse yourself in the natural beauty of Andorra's protected wilderness.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Sorteny Nature Reserve | Take a walk in this scenic reserve, with over 700 species of plants and flowers

The Andorran valleys | Explore the scenic majesty of the Vall de Riu and the Incles Valley

Madriu Valley | Enjoy the untouched wilderness of this UNESCO World Heritage glacial valley

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$1800 NZ\$1870

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- WALKING GRADE: Moderate**
- ACCOMMODATION:**
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 1
- Centre-Based**
- 148kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M **J J A S** O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

A walking tour exploring the dramatic peaks and valleys, turquoise lakes and highlander folk culture of Poland.

Trip code: WPS

DAILY DISTANCES

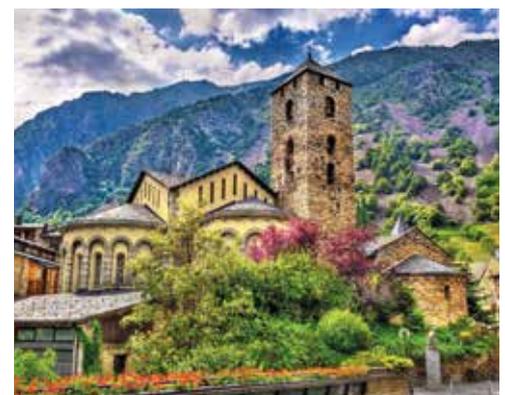
Day 2	10.5km	4hrs
Day 3	12km	4.5hrs
Day 4	11km	5hrs
Day 5	14km	5hrs
Day 6	10km	4.5hrs
Day 7	14km	4.5hrs

Optional Walks



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip at Barcelona Airport, drive to Soldeu, Andorra.
- DAY 2:** Walk along the ancient Cami del Gall trail from Meritxell to Soldeu.
- DAY 3:** Explore the remote Madriu-Perafita-Caror Valley, Andorra's only UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- DAY 4:** Taxi to the village of Ransol and walk through the Vall de Riu up to the village of Canillo.
- DAY 5:** Free day to explore Andorra la Vella, or to walk Europe's longest Tibetan suspension bridge.
- DAY 6:** Transfer to the Sorteny Nature Reserve and walk up to Etanyo Lake (2,350 metres).
- DAY 7:** Walk the glacial landscapes of the Incles Valley, following the river up to the Siscaro Lakes.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends at Barcelona Airport.



Hiking the Dolomites

TRIP CODE - DW | ITALY



BEST SELLER

Enjoy scenic treks through alpine meadows and pine forests as you explore the beautiful rock towers and limestone cliffs of the Dolomites, a UNESCO world heritage site. Stay in a comfortable family-run hotel with indoor pool and spa in the small town of Dobbiaco, gateway to the mountains.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Tre Cime | Trek with amazing views of these three iconic limestone peaks

Local food and drink | Enjoy the traditional Austrian-influenced cuisine typical of the region

Cortina, Leinz and Bolzano | Free day to explore further afield in the South Tyrol

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3290 NZ\$3410

per person, trip only (8 days)

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Walking through the unspoilt beauty of the Romanian countryside and Transylvanian Alps instead.

Trip code: TTA

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 5 | Dinner: 4

Centre-Based

259kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

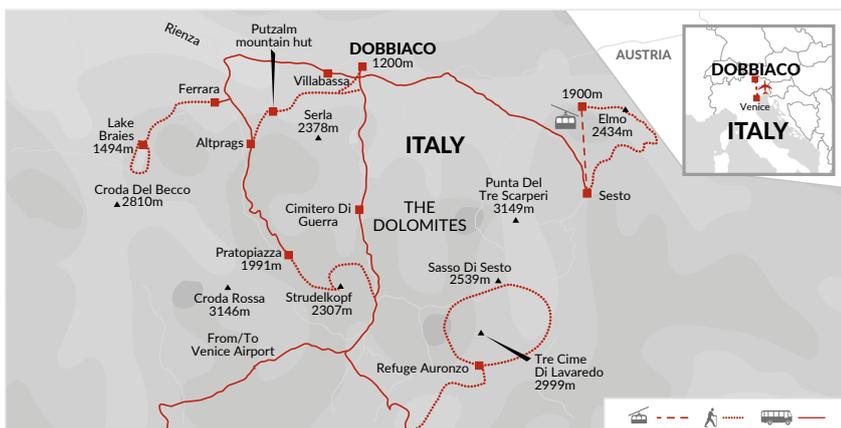
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DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	14km	5hrs
Day 3	12.5km	6hrs
Day 4	11km	6hrs
Day 5		
Day 6	13km	7hrs
Day 7	11km	6hrs

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip at Venice airport before driving to Dobbiaco in the heart of the Dolomites.
- DAY 2:** Walk through fields and forest to the emerald waters of Lake Braies.
- DAY 3:** Trek through alpine flower meadows and forest to the remote Putzalm mountain hut.
- DAY 4:** Ridge-top hike along the Italian-Austrian border with great views of the Dolomites and WW1 bunkers.
- DAY 5:** A free day to relax, visit the mountain resort of Cortina, cycle to Lienz or discover the 'Ice man' at Bolzano.
- DAY 6:** Mountain hike around the three magnificent limestone rock towers of Tre Cime.
- DAY 7:** Trek from Prato Piazza to Strudelkopf summit (2307m) for panoramic views.
- DAY 8:** Drive to Venice airport where the trip ends.



Amalfi Coast Walking

TRIP CODE - NAW | ITALY



BEST SELLER

Famed for its pastel-coloured houses contoured around curvaceous cliffs, the Amalfi Coast isn't just a place for the glitterati to gather. Spend a week hiking its ridges, woodlands and hamlets, returning each night to a rustic family-run agriturismo.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Coastal trails | Enjoy five walks including the spectacular 'Walk of the Gods'

Capri | Take a ferry to explore the streets and trails of this enchanting island

Optional trips | Visit the incredible ancient sites of Pompeii and Herculaneum

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}



PRICES FROM

AU\$2510 NZ\$2600

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- WALKING GRADE:**
Leisurely and Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
7 nights comfortable agriturismo
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 3 | Dinner: 4
- Centre-Based**
- 159kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F **M A M** J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

To walk the Amalfi coast during the European winter season.

Trip code: NAWC

WHY NOT TRY?

A stay at a traditional, family-run hotel instead of an agriturismo.

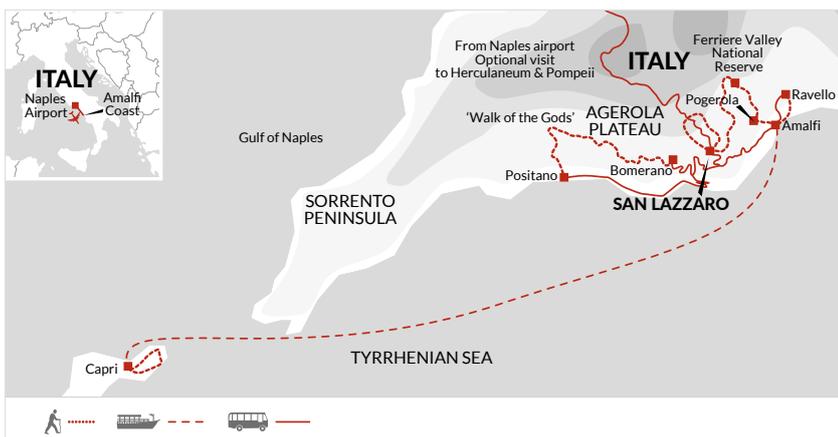
Trip code: NAWH

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	9km	3.5hrs
Day 3	4.5km	2.5hrs
Day 4	10km	4hrs
Day 5	13km	6hrs
Day 6		
Day 7	11km	5hrs

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip at Naples Airport before driving to our family-run agriturismo.
- DAY 2:** Hike from San Lazzaro through the forest above the Agerola Plateau with views of Mount Vesuvius.
- DAY 3:** Visit beautiful Ravello before hiking down ancient stone steps to Amalfi.
- DAY 4:** Take a ferry to enchanting Capri, walk to a viewpoint and explore the town's narrow streets.
- DAY 5:** Walk through the Ferriere Natural Park passing waterfalls, rivers and unusual plantlife.
- DAY 6:** A free day, with the chance to visit the ancient sites of Pompeii and Herculaneum.
- DAY 7:** Hike along the 'Walk of the Gods', to the colourful cliffside village of Positano.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends at Naples Airport.



Walks and Coastal Towns of Croatia

TRIP CODE - CO | CROATIA



BEST SELLER

Introduce your feet to Croatia's mountain trails, broadleaf forests and mint-blue lakes as you travel from Zagreb to Split, taking time to cool off in clear waters. The Dalmatian Coast is famous for its idyllic beaches, but the walking trails are serene and uncrowded.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Plitvice National Park | Hike the World Heritage Site with breathtaking aquamarine lakes

Paklenica National Park | Enjoy spectacular coastal and mountain walking

Trogir | Discover the diverse architecture of one of the oldest cities in Croatia

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$6420 NZ\$6660

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- WALKING GRADE: Moderate**
- ACCOMMODATION:**
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7
- Centre-Based**
- 259kg of CO₂e**
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M **A** M J J **A** S O N D

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 3	14km	5hrs
Day 4	16km	5.5hrs
Day 5	12km 5km	5/2hrs
Day 6	18km	7hrs

Optional Walks

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in the capital Zagreb.
- DAY 2:** Walking tour of Zagreb. Drive to the beautiful Plitvice National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- DAY 3:** Enjoy walking around breathtaking lakes and waterfalls in Plitvice. Experience the rich variety of flora in this region.
- DAY 4:** Drive to Zavidan and walk the Premuziceva Trail, a hiker's highlight accessing the most hidden and beautiful parts of Velebit.
- DAY 5:** Explore Paklenica National Park on foot through little villages lining the coast, swim in the crystal clear water. In the afternoon, take a trip to the coastal town of Zadar.
- DAY 6:** A full-day hike in the dramatic Paklenica Gorge. Lunch at a traditional mountain hut.
- DAY 7:** Visit Trogir, one of the oldest cities in Croatia. Drive to Split, discover the Roman Palace concealed within its modern streets.
- DAY 9:** Trip ends in Split.



Walking Albania

TRIP CODE - ALW | ALBANIA


**BEST
SELLER**

Home to the wild Albanian Alps, studded with agate-green lakes and folklore-rich villages, where shepherds sell their cheeses for picnics, Albania is truly Europe's unpolished diamond. Enjoy this natural beauty on scenic trails, hiking through towering mountains and past crystal-clear rivers.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Koman Lake | Take a boat ride across glassy waters beneath dramatic mountain gorges

Traditional villages | Enjoy a tasty lunch prepared by a local family in Theth

Alpine walking | Meander through wildflower meadows, lush valleys and craggy passes

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2070 NZ\$2150

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
5 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights simple guesthouse
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 4 | Dinner: 2

214kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M **J J A S O** N D

WHY NOT TRY?

Combining this trip with our brand new week-long Albania Coastal Walking trip, to create an in-depth on foot adventure.

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	6km	3hrs
Day 3	11km	5hrs
Day 4	8km	5hrs
Day 5	12km	7hrs
Day 6	7km	4/2hrs

Optional Walks



ITINERARY

DAY 1: Join trip at Tirana Airport. Drive to Shkodra and explore the historic city on foot.

DAY 2: Boat ride across the beautiful Koman Lake. Riverside walk then drive through the alpine landscapes of Northern Albania to Valbona.

DAY 3: Walk on the elevated pastures of Gjarpri I Dragobi with spectacular views of Dragobia Gorge.

DAY 4: Hike Rrethi I Jubanit in the stunning Valbona National Park and have lunch at local farmers house.

DAY 5: Drive to Rrogram and hike over the Valbona Pass to Thethi. Spectacular views across Albania's Accursed Mountains.

DAY 6: Explore Thethi. Walk along ancient terraces and past crystal clear natural pools. Barbecue lunch.

DAY 7: Drive to the cosmopolitan capital, Tirana and explore on foot.

DAY 8: Trip ends in Tirana.



Walking in Northern Cyprus

TRIP CODE - LNC | NORTH CYPRUS



BEST SELLER

Spend a relaxed week exploring Cyprus' curving and unspoilt northern coastline

backed by the Besparmak Mountains. Trace flower-flanked mountain trails and olive groves, visit ruined castles and laze beneath the Tree of Idleness beloved by British novelist Lawrence Durrell.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Bellapais | Explore the famous 12th century Crusader abbey

Mediterranean food | Enjoy the fresh flavours of mezes at local restaurants

Buffavento | Spectacular views from this less visited castle

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}



PRICES FROM

AU\$1380 NZ\$1430

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Leisurely and Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 5

Centre-Based

80kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Our walking trip exploring Turkey's Turquoise Coast. Centre-based in the beautiful harbour town of Kas, the trip has a mix of leisurely and moderate walks.

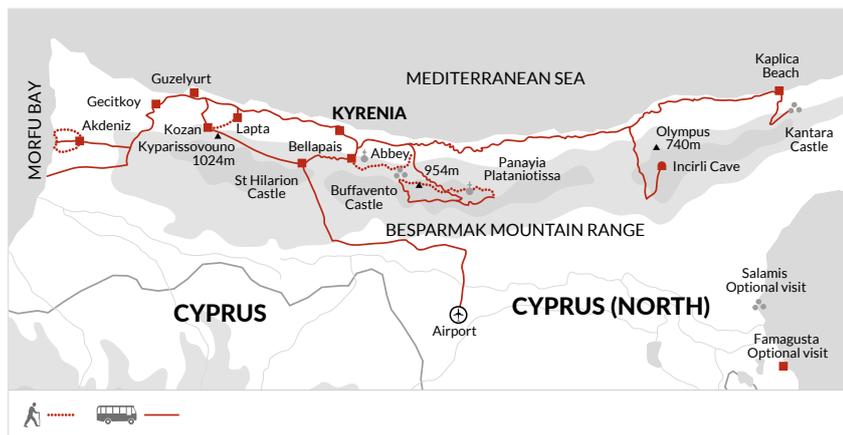
Trip code: WTC

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	7.5km	2hrs
Day 3	12.5km	4hrs
Day 4	10km	4hrs
Day 5		
Day 6	13.5km	4hrs
Day 7	13km	4hrs

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Kyrenia.
- DAY 2:** Visit Incirli Cave and the Crusader Castle of Kantara. Descend to the coast and Kaplica Beach.
- DAY 3:** Walk through the Besparmak Mountains to the ruins of Bellapais Abbey. Opportunity to explore Kyrenia town.
- DAY 4:** Visit St. Hilarion Castle. Walk through the western Besparmak Mountains to the village of Lapta.
- DAY 5:** Free day. Optional trip to Famagusta including Othello's Tower and the historical site of Salamis.
- DAY 6:** Walk on historic trails from Kalkanli village through ancient olive groves to the remote west coast.
- DAY 7:** Ascend to Buffavento Castle with spectacular views of the island. Walk through the Besparmak Mountain range past 'The Five Fingered Mountain'.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Kyrenia.



Hiking Turkey's Lycian Way

TRIP CODE - LW | TURKEY


**BEST
SELLER**

A stunning sea-coast trail comprised of a mix of old mule paths and Roman roads that weave around the Tekke Peninsula of southwestern Turkey, leading walkers through pine forests and along clifftops which reveal crescent after crescent of brilliant-blue bays.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Butterfly Valley | Stay in a village house overlooking the lush canyon and pristine beach

Patara | Explore Roman ruins and the stunning golden sand beach

Turquoise Coast | Take a boat trip over sunken ruins and swim in secluded bays

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$1390 NZ\$1440

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
5 nights comfortable hotel
1 night simple village house
1 night simple guesthouse
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 3 | Dinner: 2

Point-to-Point

108kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Hiking ancient pathways through the spectacular scenery of Cappadocia. Discover the famous 'fairy chimneys', visit an underground city and sample local wines.

Trip code: WGV

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	13km	5hrs
Day 3	18km	7hrs
Day 4	12km	5hrs
Day 5	10km	3.5hrs
Day 6	14km	5.5hrs
Day 7	10km	3hrs



ITINERARY

DAY 1: Join trip in Fethiye, optional visit to a traditional Turkish Bath.

DAY 2: Hike through forests and remote villages to Faralya. Stay in a village guesthouse overlooking Butterfly Valley with views to Oludeniz Beach.

DAY 3: Trek through pine forests, farmland and hill villages to Gey. Stunning coastal views.

DAY 4: Discover dramatic coastal views hiking to the ancient city of Sidyma. Join the locals for a glass of tea.

DAY 5: Follow the route of the aqueduct to Patara Beach, an ancient Roman stronghold and birthplace of Saint Nicholas.

DAY 6: Follow the trail through the Taurus foothills to Mount Felen ridge. Overnight in Kas.

DAY 7: Walk to the ancient port of Aperlae. Explore the sunken city of Kekova by boat with barbecue lunch and visit Simena's medieval castle.

DAY 8: Trip ends at Dalaman Airport.



Walking Jordan's Spice Trails

TRIP CODE - TP | JORDAN



BEST SELLER

Retrace the steps of the ancient Nabateans who traded spices, silks and perfume.

Discover Wadi Rum's otherworldly sculpted sandstone canyons, wind-hewn stone bridges and red dunes, sleep beneath star-studded skies and explore the rose-hued city of Petra.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Wadi Rum | Walk through the majestic desert scenery and stay in a Bedouin camp

Petra | Spend two days exploring this spectacular 'Rose Red City', entering via the Monastery

Dead Sea | Float in the saline waters at the lowest point on Earth

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2590 NZ\$2690

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- WALKING GRADE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
2 nights simple camping
2 nights premium hotel
2 nights comfortable tented camp
1 night comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 4 | Dinner: 4
- 118kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

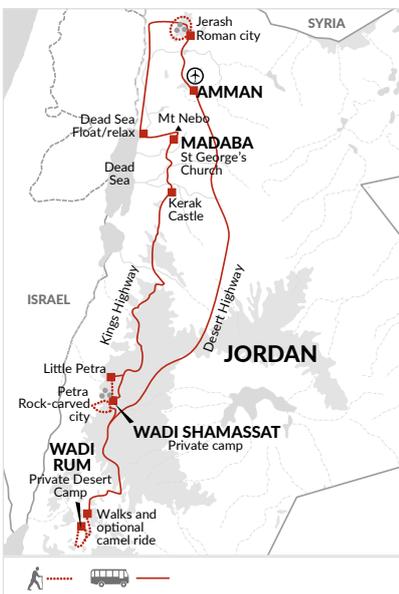
A Leisurely-graded Moroccan walking trip from the majestic foothills of the High Atlas to the windswept beauty of the Atlantic Coast.

Trip code: MAA

DAILY DISTANCES

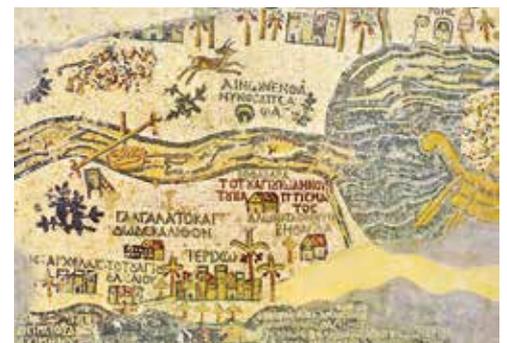
Day 2	6.5km	2hrs
Day 3	17km	7hrs
Day 4	13km 9km*	5/2hrs
Day 5	18km	7hrs
Day 6	3km	45mins

*Optional camel trek



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Jordan's capital, Amman.
- DAY 2:** Drive along the Desert Highway to Wadi Rum. Walk through desert landscape to the campsite.
- DAY 3:** Hike among the sandy gorges and canyons of Wadi Rum, following in the footsteps of the early Nabatean traders.
- DAY 4:** Optional camel ride or walk through sandstone canyons and sand dunes. Travel to Petra and explore the Treasury on foot.
- DAY 5:** Trek along ancient spice trails to enter via the Monastery, one of Petra's greatest monuments.
- DAY 6:** Hike to Little Petra, an ancient caravan station. Visit Kerak Castle and Madaba, the 'City of Mosaics'.
- DAY 7:** Visit Mount Nebo, drive via the Dead Sea to Jerash – an impressive Roman city.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Amman.



Walking in Vietnam

TRIP CODE - WVN | VIETNAM



Sleep in a stilt house, experience a homestay on palm tree-studded Binh Hoa Phoc Island, stay overnight on the legendary Reunification Express from Hanoi to Hue and visit craft villages stationed along the Perfume River on this relaxed tour that mixes city walks with rural rambles.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Halong Bay | Cruise among breathtaking limestone landscapes aboard a junk boat

Hoi An | Discover this charming ancient merchant's town

Pu Luong | Hike amongst the lush rice paddies and picture-postcard scenery of the Pu Luong Nature Reserve

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3320 NZ\$3450

per person, trip only (14 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Leisurely and Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
9 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights simple stilt house
1 night comfortable homestay
1 night simple train
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 13 | Lunch: 2 | Dinner: 3

485kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 1	4km	1.5hrs
Day 2	8km	2.5hrs
Day 3	9km	5hrs
Day 4	5.5km	2.5hrs
Day 5	7km	4hrs
Day 6		
Day 7	7km	3.5hrs
Day 8	7km	3hrs
Day 9		
Day 10	7km	4.5hrs
Day 11	4km	1.5hrs
Day 12	8.5km	3hrs
Day 13	5km	4hrs

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Hanoi and explore the Old Quarter on foot.
- DAY 2:** Drive to Pu Luong Nature Reserve. and spend the next two nights in a traditional Vietnamese stilt house
- DAYS 3-4:** Hikes among the minority tribe villages of Pu Luong.
- DAYS 5-6:** Hanoi walking tour. Junk cruise through the islands and peaks of Halong Bay.
- DAY 7:** Arriving in Hue by train, discover the Imperial City's streets and buildings on a walking tour.
- DAY 8:** Hike through villages, observing rural life and enjoy a cruise on the Perfume River.
- DAY 9:** Drive to Hoi An, a laidback town of traditional wooden houses and Chinese architecture.
- DAY 10:** Hike along jungle trails to the atmospheric site of My Son with its ancient Cham temples.
- DAY 11:** Travel by plane, bus and boat to Binh Hoa Phuoc Island in the peaceful Mekong Delta.
- DAY 12:** Walk among the paddies and villages of the Mekong Delta.
- DAY 13:** Absorb the sights, sounds and smells of Old Saigon on foot and visit the War Remnants Museum.
- DAY 14:** Discover the myriad tunnels and chambers at Cu Chi. Trip ends in Ho Chi Minh City.



Walk Japan – Kumano Kodo Trail

TRIP CODE - WJP | JAPAN



Encounter Japan's fascinating blend of ancient and modern influences on a walking holiday that explores both its cities and beautiful landscapes. The trip culminates with four days walking along the Kumano Kodo, an ancient pilgrimage trail connecting Shinto shrines on the mountainous Kii Peninsula.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Nakasendo Way | Hike between historic post towns on a highway once travelled by samurai

Kyoto | Explore the temples and tea houses of Japan's historic capital on foot

Traditional accommodation | Sleep on a futon and enjoy a hot spring bath at a traditional Ryokan inn

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$8150 NZ\$8470

per person, trip only (12 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
3 nights simple ryokan
1 night simple hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 11 | Lunch: 4 | Dinner: 5

Point-to-Point

454kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Exploring Japan by bike instead. Cycle along quiet roads on the Noto Peninsula, ride into the highlands around Shirakawa-Go historic village and take the bullet train to Tokyo.

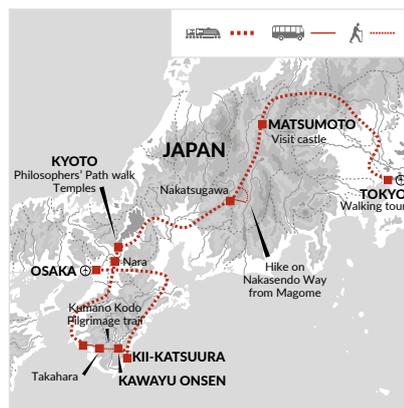
Trip code: CJA

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	8km	4hrs
Day 3		
Day 4	12km	4.5hrs
Day 5	12km	7hrs
Day 6	11km	6.5hrs
Day 7	5km	2.5hrs
Day 8	10km	6hrs
Day 9	7km	3.5hrs
Day 10		
Day 11	3km	1hr

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Tokyo and get to know your fellow travellers over a welcome dinner.
- DAY 2:** Walking tour of Tokyo including neighbourhoods most visitors never see.
- DAY 3:** Train journey through the Japanese Alps to Matsumoto to visit the impressive 16th-century castle.
- DAY 4:** Hike along the Nakasendo Way from Magome to Nagiso. Shinkansen bullet train to Kyoto.
- DAY 5:** Walking in Kyoto including the Philosopher's Way and temple visits.
- DAY 6:** Train to Nara. Walk around the major sights and see deer that roam freely in the city's parks.
- DAYS 7-9:** Hike on the Kumano Kodo through ancient forests, past shrines and some sweeping views of surrounding countryside. End the days with a traditional hot spring bath.
- DAY 10:** Boat trip along the Kumano River to Hatayama shrine. Train to Kii-Katsuura.
- DAY 11:** Hike to the great shrine of Kumano Nachi Taisha; afternoon train to Osaka.
- DAY 12:** Trip ends in Osaka.



Patagonia – Glaciers & Torres del Paine

TRIP CODE - WP | ARGENTINA, CHILE



NEW
TRIP

Take on dramatic peaks and bask in awe-inspiring scenery on this hiking holiday through Patagonia. Trek through the heart of Los Glaciares National Park to the Fitz Roy Massif in Argentina and walk in the shadow of the famous jagged peaks of Torres del Paine National Park, Chile.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Mount Fitz Roy | View the Fitz Roy skyline from Laguna de los Tres

Glacier Route | Hike to Creston and Huemul Glaciers and see Perito Moreno Glacier up close

Torres del Paine | Take on a selection of walks in this iconic hiking paradise

PRICES FROM

AU\$10200 NZ\$10600

per person, trip only (12 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Moderate and Challenging

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
3 nights simple refuge
1 night simple camp
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 11 | Lunch: 5 | Dinner: 5

805kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Hiking through the unspoilt wilderness, rugged mountain peaks and majestic glaciers of Canada's Rocky Mountains.

Trip code: WRK

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	1km	0.5hrs
Day 3	18km	9hrs
Day 4	9.5km	3.5hrs
Day 5	23km	9.5hrs
Day 6	21km	8hrs
Day 9	11.5km	6.5hrs
Day 10	21.5km	9hrs

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Buenos Aires.
- DAY 2:** Fly to Calafate, drive to El Chalten and warm up with a short walk to Chorrillo del Salto.
- DAY 3:** Hike with crampons on the ice of the Creston Glacier. Drive to the remote Lago del Desierto.
- DAY 4:** Undertake two treks today through lenga forest and in the shadow of snow-capped mountains, to the Huemul and the Cagliero Glaciers.
- DAY 5:** Walk through the wild and untouched native forest in the Huemul Reserve. Overnight at Poincenot Camp.
- DAY 6:** Trek to Laguna de los Tres in the Fitz Roy Massif.
- DAY 7:** Drive to Calafate. Afternoon trip to the Perito Moreno Glacier.
- DAY 8:** Cross the border into Chile and drive to Torres del Paine National Park.
- DAY 9:** Hikes in the Grey sector of the park, with spectacular views of Lake Grey and its cascading glacier.
- DAY 10:** Full day trek to Base Torres, in the shadow of the park's iconic spires.
- DAYS 11-12:** Drive across the Argentinian border to Calafate Airport and fly to Buenos Aires where the trip ends.



Epic treks

Want to return from your holiday having experienced something new, learned about the world and yourself, and achieved something remarkable? These iconic treks could be just what you're looking for.



Best for a weekend challenge

Toubkal Climb - Long Weekend

Peak altitude:	No. of days:
4,167m	5 (3 days walking)
Grading:	Total distance:
Challenging	26.5km

Feel the thrill of reaching the summit of North Africa's highest peak in just a long weekend. The terrain is rough, with scree fields and carpets of boulders, but you'll be rewarded with incredible vistas stretching as far south as the Sahara on a clear day.

Trip code: ATA



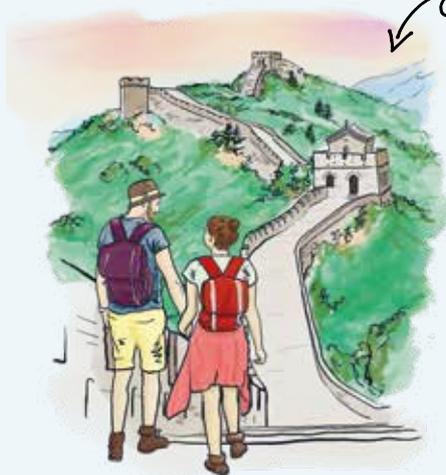
Best for Alpine scenery

Highlights of Mont Blanc

Peak altitude:	No. of days:
2,352m	8 (5 days walking)
Grading:	Total distance:
Moderate	56km

Taking full advantage of the area's extensive cable car system, head out on day walks at higher altitudes, surrounded by awe-inspiring Alpine scenery and including sections of the famous Tour du Mont Blanc trail, without having to make the full ascent (or descent!).

Trip code: MBH (see page 92)



Best for cultural exploration

Walk the Great Wall of China

Peak altitude:
550m
Grading:
Moderate

Winding its way along a staggering 5,000+ miles, the Great Wall needs little introduction. On this trip you'll walk (and scramble!) along some of the most spectacular sections of the wall, learning of historical dynasties and witnessing spectacular scenery as you go.

Trip code: WG



Best for archaeological wonders

Inca Trail Trek

Peak altitude: 4,200m
No. of days: 9 (5 days walking)
Grading: Moderate and Challenging
Total distance: 47.5km

Hike through dewy cloud forests, past Incan ruins, and enjoy views of snow-capped peaks before arriving at the famous Sun Gate. Feel your heart skip a beat as the lush green terraces and sacred Lost City are revealed for the first time.

Trip code: PQ (see page 95)



Best for the highest mountain in the world

Everest Base Camp

Peak altitude: 5,645m
No. of days: 22 (17 days walking)
Grading: Challenging and Tough
Total distance: 205km

This really is the ultimate trekking challenge. Walk through forested foothills and up the Khumbu Valley, cross bridges across glacial rivers, and pass through remote communities on this 17-day trek to the base of the highest mountain in the world – Mount Everest.

Trip code: WEB (see page 94)

Best for a bucket list challenge

Kilimanjaro – Rongai Trek

Peak altitude: 5,895m
No. of days: 9 (7 days walking)
Grading: Challenging and Tough
Total distance: 75km

An iconic trek to Africa’s highest peak. Pass through diverse climatic regions and enjoy scenic wild camping, all supported by porters and expert guides. A seven-day ascent gives you the greatest chance of success – watching the sun rise above the clouds below you is a sight you’ll never forget.

Trip code: KCR (see page 93)



For more information check online or contact your Travel Agent.

Highlights of Mont Blanc

TRIP CODE - MBH | FRANCE



BEST SELLER

Spectacular Alpine walking from an attractive chalet hotel in the Chamonix Valley. Making the most of the cable car network, enjoy day walks with awe-inspiring views including sections of the Tour du Mont Blanc long distance trail. The hike to Lac Blanc affords panoramic views of the entire Mont Blanc range.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Mont Blanc massif | Enjoy fabulous scenery of snowy peaks, glaciers and granite spires

Chamonix | Relax in one of the many open-air cafes and watch the street life

Free day options | Ascend the famous Aiguilles du Midi (3842m) or walk inside a glacier

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2940 NZ\$3050

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 5 | Dinner: 4

Centre-Based

112kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

Join our more challenging Tour du Mont Blanc Trek and hike 148 kilometres through France, Switzerland and Italy.

Trip code: MBT

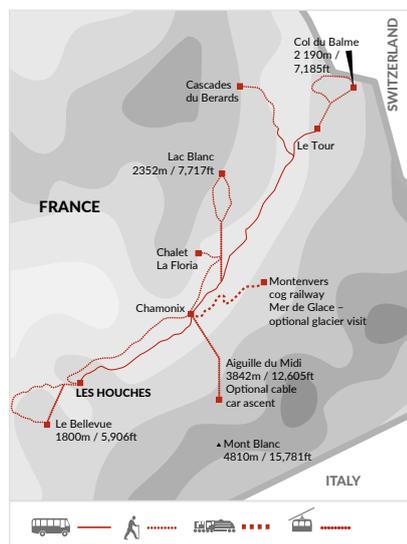
DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	12km	5km	3.5hr/2.5hrs
Day 3	13km		5hrs
Day 4	8km		5hrs
Day 5			
Day 6	8km		5hrs
Day 7	10km		6hrs

Optional Walks

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip at our comfortable chalet hotel at Les Houches in the Chamonix Valley.
- DAY 2:** Morning hike along the Petit Balcon Sud to Paradise du Praz. Optional walk to a pretty mountain cafe in afternoon.
- DAY 3:** Take the cable car to Le Bellevue for great Mont Blanc views before climbing the small peak of Le Prarion 1,969m.
- DAY 4:** Hike from Col du Montets to the pretty hamlet of Le Buet and then on the lovely Cascades de Berard falls.
- DAY 5:** A free day to ride the famous Aiguilles du Midi cable car to 3,842m or take the cog railway to the Montanvers glacier.
- DAY 6:** Take a cable car from Le Tour before trekking to the Aiguillettes des Possettes with magnificent views over to Switzerland.
- DAY 7:** Hike on part of the Tour du Mont Blanc route to Lac Blanc 2,352m for panoramic views of the whole Mont Blanc massif.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Les Houches.



Kilimanjaro – Rongai Trek

TRIP CODE - KCR | TANZANIA



NEW TRIP

Challenge yourself on this iconic trek to the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro (5,895m), the highest point in Africa. Following the remote and scenic Rongai route, walking through the mountain’s varied terrains with contrasting plant and animal life.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

7 day ascent | Maximise summit chances by climbing slowly and allowing more time for acclimatisation

Scenic camping | Enjoy wild camping in magnificent locations

Full moon | Planned dates to coincide with the full moon during the ascent



PRICES FROM

AU\$6010 NZ\$6240

per person, trip only (9 days)

AT A GLANCE

- WALKING GRADE:**
Challenging and Tough
- ACCOMMODATION:**
6 nights simple camping
2 nights comfortable lodge
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 8 | Lunch: 7 | Dinner: 8
- Point-to-Point**
- 319kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

Our alternative Kilimanjaro trek following the classic Lemosho route instead.

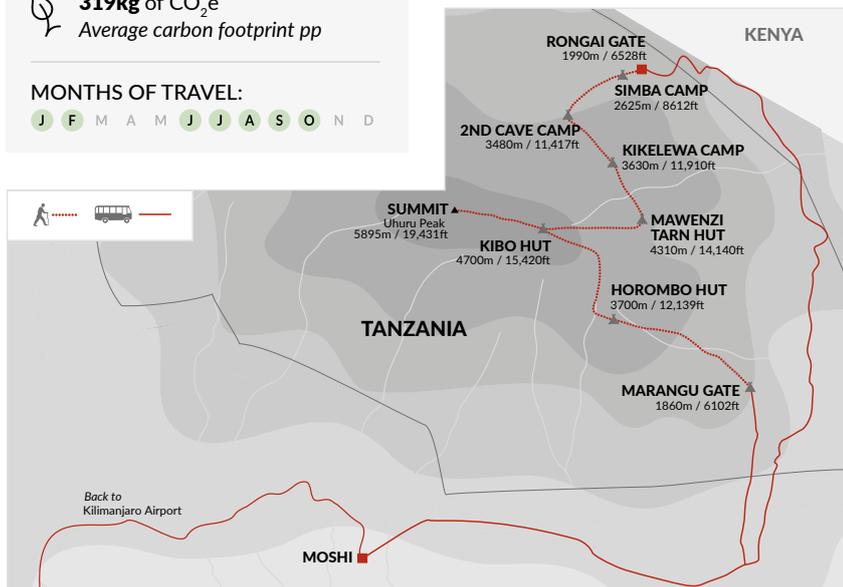
Trip code: KC

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	8km	5hrs
Day 3	5km	4hrs
Day 4	5km	4hrs
Day 5	8km	5hrs
Day 6	8km	6hrs
Day 7	22km	15hrs
Day 8	19km	7hrs

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Moshi, a country town with great views of Mount Kilimanjaro.
- DAY 2:** Ascend on a trail through beautiful rainforest from Nalemoru Gate (1,990m) to Simba Camp (2,625m).
- DAY 3:** Hike across wild heath to the camp at Second Cave Camp (3,480m) enjoying superb views of Kibo and the Eastern ice fields.
- DAY 4:** Trek below the ice fields of Kibo to our campsite at Kikelewa Camp (3,630m).
- DAY 5:** Short but steep ascent up grassy slopes to Mawenzi Tarn Hut Camp (4,300m).
- DAY 6:** Cross the lunar desert before reaching our camp at Kibo Hut (4,700m).
- DAY 7:** Trek to the summit of Uhuru Peak (5,895m) before the long descent to Horombo Hut (3,700m).
- DAY 8:** Return to Marangu Gate (1,860m) before driving back to Moshi.
- DAY 9:** There’s the chance to take an optional game drive in the morning before the trip ends in Moshi.



Everest Base Camp

TRIP CODE - WEB | NEPAL



NEW TRIP

An iconic 22-day trek to the base of the highest mountain in the world – Mount Everest.

Walk through forested foothills and up the Khumbu Valley, cross bridges across glacial rivers and pass through remote communities on this bucket-list trek.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Namche Bazaar | Visit the Tibetan market and explore the bustling home of the Sherpa community

Kala Patthar | Hike to the summit (5,645m) for fantastic views of Everest and surrounding 8,000m+ peaks

Teahouses | Enjoy the warm Nepali welcome and hearty food in these cosy mountain huts

PRICES FROM

AU\$5910 NZ\$6140

per person, trip only (22 days)

AT A GLANCE

- WALKING GRADE:**
Challenging and Tough
- ACCOMMODATION:**
18 nights simple tea house
3 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 21 | Lunch: 18 | Dinner: 18
- Point-to-Point**
- 670kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 3	14km	7hrs
Day 4	12km	6hrs
Day 5	11km	6hrs
Day 6	13km	7hrs
Day 7	10km	7hrs
Day 8	6km	4hrs
Day 9	11km	6hrs
Day 10	10km	7hrs
Day 11	8km	5hrs
Day 12	8km	6hrs
Day 13	12km	9hrs
Day 14	12km	7hrs
Day 15	19km	8hrs
Day 16	18km	8hrs
Day 17	15km	8hrs
Day 18	14km	7hrs
Day 19	12km	5hrs

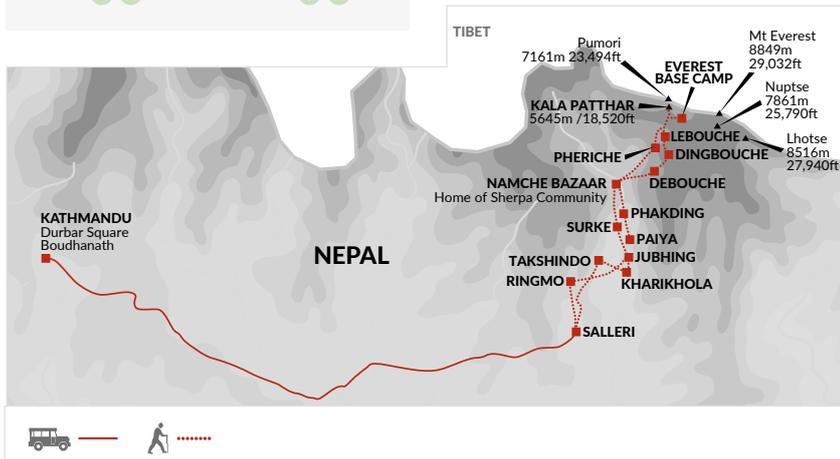
Optional Walks

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Kathmandu.
- DAY 2:** Take a 4WD into the foothills to the remote village of Salleri and the start point of the trek.
- DAYS 3-5:** Walk through rhododendron forests and peaceful woodlands on the gradual ascent.
- DAYS 6-8:** Enter Everest National Park and explore the bustling heart of the region, Namche Bazaar.
- DAYS 9-11:** Cross glacial rivers and rise above the treeline to Thangbouche monastery.
- DAYS 12-13:** Trek across the rocky Khumbu glacier and up to Everest Base Camp.
- DAY 14:** Hike to the summit of Kala Patthar (5,645m) for incredible views of Everest, Lhotse, Nuptse.
- DAYS 15-19:** Descend back down the Khumbu Valley to the small rural village of Jubhing.
- DAYS 20-21:** Take a 4WD back to Kathmandu and explore the city's squares and temples.
- DAY 22:** Trip ends in Kathmandu.

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

To book a sports massage during your trip through Lehera, a charity supported by the Explore Foundation, who are making a vital difference to rural communities in Nepal (see trip page for details). Learn more about Lehera and the work they do on p14.



Inca Trail Trek

TRIP CODE - PQ | PERU



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SELLER**

A legendary hike tracing the 500-year-old Inca Trail – a pilgrimage route laid to honour the mountains and one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. After acclimatising in Cusco, you'll spend four days weaving through the Andes Mountains to reach your reward – Machu Picchu.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Classic Inca Trail | Fully supported four-day trek camping away from the crowds

Machu Picchu | Get your first glimpse arriving at the Sun Gate on foot

Cusco | Wander the colourful markets and cobbled streets of the ancient Inca capital

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2270 NZ\$2350

per person, trip only (9 days)

AT A GLANCE

WALKING GRADE:
Moderate and Challenging

ACCOMMODATION:
4 nights comfortable hotel
3 nights simple camping
1 night premium hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 8 | Lunch: 4 | Dinner: 3

Point-to-Point

116kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?

Consider a longer trip to also explore the floating reeds of Lake Titicaca, travel through the Andes Mountains to Cusco, and hike up spectacular Rainbow Mountain.

Trip code: PM



DAILY DISTANCES

Day 4	6km	2.5hrs
Day 5	10km	6hrs
Day 6	15km	8hrs
Day 7	14km	6hrs
Day 8	1/1.5km	2/3hrs

Optional Walks



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Cusco, the ancient capital city of the Incas. Relax and acclimatise to the altitude.
- DAY 2:** Explore the fascinating city of Cusco on foot. Visit the fortress of Sacsayhuaman and colourful Mercado de Wanchaq.
- DAY 3:** Free day. Option to trek to Moray, stand up paddle board on Piuray Lagoon or take a brewery tour in the Sacred Valley.
- DAY 4:** Drive via Ollantaytambo in the Sacred Valley to the start of the Inca Trail. Walk to first campsite – Llaqtapata (2,700m), opposite Inca ruins.
- DAY 5:** Follow the Inca trail along the river to Wayllabamba, and Llulluchapampa (3,800m). Views to snowy peaks of the Veronica Mountain range.
- DAY 6:** Cross Dead Woman's Pass (4,200m). Walk through cloud forest and ruins to Phuyupatamarca (3,579m).
- DAY 7:** Visit the Winay-Wayna ruins. Arrive in the 'Lost City' of Machu Picchu through the Sun Gate (2,438m).
- DAY 8:** Guided tour of Machu Picchu. Opportunity to climb Wayna Picchu or Machu Picchu mountain. Return to Cusco by train and by bus.
- DAY 9:** Trip ends in Cusco.

Cycling





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What to expect from a Cycling trip

Taking to two wheels is the perfect way to immerse yourself in a new country and culture; whether you'd like a gentle exploration by bike on the flat, or prefer the challenge of hillier terrain, you'll find your senses filled with the sights, sounds and true colours of your destination.



Enjoy the ride

Here's all you need to know about a small group Cycling adventure...

The bikes

We provide good-quality hybrid touring bikes or mountain bikes, whichever is best-suited to the terrain. Check online to see the type of bikes used for your tour, and whether panniers are included. Your Tour Leader will be on-hand to resolve any mechanical issues. Just bring your own helmet (and pedals if you prefer clip-ins, or anything other than the classic flat pedals that will be provided).

Join the e-bike revolution

On most trips we also give the option of e-bikes, which are all kinds of brilliant for travelling companions of different abilities or for those who want a different kind of push on more challenging climbs (slip into Eco Mode and feel a gentle, consistent helping hand guide you along smoothly). They're well-worth the early request and small supplement.

The cyclists

There's a certain amount of self-selection on these trips as infrequent cyclists don't tend to book challenging rides and cyclists looking to push themselves don't book leisurely routes. Within that, our Cycling holidays have a real mix of people – solo travellers, couples, friends, men and women in equal measure; groups are typically around 11 people. Don't worry about whether they'll all be faster than you, or that you'll have to hang around waiting for them – wherever possible your Tour Leader will allow everyone to go at their own pace and re-gather along the route.

Blazing the trail: your Tour Leader

Our expert Tour Leaders are knowledgeable, experienced and they love cycling almost as much as they love the country and culture you're in. They're there to guide you along the route, to fix problems, recommend food stops and generally ease the smoothness of your ride.

The cycling trifecta: route, grade and terrain

We currently have four different grades of ride available from 'Leisurely' to 'Moderate and Challenging' and run trips in Europe, Asia, Africa, the Americas and the Middle East. As you can imagine, leisurely rides tend to be shorter, flatter and slower, and the more challenging the ride, the more hills and time-in-the-saddle you'll get. We deliberately aim for quieter roads and cycle paths where we can. Look online for more detail on daily distances, route and terrain for each trip.

Fit for the ride

How fit you'll need to be really depends on the trip you choose – but none of our cycling trips are a race! You'll regularly stop and regroup along the route with all-important rest (and re-fuelling) breaks planned in. On most trips a support vehicle will be nearby to provide back-up if needed. If you're in any doubt, choose a grade within your comfort zone and it's always advisable to do some training rides leading up to your trip.

Check out the individual Trip Notes on our website to find more detailed information about what to expect and to help you choose a trip that suits you.

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The incredible thing about a cycling holiday is the ever-changing sights, sounds and smells as you're travelling along.

Caitlin talking about her recent 'Cycle Vietnam' trip



Choosing your Cycling holiday



Our Cycling trips are all graded by difficulty, taking into consideration the daily distances covered, the terrain, ascents and descents and climate. The Trip Notes on our website contain detailed information about what to expect from each day of the trip, to help you choose a trip that suits your fitness and experience level.

Cycling grades



1
LEISURELY

Relatively short rides on flat or gently undulating terrain, our Leisurely grade is ideal if you want to explore, but at a relaxed pace. Approximately 2-4 hours in the saddle for each day of cycling.



2
LEISURELY AND
MODERATE

A mix of Leisurely and Moderate rides cycling through flat or gently undulating terrain with the occasional energetic ascent.



3
MODERATE

Perfect for cyclists used to undulating routes with occasional energetic climbs, and those who have a reasonable level of fitness. Approximately 4-6 hours in the saddle for each day of cycling.



4
MODERATE AND
CHALLENGING

Combining Moderate rides with Challenging ones, this grade is perfect for reasonably fit cyclists who want to challenge themselves.

Cycling trips

Here's a summary of all the Cycling trips we offer and where to find out more. We've included some of our favourites on the following pages, but you'll find our full programme on our website.

COUNTRIES	TRIP NAME	POINT-TO-POINT*	E-BIKE OPTION**	DAYS	TRIP CODE	PAGE
LEISURELY						
FRANCE	CYCLING IN FRANCE - THE MIDI	✓	✓	8	CCM	
INDIA	★ BEST SELLER CYCLE KERALA			13	CKB	114
ITALY	CYCLE DOLOMITES, LAKE GARDA AND VENICE		✓	8	CDV	106
LITHUANIA - LATVIA - ESTONIA	★ BEST SELLER CYCLING THE BALTIC STATES		✓	9	CBS	110
MEXICO	★ BEST SELLER CYCLE MEXICO - THE YUCATAN PENINSULA			9	CMX	
VIETNAM	CYCLE VIETNAM		✓	14	CVN	
VIETNAM - CAMBODIA	★ BEST SELLER CYCLE VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA		✓	13	CVE	
LEISURELY AND MODERATE						
COSTA RICA	CYCLE COSTA RICA			14	CCR	
CUBA	HIGHLIGHTS OF CUBA BY BICYCLE			8	CSC	
ITALY	CYCLE PUGLIA		✓	8	CIP	107
FRANCE	🚲 NEW CYCLING IN FRANCE - LOIRE VALLEY	✓	✓	8	CLV	102
PORTUGAL	★ BEST SELLER CYCLE PORTUGAL - PORTO TO LISBON		✓	8	CPL	104
MODERATE						
CROATIA	★ BEST SELLER CYCLE THE DALMATIAN COAST		✓	8	CCD	109
CUBA	CYCLE CUBA!			15	CCC	
FRANCE	★ BEST SELLER CYCLE PROVENCE	✓	✓	8	CVP	
FRANCE - SPAIN	CYCLE MARSEILLE TO BARCELONA		✓	8	CFS	103
GEORGIA	CYCLING IN GEORGIA		✓	9	CGE	112
JAPAN	CYCLE JAPAN	✓	✓	13	CJA	
JORDAN	CYCLE JORDAN		✓	9	CJP	
MOROCCO	CYCLE MOROCCO - ATLAS TO THE SAHARA		✓	8	CSO	113
PORTUGAL	CYCLE PORTUGAL - LISBON TO ALGARVE		✓	8	CAL	
ROMANIA	CYCLE ROMANIA		✓	9	CRT	111
SPAIN	CYCLE SOUTHERN SPAIN - MURCIA	✓	✓	7	CMU	105
SRI LANKA	CYCLE SRI LANKA			14	CSL	
THAILAND - CAMBODIA - VIETNAM	★ BEST SELLER BANGKOK TO SAIGON BY BIKE	✓		14	CTV	
TURKEY	CYCLE TURKEY			8	CTT	
VIETNAM	★ BEST SELLER CYCLE SAIGON TO HANOI		✓	14	CVIE	115
VIETNAM	🚲 NEW UPGRADED CYCLE VIETNAM		✓	14	DCV	
UNITED KINGDOM	CYCLE HADRIAN'S WALL - COAST TO COAST	✓	✓	5	CHW	
MODERATE AND CHALLENGING						
ALBANIA	CYCLE ALBANIA		✓	8	CAB	
NICARAGUA - COSTA RICA - PANAMA	CYCLE NICARAGUA TO THE PANAMA CANAL			14	CNCP	

*POINT-TO-POINT: On a point-to-point cycling holiday, your entire journey is made by pedal power so you won't be using any other methods of transportation.

**E-BIKE: If you're interested in using an electric bike on these trips, just enquire at the time of booking and we can let you know the cost and availability.



Cycling in France – Loire Valley

TRIP CODE - CLV | FRANCE



NEW TRIP

Embark on a week-long cycling jaunt through the heart of the Loire Valley, visiting charming chateaux that exude French elegance. Taste traditional wines and enjoy lunch on board an old wine transportation boat, on this classic cycle ride.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Chenonceau and Chambord | Marvel at gardens, Renaissance architecture, and grand châteaux

Vouvray & Bourgueil wine tastings | Savour exquisite local wines with guided tastings

Cycle the French countryside | Enjoy scenic rides through charming towns, ending in historic Blois

PRICES FROM

AU\$2850 NZ\$2960

per person, trip only (8 days)

WANT TO EXPERIENCE MORE?
 Add an extra week and cycle along France's historic Canal du Midi too. Explore medieval walled towns, Cathar Castles and picturesque landscapes.
Trip code: CCM

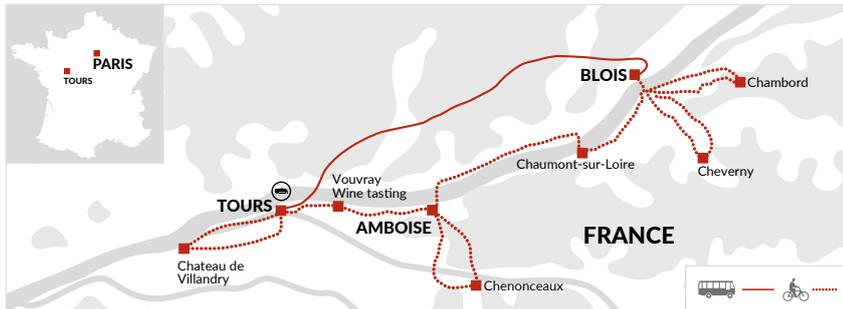
AT A GLANCE

- CYCLE GRADE:**
Leisurely and Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 2 | Dinner: 1
- Point-to-Point**
- BIKE:**
18 gear Trek Dual Sport hybrid
- E-Bike available**
- 92kg of CO₂e**
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:
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- ITINERARY**
- DAY 1:** Join the trip in Tours.
 - DAY 2:** Circular ride to Château de Villandry, visiting its Renaissance style gardens.
 - DAY 3:** Cycle to Amboise, stopping at the famous Vouvray AOC for a wine tasting.
 - DAY 4:** Visit Chenonceau by bike, one of the most iconic chateaux of the Loire.
 - DAY 5:** Leisurely ride to Blois city, rich in history and stunning architecture.
 - DAY 6:** Round trip cycle to Chambord, mainly on cycle tracks through the countryside.
 - DAY 7:** Circular ride to the 17th-century Château de Cheverny.
 - DAY 8:** Trip ends in St Pierre des Corps TGV station in Tours.



Cycle Marseilles to Barcelona

TRIP CODE - CFS | FRANCE, SPAIN



MODERATE



A cycle journey from Marseille to Barcelona through the wild beauty of the Camargue, medieval villages and along the Canal du Midi. Along the way enjoy vineyards, Greek and Roman ruins and the inviting beaches of Catalonia. We also travel by train and bus as we cycle the most interesting sections between the historic port cities.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Catalan Emporda | Cycle the rolling hills of this beautiful rural region

Camargue wetlands | Explore the regional park and natural reserve

Mediterranean culture | Contrast the French and Catalan (Spanish) Mediterranean

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2770 NZ\$2880

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

CYCLE GRADE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
6 nights comfortable hotel
1 night premium hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7

Point-to-Point

BIKE:
27 gear Stevens Galant hybrid/
Stevens Savoie hybrid

E-Bike available

143kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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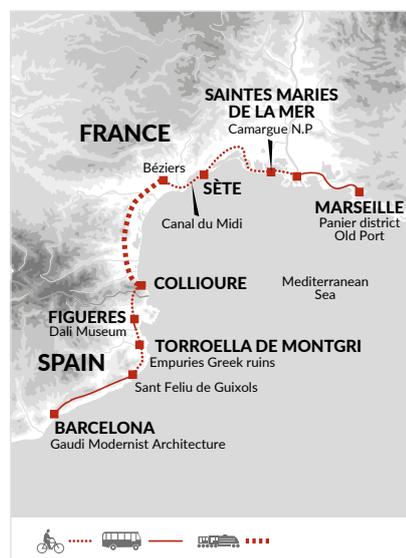
WHY NOT TRY?

A cycling trip through the heart of Provence. Visit hilltop villages and vineyards, discover the landscapes that inspired Vincent Van Gogh and explore the region's amazing Roman ruins.

Trip code: CVP

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2		31km
Day 3		75km
Day 4		51km
Day 5		50km
Day 6		58km
Day 7		50km



ITINERARY

DAY 1: Trip starts in Marseille.

DAY 2: Tour old Marseille on foot before transferring by bus and ferry to cycle the protected wetlands of the Camargue.

DAY 3: Explore the rivers, lagoons and canals of the Camargue nature reserve by bike; visit medieval Aigues Mortes.

DAY 4: Cycle a historically rich section of the Canal du Midi to Beziers; train to Collioure.

DAY 5: Ride inland over the Banyuls pass into Spain and on to Figueres, optional visit to the Dali museum.

DAY 6: Discover the Emporda region of Catalonia on two wheels; optional visit to Greek and Roman ruins in Empuries.

DAY 7: See the medieval villages of Peratallada and La Bisbal. Drive to Barcelona.

DAY 8: Trip ends in Barcelona.



Cycling Portugal – Porto to Lisbon

TRIP CODE - CPL | PORTUGAL



Discover the cultural highlights, sweeping beaches and natural beauty of central Portugal. Cycle up the Douro Valley, ride a bike path to university town Coimbra then take a train to picturesque Aveiro. Spend the next three days following the Atlantic Coast, trying the excellent local wines and catch of the day.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Coastal cycling | Discover the scenic Atlantic coastal route

Porto and Lisbon | Explore Portugal's two finest cities

Local cuisine | Taste great fresh fish and seafood

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2530 NZ\$2630

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

CYCLE GRADE:
Leisurely and Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
6 nights comfortable hotel
1 night premium hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7

BIKE:
27 gear Stevens Galant or Savoie hybrid

E-Bike available

147kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

Heading south instead cycling from Lisbon to the Algarve. Pedal through the wild, unspoilt landscapes of the Vicentine Coast Natural Park.

Trip code: CAL

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2		43km
Day 3		48km
Day 4		40km
Day 5		30km
Day 6		48km



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Trip starts in Porto; evening orientation walk.
- DAY 2:** Cycle from Porto to the seaside town of Furadouro.
- DAY 3:** Visit Ovar and cycle along the coastal trail to Aveiro – the Portuguese 'Venice'.
- DAY 4:** Cycle on coastal plains to Praia de Mira and transfer to Nazaré.
- DAY 5:** Coastal cycling from Nazaré to Foz do Arelho. Free afternoon to enjoy the beach.
- DAY 6:** Visit the lovely medieval town of Obidos. Cycle to the small fishing town of Peniche.
- DAY 7:** Drive to Lisbon. Orientation walk and free time to explore in the afternoon. Evening chance to see a Fado concert.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Lisbon.



Cycle Southern Spain – Murcia

TRIP CODE - CMU | SPAIN



Boasting 320 sunny days on average per year – ideal for a year-round escape – it's little wonder southern Spain's uncrowded Murcia region is nicknamed the 'Orchard of Europe.' Cycle through its fertile valleys, vineyards, whitewashed villages and gorge on fresh Spanish fare.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Peaceful cycling | Ride on scenic and quiet backroads and cycle paths

Whitewashed villages | Typical Spanish villages with Moorish roots

Tapas y Vino | Reward yourself and refuel on delicious Spanish food and wine

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$1650 NZ\$1710

per person, trip only (7 days)

AT A GLANCE

CYCLE GRADE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
6 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 6

Point-to-Point

BIKE:
24 gear Bergamont Horizon hybrid bike with front suspension

E-Bike available

117kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

Cycling through France as well as Spain on a one-week trip from Marseille to Barcelona.

Trip code: CFS

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 1		18km
Day 2		39km
Day 3		45km
Day 4		44km
Day 5		33/46km
Day 6		57km

Optional Rides



ITINERARY

DAY 1: Join trip in Murcia. Optional loop ride to Fuensanta Sanctuary.

DAY 2: Follow a 'via verde' cycle path to Caravaca de la Cruz, one of the Vatican's five holy cities.

DAY 3: A circular bike route from Caravaca past historic irrigation channels, elm groves and tiny villages.

DAY 4: Cycle on a 'via verde' cycle path to Calasparra via the 15th century fortress in Moratalla.

DAY 5: Ride along peaceful country roads, past almond and apricot orchards, to the lively town of Cieza.

DAY 6: Complete our circuit with a cycle through the deep and scenic Ricote Valley back into Murcia.

DAY 7: Trip ends in Murcia.



Cycle Dolomites, Lake Garda and Venice



TRIP CODE - CDV | ITALY



Cycle down the magnificent glacial valleys of the South Tyrol, past the jagged backdrop of the Dolomites to the beautiful setting of Lake Garda. Cross Lake Garda to explore the grand architecture of Verona, and take the chance to visit Venice by train. Along the way we sample the local wine and stay in charming and elegant alpine towns.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Easy cycling | Cycle predominantly traffic-free paths and country roads through the South Tyrol

Natural beauty | Ride with a backdrop of rugged mountain peaks, pristine lakes and gentle alpine meadows

Verona | Explore vibrant piazzas and a lively cultural scene

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3470 NZ\$3600

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- CYCLE GRADE:** Leisurely
- ACCOMMODATION:**
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7
- Point-to-Point**
- BIKE:**
21 gear custom-made hybrid
Giant/Begamont/Velodeville
- E-Bike available**
- 137kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M **J** J A S O N D



YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Cycling France's historic Canal du Midi. Explore medieval walled towns, Cathar Castles and local markets, refuelling on delicious French cuisine on route.

Trip code: CCM

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2		35km
Day 3		48/24km
Day 4		42km
Day 5		29km
Day 6		35km

Optional Rides

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join tour Venice Airport and drive to Merano.
- DAY 2:** Cycle from Merano to Bolzano along the Adige Valley cycle path through Alpine meadows.
- DAY 3:** Enjoy a longer ride from Bolzano to Trento via Lake Caldaro.
- DAY 4:** Ride from Trento to Torbole on beautiful Lake Garda.
- DAY 5:** Relaxing boat ride on Lake Garda then cycle to Verona.
- DAY 6:** Cycle to wine-producing Soave. Return by train to Verona with time to explore the city.
- DAY 7:** Free day to enjoy Verona or take the train to Venice.
- DAY 8:** Drive to Venice Marco Polo airport where the trip ends.



Cycle Puglia

TRIP CODE - CIP | ITALY



Take to two wheels for this tour through sun-drenched Puglia, which produces 40% of Italy's olive oil and is famed for its food. Try Italian cheeses at a local caseificio, indulge in a wine tasting and stroll around Locorotondo - one of Italy's most beautiful towns.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Alberobello | Whitewashed town with fairytale-like 'trulli' dwellings

Matera | Ancient city 'sassi' cave dwellings, one of Europe's oldest settlements

Monopoli | Bustling historic fishing town on the Adriatic coast

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3120 NZ\$3240

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

CYCLE GRADE:
Leisurely and Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
7 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 7 | Lunch: 1

BIKE:
27 gear Velo de Ville L200 hybrid bike

E-Bike available

149kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

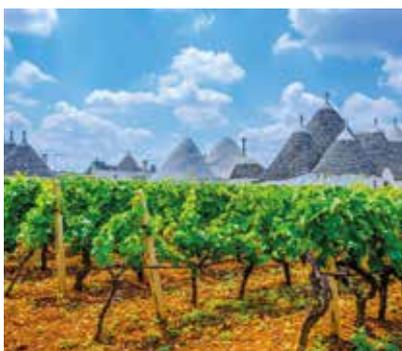
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Our Leisurely-graded cycling trip through the glacial valleys of the South Tyrol, past the jagged backdrop of the Dolomites to beautiful Lake Garda.

Trip code: CDV



DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	30km
Day 3	40km
Day 4	35km
Day 5	44km
Day 6	35km
Day 7	45km

Optional Rides



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Altamura.
- DAY 2:** Ride across wide open vistas under blue skies to the unique troglodyte settlement of Matera.
- DAY 3:** Discover wonderful Matera. Optional ride to San Giuliano Lake.
- DAY 4:** Enjoy a cheese-making demonstration and tasting before cycling past olive groves to the distinctive dry stone conical trulli buildings of Alberobello.
- DAY 5:** A circular ride that explores the beautiful towns of Locorotondo and Cisternino. Enjoy a local wine tasting.
- DAY 6:** Cycle past ochre fields to Monopoli, a charming white washed town on the Adriatic coast.
- DAY 7:** A coastal ride past inviting clear waters to the Bronze Age site of Egnazia.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Monopoli.



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Fantastic bike and boat rides with stunning scenery. Tour leader and team (David Jovanovic, Zoran Stojanovic and Predrag Dragosavac) were knowledgeable and kind. Have been on numerous Explore trips... highly recommend!!

★★★★★ | feefo^{co} | Laura, May 2024



Cycle the Dalmatian Coast

TRIP CODE - CCD | CROATIA



BEST SELLER

Mixing bike, bus and boat you'll wend southwards from Split to Dubrovnik, exploring the port town of Hvar and the Venetian marbled streets of Korcula, with time for cooling swims and a tasting of Grk white wine. You'll explore Dalmatia's finest treasures on this cycling holiday.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Dubrovnik and Split | Spend time in the historic hearts of the region's oldest cities

Hvar Island | Cycle through the beautiful countryside of one of Croatia's scenic gems

Korcula Island | Explore the villages and vineyards of this historic island

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2690 NZ\$2790

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- CYCLE GRADE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
5 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights simple hotel
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7
- BIKE:**
Polar Shadow or Scott Metrix hybrid bike
- E-Bike available
- 199kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

Discovering the highlights of Albania while cycling through stunning scenery along peaceful, almost traffic-free roads.

Trip code: CAB

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	32km
Day 3	32km
Day 4	31km
Day 5	62km
Day 6	30km
Day 7	35km

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in the coastal town of Kastel Kambelovac.
- DAY 2:** Morning sightseeing in Split. Ferry to Hvar Island and explore by bike.
- DAY 3:** Cycle the old streets and abandoned villages on the beautiful island of Hvar.
- DAY 4:** Ferry to Korcula. Ride around the red terracotta roofed villages and limestone streets.
- DAY 5:** Full day's cycling on Korcula. Experience the rural elegance of the island.
- DAY 6:** Morning ferry to Orebić. Cycle to Zuljana, then drive to Dubrovnik
- DAY 7:** Morning cycle through the Konavle Valley dotted with cypress trees and olive groves. Free afternoon in Dubrovnik.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends Dubrovnik.



Cycling the Baltic States

TRIP CODE - CBS | LITHUANIA, LATVIA, ESTONIA



BEST SELLER

Eastern European sisters Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia offer peaceful and beautiful

landscapes to pedal through, as well as fascinating cities to explore. This tour's looping trails take you across Jurmala's white sand beach, through a bird migration hotspot and past feudal castles.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Three Baltic capitals | Explore the enchanting cities of Vilnius, Riga and Tallinn

Coastal scenery | Discover Lahemaa and Curonian Spit National Parks

Trakai Castle | Cycle around the historical national park and peaceful Trakai Peninsula

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2770 NZ\$2870

per person, trip only (9 days)

AT A GLANCE

CYCLE GRADE: Leisurely

ACCOMMODATION:
8 nights comfortable hotel
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 8

BIKE:
21 gear Kross Trans 4 hybrid bike with front suspension

E-Bike available

330kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

Exploring the rugged beauty of the Baltics on foot instead. Visit Tallinn, Riga, and Vilnius, explore national parks, and even try your hand at bog walking.

Trip code: ELL

DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	13km
Day 3	39km
Day 4	36/22km
Day 5	37km
Day 6	12/25km
Day 7	41km
Day 8	37km

Optional Rides



ITINERARY

DAY 1: Join trip in Vilnius, capital of Lithuania.

DAY 2: Cycle around the lake to explore Trakai's historic island castle.

DAY 3: Cycle through fishing villages to the Curonian Lagoon and on to the Baltic port of Klaipeda.

DAY 4: Explore the peaceful and beautiful Curonian Spit National Park on cycle paths and forest trails.

DAY 5: Cycle through the Giruliai forest to Palanga Botanical Park and the Amber Museum.

DAY 6: Cycle on Jurmala's white sand beach and explore the charming old town of Riga, the capital of Latvia.

DAY 7: Discover the beauty of Lahemaa National Park by bike.

DAY 8: Final ride in Lahemaa. Explore Tallinn, the picturesque capital of Estonia.

DAY 9: Trip ends in Tallinn.



Cycle Romania

TRIP CODE - CRT | ROMANIA



Cycle through the heart of the Transylvanian Alps and step back in time exploring beautiful unspoilt countryside, medieval towns, imposing castles and warm hospitality. Uncover a fascinating mix of cultural influences along the way, from the Saxons to the Tatars and Ottomans.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Bran and Peles | Marvel at these atmospheric medieval and neo-renaissance castles

Sibiu and Sighisoara | Discover a fortified city and a beautiful UNESCO-listed medieval town

Bucharest | Explore the contrasting architectures of Romania's capital

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2590 NZ\$2690

per person, trip only (9 days)

AT A GLANCE

CYCLE GRADE:
Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
6 nights comfortable hotel
1 night comfortable guesthouse
1 night simple guesthouse
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 8 | Lunch: 4

BIKE:
24 gear Kross Trans hybrid bike
with front suspension

E-Bike available

283kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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DAILY DISTANCES

Day 3		55km
Day 4		53km
Day 5		55km
Day 6		38km
Day 7		37km



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in the Romanian capital Bucharest.
- DAY 2:** Discover Bucharest on a city tour. Drive to the Transylvanian Alps and visit "Dracula's castle" at Bran.
- DAY 3:** Cycle to Bucium through a beautiful forested valley on the edge of Piatra Craiului National Park.
- DAY 4:** Enjoy Carpathian views on a ride via the Orthodox monastery at Sambata to Albota.
- DAY 5:** Cycle through peaceful villages in the Olt river valley to Talmaciu. Explore Sibiu, a historic walled city where we spend the night.
- DAY 6:** Bike through the villages of Carta where time has stood still, visiting a ruined Cistercian abbey.
- DAY 7:** Cycle to UNESCO-listed fortified city of Sighisoara with time to explore its historic sights.
- DAY 8:** Journey to Bucharest visiting the spectacular Peles Castle in Sinaia.
- DAY 9:** Trip ends in Bucharest.



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Loved our cycle trip to Romania.
A fascinating itinerary, decent
bikes and superb leader.

Jennifer, June 2024

Cycle Morocco – Atlas to the Sahara



TRIP CODE - CSO | MOROCCO



Journey through the heart of Morocco by bike. Pedal through the remote Hamada Desert and take on the exhilarating High Atlas descent. Discover cool oases, traditional villages and spectacular kasbahs in the Draa Valley, before uncovering the hidden gems of Marrakech.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Overnight Sahara camp | Ride camels through Saharan sand dunes

Thrilling descent | Descend from the stunning High Atlas mountain pass of Tizi N'Fedrhat

Marrakech | Discover the atmospheric medina and lively Djemma el-Fna Square

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$2030 NZ\$2110

per person, trip only (8 days)

AT A GLANCE

- CYCLE GRADE:** Moderate
- ACCOMMODATION:**
6 nights comfortable hotel
1 night comfortable camping
Optional single rooms available
- MEALS:**
Breakfast: 7 | Dinner: 1
- BIKE:**
27 gear Cannondale Off Road or Trail mountain bike with front suspension (or similar)
- E-Bike available
- 385kg** of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

A Leisurely-graded walking trip from the majestic foothills of the High Atlas to the windswept beauty of the Atlantic Coast.

Trip code: MAA



DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	38km
Day 3	42km
Day 4	37km
Day 5	54km
Day 6	43km
Day 7	34km

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Marrakech. Take in the sunset from the lively Djemma el-Fna Square.
- DAY 2:** Drive into the High Atlas. Cycle down to spectacular fortified city of Ait Ben Haddou.
- DAY 3:** Cycle in the Draa Valley. Drive to Nkob.
- DAY 4:** Cycle the foothills of Jebel Sahro. Camel trek to Sahara camp.
- DAY 5:** Enjoy the sunrise in the sand dunes then pedal to Erfoud.
- DAY 6:** Bike through local villages en route to El Kalaat M'Gouna.
- DAY 7:** Ride down through the Atlas Mountains and return to Marrakech.
- DAY 8:** Trip ends in Marrakech.



Cycling in Georgia

TRIP CODE - CGE | GEORGIA


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Cycle through the beautiful landscapes of the Caucasus, a history-steeped area that straddles two continents. Travelling by bike and bus, explore ancient Silk Road cave towns and castles. Visit local farms and vineyards in the Kakheti wine region, trying local delicacies along the way.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Vardzia | Explore this dramatic medieval cave city, hewn into the rockface

Tbilisi | Discover the picturesque Old Town of Georgia's capital

Georgian cuisine | See ancient wine-making practices and lunch on khinkali dumplings

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}



PRICES FROM

AU\$3410 NZ\$3540

per person, trip only (9 days)

AT A GLANCE

CYCLE GRADE: **Moderate**

ACCOMMODATION:
5 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights comfortable guesthouse
1 night simple guesthouse
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 8 | Lunch: 6 | Dinner: 3

BIKE:
21 gear Ghost mountain bike

E-Bike available

394kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D

WHY NOT TRY?

A slightly more challenging ride through the mountains and along the turquoise coast of Albania.

Trip code: CAB

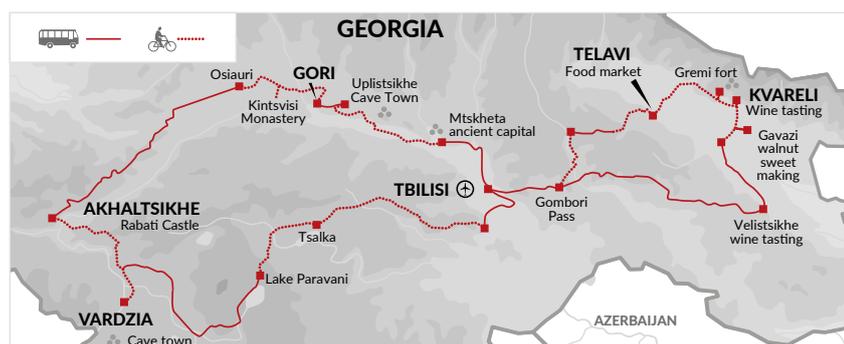


DAILY DISTANCES

Day 3	61km
Day 4	65km
Day 5	49km
Day 6	74km
Day 7	39km
Day 8	45km

ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Tbilisi.
- DAY 2:** Explore Old Tbilisi on foot. Afternoon cable car ride to Narika Fort and the sulphur baths.
- DAY 3:** Visit the ancient capital Mtskheta. Cycle to the great Silk Road cave town of Uplistsikhe.
- DAY 4:** Cycle from Gori along the Mtkvari and Dzama Valleys to Kintsvisi Monastery overlooking beautiful forested countryside.
- DAY 5:** Stunning ride from Akhaltsikhe via Khertvisi fortress to the ancient cave town of Vardzia which is cut into the side of the mountain.
- DAY 6:** Pedal past Lake Paravani and across Georgian 'Siberia'. Continue by bus back to Tbilisi.
- DAY 7:** A nice challenging cycle up over Gombori Pass, then a great descent into the Kakheti wine region. Learn about the Qvevri technique and try some Georgian grappa, Chacha.
- DAYS 8-9:** Cycle from Telavi to Kvareli biodynamic wine tasting. Return to Tbilisi where trip ends.



Cycle Kerala

TRIP CODE - CKB | INDIA



BEST SELLER

A leisurely cycle tour through this southwest Indian state's palm-lined beaches, backwaters and the Western Ghats mountain range. Experience warm hospitality in a plantation homestay, spot wildlife in Periyar's lush forests and take a traditional wooden-canoe trip at sunset.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Varied cycling | Pedal along beautiful coastlines, through plantations and tropical forests

Kochi | Explore this fascinating colonial coastal town

Kovalam | Relax on the stunning beaches of the Malabar Coast

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{co}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3670 NZ\$3810

per person, trip only (13 days)

AT A GLANCE

CYCLE GRADE: Leisurely

ACCOMMODATION:
10 nights comfortable hotel
2 nights simple homestay
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 12 | Lunch: 3 | Dinner: 2

BIKE:
21 or 24 gear Trek or Merida mountain bike with lockable front suspension

322kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

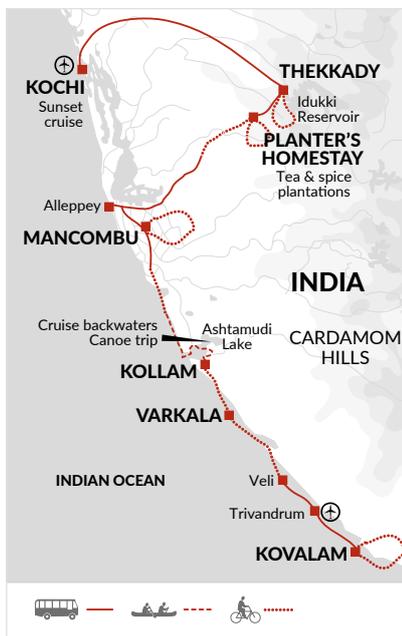
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

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DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2		10/32km
Day 3		37km
Day 4		36km
Day 5		39km
Day 6		35km
Day 7		33km
Day 8		9/32km
Day 9		36km
Day 10		0km
Day 11		30km
Day 12		10km

Optional Rides



ITINERARY

- DAY 1:** Join trip in Kovalam.
- DAY 2:** Morning cycle ride. Afternoon free to relax on the Malabar Coast.
- DAY 3:** Drive to Veli Lagoon. Visit Anjengo Fort and cycle to Varkala.
- DAY 4:** Cycle through traditional Keralan villages to Kollam.
- DAY 5:** Boat trip along backwaters. Cycle to Mancombu.
- DAY 6:** Full day cycling through backwater villages. Afternoon canoe trip.
- DAY 7:** Drive and cycle to Vagamon. Stay at Planter's Homestay.
- DAY 8:** Free to explore Vagamon on foot. Optional cycle rides available.
- DAY 9:** Drive and cycle to Thekkady. Visit plantations and a tea factory.
- DAY 10:** Walk Periyar National Park forest in search of wildlife. Explore the spice gardens of Thekkady.
- DAY 11:** Drive to Kuttikkanam. Cycle to Malayattoor. Drive to Kochi.
- DAY 12:** Tour of Kochi by bike. Evening boat cruise.
- DAY 13:** Trip ends in Kochi.

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE...

To go on another Leisurely cycling adventure combining both Vietnam and Cambodia.

Trip code: CVE

Cycle Saigon to Hanoi

TRIP CODE - CVIE | VIETNAM



BEST SELLER

On this adventurous and active trip we experience Vietnam on two wheels. Along the way we discover Saigon, Hoi An, Hué, Hanoi and the majestic beauty of Halong Bay on an overnight cruise. What better way to fuel your ride than with the delicious Vietnamese cuisine.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Central Highlands | Explore the hill country and cycle over Hon Giao Pass

Saigon | Cycle out to the Cu Chi Tunnels and explore the Mekong Delta

Hoi An | Visit the beautiful World Heritage town

PRODUCT RATING: ★★★★★ | feefo^{es}

PRICES FROM

AU\$3660 NZ\$3810

per person, trip only (14 days)

AT A GLANCE

CYCLE GRADE: Moderate

ACCOMMODATION:
8 nights comfortable hotel
3 nights premium hotel
1 night comfortable junk boat
1 night simple overnight train
Optional single rooms available

MEALS:
Breakfast: 13 | Lunch: 2 | Dinner: 1

BIKE:
24 gear Giant or ATX mountain bike with front suspension

E-Bike available

681kg of CO₂e
Average carbon footprint pp

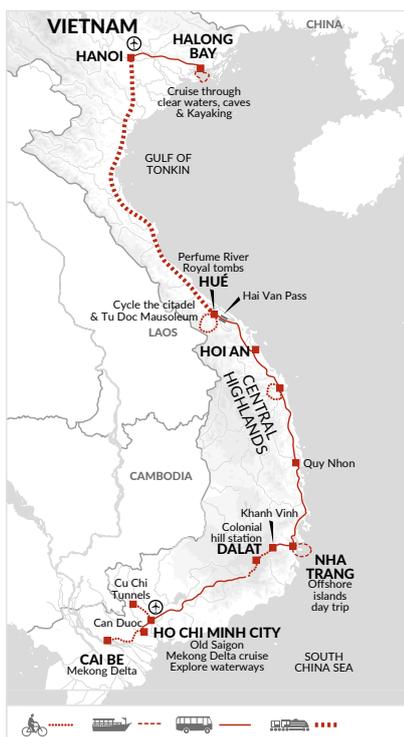
MONTHS OF TRAVEL:

J F M A M J J A S O N D



DAILY DISTANCES

Day 2	50km
Day 3	51km
Day 4	30km
Day 5	80km
Day 6	0km
Day 7	60km
Day 8	59km
Day 9	0km
Day 10	80km
Day 11	20km



ITINERARY

DAY 1: Join trip in Ho Chi Minh City with an afternoon orientation tour of Old Saigon.

DAY 2: Cycle to Cu Chi Tunnels. Late afternoon free to explore Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 3: Drive to Mekong Delta. Cycle the backroads to Cai Be.

DAY 4: Explore Vietnam's Central Highlands. Stay in the old French city of Dalat.

DAYS 5-6: Cycle over Hon Giao Pass to Nha Trang. Rest day from the bikes. To relax, take a boat trip to tropical islands.

DAY 7: Cycle and drive from Nha Trang to Quy Nhon.

DAY 8: Pedal over the Thi Nai sea bridge. Drive to historic Hoi An.

DAY 9: Morning walking tour of Hoi An's traditional wooden houses and Chinese temples. Free afternoon.

DAY 10: Cycle and drive to Hué via the Hai Van Pass. Cycle around Hué then overnight train to Hanoi.

DAY 11: Cycle around Hué then overnight train to Hanoi.

DAY 12: Arrive in Hanoi. Drive to Halong Bay for overnight cruise amid stunning karst scenery.

DAY 13: Morning cruise of the bay. Drive to Hanoi for a tour of the city.

DAY 14: Trip ends in Hanoi.

Once-in-a-lifetime Family trips



Whether you're planning your first active family holiday or are looking for a super special adventure before your teens head off for new pastures, our Family trips are packed with unforgettable experiences.

Here's what you can expect from an Explore family adventure...



Ages & stages

Our family groups are as varied as the kids who join us; we very often have tweens and teens, with 11-16 being most common. We do also happily welcome 7-10-year-olds and can let you know the general ages of other children on a specific holiday you're interested in. We'd always encourage you to consider your child's maturity, adaptability and ability to enjoy the trip before you book.

Expert Tour Leaders

Our Tour Leaders are brilliant at what they do, and are lovely people to boot. They're very experienced and are super-passionate about the country and culture. They know their way around, can handle the unexpected and will work hard all the way through the trip to make sure you and yours have the smoothest and most unforgettable of holidays.

Feel immersed



It's a holiday first and foremost, of course, but these holidays can be classed under 'horizon widening'. Want them to learn about climate change? Take them to a rainforest. Want to bring history to life? Walk among temples built thousands of years ago. There is nothing quite like the deep, immersive nature of a small-group adventure to open their eyes to the wider world.

WOW!

This could be a word you hear a lot. How else does someone with limited experience of the wider world respond to snorkelling in secluded coves, wandering through Roman ruins, canyoning down a gorge, eating with locals, searching for crocs, bustling through souks, staying on raft houses or ziplining through rainforests...? Maybe yours will use a different word, but it'll mean the same thing – WOW!

Pace your people

Our 'Relaxed' holidays have some chilled mornings and dedicated pool days; 'Moderate' trips have a little less downtime and 'Full-On' trips have some early starts and longer days... you choose what works for your family. We mix where you stay, from family-friendly hotels to tree tents and from homestays to houseboats, and can usually configure things so you're all together (or not, if you'd prefer!).

EUROPE	TRIP NAME	MIN. AGE*	FIND OUT MORE
ALBANIA	★ BEST SELLER ALBANIA ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FAB or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FAB
CROATIA	DUBROVNIK AND CROATIAN ISLANDS ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FDI or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FDI
GREECE	GREEK COAST CAIQUE CRUISE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FGC or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FGC
ITALY	SICILY MULTI-ACTIVITY ADVENTURE	11	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FSI or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FGC
MADEIRA	🚩 NEW MADEIRA FAMILY ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FMD or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FMD
MONTENEGRO	🚩 NEW MONTENEGRO FAMILY ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FMON or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FMON
PORTUGAL	ACTIVE PORTUGAL	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FPR or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FPR
SPAIN	★ BEST SELLER PYRENEES MULTI-ACTIVITY ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FPY or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FPY
TURKEY	★ BEST SELLER TURKEY COASTAL ACTIVE ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FLL or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FLL
MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA	TRIP NAME	MIN. AGE*	FIND OUT MORE
EGYPT	EGYPTIAN SPHINX, PYRAMIDS AND NILE RIVER	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FNF or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FNF
JORDAN	JORDAN, PETRA AND DESERT ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FJD or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FJD
MOROCCO	★ BEST SELLER ATLAS MOUNTAIN AND SAHARA ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FAT or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FAT
MOROCCO	MARRAKECH, ATLAS & ESSAOUIRA ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FMA or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FMA
SOUTH AFRICA - ESWATINI	★ BEST SELLER SOUTH AFRICA SAFARI AND BEACH ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FZK or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FZK
SOUTH AFRICA	SOUTH AFRICA'S GARDEN ROUTE AND SAFARI	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FCP or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FCP
ZIMBABWE - NAMIBIA - BOTSWANA	★ BEST SELLER BOTSWANA AND ZIMBABWE SAFARI ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FOA or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FOA
ASIA	TRIP NAME	MIN. AGE*	FIND OUT MORE
INDIA	★ BEST SELLER INDIA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FMG or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FMG
SRI LANKA	HIGHLIGHTS OF SRI LANKA	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FSS or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FSS
SRI LANKA - MALDIVES	SRI LANKA AND MALDIVES ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FSL or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FSL
THAILAND	★ BEST SELLER THAILAND ACTIVE JUNGLE AND BEACH ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FOT or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FOT
THAILAND	THAILAND BEACH, JUNGLE AND WILDLIFE ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FTT or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FTT
VIETNAM	VIETNAM IN DEPTH	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FVN or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FVN
VIETNAM	★ BEST SELLER DISCOVER VIETNAM	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FQVN or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FQVN
VIETNAM - CAMBODIA - THAILAND	VIETNAM, CAMBODIA AND THAILAND JOURNEY	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FQBK or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FQBK
THE AMERICAS	TRIP NAME	MIN. AGE*	FIND OUT MORE
BELIZE	BELIZE WILDLIFE ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FBZ or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FBZ
CANADA	CANADIAN ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FCN or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FCN
COSTA RICA	★ BEST SELLER COSTA RICA RAINFOREST AND WILDLIFE ADVENTURE	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FCC or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FCC
COSTA RICA	COSTA RICA HIGHLIGHTS	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FCB or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FCB
CUBA	CUBA DISCOVERY	7	EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.COM.AU/FCLT or EXPLOREWORLDWIDE.CO.NZ/FCLT

Turn over for some fun-filled family adventure inspiration and ideas

8 Family holidays you'll love

With so many wonderful destinations to be discovered and so many exhilarating adventures to be had, we just couldn't quite squeeze them into this brochure. While we feature a few of our favourites here, you'll find our full programme online.



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I'm not sure I quite appreciated it at the time, but when I look back at my photos and see myself outside the Taj Mahal, I think 'wow, not everyone gets to say they saw the Taj for real.' It's crazy really!

Ivor, age 14, on his Family Golden Triangle Adventure.



Scan the QR code to read all about Ivor's trip



Costa Rica Rainforest and Wildlife Adventure

Colour me magic... zipline through the tree canopy, cruise jungle waterways, try and talk to monkeys, sloths and a host of colourful birds, see a volcano crater and enjoy golden beaches... a sensory overload of the very best kind!

Trip code: FCC

Marrakech, Atlas & Essaouira Adventure

Get ready for an action-packed week... bustle through spice-scented souks in Marrakech, soak up the scenery and have lunch with a local Berber family in the foothills of the Atlas mountains, learn to rustle up a traditional tagine, and take a sunset camel ride along the beach in Essaouira. This is one they'll remember for life.

Trip code: FMA



Albania Adventure

Our week-long Albania trip offers active adventures by the bucket-load. Get back to nature and try whitewater rafting along one of Europe's last wild rivers, hike canyon trails, and take a dip in natural thermal pools. Explore cities, fortresses and caves, and spend an afternoon navigating suspension bridges, and zip lines at an adventure park.

Trip code: FAB

Botswana and Zimbabwe Safari Adventure

Journey through one of the last untouched wildernesses in Africa on a safari adventure in Botswana and Zimbabwe. Hear the deafening roar of Victoria Falls, spot elephants bathing in the Chobe River, meander along the waterways of the Okavango Panhandle aboard a private houseboat, and sleep under canvas surrounded by spectacular wildlife in Moremi Game Reserve.

Trip code: FOA



Discover Vietnam

Experience an action-packed introduction to Vietnam as we travel along the coast from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City. Kayak around the island cliffs of Halong Bay, take part in a martial art lesson, travel on the reunification express train to Hue and cook a Vietnamese meal staying in a delightful traditional homestay in the Mekong delta.

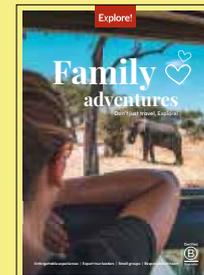
Trip code: FQVN



South Africa Safari and Beach Adventure

Take a walk on the wild side on a South African safari adventure. With the help of expert rangers, you'll search for lions, elephants, rhinos, hippos, leopards, cheetah, giraffes, zebras... and many more, as well as a whole host of birdlife. End your trip with chill-time on spectacular sandy beaches.

Trip code: FZK



To find out more visit our website or download a Family Adventures brochure at eexploreworldwide.com.au/brochures or exploreworldwide.co.nz/brochures



Essential information about our Classic Discovery, Walking, Cycling and Family Tours

Please carefully read through the following information about booking an Explore trip.

When you book (whether by phone, travel agent or online), you will be asked to confirm that you have read and understood these pages, as well as our Trip Notes and Booking Conditions (www.exploreworldwide.com.au/booking-conditions or www.exploreworldwide.co.nz/booking-conditions).

Guaranteed departures

Almost all our trips are guaranteed although certain trips are excluded because they require a minimum number of customers to run. We guarantee that the advertised itinerary will not be cancelled or significantly changed once the first booking is confirmed unless we are forced to do so by a "force majeure" (as defined in our Booking Conditions). There is no minimum group size, but we appreciate that the group experience is important to many of our customers and therefore, in some cases where there is an opportunity to suggest an alternative departure date which affords you a wider group experience, we will offer this as a no obligation alternative. This guarantee does not apply to international or UK domestic flights, which may be subject to change or cancellation in accordance with our Booking Conditions.

Itineraries

From time to time, some elements of our trips may change from those that have been published. This could be the result of inclement weather, a change in the local political situation or in flight or train schedules or other circumstances beyond our control. We will keep you as well informed as possible about these changes. Significant changes to your holiday will be notified as soon as we feasibly can. Minor amendments to your trip will be detailed on your final trip documentation, although our website will be regularly updated should you wish to check the information at any time. You will be provided with a provisional list of your accommodation shortly after booking. Whilst we expect to stay at the accommodation stated, please note that this is subject to change to an equivalent or higher standard at any time.

Group size

Whilst every group make up is different, the average group size on our adult tours is 11 people plus an Explore Tour Leader. The maximum group size differs across our tours depending on the nature of the trip, the transport, accommodation used and activities included, but will never be greater than 16 on our adults tours and is rarely smaller than 5. Our family tours usually have a group size of between 14-20 people, or 3-5 families, but on occasion may be smaller.

Eligibility for Family adventures

For our purposes, a family is defined as having a minimum of two people, with at least one adult over the age of 18 and one person 18 years or younger.

Age limits

The minimum age on most group trips featured in this brochure is 16. Because of the active nature of our Family Adventures, we provide guidelines regarding the minimum age that we feel is most suitable for each Family trip. This starts at 7 years of age, at the time of travel depending, on the level of activity involved and overall suitability. On certain trips there may be some flexibility to accept children from the age of 5. Please speak to our Sales team for details. Trips to certain destinations have a higher age limit. Please refer to individual Trip Notes and our website for further information where applicable. A parent or guardian must book for and accompany anyone under the age of 18.

Fitness and stamina are more important than age and we often find that some of our older travellers are the fittest in the group. Whilst we do not have a maximum age, we do recognise that at some point during our customers' journey with us they will reach an age where we will have to review the fitness and ability to participate in the trips they've chosen to book. Should you be 80 years old or older at the time of travel, we will discuss the itinerary with you before booking you on the trip and may ask you additional questions about your health and fitness.

Fitness and trip participation

All our trips require some level of active participation. It is in the interests of all members of the group that everyone should be capable of fully participating in the activities of their chosen trip. With this in mind, please be aware that (as detailed in our Booking Conditions) if it is felt that any customer is not able to participate in a trip without endangering the health or safety of themselves or any other person (including other group members), or that the presence of the customer on the trip means we will be unable to provide the trip, in whole or part, to other members of the group as advertised and contracted, the Explore Tour Leader has the right to require them to leave the trip at any stage. To ensure that this is never necessary, please make sure that you have fully understood the level of fitness and ability required to complete the trip on which you are booking. It is your responsibility to let us know if you have any concerns related to this subject. If you have any medical condition or disabilities which may affect your trip arrangements in any way, you must provide us with full details at the time of booking. In certain circumstances, usually on more strenuous trips, we may require you to provide proof of medical fitness before travelling.

On some of our trips, there will be water-based activities, boat excursions or swimming opportunities. For your own personal safety and enjoyment, an ability to swim is therefore strongly recommended.

Several trips reach elevations of 2,500 metres or more. We allow time for acclimatisation and usually the body acclimatises well to spending extended periods of time above this altitude. It is difficult to predict who is at risk from altitude sickness but if you have a heart or respiratory problem we advise you not to risk extended travel or trekking at high altitudes.

Trip prices

The prices shown in this brochure are for guidance only. Prices represent the basic per person cost of the trip at the time of publication of this brochure. The price at the time of booking may be different. The latest guide prices for each trip departure can be found on our website.

NO SURCHARGE PRICE GUARANTEE

Once we have confirmed your booking we guarantee the price of your confirmed services won't change: we will not pass on surcharges of any kind. Unlike most other tour operators we will not pass on unexpected additional costs like fuel surcharges and tax increases.

What is included?

- ✓ Transport, meals and accommodation: all details are outlined in the individual Trip Notes.
- ✓ Explore Tour Leader: the services of an Explore Tour Leader are included on nearly all trips. In most cases they will accompany you for the full duration of the trip. On some trips a local representative may be provided instead (this will be outlined in the individual Trip Notes).
- ✓ Local crew: as well as drivers and local guides, interpreters, cooks, helpers and porters may be provided on some trips (details will be outlined in the individual Trip Notes).
- ✓ Bike hire is included on all cycling trips. Your included bike will be the correct frame size for your height. All bikes have a maximum rider's weight limit which varies but is usually around 120kg. Should you exceed this weight you must mention this to us at the time of booking to enable us to try to source a suitable alternative. E-Bikes can be hired (subject to availability) on some trips for an additional charge. See Trip Notes for details.
- ✓ Activities, equipment, sightseeing and visits: please see individual Trip Notes for details.

Transfers

We are pleased to be able to offer airport transfers on the majority of our tours, for customers arriving and departing on the trip's start and end dates, providing you provide your flight details to us no later than 30 days before you travel and keep us updated with any changes. Please refer to your Trip Notes or joining information for further details and visit www.exploreworldwide.com.au/transfers or www.exploreworldwide.co.nz/transfers.

Parental responsibility on Family Adventures

Please note that Explore Tour Leaders are not expected to be child-minders. Parents and guardians booking on Explore Family Adventures agree to take full responsibility for any children travelling with them at all times. Any child under the age of 16 wishing to participate in the activities can do so only with the full consent of their parent or guardian.

What's not included?

The price of the trip does not include: visa fees, vaccination charges, passport costs, international departure taxes, insurance premiums, excess baggage charges, optional trips and excursions, hotel porters or meals (other than those we list as included). We also do not include items of a personal nature such as laundry, room service charges, drinks or phone calls. Tipping isn't included, nor is it compulsory, however it is customary to tip drivers, local crew and Tour Leaders who have done a good job. If you book on a trip only basis we do not include flights from Australia or New Zealand or departure taxes.

Accommodation grades

We know that finding the right place to stay is just as important as the destination and activities. All our accommodation is carefully chosen for location and character. Countries have varying standards and on some holidays a range of grades are used.

Simple

Our simple properties might be a guesthouse, lodge, boat, overnight train or camp with limited amenities. Sleeping arrangements will be simple; sometimes with en suite facilities but sometimes with shared bathroom facilities. Our simple category of accommodation includes characterful places where you'll be in touch with the local way of life.

Comfortable

The majority of our accommodation is in the comfortable category. These properties are often locally-owned hotels, lodges and guesthouses. You can expect a good level of service, and sometimes other amenities like a restaurant, bar, garden or swimming pool. Star ratings vary widely from one country to the next, but our comfortable accommodation grade is usually equivalent to three star.

Premium

Our premium accommodation has been chosen for its excellent facilities and a higher level of comfort, but in some cases also for its character, location or local importance. Our hotels and lodges in this category are usually equivalent to four or five star standard.

Single rooms

Most trips are based on customers sharing twin-bedded rooms. If you book a group trip as an individual, you will share a room with someone of the same sex. On rare occasions mixed sex rooms may be necessary. If applicable, this will be stated on the relevant Trip Notes. However, on many trips we offer the opportunity to pay a supplement to pre-book a single room. On some of these trips a single room will be provided every night, on others it will be provided on some nights, but for logistical reasons not all. Individual Trip Notes clarify this. Please note that on rare occasions it may be necessary for customers in single rooms to share bathroom facilities. Please note that due to the nature of the accommodation we use, the single room supplement will guarantee you sole occupancy of the room, however single rooms may differ in configuration and may be smaller than a standard twin/double room.

Rooming arrangements on Family Adventures

We will room your family in the most appropriate way using a mixture of twin, triple, double and single rooms as necessary. Please note that sometimes a triple room may be a twin room with an additional bed added. We will leave it to you to decide who shares with whom in your family group. We will do our very best to give you rooms close to each other but we can't promise this. In exceptional cases, where accommodation is limited, for example on boat-based trips, one or more of you may need to share with members of another family.

Preparing for your holiday

Travelling to far-flung corners of the earth involves adapting to living conditions that are often very different from your own. Please be prepared for unusual situations, local differences and unpredictable events. The very nature of adventure holidays means your most enjoyable moments are likely to come from the unexpected. You need to be sure you are happy to swap luxury for experience when joining an Explore trip. If you are someone who prefers things to go as planned and enjoys some pampering along the way, then maybe think twice about an adventure holiday. You should also be aware that some countries around the world have security problems. Unsavory characters are likely to be active in big cities and street markets and certain areas may be considered 'out-of-bounds' for tourists. However, most crime is opportunistic. Using your common sense will reduce the risks. Unfortunately, no destination can be guaranteed to be safe from terrorism. We constantly monitor the political situation in the regions we visit and will re-route or cancel a trip if we feel it is necessary. Whilst we endeavour to provide as much information as possible in our brochure and individual Trip Notes regarding the areas our trips travel to, we would always recommend that you undertake some background research about the places you will be visiting and the type of climate and local conditions you can expect in order to get the most from your holiday.

Travel advice

The Australian and New Zealand Governments both provide information about overseas destinations. We strongly recommend that you read their comments about the country you are planning to visit, both when you book and again just before you leave. The information can be found here: Australian citizens: <https://www.smarttraveller.gov.au/destinations>
New Zealand citizens: <https://www.safetravel.govt.nz/travel-advisories>

The UK's Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office Travel Advice Unit provides detailed information about your destination. We strongly recommend that you read their comments about the country you are planning to visit, both when you book and again just before you leave, and that you sign up to the travel alert service. For the UK, the FCDO alert service can be found here: www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/email-signup.

We monitor UK FCDO travel warnings and advice, and based on them, may cancel trips before departure, or re-route or make other changes to trips operating in or throughout the country concerned. Any decision we take about whether to operate or cancel a trip or make other changes will always be in the interests of your safety and security. We will make these decisions at least four weeks before departure, unless we believe that local conditions will improve before the start of the trip.

Travel insurance and pre-existing medical conditions

You must have valid travel insurance. You will need to confirm to your Explore Tour Leader that you are covered by a travel insurance policy at the start of the trip. Please ensure that your documentation shows you as the named policyholder and that the cover is valid for the entire period of travel. It must also indicate that you have cover for (at least) Medical Expenses and Emergency Repatriation in the event of illness or injury. Please ensure that a 24 hour contact telephone number for your Insurance Company is written on your documentation in case of an emergency. If you are unable to provide this information at the start of the trip you will not be able to continue with us unless you purchase a suitable insurance policy.

If you, your travelling companions, or anyone upon whom your travel depends (such as a friend or family member) have a pre-existing medical condition, you must disclose this to your travel insurer's medical screening helpline when you purchase your insurance policy. Failure to do so may result in your claim being declined. Please ensure that you receive written confirmation from them that the condition is covered. You must take this written confirmation with you on the trip, in addition to the insurance policy itself. If you don't, you may not have appropriate cover. We reserve the right to cancel your booking at any point if you do not fully insure your pre-existing medical condition. Please also tell us about any pre-existing medical conditions at the time of booking.

Changes to flight information

We strongly recommend that you do not purchase non-flexible, non-refundable connecting rail, air or bus tickets, as they usually incur cancellation or penalty charges in the event of a change to the departure time or date.

Aircraft weight restrictions

For the purposes of flight safety, it is essential that you adhere to the luggage weight restrictions imposed by the airline you are flying with, particularly when flying on internal flights on smaller aircraft.

Trip only packages

Our trip only packages start and finish at the designated overseas joining and ending point. Trip only packages do not include any connecting flights to or from the joining or ending point. If you are planning to book a trip only package on one of our trips, then we strongly recommend that you only purchase flights/train/bus tickets that are totally flexible and refundable. This is because by their very nature, adventure holiday itineraries can change and it's important that you're able to amend your connecting travel arrangements should the need arise. In the event of a trip being cancelled, it is important that you are able to get a refund if you no longer wish to use the associated flight, bus or train. We regret that we cannot accept liability for any connecting travel arrangements that you make (including any cancellation or amendment charges) in the event of any change to, or cancellation of, our trip; or for any other reason that makes you unable to use your booked travel arrangements.

Consumer peace of mind

We've been named a Platinum Trusted Service Award Winner. These awards are based purely on independently moderated feedback from customers via Feefo. It shows that we're delivering time and again for our customers, placing customer service at the heart of what we do.



We're proud that Explore is now a Certified B Corporation. As a Certified B Corp in the travel industry, we're counted among businesses that are leading a global movement for an inclusive, equitable and regenerative economy.

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The information contained in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material is believed correct to the best of our knowledge at the time of printing or publication. However, errors may occasionally occur and information may subsequently change. You must therefore ensure you check all details of your chosen trip (including the price) with us or your travel agent at the time of booking.

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Passport, Visa and Entry Requirements

Passport information

Please note it is your responsibility to ensure you have the correct, current information in good time before departure and that you act on it. Please ensure that you are in possession of a full passport, with the correct validity and appropriate number of blank pages for your chosen destination. Please note that passport information is subject to change at any time.

Visas

It is your responsibility to ensure you have the correct visas required for all countries that you will enter or pass through on your trip. Many countries require a visa to be obtained before travel or on arrival. If required, visas can be obtained through a Visa Service or the relevant Embassy or Consular Office.

General Note

Some countries refuse admission to travellers not meeting their accepted standards of dress or appearance (even if they hold a visa). Entry may also be refused to some countries if your passport bears stamps or visas (valid or expired) from certain countries. Please bear this in mind when booking/travelling to these destinations as it can negatively impact your future travel plans. Further information can be found on our Trip Notes where applicable.

Vaccinations

It is your responsibility to ensure you have the correct vaccinations required for all countries that you will visit on your trip. Explore Trip Notes detail the recommended vaccinations for each trip but you must consult with your doctor or a travel health clinic to ensure you have the most up to date advice. Please note that some inoculation programmes require multiple injections, administered four weeks apart. You should leave plenty of time for this. As a general rule, please note that health requirements and recommendations may change and you must check the current requirements in good time before departure.

Under 18 immigration guidance

Please note that some countries require proof of parental consent when travelling overseas with under 18s. Please check requirements with the relevant embassy or consular office well in advance of travel if this applies to your party.

Lone parents travelling with children

Single parents or other adults travelling alone with children should be aware that some countries require documentary evidence of parental responsibility before allowing lone parents to enter the country or, in some cases, before permitting the children to leave the country. For further information on exactly what will be required at immigration please contact the consulate of your destination country.



Your Privacy

Explore takes your privacy extremely seriously. We are committed to doing everything we can to protect any personal information provided to us when you enquire about or book a holiday or another travel service with us, when you visit our website, or when you engage with us by other means. This equally applies if someone else makes arrangements on your behalf.

For full details of what, why and how we collect and use your personal information, how we protect it and how you can contact us, see our online Privacy Centre at www.exploreworldwide.com.au/privacy or www.exploreworldwide.com.nz/privacy

If you handle the arrangements for other travellers, please ensure they are aware of the information contained within our Privacy Centre and they consent to you acting on their behalf in your dealings with us.

To enable us to make holiday arrangements for you, we may ask you to provide information such as:

- your name, gender, date of birth, contact details;
- your preferred rooming arrangements and other special requests (including special categories of personal data such as dietary requirements, which may disclose health matters or your religious or philosophical beliefs, and information about any disability or medical condition which may affect the chosen holiday arrangements.);
- the name and telephone number of an emergency contact person (whom we will only contact in urgent circumstances while you are away);
- your passport and travel insurance details;
- details of your payment card or your bank account (this information is processed using a third party payment services provider and is not stored by us).

When you call us or correspond with us about your booking, we may record the call for training and quality control purposes and/or keep information on why you contacted us, and the advice we gave you.

On your return from holiday we email or post a satisfaction questionnaire to you. This gives us specific feedback on any issue you may have experienced, and statistical data we can amalgamate in order to monitor the quality of our holidays. We may share your holiday feedback with third party review companies.

We will need to share your data with third party service providers, used in the delivery of your purchased holiday arrangements, some of which may be based outside the EEA. These providers include accommodation, restaurants and transport providers; local ground partners and agents, where we use them; equipment hire operators, including our cycling partners and guides, tutors and local attractions where booked on your behalf.

We keep the information related to your booking for a period which enables us to handle or respond to any complaints or queries and to fulfil our obligations to our third party suppliers who provided your holiday arrangements. The information may also be retained so that we can continue to improve your experience with us while you engage with and purchase from us. By law we have to keep basic information about our customers for legal and tax purposes for up to 7 years after they cease being customers.

If you fail to provide personal information

Should you fail to provide data required either by law, or necessary to provide your chosen travel arrangements, we will not be able to provide the services you have booked or are attempting to book. This may result in Explore being unable to process your booking and being forced to cancel the booking. In this case, we will treat this as a 'cancellation by you' in accordance with the relevant Booking Terms & Conditions and notify you accordingly.

Marketing communications

We may use your information to provide you with brochures, newsletters and other communications if you have provided your prior consent or we are permitted under an identified and assessed legitimate interest.

We sell our holidays directly to customers and so sending out brochures and other marketing communications by post from time-to-time is very important to the way we do business. We use data we have collected from bookings, brochure requests and other forms of engagement to decide what marketing information our customers may like to receive, and we have identified this as in our legitimate interest.

We do provide an opportunity to opt-out of this direct marketing during the booking or enquiry process and in subsequent communications, or you may contact us at any time to do so.

We have found over the years that the majority of people welcome these communications and, those who do not are happy to let us know so we can ensure no more are sent.

If you ask us to stop sending marketing information, you may continue to receive communications for up to 4 weeks after your requested change while our systems are fully updated.

Images

From time-to-time, our staff, customers and suppliers may take photographs and video footage of trips in progress, including photos and video footage of our customers. You will be invited to sign a model release form to consent to this. These images may be used in future marketing materials and stored physically and digitally. If you do not wish to be filmed or for your pictures to be taken or used in this manner, please advise your Explore Leader and/or the photographer at the start of your trip.

Website use

In order for us to provide you with the optimum service, we use 'Cookies' on our website. Cookies are small text files sent to your computer when you access our site. Cookies used on our site are anonymous and contain no personal information, but do identify your computer so that you can navigate our site more easily and our website can remember your preferences. For more information about what cookies we use and how to manage them please refer to our Cookie Policy at www.exploreworldwide.com.au/privacy/cookies or www.exploreworldwide.com.nz/privacy/cookies.

Contact us

It is important that the personal data we hold about you is accurate and current. Please keep us informed if any of the details you provide to us should change during the course of your relationship with us.

If you need further assistance, would like to make a comment or update your marketing preferences, you can contact us:

- By email: Dataprivacy@explore.co.uk
- By mail to Data Privacy Manager, Explore, Nelson House, 55 Victoria Road, Farnborough, Hampshire, GU14 7PA, UK.

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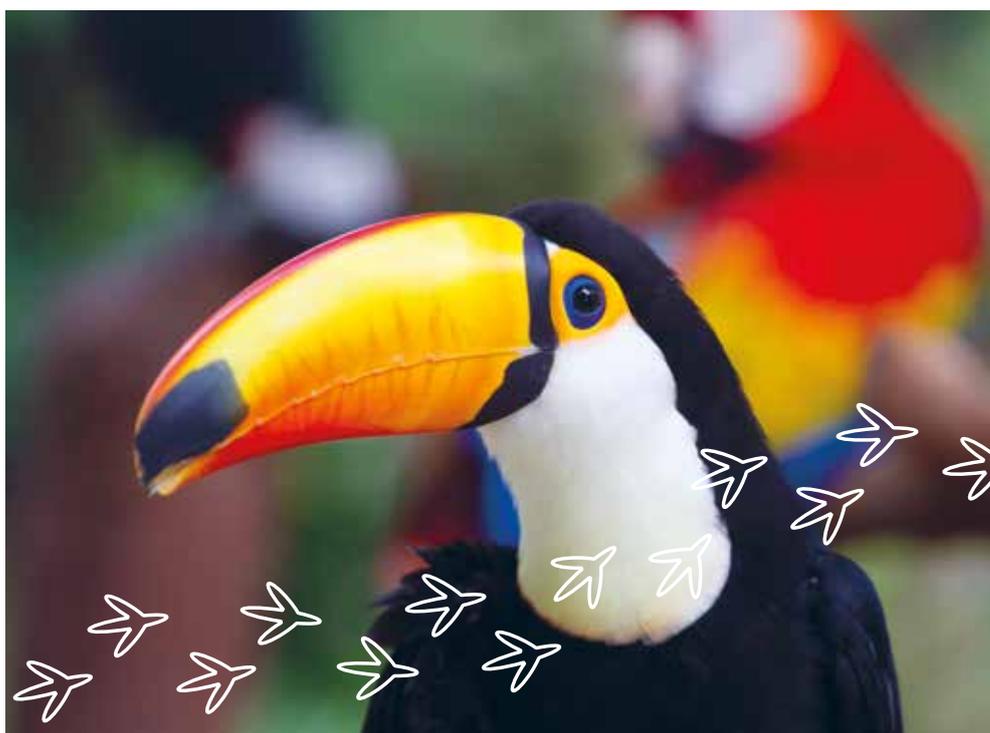
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