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# Reasons to unlock the world right now. Tour *Differently*.

### "This year we celebrate 75 years, and we're proud to continue to unlock the world for you like only we can"

This year, Trafalgar celebrates turning 75 years young. Throughout the decades, we've pioneered local experiences and paved the way for new destinations... and we're only at the beginning of our journey.

That's why it makes me exceptionally proud to share that alongside our existing suite of beloved itineraries, we're continuing to evolve and innovate our vacation options around the world, just as we always have.

**New destinations** to evolve and grow our product, including bringing back magnificent Colombia, with experiences to bring the richness and vibrancy of this country to life.

**Active & Hiking** vacations, designed for travelers looking for a higher level of physical activity with all the inclusions our guests know and love.

**Culture & Heritage** based itineraries for an immersive exploration of Indigenous & African American history past and present, impossible to find elsewhere.

**Limited Edition Mercedes-Benz® Sprinter van vacations for 8-17 guests,** exploring places you've always dreamed of, or some you may have never even heard of.

As part of The Travel Corporation with a century of expertise, 40 award winning brands including Uniworld Boutique River Cruises, Red Carnation Hotels and Luxury Gold Vacations, travel knowing we have the experience and know how to adapt to change while ensuring your vacation is always stress free.

And on all of our itineraries we're proud to be your champions of local. From small familyrun hotels, to the passionate keepers of cultures and traditions, to those who provide hospitality, be it through food, wine or song, we craft memorable encounters you'll cherish for years to come.

It's with all this in mind that I'm proud to share 25 reasons to travel right now, and, how as the leaders in travel we make it easy for you to just... go.

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# The best of the world unlocked for *you*.

300+ vacations | 70+ countries | 7 continents

#### ALASKA

#### Europe & Britain

With more itineraries, deep local connections and 75 years of travels in Europe & Britain, a vacation with us will be Simply the Best. NORWA

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USA & Canada Embrace adventure closer to home. Enjoy a range of vacations including

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Enjoy a range of vacations including Active trips, Family Fun vacations, Mercedes-Benz® Sprinter van trips, and National Park adventures, all in the best possible hands.

USA | Canada | Hawaii

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#### **Latin America**

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Feel Latin America's powerful allure through captivating encounters with people and mind-blowing landscapes, all with our team by your side.

Brazil | Peru | Argentina | Chile Costa Rica | Colombia | Patagonia Ecuador | Galapagos

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#### Asia

Get a true understanding of these countries that seamlessly juxtapose old and new as you fall in love with them in ways you never thought possible.

> Japan | Vietnam | China Cambodia | Thailand | Malaysia Singapore | India

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AUSTRALIA

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#### **Africa**

Through our company's South African roots, we'll connect you to remarkable wildlife and give you access to the can't-miss places you couldn't experience on your own.

South Africa | Namibia | Kenya | Tanzania Zimbabwe | Botswana | Eswatini

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#### Australia & New Zealand

CHINA

AILAND

CAMBOD

ALAYSIA SINGAPORE HONG KONG

Alongside our sister brand AAT Kings, Down Under specialists, there's no better way to unlock the very best of both countries, packed with adventure.

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Vacations are a time to leave stress behind. You don't want the worries of research, maps, entry times, lining up for tickets and waiting to check in. With Trafalgar, you won't have them - just relax and enjoy.

# Planned to perfection

Your trip has been carefully crafted by seasoned experts who know where to go and when, meaning you will enjoy itineraries that guarantee you make the most of every precious day. Our on-road team are passionate about the places they take you and will introduce you to the people who live there that make each place so unique. They have the insider know how that unlocks doors, whether it be a great museum or iconic site (without having to line up), or the intimate home of a colorful local.

#### Unlocking the best in ease



#### **Stress-free travel**

Explore without worry, hassle or planning. With our Team looking out for your best interests, always - all tickets, accommodations, reservations and transportation is sorted and handled for you in advance. The result? You'll feel like a VIP with your mind free to focus on having fun, being in the moment and enjoying what each day brings.

"Our family trip was amazing, from our guide, to our drivers, hotels and meals. Every detail was taken care of so we were able to relax and enjoy our experience!"

**M. Luchetta** Highlights of Peru

# The right transport for the best experience

We mix up our ways to travel around the world, with trains, included internal flights and transfers, cruise boats as well as our luxury motor coaches and luxury Sprinter vans. Best of all, they're included in your price, and booked for the entire group in advance. Look out for these symbols \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ delta on the trip maps in this brochure, and on trafalgar.com.





#### More than a century of experience

Trafalgar is part of The Travel Corporation, a family-owned and run business driven by outstanding service since 1920. Comprised of 40 award-winning brands including Insight Vacations, Contiki, Uniworld Boutique River Cruises and Adventure World Travel, our passion for travel shines through in all we do. Today, Trafalgar is the industry's most awarded company with over 90 awards.



#### No driving, no maps, no arguments!

Navigating the strange streets of foreign countries can be an endurance test that frazzles the best of us. Your Driver knows the way and gets you to your next destination without you needing to worry about a thing. So, have that extra wine or two and relax.

#### 6. Luggage lifted

Luggage is something you only want to see at your hotel door when you arrive at each stay, and then back on the coach when it's time to go. That's what you will experience, with our team doing all the heavy lifting for you.

#### 7. Coach Comfort

Our luxury coaches and custom Mercedes-Benz® Sprinter vans feature plush, comfortable seats, and large windows to take in the views, WiFi, air-con, clean, filtered air and on-board bathroom facilities\*, USB chargers & more. Your team also ensure that the coach is kept clean and sanitized, in line with our protocols and hygiene standards. \*On-board bathrooms are not available on our luxury sprinters.

#### 8. Flexibility & security

Our booking and travel options reflect the flexibility that today's traveler's expect. This includes options to choose new dates and/or destinations should plans change and a range of deposit options depending on your trip and departure dates. Visit trafalgar.com/peaceofmind

# Best in Wellbeing

When you book a guided vacation with us, you'll appreciate travel being a breeze. Explore the destination of your dreams on a journey when your wellbeing comes first.

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#### Global round-the-clock support

Our operations and guest support teams remain in close contact and on-call 24/7 before and throughout your vacation. Should regulations from health and government organizations change at any stage, rest assured our team has the experience, training and readiness to pivot seamlessly behind the scenes at a moments notice.

#### **Elevated hygiene protocols**

We've got you covered. Your Team members are expertly trained to look after your wellbeing on trip, with elevated hygiene protocols adhered to as standard and additional supplies like masks, sanitiser and gloves on-board should you need them. Our coaches are cleaned multiple times daily, have best-in-class hospital grade air filtering systems and we adhere to local recommended protocols.

#### **Plans in place**

Travel knowing our protocols and plans have been developed in line with the World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTC). We proudly wear the WTTC Safe Travels Stamp, and the plans and protocols we have in place, reflect the priority of our guests wellbeing at every step. Read more at trafalgar.com/ travelquestions

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Unlocking the best in wellbeing

"The thought and planning that went behind the scenes by all involved was outstanding. Hotels, accommodation, meals were faultless. Overall everything worked together to make for an outstanding trip unforgettable."

> - **Reg. G,** Majestic Alaska



You can read all about the most up-to-date protcols and standards at trafalgar.com/travelquestions

# Best in **team**

Your on-road team of superstars work together to take care of every logistic and hurdle. Answering questions, and providing reassurance and support, your team ensures you can travel worry free and enjoy Simply the Best experiences in every place.

#### **Your Travel Director**

This legend is the backbone of every trip and a traveler's best friend. Part magician, part scholar and chief storyteller, your Travel Directors are there for your every need along the way as they work behind the scenes to ensure all plans run seamlessly and stress-free. They are also experts in the places they visit, with a knowledge and passion that is commendable – and contagious.

#### **Your Driver**

Not only will our Drivers get you where you need to be, you'll get there on time and as close to the action as is possible. They ensure hygiene standards and protocols on our coaches, and load and unload your bags at your accommodations too. The result? You remain free to enjoy the views, the destination and not the traffic.

#### **Local Specialist Guides**

Your champions of local, you'll appreciate the expertise of our Local Specialist Guides. Fiercely passionate and incredibly proud of their home states, cities, small towns and breathtaking landscapes, you'll unlock the best of each place thanks to their personal lens on the places you visit.

# doing good

Every small choice you make, makes the world a better place. That's why when you travel, you can do your part in making a positive impact. Making conscious travel choices means you are helping to preserve unique places, traditions and customs for future generations, as well as making a difference to the people and places you visit.

#### **Our TreadRight Foundation**

Our Foundation, TreadRight, was formed in 2008 to ensure that our impact on the planet we call home, the people we visit, and the rich wildlife we encounter when traveling, is a positive one. With more than 55 cause-related projects across 26 countries completed or underway, we are focused on protecting our love of travel for future generations.

#### We support United Nations Global Sustainability Development Goals

We have committed to a 5-year How We Tread Right (HWTR) sustainability strategy which focuses on 11 goals tied to the UN Sustainable Development Global Goals. It's our commitment to use the power of responsible travel to make a difference on our trips and in our global offices.

#### MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences

Enrich your travels while supporting the people and places you visit, with at least one experience on every itinerary, all selected to advance the United Nations Global Goals (UNSDGs). Experiences include:

- Learn firsthand from the rangers at Ol Peteja Conservancy about its endangered wildlife and ecosystem conservation efforts, Kenya.
- Meet the female artisans of Iraq Al-Amir, an organisation in women in rural Amman providing employment and skills through pottery and paper making, Jordan.

These are two of the hundreds of feel good travel experiences you'll have with us.

#### **Evolving Our Vacations**

As well as our MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences on all our vacations, we're proud to continue to develop and grow our dedicated Culture & Heritage focused vacations, developed collaboratively with underrepresented communities. Read more about these trips at trafalgar.com

- Southwest Native Trails
- Journey Along the Civil Rights Trail
- National Parks and Native Trails of the Dakotas

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER' EXPERIENCE



# Best in *ways*

Whether you're traveling on your own or with family and friends, we offer more options for the way you want to travel. Book on one of our existing departures however you wish, or design your own custom trip.

## Create your own vacation

For 10+ guests, our team can help design a custom trip bespoke to your group's passions and interests.

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#### **Traveling solo?**

Our vacations attract people from all over the world who are looking to travel with like minded explorers. We make it easy with options to room-share, pay a small single-room supplement and on some departures you'll travel solo supplement free.

#### Traveling with the Family?

We welcome all guests aged 5+ on our vacations\*. On our specific Family Fun focused vacations, these have been crafted specifically for families to connect over shared travel experiences the whole family will enjoy without the hassle of planning.

#### 9+ guests

If you're looking to book for 9 or more guests, secure your seats on our trips and enjoy discounted rates for the entire group booking.

For more ways to go, triple share, family travel savings and more, visit trafalgar.com

# Unlock the best of Afficient

Discover Africa with locals by your side. Trafalgar is part of the Travel Corporation Family of Brands (TTC), South African born and bred in the small village of Paternoster, Western Cape in 1920, and today still 100% owned and operated by the same founding family.

When you travel with us, not only will you get the care, attention to detail and ease you're looking for, you'll feel the love, personal touch and local pride that's been poured into every single experience, for an African vacation that's impossible to find elsewhere.

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# wild, wonderful and always remarkable

9 Itineraries • 4 - 17 Days

#### What's included on every trip

Hotels | Private air-conditioned transport Expert on-road team | Many meals Handcrafted Trafalgar exclusives including Be My Guest local discoveries.

#### The Trafalgar Difference

#### The perfect group size

Each trip is crafted with no more than up to 29 guests so you connect to all the best that Africa has to offer.

#### Safari included

Ticking off your bucket list with a safari included in every trip (excluding Cape Town Explorer).

#### Local know-how

You'll navigate Africa with safety and ease thanks to your on road local team.

#### A family welcome

Trafalgar is family owned and run by a South African family who have an extensive network on the ground waiting to welcome you.

#### Visit trafalgar.com/africa

to discover all our trips, and turn the page to learn more about just a few of the unmissable experiences that await across our itineraries.

#### Unlocking the best experiences

Indulge your senses Bouchard Finlayson winery in the scenic Hemel-en-Aarde valley. Bouchard Finlayson is famous for their award-winning Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, and Sauvignon Blanc. Explore the winery and barrel rooms before savoring six of their local wines and learning the secrets to winemaking. - Bouchard Finlayson, Cape Town.





#### Take in Cape Town from above

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Journey to the top of Cape Town's iconic Table Mountain, via cable car, for postcard-worthy views of Camps Bay, the ocean and Cape Town as your Travel Director points out destinations you'll visit on your city tour. - **Included on all our South Africa trips.** 

#### Explore Namib-Naukluft National Park's dunes and deserts

Explore Namib-Naukluft National Parks towering dunes, red desert, and deep canyons. Gaze up at the mighty red sand dunes of Sossusvlei before viewing the striking Deadvlei pan where white clay and clear blue skies frame dead camel thorn trees. - Included on Namibia Adventure.

### Feast on South African barbeque

Inhale the scent and hear the sizzling sounds of a traditional braai (barbeque) by a professional South African chef at this Be My Guest experience in the coastal, whale-watching town of Hermanus. Connect With Locals as host Stefan shares tales of his fascinating life. - **Included on Essence of South Africa and Cape Town Explorer.** 

"The itinerary was fabulous. We saw lots of South Africa, learned about the local people and had some really lovely inspiring experiences"

> **C.Rider** Best of South Africa



#### Discover endangered species

Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at the OI Pejeta Conservancy, home to two of the last remaining northern white rhinos and a sanctuary for more than 100 critically endangered black rhinos and 30 southern white rhinos. Learn how they fight poaching and have helped to conserve these incredible animals. - Included on Wonders of Kenya.

### The ultimate local welcome in Hermanus

Swinging open the doors to his home, Be My Guest host Stefan shares tales of his life and all things South African over a sizzling braai and wine. Hermanus is the best whale-watching destination in Africa, so keep your eyes peeled as you kick back with a glass of vino. - **Included on Cape Town Explorer.** 

# Immerse yourself in the culture of a South African village

Learn about life in the South African bushveld with a hands-on experience at a traditional Shangaan village. With our guides, learn how they work in harmony with nature at the Eco Academy, which provides education on local wildlife and the ecology. See a traditional dance and join in the fun. Finish up with a flavorful feast of Shangaan specialties. - Included on Essence of South Africa.

#### Meet members of the OvaHimba tribe

Gain a fascinating insight into the lives of the last semi-nomadic people of Namibia, the Himba, whose huntergatherer traditions have spanned thousands of years. - Included on Namibia Adventure.

#### Unlocking the best experiences

#### Live the safari life

Feel like you have your own personal hotel at Becks Safari Lodge in the Karongwe Game Reserve, South Africa. This Stays With Stories Lodge has only ten rooms, friendly staff, world-class chefs, game rangers, authentic African art, and views of lush bushveld and wildlife. - Included on Essence of South Africa.



OvaHimba Tribe

Embark on a Game Drive through the iconic Maasai Mara National Reserve. Track the Big 5 – lions, leopards, elephants, buffalo, and rhinos. Marvel at your guide's talents as they spot wildlife from seemingly impossible distances and get you up close to these majestic animals. - Included on Wonders of Kenya and African Safari Adventure. Turn the page to see our top 4 selling trips or visit trafalgar.com

for all tours



# **Essence of South** Africa

# **African Safari Adventure**



#### O See what happens on trip: #TTSouthAfrica

Bush, beach and two vibrant cities - capture the essence of South Africa on this culmination of a Cape Town to Kruger experience, including Johannesburg, the 'City of Gold'.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Cape Town
- Visit Table Mountain, Bo-Kaap, Cape of Good Hope, Franschhoek, Hermanus, the Karongwe Private Game Reserve, Hector Pieterson Museum in Soweto and the Apartheid Museum in Johannesburg
- View the Castle of Good Hope, Boulder's Beach penguin colony and Mandela House in Soweto

African adventure of a lifetime.

**Your Must-See Highlights** 

• Visit Solio Game Reserve, Lake Nakuru National Park, Lake Naivasha, Maasai Mara National Game Reserve, Lake Victoria, Serengeti National Park, the Ngorongoro Crater, Lake Manyara

National Park and Tarangire National Park

Explore the wilderness of Kenya and Tanzania, crossing the

landscapes where thousands of wildebeest make their brave

pilgrimage. Navigate lakes in search of resting hippo and savor the spicy flavors of Swahili cuisine – all on this East

# Wonders of Kenya

# Best of South Africa

9 Days	1 Country	23 Meals	15 Days	2 Countries	26 Meals
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O See what happens on trip: #TTWondersofKenya

Embark on a journey to the enchanting home of the African safari, fiery savannah sunsets and the colorfully clad Maasai – an epic adventure through Kenya's iconic wilderness.

#### O See what happens on trip: #TTBestofSouthAfrica

Connect with the culture of two countries as you travel from north to south to encounter South Africa's legacy of Mandela and the cosmopolitan spirit of Cape Town.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Visit Aberdare National Park, Samburu National Reserve, Ol Pejeta Conservancy, Lake Nakuru National Park and Maasai Mara National Game Reserve
- View Thomsons Falls in Nyahururu

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Visit Bourke's Luck Potholes, Kruger National Park, eSwatini (formerly Swaziland), Port Elizabeth, Tsitsikamma National Park, Knysna and Table Mountain by Cable Car
- View Blyde River Canyon, God's Window, the Drakensberg mountains and Storms River Mouth
- See South Africa's wildlife and birds on safari

Trip code: AFKS

Trip code: AFSA

# Unlock the best of ASIG

## Where **Ancient** and **modern** perfectly collide

27 Itineraries • 4 -18 Days

#### What's included on every trip

Hotels | Private air-conditioned transport Expert on-road team | Many meals Handcrafted Trafalgar exclusives including Be My Guest local discoveries.

#### The Trafalgar Difference

#### Make a positive impact

There is at least one included community-focused, MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience on every trip, that supports the UN sustainable development goals.

#### The perfect group size

Each trip is crafted with no more than up to 29 guests so you connect to all the best that Asia has to offer.

#### **Included internal flights**

To have you enjoying more for longer, we swap long drive times with included internal flights as needed to ensure you get where you're going faster.

#### Travel with a local

New to the country's language and culture? No worries! Our experienced team is here to support you on your deep dive and discovery.

#### Visit trafalgar.com/asia

to discover all our trips, and turn the page to learn more about just a few of the unmissable experiences that await across our itineraries.

Asia has always been loved for its centuries-old traditions, pristine landscapes and exotic cuisines that overtake your senses. Most importantly, it's the warm, welcoming locals who truly make traveling here so spectacular. Our ongoing support of locals and communities on every itinerary is something we're most proud of – some of the experiences that guests tell us they love most.

Traveling with us means you won't simply travel to Asia, you'll leave with a true understanding of these countries that juxtapose old and new seamlessly as you fall in love with it in ways you never thought possible.

Cruise the waters of Halong Bay Celebrate the rare opportunity to spend the night on Halong Bay and enjoy a full cultural experience including a traditional dinner and a T'ai Chi class on the upper deck in the morning amidst the beauty of Halong Bay. - Included on Vietnam and Cambodia Uncovered.



#### See how Ho Chi Minh lived

See the traditional wooden house where Ho Chi Minh lived, preserved exactly how he left it. This is an opportunity to tread in the footsteps of one of Vietnam's most powerful men and gain a sense of his life and the principles he lived by. - Included on Vietnam and the Temples of Angkor.

#### See a wild ride in Thailand

Experience a market like no other, gasping in awe as the stalls that straddle the Mae Klong railway track are removed with lightning speed and the wheels of the trains whizz by right next to them up to eight times a day. - Included on Saigon and Bangkok Explorer.

#### Experience a traditional Japanese inn

Connect With Locals at this Be My Guest experience as the Nakamura family welcomes you into their home and beautifully landscaped garden. Over a traditional 'kaiseki' multi-course lunch, learn about the home's history and local Japanese customs. - **Included on Splendors of Japan.** 

"As a first trip to the country, I got to experience not just the big cities but the rural and deeply cultural towns and villages that still produce some of Japan's greatest creations (sake, paper making, gold leaf, etc.) The trip was unforgettable and that's all thanks to this program."

> **A. Hillman** Splendors of Japan



#### Marvel at India's silk weavers

Dive Into Culture on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience in a traditional weavers village near Varanasi. Led by a Local Specialist, stroll the village uncovering the centuries-old silk weaving tradition and admire how locals create beautiful fabrics used to make the famous Banarasi silk saris. - **Included on Golden Triangle, Tigers and The Ganges.** 

#### A taste of Thailand

Learn to create delicious Thai recipes to relive your travels back home. Tour a coconut palm sugar plantation, before getting hands on with a local chef, making your own Thai recipes using this popular ingredient.

- Included on Treasures of Thailand

#### Meet the makers at Peak Sneng Village

Immerse yourself in culture and support the local community at this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience spending the morning with Khmer villagers. Visit the local school meeting children who will give you a tour of their village, including a look at how locals make Cambodia's signature hats from palm leaves. - Included on Thailand and Cambodia Uncovered.

### Learn how washi paper is made

Unique to Japan, you'll tour a local washi paper workshop, a centuriesold tradition still thriving today. Observe talented artisans creating traditional paper using local fiber before making your very own. This MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience helps sustain this small business. -**Included on Splendors of Japan**.

#### Feast on flavors of India

Visit the family home of some Jaipur locals, hear their stories as you learn of the history of India from their perspective. Sample local dishes such as daal (lentil curry), laal maans (spicy chilli curry with meat), bati (baked bread with ghee) and phenni (a crispy dessert). - Included on Colors of Rajasthan with Mumbai, plus 3 other trips.





## Enjoy a home cooked meal in Hue

Hear the story of a home once owned by royalty with a family who live in one of the great remaining garden houses of Hue filled with fascinating stories and artifacts. Get a glimpse into their day-to-day lives over a home-cooked lunch of local favorites. - **Included on Highlights of Vietnam.** 

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# **Splendors of** Japan

# Splendors of Japan with Hiroshima

9 Days	1 Country	15 Meals	13 Days	1 Country	23 Meals
from <b>\$4425</b>	Per person, double share Past Guest Rated	i 4.8′⁵ feefo <sup>⇔</sup> ★	from <b>\$6775</b>	Per person, double share Past Guest Rated	4.5′⁵ feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★
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At Kyoto's Fushimi Inari Shrine, climb the extraordinary path lined with hundreds of orange torii gates that snake through the forest up into the mountains above the city. Indulge in a delicious kaiseki lunch at a traditional ryokan and gain an insight into Japanese customs.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- View Mt. Fuji
- Explore Tokyo and Kyoto
- Visit the Sensoji Temple, the Skytree Observation Tower, the Edo Tokyo Museum in Tokyo, Mt. Fuji 5th Station, the Kinkakuji Temple and Fushimi Inari Shrine and Sanjusangen-do Hall in Kyoto
- See the traditional Gassho-zukuri houses in Gokayama and the beautiful gardens of Kenrokuen in Kanazawa

Embrace the timeless tradition and modern spirit of Japan's iconic sites, from the neon skyline of Tokyo to the foodie hotspot of Osaka. Relax in the soothing hot springs of Kotohira, spend the night in a traditional ryokan and contemplate world peace in Hiroshima.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

As per Splendors of Japan plus:

- Explore Tokyo, Kyoto and Hiroshima
- Visit the Water Temple on Awaji Island, Zentsuji Temple, the Itsukushima Shrine on Miyajima Island and the Peace Memorial Park and Museum in Hiroshima and Osaka Castle

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# **Classic Japan**

# **Classic China**



#### O See what happens on trip: #TTClassicJapan

A tale of four iconic cities and two former capitals – your epic journey through Japan blends old and new, with soul-stirring visits to ancient centers and modern cities.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Tokyo, Kyoto, Hiroshima and Osaka
- Visit Sensoji Temple in Tokyo, Mt. Fuji 5<sup>th</sup> Station, Gion District and Kinkakuji Temple in Kyoto, the bamboo groves in Arashiyama, Nara Park and Todaiji Temple in Nara, Peace Memorial Park and Museum in Hiroshima, Itsukushima Shrine on Miyajima Island and Tusyunoten Shrine and Umeda Sky Building in Osaka
- See the Togetsukyo Bridge in Arashiyama
- Scenic Cruise along the Sumida River in Tokyo and the Okawa River in Osaka

Trip code: JPCL

#### O See what happens on trip: #TTClassicChina

Follow in the footsteps of the ancients – up the ornate steps of the Forbidden City and to the ramparts of the Great Wall, snaking its way across the rolling countryside, and through the winding ancient alleys of Beijing's hutongs to learn about Chinese traditions over a home-cooked lunch.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Beijing, Xi'an and Shanghai
- **Visit** Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City, Temple of Heaven, the Great Wall of China, the Sacred Way in Beijing, the Terracotta Warriors in Xi'an and the 'Bund' waterfront and Jinmao Tower in Shanghai
- See local people practicing T'ai Chi in the morning and the Shanghai Acrobats

Trip code: CLC

# Vietnam and the Treasures of **Temples of Angkor** Thailand



#### O See what happens on trip: #TTThailandAngkor

Journey from the beauty of Halong Bay to a spine-tingling encounter with the abandoned capital of Angkor Thom, left to ruin in the depths of the dense Cambodian jungle and revealing stories of a once-powerful Khmer empire whose ancient temples, tombs and shrines were left to rest for centuries.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Hanoi, Hoi An, Hue, Ho Chi Minh City and Siem Reap
- Visit Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, the Temple of Literature in Hanoi, the Imperial Citadel in Hue, the War Remnants Museum in Ho Chi Minh City, the Cu Chi Tunnels, Siem Reap Old Town Market, the temples of Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom, Wat Damnak and Ta Prohm

#### See what happens on trip: #TTTreasuresofThailand

A journey from the colorful streets of Bangkok to the sacred spaces of Chiang Mai. You'll visit the terracotta-colored ancient ruins of Ayutthaya and enjoy a northern Thai-style lunch with a family in their wooden stilt house.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Bangkok and Chiang Mai
- Visit the Grand Palace, the temples of Wat Phra Kaew and Wat Pho in Bangkok, Damnoen Saduak floating market, the ancient city of Ayutthaya and Sukhothai Heritage Park
- View the Bridge over the River Kwai and Hellfire Pass in Kanchanaburi and Wat Mahathat in Ayutthaya

# Golden Triangle and the Tigers of Ranthambore

# Colours of Rajasthan with Mumbai

9 Days	1 Country	17 Meals	15 Days	1 Country	30 Meals
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O See what happens on trip: #TTGoldenTriangleTigers

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Delhi and Jaipur
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- View the Palace of Winds in Jaipur

Trip code: INGT



#### O See what happens on trip: **#TTColoursofRajasthan**

Royalty, romance and the captivating energy of Mumbai are the highlights along this journey across India. From the Golden Triangle to Rajasthan and beyond, delve into legends and legacy.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Delhi, Jaipur, Udaipur and Mumbai
- Visit Jama Masjid, Raj Ghat, Humayun's Tomb, Qutub Minar in Delhi, the Taj Mahal and Agra Fort in Agra, Ranthambore National Park, the Amber Fort and City Palace in Jaipur, the City Palace and Garden of the Maids in Udaipur and Mani Bhavan in Mumbai
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### Experience the best of Patagonia

Within the UNESCO Torres del Paine National Park, this Stays With Stories hotel, Las Torres, immerses you in the magnificent Patagonian wild but in comfort you love. Explore the organic garden, stables and horses as you experience some of the greatest of the great outdoors. - Included on Wonders of Patagonia.

### Get up close to Ballestas islands wildlife

Join a Local Specialist for a firsthand wildlife experience. You'll be enthralled by scenery and animals that call this marine sanctuary home including Humboldt Penguins, pelicans, sea lions, sea otters, and Peruvian boobies, showcasing the incredible diversity of the islands. - Included on Land of the Incas.

#### Sample farm-fresh local fare

Learn how to cook what the locals call Palmito (heart of palm) with charming local growers, Gerardo and Nidia (right), at their welcoming small village home. - **Included on Costa Rica Eco Adventure.** 

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> **M. Cenkus** Highlights of Peru





#### **Sip Chilean wines**

Tour and taste the best of Casablanca Valley wine country with a visit to Veramonte Vineyards. Learn the processes of wine production before sampling their delicious wines and relaxing in their beautiful vineyard over a gourmet three-course, winepaired lunch. - **Included on South America Landscapes.** 

#### Soar above the Nazca Lines

Take to the skies to see the iconic Nazca Lines, archeological enigmas scratched in the ground between 500 B.C. and A.D. 500. Gaze in awe of these massive designs and patterns you can only view from above. - **Included on Land of the Incas.** 

### Explore the tumbling falls of Iguassu National Park

Discover the 'Big Waters' of Iguassu National Park by joining a Local Specialist who guides your exploration of the Brazilian side of this park that spans the border with Argentina. Hike to the cascading falls and feel refreshed in the sprays of water and giant clouds.

- Included on Impressions of South America.

#### Hike iconic Machu Picchu

Soak in every moment at Machu Picchu on a guided hike, stopping at points of interest while your Local Specialist shares their insights. You can also choose to hike to Sun Gate with your Travel Director or explore Machu Picchu on your own before the crowds arrive. - Included on In the Footsteps of the Incas.

#### Adventure across Arenal Park's hanging bridges

Begin your iconic stop at Arenal Volcano National Park with a guided trek around the foothills and through lava rocks before walking the Arenal hanging bridges. Cross 15 bridges, six of them hanging, scoping for sloths, spider monkeys, and birds in the treetops. - **Included on Monkey's Jungles and Volcanoes.** 

#### **Colorful Cartagena**

Join a local for a walking tour through the city's historic center and landmarks. Stroll cobblestone streets past pastel-colored colonial architecture and flower-filled balconies to the soundtrack of the city's buskers, ending the day with a gourmet feast of local dishes with a modern twist. -**Included on Best of Colombia.** 





# Costa Rica Eco Adventure

# **Highlights of Peru**



#### O See what happens on trip: #TTCostaRica

Glide through tree-lined waterways and relax in thermal pools, sample chocolate made from the world's best cacao, and journey back in time with a native Quaker in Old Town Monteverde. Your Costa Rica tour captures the natural highlights of this biodiverse country.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Visit Tortuguero National Park, Sarapiqui, Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve
- View Arenal Volcano



You're in for an adventure on this Peruvian tour exploring Inca treasures, wild landscapes, and ancient legends, all topped off with the opportunity to sample classic Peruvian pisco sour. Step back in time at Machu Picchu, get lost in the heady buzz of a local market in Lima and discover textile art from a Quechua scholar.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Lima and Cusco with a Local Specialist
- Visit the outdoor market at Pisac, the ruins at Ollantaytambo, two visits to the 15<sup>th</sup> century fortress of Machu Picchu, historic Sacsayhuaman and the Larco Museum in Lima
- Scenic Train Ride to Machu Picchu aboard the Vistadome train

# Land of the Incas

# Wonders of Patagonia

11 Days



#### See what happens on trip: #TTINCAS

On your Peru tour, you'll learn all about Incan history at Machu Picchu, Ollantaytambo, and Sacsayhuaman. Travel by private boat to UNESCO-listed Taquile Island and by private plane above the Lines and Geoglyphs of Nazca, with another highlight being your guided visit to the Ballestas Islands teeming with penguins, blue-footed boobies, whales, and sea lions.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Lima and Cusco with a Local Specialist
- Visit the outdoor market at Pisac, Ollantaytambo, two visits to Machu Picchu, Sacsayhuaman, the Uros Islands and Lake Titicaca
- See the other-wordly Nazca Lines from the air
- Scenic Cruise around Lake Titicaca and the Ballestas Islands

Trip code: LLIA



2 Countries

21 Meals

#### O See what happens on trip: #TTPatagonia

Travel to the ends of the earth, from the flamboyant capital of Buenos Aires to the land of giants, roaming solitary steppes, the rugged Andes, and glacial lakes. Insider experiences including dinner with a Buenos Aires family and Patagonian cowboy cultural visit in Torres Del Paine enrich your Patagonia tour.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Visit Tierra del Fuego, Los Glaciares, Torres del Paine and Bernardo O'Higgins National Parks
- View the Balmaceda Glacier and Serrano Glacier
- Scenic Cruise upon a boat ride up the Rio Serrano toward the Serrano Glacier
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trip while passing panoramic views of the Teton Range. If you're lucky, you might even spot a grizzly bear or moose grazing on the river bank. - Included on Five Epic National Parks

#### Meet Jasper's Warrior Women

Be invited onto traditional First Nations land to meet the talented Matricia, singer, songwriter, musician and artist. Learn about flora and fauna and how to make traditional foraged bitters while hearing firsthand her passion and advocacy for First Nations culture. End the experience with cocktails, dinner and a drumming performance by Matrica's collective, Warrior Women. - Included on Iconic Rockies and Western Canada.

#### Feed the soul with the Carlton Reese Choir

Experience the spirituality and importance of song and music in the African American community. Hear about the origins of gospel music and 'freedom songs' that greeted Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on his visits around Alabama. - Included on Journey along the Civil Rights Trail.

#### Eat like a Portland local

Famed the world over for its creative cuisines, taste your way around the city's Pearl District's hidden kitchens on this walking tour with a resident foodie. With your belly full, you'll finish the tour with an insight into Portland's foodie history and international influence. -**Included on Scenic Seattle, Portland and Oregon Coast.** 

#### View the Oregon coast by water

Board a Marine Discovery tour boat to see nature at its finest - from spectacular scenic coastline views to playing porpoises, hovering eagles and maybe even a whale! **-Included on Scenic Seattle, Portland and Oregon Coast.** 

#### Marvel at lava in ancient caves

Admire the shapes and colors carved by waves of molten rock more than 500 years ago at the UNESCO-listed Hawaii Volcanoes National Park - **Included on Hawaiian Explorer.** 



Hawaii Volcanoes National Park





# Visit the birthplace of country music

Visit Nashville's iconic Studio B where more than 35,000 legendary songs by the likes of Dolly Parton and Elvis Presley were recorded. Next up, the Country Music Hall of Fame for a tour and pinch yourself moment. Experience the life and music of Johnny Cash during a private performance of original songs by one of his family members. – **Included on Tastes and Sounds of the South.** 

# Marvel at Maligne Lake by land and sea

Start the day wining, dining and admiring the views at the magnificent Maligne Lake Chalet. Then board a boat to explore remote Spirit Island and its incredible Maligne Canyon steeped in Indigenous history and spirituality. - Included on Spectacular Canadian Rockies.

# Enjoy rustic cabin comfort in outback Aspen

Go off the beaten path on a Jeep ride through the spectacular Snowmass Mountain wilderness to arrive at the historic Burlingame Cabin. Relax in comfort with a campside meal, music and famous Coloradoan hospitality. - Included on Welcome to Colorado.

#### Hear stories of Yosemite's climbing past

A hub for adventurers from around the world, meet a Yosemite naturalist who'll share the dynamic history of climbing in the park. A fascinating encounter, you'll be enthralled by photographs, old and new climbing gear and stories.

– Included on California's High Country Adventure, California's Great National Parks.

#### Fall in love with the North Woods in Fall

View the summit of Mt. Washington, known for its weather conditions and spectacular foliage, then travel down to view the wilderness that thrives despite the elements, all washed in a kaleidoscope of breath-taking fall color. - Included on Autumn Colors.

#### An insider look at Allan Houser Sculpture Garden

Known for his magnificent sculptures and paintings depicting Indigenous tribes, visit the namesake garden of Allan Houser. Take a private tour of this 50-acre property and learn about the life of this fascinating Native American artist surrounded by some of his most famous works. - Included on Colorful Trails of the Southwest & Southwest Native Trails.





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# Australia

#### Farm-to-fork feasting

You'll get an understanding of rural Tasmanian living as farmer Guy shares his story at his home, Mount Gnomon Farm. At Guy's free-range farm, you'll wander through fields, apple trees, a veggie patch and fragrant garden, topped off with the main event, a home cooked meal washed down with his own Mount Gnomon Cider. - Included on Perfect Tasmania; Tassie's Parks and Nature.

#### Set sail on the reef

Feel like a captain for the day on a Whitsundays catamaran cruise. Explore the colorful marine life before easing in for a snorkel to discover the world's largest coral reef up close. Top off the day with lunch and learn about the natural significance of this UNESCO World Heritage listed site from your guide under the warm Queensland sun. - Included on Australia & New Zealand Panorama, Wonders of Australia

#### Take a dip

You'll be rewarded by a refreshing splash in the natural plunge pools

of Florence Falls. Perfect for lovers of nature, you'll learn all about the significance of this area of the Northern Territory from your Travel Director. Relax and unwind before refueling with a delicious picnic lunch. - **Included on Outback Adventure; Outback Safari.** 

#### Sip and savor

You'll love this palate-pleasing stop at City Winery with winemaker Dave. Take part in a wine pairing workshop then put your knowledge into practice over a tasty wine and food masterclass featuring six dishes paired with their artisan, small-batch, handmade wines. - Included on Wonders of Australia and New Zealand; Wonders of Australia.

#### Stay in scenic Strahan

Home to platypus, wallabies, little penguins, and Tasmanian Devils, the Strahan Village Hotel is perfect for wildlife lovers. If you prefer not to venture out, simply watch fisherman emptying their nets along the waterfront of this charming fishing port. - Included on Perfect Tasmania; Tassie Getaway.

#### Hop to it on Kangaroo Island

Australia's third-largest island and sanctuary for 18 native mammals, you'll delight at your visit to 'KI,'. From native bushland to pristine beaches, you'll love the island's natural beauty and artisanal food scene. Visit the island's only boutique brewery and learn about their history from the team before sampling their handcrafted drops. Later, end the day at Aurora Ozone Hotel for a seafood feast. Perched on the stunning Kingscote seafront, you may even spot a seal or two lounging on the jetty. - **Included on Tastes of Southern Australia; Great Ocean Road and Kangaroo Island.** 

"We saw so much & each day was more spectacular than the last!"

> **K. Soltys** Highlights of Australia & New Zealand

#### Get V.I.P. at the Opera House

Join an expert to tour unseen vantage points and learn what makes the Opera House a great icon of the world. Entering from the stage door, you'll learn fun facts, history, and stories of this worldfamous building while seeing places usually off limits to the general public. - Included on Wonders of Australia and New Zealand; Australian Highlights.





#### **Hello, Hobbiton**

Get ready for a much-anticipated trip to the movie set of the now iconic The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit Trilogies. Upon arrival you'll have breakfast at a movie site, feeling as though you're right there in the film, before you set off on a guided tour through the 12-acre set. Whether or not you're a Hobbit fan or not, this tour among rolling green hills and lush landscape will be a delight for all travelers. - Included on Contrasts of Australia and New Zealand; Contrasts of New Zealand.

#### **Racing Royalty**

After a distinguished career as a famous racing jockey, Lance O'Sullivan and his wife Bridgette settled in the North Island's Waikato region and opened their gorgeous Red Barn for others to learn about life in rural NZ. Hear Lance's story, meet their farm animals and churn your own butter which you'll devour alongside a delicious family-style lunch. - Included on New Zealand Uncovered; Iconic North.

#### **The Kiwi Capital**

Taste New Zealand's most beloved fruit, the Kiwi, at a farm in Te Puke, the kiwifruit capital. Learn from Gavin & Amanda Fleming, local producers whose family have been growing the zesty fruit on the farm for generations. Gain an understanding of the delicate nature of fruit farming in this part of the world. - Included on Iconic North; New Zealand Uncovered.

#### **Mind blowing Milford Sound**

Towering cliffs surrounding you and a glass-like lake ahead, there's a reason why Milford Sound sits at the top of 'must-do's' in New Zealand. Make sure you have your camera or phone charged for plenty of photos, today will be a day where you'll appreciate why the locals call New Zealand 'Godzone'. - Included on Highlights of Australia and New Zealand; Southern Spectacular.



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#### Make macaroni with Mama

Visit the village of Castiglione di Sicilia to walk through its tiny streets before Connecting With Locals watching how homemade macaroni is made by hand. Then roll up your sleeves to make this local delicacy yourself before enjoying a simple but delicious Sicilian meal. -**Included on Colors of Sicily**.

#### Live the royal life

Feel like a British aristocrat when you enter the Great Hall of Longleat House. Step back into 450 years of fascinating British tradition in one of England's best examples of Elizabethan architecture before wandering formal gardens, a maze, and even the Secret Garden. - Included on Best of Devon & Cornwall.

#### Say 'opa!' in Greece

Share a meal with the Karambellas family on their olive and wine farm to learn how olive oil is made. This firsthand encounter with Greek cuisine and culture with a local family is a memorable evening featuring ouzo and a lesson in Greek dancing. - **Included on Best of Greece; Secrets of Greece including Corfu.** 

#### Taste Cider in Spain

You won't forget your first sip at the Castañón family's Cider Mill, where three generations have been perfecting the art of cider production. Witness the famous pouring technique before an 'Espicha' dinner, where cider takes the leading role, accompanying each delicious dish. - **Included on Northern Spain**.



#### Stay overnight on Capri

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#### Sip port in Portugal

Visit Vila Nova de Gaia in the historic city of Porto and enjoy a private tour of one of Portugal's most famous wineries followed by a wine tasting. Learn how to identify the different styles, blends, and vintages in the company of a Porto Cellar Master. - Included on Best of Portugal; Treasures of Spain and Portugal.

#### Scope out the northern lights

Eniov an incredible Stavs With Stories in the signature Aurora Cabins. With their expansive glass roof, if the weather is right, you'll get the best views of the northern lights - feeling immersed in the fairy-tale landscapes of the Arctic. - Included on Scandinavian Northern Lights.

#### Feast on Sweden's farm-totable fare

Travel to Stora Skuggans Värdshus, a guesthouse famous for its commitment to eco-friendly cooking and whole foods. Tour the vegetable gardens before gathering round an open fire to grill your own Koerv med broed, sausage and a bun, and feast on grilled king's lamb. - Included on Capitals of Scandinavia; Capitals of the North.

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